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THE ELECTION OF FRIDAY NEXT, THE R.M.B.I.

FRIDAY next, the 20th instant, is the day fixed for the Annual Special Meeting of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. The number of candidates is a formidable one, especially in the case of the old ladies, while the number of vacancies is unfortunately smaller than we have had for some time past. For the Male Fund there are thirty-seven candidates for thirteen vacancies, while for the Female Fund there are but seven vacancies and as many as sixty-one candidates. As will be seen, however, from the Report we publish elsewhere of the meeting of the Committee, it has been resolved that the number to be elected shall be increased, so that, though there will be several disappointed at the result of Friday's poll, there will be, at all events, fewer than otherwise would have been the case had the Committee not found it possible to enlarge the list of the annuitants. So satisfactory a measure must, of course, be traced to the brilliant result of the Festival in February last, and West Yorkshire in particular, and all who take an interest in the Institution cannot be otherwise than intensely gratified at finding their efforts have been so immediately productive of good.

For the Male Fund there are, as we have said, thirty-seven candidates and thirteen vacancies; eight of them hailing from the Metropolitan district, and twenty-nine from the Provinces. Taking the London first, we find that No. 9, H. Hart Spratt, was initiated in September 1860, in the New Concord, No. 813, and remained a subscribing member for eighteen years. He is a Life Governor of the Benevolent and Girls' School, but, owing to almost total loss of sight, he is unable to follow any occupation, and is wholly dependent for support on his friends. The case would seem to be a strong one, and will doubtless receive the support it merits. No. 10, Solomon Marks, sixty-one years of age, was initiated in the Joppa Lodge, No. 188, as far back as the 2nd February 1852, and has continued a subscribing member for eleven years and a quarter. Through disasters in business, he became very much reduced in circumstances, and not having capital enough to make a fresh start in life, he now finds it necessary to seek the assistance of the Benevolent Fund. Charles James Woods, who stands sixteenth on the list, was initiated in Albion Lodge, No. 9, on the 1st October 1850, and has subscribed for twenty-one and a half years. He is in the sixty-second year of his age, and, "owing to the total decay and destruction of his business, is incapable of obtaining employment in any other occupation." No. 24, Robert Armstrong, was initiated in October 1865, and continued a subscribing member till March of last year. He is imbecile and totally incapable of earning a livelihood, and as he has served the office of Steward for, and is a Life Governor of, the Institution, no doubt he will secure a liberal share of support in his extremity. No. 26, Matthew Cooke, aged fifty-nine years, has been a member of several Lodges, having been initiated in Lodge No. 657, on 18th June 1857, and having subscribed to one or more of them during a period of thirty-five and a half years. He is permanently incapacitated from work, and has no visible means of support. No. 29, Thomas Riley, who is in the eighty-fourth year of his age, having been born in January 1798, was initiated in Lodge No. 193, in December 1845, and subscribed for seven years. He enjoys a pension of fifteen pence per day from the War Office, but he is unable to add anything to his scanty means as he is

afflicted with chronic rheumatism and gout, and also with severe ulcerations of both legs. No. 32, Thomas Maxwell, who will be sixty-two on Monday, was initiated in September 1856, in Lodge No. 488, St. Helena, joined No. 508, Singapore, in 1858, and No. 206, London, in 1860, remaining a subscriber for over six years, and having been an active member of some Lodge for ten years altogether. His age and ill-health have incapacitated him from following any occupation, and consequently he has been obliged to seek the assistance of our Benevolent Fund. No. 36, Charles James Hogg, was born on 28th June 1805, and is, therefore, only a few weeks short of completing his seventy-sixth year. He was initiated in the Felicity, No. 58, in June 1857, and continued a subscribing member till the 9th March 1880. He had also been a subscribing member of No. 1275, New Cross, for eight years and a half. He is a Past Grand Steward, and has served the office of Steward for, and is a Life Governor of, the Benevolent Fund. He has no means of obtaining a livelihood, and even if he had he would be unable to follow it owing to his age and bodily infirmities.

Of the twenty-nine Provincial candidates, West Lancashire and West Yorkshire each sends up five. Three hail from Durham; Cheshire, Cornwall, Northumberland, and Kent contribute each two candidates; while Berks and Bucks, Suffolk, Sussex, Essex, Monmouthshire, N. and E. Yorkshire, Warwickshire and Jersey send up one each. First on the list, Joseph Crisp, was a candidate for the first time last year, but only succeeded in scoring 35 votes. He belongs to Durham, having been initiated in 1861, in a Sunderland Lodge, No. 97, and remained a subscribing member for eighteen years. He is in his sixty-sixth year, is unable to follow any occupation, through sunstroke, and has no one to assist him. No. 2, George Ensell, from Warwickshire, has nine votes to his credit from last May. He first saw light in Lodge No. 43, Birmingham, and was a joining member of Lodge No. 739 of the same town, having paid his subscriptions for ten years and three quarters. He is in very indigent circumstances. Some years ago "he was in trade at Birmingham, but his mind becoming affected," he "was compelled to give up, and at present is permanently incapacitated, and without means of support." The third in order, a West Yorkshire candidate, who brings forward 157 votes, is in his sixty-fifth year, was initiated in No. 204, of Manchester, but resides at Leeds. For the last ten years he has been paralysed in his lower extremities, and thus permanently incapacitated for work, as he cannot move without assistance. John Docchar, who stands next, and obtained seven votes in 1880, is in his seventy-seventh year. He was initiated in No. 240, South Shields, in December 1856, and continued a subscribing member for twenty years. Failing health and infirmities compelled him to relinquish his trade, and he has no means of subsistence. No. 5, Thomas William Beale is a few months short of seventy-six. He was initiated on 1st May 1865, in Lodge No. 977, Fowey, Cornwall, and subscribed for over thirteen years, but is now incapacitated by age and infirmity, and though he has children, they are not in a position to render him any assistance in this the period of his adversity. This is his first attempt at obtaining the benefits of the Institution, as indeed is the case with all but the four candidates at the head of the list. No. 6, William Ford, of Slough, in Bucks, was formerly a farmer and innkeeper, and was initiated in No. 77, Windsor, on 9th February 1864, and subscribed for fifteen years. He has just completed his seventy-first year, and "in consequence of physical inability and infirmity is totally desti-

tude and incapable of following any occupation." No. 7, Jesse Banning, of Cheshire, in his seventy-fourth year, was initiated in No. 343, Preston, in 1865, and remained a subscriber for five years and a half. He joined a Carlisle Lodge in 1869, and continued subscribing to it for nine years, and for three years belonged to a Liverpool Lodge, No. 823. He is a Past Provincial Grand Organist of Cumberland and Westmoreland, but owing to railway accidents, decline of business, and bad health, his general means of livelihood are very precarious. No. 8, Edward Reed, of Morpeth, in Northumberland, was initiated in No. 431, North Shields, in June 1842, and continued a subscribing member for two years and a quarter. In 1859 he joined the Lodge No. 636, Morpeth, and remained a subscribing member till 1879. Though formerly in good circumstances, he is now entirely destitute, besides being very feeble, and suffering from long-continued illness. He is in his seventieth year. No. 11, Alexander Douglas Ross, of Gravesend, was initiated in Lodge No. 77, in that town, in 1854, and the year following joined No. 483, the period during which he subscribed to these two Lodges being altogether forty-seven and a half years. He has been a subscriber to the Benevolent for many years, and is a Life-Governor of the Boys' School. He is now so enfeebled by paralysis as to be unable to follow his occupation. No. 12, Charles Lomax, Cheshire, was initiated in No. 322, Stockport, in 1864, and continued a subscribing member for eleven years and three quarters. He has been a journalist, but is now a complete invalid, unable to maintain himself, and wholly dependent for support on his friends. No. 13 hails from the Province of West Yorkshire, Bro. Abraham Roberts, who is in the eighty-first year of his age. He was initiated in August 1860, and subscribed to his Lodge for nineteen years and a half. He has no means of support, and is quite dependent on charity. Thomas Lampen, No. 14, from Cornwall, was initiated in No. 450, Hayle, in 1859, and remained a subscriber till 31st December 1879. "From advanced age and failing sight," he is unable to follow his occupation, and what makes his circumstances still more painful is, that "his wife is invalided by paralysis." No. 15, Thomas Halliday, of Sunderland, completes the trio of Durham candidates. He has been a member of No. 97, in which he was initiated, and No. 94, of which he became a joining member in 1860, for over twenty-three years, but his health is such that he cannot follow his occupation of a printer any longer, and he is compelled to trust for support to the bounty of his friends. No. 17, William Roberts, a West Yorkshire candidate, is in his seventy-fifth year. He was initiated in 1858, and has remained a subscribing Mason nearly ever since. He is unable to work, having had a paralytic stroke, and is dependent on his daughter for support. John Lockwood, formerly an hotel keeper and farmer, belongs to Suffolk, in which Province he was initiated in 1845. He subscribed for sixteen years and a half, but he cannot procure his own livelihood, owing to failure of sight. Alfred Smith, of Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, was initiated in 1849, and remained an active member of his Lodge for thirty years. Owing to failure of business, he is now in very reduced circumstances, occasional watch repairing being his only means of earning money. James Munn, Kent, was initiated in Dartford, in 1847, and subscribed to his Lodge for sixteen years and a half. He is a Past Grand Deacon of Kent, and is described as "utterly destitute," being unable, from failing health, to maintain himself. John Patterson was initiated in No. 393, Berwick-on-Tweed, and remained a member for twenty-eight years. He is very infirm from rheumatism, and his only means of support is a pension of £6 16s from the Aged Seaman's Fund. Joseph Ward, East Lancashire, is a Mason of over two-and-twenty years' standing, having been initiated in No. 442, Peterborough, in June, 1857. In the course of his occupation as a locomotive engine driver, he met with an accident to his leg, and is now permanently incapacitated from work. Thomas Higson, another East Lancashire candidate, in his sixty-seventh year, is incapable of doing any manual labour, "being afflicted with rheumatism and the infirmities of old age." He was initiated in No. 348, Bolton, in 1853, and remained a subscribing member till December 1879. John Oatley, of St. Heliers, Jersey, was formerly a ship owner. He was initiated in No. 590, in 1863, and a few months later joined No. 958, his subscriptions, taking the two together, extending over a period of thirty-five years. He has been reduced to a state of great necessity by the severe depression in the shipping trade,

"having had everything taken for the benefit of creditors." He is a Past Grand Senior Warden of his Province. Charles Sutcliffe, East Lancashire, formerly a cotton spinner, was initiated in No. 126, Burnley, in 1852, and joined afterwards Lodge No. 1064, the years he was a subscribing member to the two amounting to forty-one and three-quarters. By two disastrous fires, and a long period of unprofitable trade, he has been "reduced from a state of affluence to one of urgent need of assistance." Jas. Hayter, formerly Hotel keeper of Hastings, was initiated in 1858, and continued a subscriber till December 1879. He was formerly in good circumstances, but now has no means of employment, and is entirely dependent on Charity. George Worley, described as a gentleman, was initiated in Lodge No. 360, Northampton, in 1841, as a minor, and paid his subscription till December 1863. He is a Provincial G. Senior Warden of Norths and Hunts, and a Life Governor of all our Institutions. Through serious losses in house property and shares, he has become much reduced, while gout prevents him from following any occupation. Harry A. Darby, in his eighty-second year, was initiated in 1855, in Lodge No. 643, and subscribed to it for fifteen years. He "has no means of keeping himself, none of his family are in a position to assist him, and his advanced age renders him helpless." James Jackson, East Lancashire, was initiated in Lodge No. 816, Wardle, in 1865, and paid fifteen years. He suffers from a paralytic affection, and is permanently incapacitated from earning a livelihood. No. 34 is a West Yorkshire man, William Smith, of Batley, formerly a woollen manufacturer. He was initiated in Lodge No. 380, Morley, in 1850, and has been a subscriber thirty years. He has lost all his money in trade, and his only means of support is by trying to do a little work on commission. He has subscribed annually to the Benevolent Institution ever since he joined the Fraternity. Joseph Burton, Ashton-under-Lyne, who in a few weeks will complete his sixty-ninth year, was initiated in 1861, and subscribed for over eighteen years. He is unable to follow any employment through increasing age and infirmity, and his wife is an invalid. John Middleton, who stands last on the list, hails from Newport, Monmouthshire. He was initiated in No. 297, Lincoln, in 1842, and joined No. 147 of Newport, in 1854, and taking one Lodge with another has been a subscribing member for some forty years. He is a Past Prov. G.D. Lincolnshire, and a Past Prov. G. Warden of Monmouthshire. His only resources consist of a sum of £10 per annum from the Isca Lodge, and some assistance from his daughters, who can ill-afford to help him. He is in his seventy-third year, and is not only poor, but in failing health. This completes the list of the candidates for the Male Fund.

On the Female Fund list, there are sixty-one names, of whom one has been before the subscribers as a candidate at eight previous elections. One is an applicant for the fifth time, six have made three previous attempts, five others have stood twice before, while seven were approved and placed on the roll for ballot in May 1880. The other forty-one are new candidates, having had no previous opportunity. As distributed among the provinces, we find that there are twenty-one from the metropolis, Essex sends five, Devon four, Sussex, Kent, East Lancashire, and Hants and Isle of Wight three each; Warwickshire, Berks and Bucks, and Surrey, two each, and there is one applicant from each of the following:—namely, Durham, North and East Yorkshire, Northumberland, Hereford, Norfolk, Lincolnshire, Somersetshire, Middlesex, Dorsetshire, West Yorkshire, West Lancashire, and Cheshire. No. 1 on the list is Mrs. Elliott, who has standing to her credit from her previous contests, 454 votes. She is in her seventy-eighth year, and has no means of support, being entirely dependent on a son-in-law. She has been a widow nearly one-and-twenty years, her late husband, an auctioneer, of Darlington, in the county of Durham, having subscribed to his Lodge for ten years. Mrs. Wakefield, with 70 votes from four previous ballots, will make her fifth attempt on Friday next. She is in her sixty-fifth year, and is entirely dependent on her children. Her husband, who, was initiated in No. 362, Grantham, having been a subscribing Mason for over thirty-five years. Mrs. Child, who like the preceding applicant, lives in the metropolitan district, is close on sixty-five years of age, her late husband having been initiated in a London Lodge, No. 179, on 18th June 1835. She is both infirm and destitute, and her family are unable to assist her. She has 62 votes to the good from previous elections.

Mrs. George, Manchester, was left, at her husband's death, in 1875, without any means of support. Old age prevents her doing anything for her own maintenance, and she is dependent on a son who is a letter-carrier, an occupation which our readers are well aware is not considered a very remunerative one. There are twenty-one votes to her credit. Mrs. Gambell, of Plymouth, the widow of a sailmaker, in good circumstances, whose means, however, at the time of his death, had been nearly exhausted by losses and failing health, has 83 votes to her credit. Her only means of support is a yearly income of £20, and her husband, who was a Past Prov. Assist. Director of Ceremonies, Devon, subscribed for twenty-four years. Mrs. Francis, of Brightlingsea, Essex, who is in her seventy-third year, and whose husband was a Past Provincial G.S.B. Essex, has been dependent on the charity of friends for help during the whole of her widowhood. She has 157 votes to the good, while the next in order, Mrs. Eade, is still more fortunate, and has to her credit 503 votes. Her late husband, who died in January 1865, was initiated in No. 407, Malta, in 1852, and three years later joined Sincerity Lodge, No. 174. She can do nothing for her own support, as she is afflicted with rheumatism, and is dependent on her eldest daughter, who is a dressmaker. Mrs. Allen is widow of a deceased annuitant, and as such became entitled at her husband's death to a moiety of his annuity. This, however, has now ceased, in accordance with the laws of the Benevolent. Mrs. Allen has 430 votes to her credit. Mrs. Rowell, an applicant for the third time, is also the widow of an annuitant, who died on 1st of April 1878, so that she has the one-half of his annuity, while she also enjoys a small pension of £12 from the Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Institution. Her votes are 134 from last May. Mrs. Isherwood of Middlesborough, with 377 votes, at present holds the situation of housekeeper, but owing to old age and increasing infirmities she will be compelled to resign, and will then be resourceless. Mrs. Winter, widow of an Inspector to the Local Board of Health, Hastings, has for her support a weekly allowance by that Board of eight shillings, not a very large sum for the support of one who must have had many comforts, if not many luxuries, in her time. Mrs. Bentley, a London case, and the widow of an annuitant, has, of course, her £20 per annum for a time, and also £10 10s a year, but her husband died in July 1878, and the allowance will therefore soon cease, if in the meantime she is unsuccessful in getting on to the Fund. Moreover she is in her seventy-ninth year, so that though she has only 43 votes to her credit from previous elections, her friends may rally round her and carry the day. Mrs. Maddick, who is also seventy-eight years of age has but eleven votes to bring forward, and is widow of an annuitant who was initiated in Plymouth in 1845, and paid his subscription for twenty-three and a-half years. Mrs. Martin, the first in order of the second application cases is a London case. Her husband was a gas fitter, but since his death, which occurred in January 1873, she has followed the calling of a domestic servant, but she can do so no longer, owing to age and infirmities. She has standing to her credit 479 votes. Mrs. Gregory, Devonshire, with 22 votes, is unable to follow any occupation, through "chronic inflammation of the eyes having produced cataracts," so that she is entirely dependent on her friends. Mrs. Miller, London, lost her husband, who was an annuitant, in 1879, and for the present is in receipt of half his annuity. He had been a member of the Royal Athelstan, No. 19, for thirty-four years. Mrs. Mongar, another London case, and the wife of another annuitant, has 454 votes—Mrs. Miller has 415; Mrs. Laffittau has 404 votes to bring forward, which is satisfactory, as from the particulars given it is evident she needs help. She is without means of support, and has a daughter dependent on her. Mrs. Wright, with 536 votes, whose husband died twelve years ago, is unprovided for, having only her friends to look to for help. Mrs. Chrisp, who is in her seventy-sixth year, brings forward 127 votes. Her husband was a subscribing member for twenty-nine years, a Past Provincial Grand Registrar Hants and Isle of Wight, and a Life-Governor of the Girls' School. She is dependent on a son, who cannot afford to support her. No. 21 on the list, Mrs. Cherrill, hailing from Berks and Bucks, through rheumatism is unable to work for her maintenance, and has four children dependent on her. Mrs. Coates, Warwickshire, is entirely dependent on her friends. Mrs. Greathead, whose husband, an annuitant, died in January 1880, has of course a moiety

of his annuity towards her support. Mrs. Smith, Hants and Isle of Wight, is incapacitated from work through an affection of the chest, and is totally unprovided for, with three children depending on her. Mrs. Geary, widow of Bro. Geary, an annuitant, has of course half his annuity. She is, by proof, seventy-five years of age, and has the customary £20 per annum for the present. Mrs. Fenning, born March 1806, can do nothing for her living, and is entirely dependent on friends. Mrs. Exley lost her husband in 1879, and found herself with insufficient means of support, and her family unable to help her. Mrs. Copeland, Lincolnshire, is in delicate health, with one daughter dependent on her. Mrs. Pearson, Kent, is dependent on her children. Mrs. Laing has no "means of livelihood," and looks to friends for support. Mrs. Pelton, Kent, has the half of her late husband's annuity, he having died on 15th January 1850. Mrs. Appleby, after realising the effects of her late husband and paying his debts, was left absolutely without means of support. Her husband was a Past Provincial Grand Pursuivant Somersetshire. Mrs. Rigalsford lost her husband, who had been an invalid for many years, in 1881, and has no means of support. Mrs. Hill, Essex, cannot obtain employment on account of the delicacy of her health. Her husband was initiated in a Southampton Lodge, and joined No. 251, Barnstaple, having been a subscribing Mason for nearly one-and-twenty years. Mrs. Grant's husband was an annuitant, and died 18th March 1880, while Mrs. Kidd, whose husband was likewise an annuitant, is no longer in receipt of his half annuity, as he died in July 1877. Mrs. Biles lost her husband as far back as 1860, and cannot obtain a scanty subsistence except by needlework. Mrs. Madeley was left, at the death of her husband in 1865, with a large family, and but little means of support, and with no friends able to assist her. Mrs. Fead-Lamert was left by her husband, late Paymaster 60th Rifles, totally unprovided for, but she has gallantly striven to make a living by teaching. Mrs. Perkin makes what she can in the way of income by letting lodgings. Mrs. Moorhouse is dependent on a delicate daughter for the necessities of life. Mrs. Hambly has kept herself and her children by teaching, friends also rendering her some assistance, but her health has failed and she can work no longer. Mrs. Rumsey, whose husband was a subscribing Mason for thirty-eight years, depends on the rent of two small houses, amounting to seven shillings a week all told. Mrs. Greig depends on her daughter's scanty earnings from a small school. Mrs. Emmerson has no means of support, and is unable to gain a livelihood. Mrs. Thomas is totally unprovided for, while Mrs. Bisco, during her widowhood, has obtained a living by nursing, but her health is now so precarious that she is unable to continue it. Mrs. Cogan receives half her late husband's annuity, and will continue to do so for the present at all events, unless, in the meantime, she should have the good fortune to be elected on the Fund. Mrs. Stubington is unable to work, on account of age, and has no means of support. Mrs. Greenwood has half of the late Bro. Greenwood's annuity. Mrs. Roberts is wholly dependent on two married sons, who allow her each five shillings a week. Mrs. Wilkinson is, owing to age and a delicate constitution, unable to maintain herself. Mrs. Nowlan is dependent on friends. Mrs. Rodgers, aged eighty-two, has no means, and depends for support on her son, who, however, is not in a position to assist her. Mrs. Muruss, in her eightieth year, is unable to work, and her only means of support are three shillings a week from the Hotel Keepers' Institution, and what is left of a grant from the Lodge of Benevolence. Mrs. Wood, since her husband's death, has been eking out a living by tuition, but the establishment of Government schools have interfered with her ability to do so with success. Mrs. Chapple was left destitute at the death of her husband, and is dependent on her two eldest sons, whose circumstances, however, are far from flourishing. Mrs. Buckley is dependent on a son. Mrs. Dover has not even that consolation, as she is totally without means. The position of Mrs. Booth is a similar one, while Mrs. Diver, whose husband, a physician, was Past Deputy District Grand Master of Bombay, and a Life Governor of the Benevolent and Girls' School, through breaking her leg and collar-bone, is incapacitated from work, and entirely dependent on charity. This completes the list, the details of which are necessarily painful. We trust the General Meeting of Friday will find it possible to increase the number to an appreciable extent, so that the number of the disappointed will be reduced very considerably.

MASONIC HISTORY AND HISTORIANS.

BY BRO. JACOB NORTON.

IT is gratifying to perceive that our leading English Masonic writers have at last agreed that the histories of Anderson, Preston, Dermott and Co. are faulty and unreliable. The *Freemason* of March 5th, 26th, April 9th, &c., contains articles on the above subject from the pens of Bros. Hughan, Gould, Masonic Student, and Whytehead. But, while they agree in the necessity of a new history of Freemasonry, they still differ about the value of Masonic traditions. Bros. Hughan and Gould are inclined to reject all traditions which are unsupported by reliable testimony, and Bros. Masonic Student and Whytehead show a decided hankering after the leeks, onions, and garlic of Egypt.

"In dealing with traditions (says Masonic Student), qua traditions, we must be careful and reverential in the handling of them. It is not a case of 'sequitor,' remember, at all, that because traditions are incorrect, therefore they are untrustworthy. It was pointed out years ago, by one of the greatest experts in MSS., that we must bear in mind that there was a 'substratum' of truth in all traditions, if we could find it, and that as all traditions, become incorrect through the lapse of time, or the repetition of men, so while we were not slavishly to accept them, we were not equally as slavishly to reject them *in toto*."

With all due respect to Masonic Student, and to his "experts of MSS.," I cannot believe that there is "a substratum of truth to all traditions;" for instance, there is an Irish tradition that St. Patrick swam across the Shannon, carrying his head in his mouth. Now, suppose Masonic Student does not believe that the saint carried his whole head in his mouth, does he imagine that he carried a half, a quarter, or even a tenth part of his head in his own mouth? Where is the substratum of truth in the said Irish tradition?

"The Reader's Hand Book" by the Rev. E. C. Brewer, contains several versions of the story about the "Wandering Jew." Now, can Bro. Masonic Student say that he believes in either of those versions? or can he point out any substratum of truth in the whole, or in either of them?

A discussion took place in Rome, a few years ago, between really learned and eminent Catholic and Protestant Divines, as to whether St. Peter was ever Bishop of Rome. The Catholic party rested their arguments on a tradition to that effect, that St. Peter was Bishop of Rome, and was crucified there, &c. But the Protestants maintained that whereas the said tradition was not mentioned till about a century after the supposed event, they could therefore neither believe that St. Peter was Bishop of Rome, or that he had ever been in Rome.

Owing to the power claimed by the Pope on account of his supposed succession to St. Peter, Protestants have no hesitation in disputing St. Peter's Roman Bishopship. Now, the truth is, the story of St. John the Evangelist having been Bishop of Ephesus, &c., rests upon no better foundation than that of the St. Peter Roman tradition, and had the Bishop of Ephesus claimed homage of all Christians on account of his succession to St. John, those that would refuse his claimed homage could make as good an argument against the St. John Ephesus legend as the others did against the St. Peter Roman legend. But as there is no Bishop of Ephesus to claim superiority, the St. John's legend is tolerated and even defended by the orthodox party. The more advanced ecclesiastical critics, however, reject both legends alike.

Now, upon this Ephesus St. John legend, Masons have erected St. John Masonic legends—viz., how the Evangelist became Grand Master when he was upwards of ninety years of age, and how Lodges were first dedicated to King Solomon, afterwards to Zerubbabel, and last to the St. Johns, because the Baptist was also a Grand Master. And in the April number of the *Masonic Magazine*, 1879 (p. 465), there is a tradition about St. John, while still in the old faith, having joined the Eleusinian's mysteries; and how, when the Saint was banished to the Isle of Patmos, the Eleusinian brethren on the island helped him somehow to get back to Ephesus. There is also related a miracle—viz., that the Emperor or Domitian ordered the saint to be thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil, and how the oil would not cook the saint, &c. Now, it is really needless to waste time, ink, and paper to prove the absurdity of all these legends. There is not a particle of truth in either of them; and it is high time for Masons to stop talking about handling these Masonic so-called traditions reverentially; and the same may be said of all other Masonic traditions, and all of the English pre-1717 Grand Masters, so ludicrously reprinted year after year in the English Masonic Calendars.

Bro. Whytehead, I am sorry to say, is strongly afflicted with the High Degree mania, and believes without doubt that Christian Degrees, Rosicrucianism, &c., were in full blast in 1717, and before; and hence, in a book called "Long Livers," published about 1726, his distorted vision can make out evidence of the existence at that time of some kind of mystic Christian degrees, and what not; but before I analyse his reasoning, I shall call attention to the following article from Chambers' *Cyclopædia*, about the origin of Rosicrucianism, &c. :—

"The beginning of the 17th century was a period which manifested an extraordinary tendency to mysticism in science as well as in religion; alchemy, astrology, and divination, divided the public interest with Pietism in the Protestant world, and the Convulsionist mania in the Catholic community. A remarkable impulse was given to this tendency by the simultaneous appearance of two anonymous books, printed at Cassel in 1614, in German, entitled *Universal and General Reformation of the whole wide world*, together with the *Fama Fraternitatis or Brotherhood of the Illustrious Order of the Rosy Cross; to the Rulers, States, and Learned of Europe*. Printed at Cassel, by William Wessel."

The first of these books is a kind of mystic allegory [and the story runs thus.] In the reign of Justinian, Apollo, finding the world full

of every kind of corruption, resolved on effecting a reformation, and with this view, calls up the seven wise men of Greece, and three Roman philosophers, of whom Cato and Seneca are the chief advisers. Their deliberation forms the subject of the book, which is a satire at once on the philosophy and the political systems and governments of the age.

The *Fama Fraternitatis* is the story of a certain holy and reverend Brother Christian Rosenkreuz (i.e., Rosy Cross), who is represented as living in the fourteenth century. This father, a German of noble birth, having been educated in a monastery, conceives a design for the reformation of the world; and after learning, at Jerusalem and Damascus, all the sciences of the Arabians, spends three years at Fez, in Morocco, in the study of the magical science of the Moors, and returns to Germany, where he establishes in a house—under the title *Sancti Spiritus*, with the aid of seven monks from the convent where he had been educated—a fraternity, which is the original brotherhood of the Rosy Cross. These adepts having formed a system, with secret symbols, and committed it to paper, sent forth Father Rosenkreuz to propagate the brotherhood, which was to be kept secret for a hundred years, the members, however, meeting once each year in the mother house of Sancti Spiritus. Rosenkreuz died at the age of 106, and the place of his burial was held secret by the adepts; but he ordered that an inscription should be placed on one of the doors of Sancti Spiritus. "Post exx. annos patebo."

"In the following year—1615—a third tract appeared, also in German, called *Confession of the Society and Brotherhood Rosy Cross*, which purports to be a defence of the Brotherhood, by Johann Valentine Andrea."

Without tracing the subject farther, it is generally conceded by all impartial investigators that there is about as much truth in the several Rosicrucian narratives as there is in More's *Utopia*, Swift's "Gulliver's Travels," and thousands of other kindred works. No Rosicrucian organisation existed anywhere in the seventeenth century, and no such Society existed in the eighteenth century before the Ramsays, Cagliostro, Weishaupt, &c., began manufacturing Christian, Egyptian, and other High Degrees.

"The Long Livers," above referred to, cannot be better described than in Bro. Whytehead's own words, viz.—"That it is a history of persons who have lived to a great age, and who have grown young again," and that the pamphlet is filled with receipts for rejuvenising old people. The writer of that pamphlet was evidently a Master Mason, and therefore dedicated his book to the Grand Master, Masters, Wardens, &c., of England and Ireland. He does not claim to have been a Rosicrucian or a member of any other Society combining Christianity, philosophy, with mysticism. Indeed, we may infer that if he had been a member of such a Society, he would have dedicated his book, not to Masons, but to the Society connected with his notions. Now, here are the extracts from which our *High Graders* have derived comfort, and to which Bro. Whytehead calls special attention.

"By what I here say, those of you who are not far illuminated, who stand in the outward place, and are not worthy to look behind the veil, may find no disagreeable or unprofitable entertainment, and those who are so happy as to have greater light will discover," &c.

I am very sorry that Bro. Whytehead stopped short in the middle of a sentence, and did not enlighten us about what they "will discover."

The second quotation from "Long Livers" is:—"And now, my brethren, you of the Higher Class." And the third quotation is:—"The Spiritual Celestial Cube," which phrase occurs in a ritual of one of the Christian High Degrees. Furthermore, Bro. Whytehead informs us that while the author of "Long Livers" cautions Masons against introducing religion and politics into Masonry, he himself repeatedly eulogises Christianity: hence he infers that he may have belonged to the Christian Degrees. These are all the arguments derived from the testimony of "The Long Livers" as to the existence at that time of higher Masonic or other degrees.

"A drowning man catches at a straw." Our American profound Dr. Mackay was the first *High Grader* who attempted to catch at the "Long Livers' straw," and now Bros. Whytehead and Masonic Student are trying to catch the same straw; but the fact is, it is not a straw at all they are after, but a mere shadow of a straw. I admit that, as a rule, High Graders are very apt to pretend here that Masonry is cosmopolitan, and there that is Christian. But this Masonic inconsistency is not altogether monopolised by High Graders, of which many instances can be shown. Nay, it existed before the High Graders were thought of. The earliest ritual referred to Christ on the top of the Temple, St. John, &c. The author of "Long Livers" was, therefore, no more inconsistent than the then ritual.

With regard to the quotations above given, be it remembered that the 1721 Constitution allowed Fellow Crafts to hold the offices of Warden, Master, and even Grand Master; that up to 25th November 1725, the F.C. and M.M. degrees could be obtained only in the Grand Lodge. That even as late as 1730, not one in a hundred Masons took the third degree. (This fact was pointed out to me in an original printed document of 1730, by a member of your staff when I was in London, a few weeks ago.) We may therefore infer that in 1726, when "Long Livers" was printed, the mass of the brotherhood were mere Entered Apprentices; a few took the second degree; and still fewer took the third degree. With these facts before us, the references made by the author of "Long Livers," "to those who are not far illuminated, who stand in the outward place, and you of the higher class," simply refers to those who have taken only one degree, and to those who have been illumined with the second and third degrees.

With regard to the phrase "Spiritual Celestial Cube," mentioned by the author of "Long Livers," which phrase is used in one of the High Christian Degrees. I beg to call the attention of Bro. Whytehead to a phrase taken from Milton, in the English Crift Ritual, viz.—

"Grace in her footstep, and heaven in her eye."

This passage does not prove that Milton was a Mason, but that

Dr. Hemming, in 1814, inserted the said paragraph from Milton into the ritual; and in a like manner we may infer that the ritual maker of a Christian degree, took the phrase "Spiritual and Celestial Cube," either out of "Long Livers," or from another similar book, and inserted it into his ritual.

As Bro. Masonic Student quoted the opinion of a great expert in MSS., about there being a substratum of truth in all traditions, I will here submit the opinion of the author of two quarto volumes—viz., "The Lives of the Popes"—I think the author's name was Bowers, and I give the quotation from memory; he opened the book thus—

"Tradition is a convicted liar, but as a liar may sometimes tell truth, it is proper that we should listen to what tradition has to say. But we should never believe a word of it, unless it is supported by trustworthy and reliable evidence."

Boston, U.S., 29th April 1881.

MASONIC NAMES FOR GOD.

FROM THE MASONIC REVIEW.

IT may be truly said that the recognition of the Divine Being is the corner-stone of Freemasonry. Take that away, and Masonry, which is the building of a Mystic Temple, loses all its meaning, and is perverted from the worship of a Supreme Being to the self worship by man of himself. The atheistic Mason (if such an abnormality is conceivable) is one who is building a temple to his own glory, or that of his fellow men—to Humanity, in the abstract.

But Masonry was founded in a reverent belief of the Supreme Being, and no one can enter the Brotherhood without that belief. If any atheist enters he is an impostor: if any Mason becomes an atheist after he enters, he is bound in honour to retire from a body with which he no longer has true sympathy.

The names by which this time-honoured Fraternity has especially recognized and honoured the Deity are worthy of note. It is true it is often said that names are unimportant, that ideas are everything; that as Shakspeare says: "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet:" and Pope's lines are often quoted:

Father of all, in every age,
In every clime adored,
By Saint, by Savage, or by Sage,
Jehovah, Jove, or Lord!

There is a vein of truth running through this. It matters little what word you use, if you only have a true conception of the Deity.

But yet we feel that words have a good deal in them. They are signs of ideas; and as we attach true ideas to some words, and false ideas to others, they do become important from these associations. For example, for a Chaplain in a Masonic Lodge to address the Deity as Jupiter would be revolting, because we associate with the name Jupiter a set of ideas very opposite to those which we associate with the name of God.

In truth, the conceptions of Deity entertained by different peoples can be clearly seen in the very names they use for God, or for the gods. In classic mythology, the names of the gods Jupiter, Hercules, Venus, Apollo, Ceres, Juno, Belas, Baal, and Moloch, denoted either humanitarian worship, the worship of heroes, or the worship of nature under the poetic names of men and women, and the old mythological religions of Greece and Rome never rose above the worship of heroes and of nature. It was therefore not a lifting religion, for men had no ideas above themselves.

The names of Zeus and Jove had a much higher significance, and can only be regarded as relics of that purer faith which men inherited from Noah and his immediate descendants. Zeus is to be identified with the Sanscrit *Dyaus*, meaning the sky, as we often speak of God as being Heaven, using the over-arching vault of Heaven as his symbol. No doubt it was the degeneration of this idea which we see in the fire and sun worship of ancient Assyria, and in less ancient Persia.

The name of Jove, too, may be a relic of a purer faith, and to be identified with Jehovah, the living God, in opposition to the false deities worshipped by the heathen, which have no existence, but are purely mythical. But we shall speak of this a little further on.

The Hebrews always denoted the Supreme Being by some worthy title; a fact which indicates the purity of their knowledge of His unity and His character. Their names were El or Elohim—the singular and plural of the same noun—meaning the Eternal, Ever-living God. Sometimes it was conjoined to other words, as El Shaddai, the Almighty God. The word Adonai, the Lord, is often employed by the Hebrews, as with Christians, to designate the Divine Being.

The word Theos, the Greek word for God, and Deus, the Latin word, are probably identical in meaning, and are derived from the verb to see. Theos is He who sees, and corresponds with the All-seeing Eye of Masonry, a symbolical name for the Divine Being. These words Theos and Deus run through ancient and modern Greek, as well as the Latin, and are found in modified forms in the French Dieu, the Spanish Dios, the Catalan Deu, the Portuguese Deos, the Italian Iddio, the Welsh Duw, the Gaelic Dia, the Breton Doue, and in many other minor languages. Indeed, there are no words for God which are more universally used than these root words Theos and Deos, the Seeing One.

Our own English word God is a contraction for Good, or the Good. It is confined to the Teutonic languages, being seen in the German Gott, the Dutch God, the Danish and Swedish Gud. It is a very worthy designation of the Deity, and though not especially

Masonic, it is constantly employed as a familiar and appropriate descriptive.

The Hebrew name Jehovah is greatly honoured by Masonry as a mystic and grand descriptive of the Supreme Being. It was the revelation to Moses at the burning bush, and that peculiarly sacred name which the Jews would never pronounce; for always in reading the Holy Scriptures they were accustomed to substitute the word Adonai for it. This mystic and majestic name signifies the Eternal Being; Him who was, and is, and is to come. There is also a considerable number of Christian scholars who claim that Jahveh is the true reading, not Jehovah, and that Jahveh means the Coming One, the Messiah, and that therefore wherever the name occurs it has reference to the Messiah promised to Israel. Of all the names by which Freemasonry recognises the Almighty, Jehovah, or Jahveh, is the most solemn and impressive. A great deal of the mystic grandeur and sublimity of Freemasonry gathers about it.

But the most peculiar Masonic name for the Deity is that of the G.A. and the G.G. These are closely allied; the one relating to design, the other to execution. It is a striking thought, that all the names of Deity which have been employed in past or present ages relate exclusively to his existence or to his attributes, and not one to him as the Great Builder of Heaven and earth. God has been known as the Eternal One, as the Seeing One, as the Good One, as the Supreme One, among past and present nations. But Freemasonry adds the expressive and majestic idea that he is the Maker of all: the G.A. and the G.G., and this we regard as the most characteristic of all the Masonic names for God; the most closely allied with the mystic character of the Royal Art. Every Mason, from his very calling and profession as a Temple Builder, should revere him who is the Builder of all, and he should also be a diligent student of His works. The second degree is full of instruction and meaning in this respect, as inciting to a diligent and reverential study of the works of Him who is the G.G. and the G.A.O.T.U.

The arrangements in connection with the constitution of the new Masonic Lodge—Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar, No. 1903—which is to take place in the Lecture Hall, Portsmouth, on Wednesday, the 25th instant, are now nearly completed. There will, it is anticipated, be a very large gathering of members of the Craft to witness the inauguration of the new Lodge by the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P. Admission is to be by tickets, with which brethren can be supplied through their respective Lodges, but Masons who do not belong to local Lodges may obtain them on application to the Committee. His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught has intimated his intention to be present, as have also the Earl of March, M.P., Senior Grand Warden of England, and other distinguished members of the Craft. The company at the banquet, which is to be held at the Volunteer Artillery Headquarters, will, it is thought, number about two hundred. Lord Charles Beresford, W.M. of the new Lodge, will preside. The catering has been entrusted to Bro. W. Maybour, of Butcher-street, Portsea, who will have the assistance of a number of the members of the Lodge as Stewards.—*Portsmouth Times*.

We beg to acknowledge, with many thanks, the receipt, from Mr. George Pickworth, of 6 Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster, S.W., of copy of a portrait of Bro. Magnus Ohren P.G.A.D. of C. It is an admirable likeness of our worthy brother, being very life-like, and artistically executed into the bargain. Evidently the greatest possible care has been bestowed on its production, and it must be indeed gratifying to the large circle of Bro. Ohren's friends and admirers to know that so excellent a portrait of him has been published. We very heartily congratulate the artist on the great success of his labours, and Bro. Ohren on having had his features delineated by one so able as Mr. George Pickworth.

In reference to the worthy brother named above, we are reminded of an omission that occurred in our Report of the proceedings of Grand Chapter. Comp. Magnus Ohren was in attendance, both before and in Chapter, and in fulfilment of his duties as Director of the Ceremonies introduced the new Officers to the Grand Scribe E., and afterwards conducted them to their respective places in Grand Chapter. To those of our readers who are acquainted with Comp. Magnus Ohren, and recognise the zeal he always displays in fulfilling any official duties that may devolve on him, these remarks may perhaps be deemed unnecessary, but we hear it so frequently urged that all that is cared for is the honour of appointment, and that regard is seldom paid to what such appointment necessitates, that we thus notify the omission made by us last week.

WASHINGTON AS A MASON.

An Oration delivered before St. John's Lodge, No. 1, E. and A.M., Newark, New Jersey, on the occasion of the Eighty-ninth Annual Celebration by that Lodge of the Birthday of Washington, 22nd February 1801, by Bro. Marshall B. Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons, New Jersey.

(REPRINTED FROM THE KEYSTONE.)

WORSHIPFUL MASTER AND BRETHREN OF ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 1: Your Lodge, standing at the head of the Roll in this jurisdiction and made venerable by its one hundred and twenty years of history,* has indeed proved faithful to its trust as a Masonic custodian of the memory of Washington. While he still lived and—as we have reason to believe—before any other body of men had instituted this commemoration, your Lodge kept his birthday on the twenty-second of February 1792; and on February twenty-second 1800 it was determined by the Lodge that the 22d of February should be for ever observed “for the purpose of solemnizing so great an event as the death of that great and good man.” More than fourscore years have passed away, and we are here to keep the letter and the spirit of that resolution.

As we stand to-night in a period nearly three generations removed from the time at which this annual observance originated, there are strong inducements to bring into contrast the two epochs of Masonic history—THEN, and NOW. Then there were in the State of New Jersey nine Lodges and a few hundred Masons; Now there are one hundred and forty-seven Lodges in active existence, with a membership of some thirteen thousand. Then, there was one Lodge in Newark—St. John's; Now, there are seventeen Lodges, with a membership of nearly twenty-two hundred. To this brief Masonic retrospect—which I deem a fitting introduction to the chief themes of the evening—permit me to add a few words from the Address of Grand Master Beatty, delivered to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey in 1792,† in which, after enumerating his official visits, he says that he “found the Brethren of St. John's Lodge numerous and respectable, its officers intelligent and active, and the members zealously attached to the principles of Masonry. He mentions with particular pleasure the growing state, good order, and symmetry of this Lodge.”

Such was Masonry in Newark, and such was St. John's Lodge in the year 1792. I am not here, however, to rehearse the history of this venerable mother of Lodges, or to remind you how its records link together the Masonic life of pre-revolutionary and post-revolutionary times. My work, to night, lies not among the illustrious names upon your Roll of those who have held high social, civil or religious position, and at the same time have shared in the labours or ruled in our ancient Craft; or among names equally worthy of reverence, representing as they do the less conspicuous but not less useful parts of our Mystic Temple.

It is not within the lines marked out for me this evening, to tell of the wondrous growth of this City, of the Commonwealth, and of the Republic: of the wondrous revelations of science, the progress of human thought, and the marvellous triumphs of mechanical skill and industrial art; or of the temporary eclipse of our Institution; and the baptism of blood which sealed our Nation's unity; in these four-score-and-ten years of life and of commemoration. These wonderful things of the century, are the structures which the hand of man—guided, strengthened and blessed by the great Artificer of the Universe—has reared. These great achievements and great thoughts are the outgrowth of germs planted and fostered into growth under the Mind of God. Our theme to-night is a human illustration of what may grow out of such germs of thought, and life, and truth, as those from whence came, under God, all the wonders of the century that now is.

The first commemoration of Washington by this Lodge had reference to the date of his birth; the subsequent commemorations on the same date were to have reference, as the Resolution shows, to the event of his death; but the real thing to be remembered, was that which lay between these two—a useful, elevated, heroic, noble, and symmetrical life. It was not only the Man—hero, patriot, and in the proper sense of the word gentleman, though he was—but the Craftsman, a Brother not ashamed of the Mystic Tie, that your Masonic and patriotic fathers would have the men of their day and the men of our day to honour and reverence. It is with his Masonic history, therefore, that we have principally to do on this occasion; a part of his life no less authentically attested by undeniable proofs

than the better known features, but too frequently ignored by his biographers. The graceful pen of Irving, and the strong hand of Chief Justice Marshall, himself a distinguished Craftsman, have invested the public and private life of Washington with all the interest of romance; the records of the Nation have kept his Civic and Military services from oblivion; and the chief events of his Masonic history are written in the scattered, though sacredly preserved records and archives of many Grand and Subordinate Lodges.

George Washington, I need scarcely remind you, was born in Virginia, in the year 1732. We need not dwell upon the early events and legends of his youth, so well known to every American schoolboy, but may proceed at once to review his Masonic record.

“Before Washington came to manhood,” says Brother Sydney Hayden, “a Lodge had been organized in Fredericksburg, under authority from Thomas Oxnard, Provincial Grand Master of Boston, whose authority also extended over all the English Colonies in America; and in 1752, when Washington sought admission to this Lodge, its officers were Daniel Campbell, Master; John Neilson, Senior Warden; and Dr. Robert Halkerson, Junior Warden.” * *

“The records of Fredericksburg Lodge show the presence of Washington, for the first time in the Lodge, on the 4th November 1752, leaving no doubt that he was initiated on that day, as on the sixth of November the record continues:

“‘Received of Mr. George Washington for his entrance £2: 3.’

“‘March 3d, 1753.—George Washington passed Fellow Craft.’

“‘August 4th, 1753.—George Washington raised Master Mason.’” *

You will notice that he was not quite twenty-one years of age when he was initiated; a departure from the general custom, permitted in special cases by the English Law under which he was made a Mason.†

“The old record book of the Lodge is still preserved [or was up to the time of the late war], also the Bible on which he was obligated, and the Seal of the Lodge. The Bible is a small quarto volume and bears date ‘Cambridge:’ printed by John Field, Printer to the University, 1688,” ‡ a year memorable in the history of Civil and Religious Liberty in England.

Passing over a period of thirty-six years—a period not without its records and traditions of Masonic interest, but one more especially filled with heroic deeds on the field of battle, and with self-sacrificing labours for the founding of a free Republic—we come down to the year 1788. On the 28th of April in this year, a Warrant was granted by the Grand Lodge of Virginia to Alexandria Lodge, No. 22 (formerly known as No. 39, on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania), with—to use the language of Edmund Randolph, Esq., Grand Master, who issued the Warrant—“Our illustrious and well beloved Brother George Washington, Esquire, late General and Commander-in-Chief of the Forces of the United States of America, and our worthy Brethren Robert McCrea, William Hunter, Jr., &c., &c., as the first Master and Wardens. On the old records of Alexandria Lodge, which subsequently, by consent of the Grand Lodge, changed its name to “Alexandria Washington Lodge,” was the following entry, under date of December 20, 1788: “His Excellency General Washington unanimously elected Master; Robert McCrea, Senior Warden; Wm Hunter, Jr., Junior Warden; Wm. Hodgson, Treasurer; Joseph Greenway, Secretary, &c.” § The old Lodge in Alexandria, though unfortunate of late years in the loss of many valuable Masonic Relics, was long the custodian of abundant proofs of the intimate relations of Washington with our Brotherhood. ||

From the long-sought retirement of private life, Washington was called by the Electoral College, echoing the will of the people, to the highest office in the people's gift. His inauguration as the first President of the United States took place in the City of New York, on the 30th April 1789. General Jacob Morton who acted as Chief Marshal on the occasion, and who was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York, and also Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of New York City, brought the Bible from the altar of his Lodge to the place where the oath was to be taken, and upon it the President was obligated to discharge the high and responsible trust committed to him as the Chief Magistrate of a Nation whose independence had been largely achieved by himself. “A memorial leaf,” says Bro. Hayden, “was then folded at the page on which Washington had devoutly impressed his lips; and the volume was returned to St. John's Lodge, and placed again upon its sacred altar. A few years later it was again taken from its resting-place and borne in a solemn procession by the Masonic Brethren of New York City, who met to pay funeral honors to the memory of Washington. It is still in possession of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, who value it highly as a sacred memento.” †

The opinion which Washington entertained of Freemasonry may be determined from a letter written by him to the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of King David's Lodge, Newport, Rhode Island. This was in reply to one from them, dated 17th August 1790. He says:—“Being persuaded that a just application of the principles on which the Masonic Fraternity is founded must be productive of private virtue and public prosperity, I shall always be happy to advance the interests of the Society, and to be considered by them as a deserving Brother.” In similar terms he replied to an address, dated 2nd May

* The origin of St. John's Lodge is thus given by M.W. Wm. Silas Whitehead, P.G.M., in his Preface to the reprint of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey: “On the 13th day of May A.D. 1761, a constitutional number of Master Masons, residing in the town of Newark, made application for, and received from, the hands of M.W. George Harrison, Provincial Grand Master of the State of New York, a Warrant, empowering them to enter, pass, and raise candidates for the mysteries of Freemasonry, according to the ancient Constitutions of the Order, the customs and usages of the Craft, and the rules and regulations of the Grand Master, as set forth in his warrant of Dispensation. William Tukey, Esq., was appointed Master; David Jamison, Esq., Senior Warden; James Banks, Esq., Junior Warden; and Lewis Ogden, Secretary. The place first selected for meeting was the Rising Sun Tavern, but it was finally changed to the private residence of the members; the first change being to the house of John Robinson. The original minutes of the Lodge, for three years from its institution, are still in existence in the archives of St. John's Lodge.”

† See Reprint of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, page 49.

* Washington and his Masonic Compeers, page 24.

† “No Lodge shall make . . . any man under the age of twenty-one years, who must be also his own master, unless by a dispensation from the Grand Master or his Deputy.—English Regulations.

‡ Hayden, page 25.

§ Hayden, page 124.

|| These I had the opportunity of examining, when visiting that Lodge while residing near Alexandria, Virginia, during the years 1856, 1857, and 1858.—M. B. S.

¶ Hayden, page 125.

1791, from the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, and to one from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, dated 2nd January 1792.*

To an address from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, dated 29th December 1792, he wrote a reply, in which he said:—"To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy the benevolent design of the Masonic Institution, and it is most fervently to be wished that the conduct of every member of the Fraternity, as well as those publications that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.

(To be continued.)

* Reprint of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Part II. page 118.

Up to the time of going to press, Bro. Hedges has succeeded in obtaining the services of 254 brethren as Stewards for Wednesday the 18th instant, at the ninety-third anniversary festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. This, with the exception of the Festival at which His Royal Highness Prince Leopold presided, is the largest Board of Stewards which has ever acted on behalf of this Charity, and we trust this circumstance, as well as that Sir M. Hicks Beach, Bart., M.P., really makes his *début* on the occasion in his new capacity as Prov. Grand Master of Gloucestershire, will have the desired effect of bringing in a grand total for our Battersea little ones.

We are informed that the consecration of the Shadwell Clerke Lodge, No. 1910, which was to have taken place at Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, on Monday next, the 16th instant, has been postponed till the 10th June, owing to the absence from London of His Royal Highness the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

On Friday afternoon, 6th instant, the annual installation meeting of the Royal Lennox Chapter, No. 271, took place in the Masonic Room, at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. Companion Thomas Byass was installed as M.E.Z. Other Officers having been selected, the brethren dined together, the banquet being supplied by Mr. D. Mutton, of King's-road.

Bro. George Weige, P.M. 860, with whom will be associated Mr. Eltrincham Kendall, announces a Grand Concert, to be given at the Morley Hall, Hackney, on 23rd inst. A talented body of artistes will assist, and it is anticipated a very agreeable evening's entertainment will result.

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ST. JAMES'S.—At 8, A SHEEP IN WOLF'S CLOTHING. At 9, THE MONEY SPINNER, or THE LADY OF LYONS.

LYCEUM.—At 7.45, THE CUP. At 9.30, THE BELLE'S STRATAGEM or OTHELLO.

ADELPHI.—At 7.15, BARNEY THE BARON. At 8, MICHAEL STROGOFF.

GAIETY.—At 7.5, OPERETTA. At 7.20, LITTLE SENTINEL. At 8.30, FORTY THEVES.

CRITERION.—At 7.50, BRAVE HEARTS. At 8.45, WHERE'S THE CAT? (Last night.)

VAUDEVILLE.—At 7.45, TOM PINCH. At 9.30, DIVORCE.

OPERA COMIQUE.—At 8, UNCLE SAMUEL. At 8.30, PATIENCE.

PRINCE OF WALES'S.—At 7.50, IN HONOUR BOUND. At 8.40, THE COLONEL.

FOLLY.—At 7.30, HESTER'S MYSTERY. 8.30, THE UPPER CRUST, &c.

ROYALTY.—At 7.30, ROSALIE. At 8.15, THE MEMBER FOR SLOCUM and DON JUAN JUNIOR.

GLOBE.—At 7.30, SEEING FROU FROU. At 8, LA BOULANGERE.

IMPERIAL.—At 8.0, and 7.15, BOUNCE AND CRYPTO.

STANDARD.—At 7.30, LA FILLE DU TAMBOUR MAJOR.

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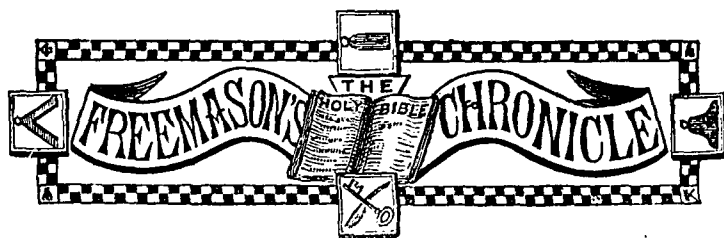
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COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys was held on Saturday last, at Freemasons' Hall. The brethren present were Raynham W. Stewart P.G.D. (in the chair), F. W. Ramsay, S. Rosenthal, R. B. Webster, John J. Berry, J. Joyce Murray, Richard Morris, D.D., H. Massey, Don. M. Dewar, Abner Torkington, Henry Venn, Herbert Dicketts, C. F. Matier, F. Adlard, Alfred Williams, Richard Tyrrell, W. Maple, L. Ruff, George Plucknett, George J. Gillard, J. B. Le-maitre, W. H. Perryman, John Palmer, George Motion, W. Paas, S. V. Cooper, H. S. Goodhall, and F. Binckes Secretary. After the reading and confirmation of the minutes the report of the Audit Committee was read and received. The Secretary stated that advertisements with reference to the scheme for a Preparatory School had been prepared. One petition for placing a boy on the list of candidates for election was received, and an outfit of £5 was granted to a former pupil. It was also resolved to petition Parliament against the Lord Chancellor's Charitable Trusts Acts Amendment Bill, which is designed to vest the control of all charities in the Charity Commissioners, and, as it was stated, give them a power, without appeal, over at least £100,000,000. Bro. Binckes afterwards read the new questions he had drafted, in accordance with the wish of the Committee, to be answered by petitioners for placing boys on the list of candidates for the Institution. The Committee approved of these questions, and also of the brethren nominated for the House and Audit Committees for the ensuing year. The Committee then adjourned.

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THE monthly meeting of the Committee of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall, when there were present—Bros. Colonel Creton (in the chair), C. A. Cottebrune, S. Rawson, G. Bolton, W. Clarke, J. Brett, G. Penn, Thomas Cubitt, F. Adlard, Thomas Goode, Rev. A. F. A. Woodford, J. A. Farnfield, John G. Stevens, Edgar Bowyer, Raynham W. Stewart, Jabez Hogg, Henry G. Warren, A. H. Tattershall, L. Stean, H. J. Strong, M.D., and James Terry Secretary. The minutes of 13th April were verified. The Secretary reported the death of two annuitants. The Warden's Report for the past month was read, and the Chairman was authorised to sign cheques for the ensuing quarter. A draft Report of the progress of the Institution was submitted for the Annual General Meeting and approved. A list of attendances of the Committee of Management for the past year was examined, and the three brethren who have to retire by rotation were nominated for re-election. A plan for the proposed enlargement of the Hall at the Institution, Croydon, was submitted, and after considerable discussion was carried unanimously. A petition against the Charitable Trust Bill was read, and directed to be presented to the House of Lords. It was also decided to take on additional annuitants at the election of next Friday. The Committee then adjourned.

CITY OF LONDON ORCHESTRAL UNION.

IN accordance with announcement made last week, the second Grand Evening Concert of the season 1880-81 was given in the Albion Hall, London Wall, E.C., on Wednesday last. The orchestra of 40 performers, under the conductorship of Bro. G. T. H. Seddon, played the following Selections: 1. Overture—"Don Giovanni"—Mozart; 2. Entr' Actes—No. 1, B minor, No. 2, B flat major, "Rosamunde"—Schubert; 3. Andante—"Symphony in A" (Italian), Pilgrim's March—Mendelssohn; 4. Grand Selection—"Martha"—with solos for flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, horn, cornet, euphonion and trombone. Each of these pieces was well rendered, No. 2 deserving especial praise. No. 4 brought forth the entire strength of the Orchestra. The Selection commences with the opening movement of the Overture, 3-4, introducing, by a short oboe cadenza, the second movement, 9-8; which contains some beautiful 4th string passages for the violins. Still following the overture, the third movement is given out by the brass, interrupted by an elaborate flute cadenza, the subject being afterwards repeated by the full Orchestra. A second oboe cadenza leads up to "The Last Rose of Summer," assigned to the oboe, which is followed by a third cadenza, leading to a "faux pas" movement ending with a florid cadenza for clarinet. A beautiful introduction of 12 bars for flutes, oboes, clarinets, bassoons and horns precedes the cornet solo, "M'Appari," and a vigorous 6-8 passage follows, after which the famous "Beer Song," is given by euphonion and trombone. A recurrence to "The Last Rose of Summer," this time by full Orchestra, concludes the selection. The respective solo portions were entrusted to Messrs. Toussaint (flute), Shuckard (oboe), Hunter (clarinet), Snell (bassoon), R. Johnson (horn), Pringuer (cornet), J. Johnson (euphonion), and Kennedy (trombone). The care and precision with which this selection was interpreted, by all engaged, speaks volumes for the good feeling displayed and the energy thrown into their work by the members of this distinguished Amateur Musical Society. The Second Part comprised: 5. Overture—"Si j'étais Roi"—Adolphe Adam; 6. Bolero Espagnole—"Cadiz"—Bosisio, with flute, clarinet and cornet obbligati by Messrs. Toussaint, Hunter and Pringuer; 7. Waltz—"Chantilly"—E. Waldteufel; 8. Marche du Sacre—"Le Prophète"—Meyerbeer. The band well sustained the applause they had elicited by their former efforts, and the audience were gratified by the repetition in two or three cases of the final passages. The Vocalists of the evening:—Madame Blanche Owen, who contributed: Song—"In the Gloaming"—Lady A. Hill; Canzonetta—"Through the Wood"—C. E. Horn; Song—"Never Parted"—Langton Williams; Ballad—"Twickenham Ferry"—Marzials; and Bro. George Weige, who sang "Speed on my Bark," and the German Student's drinking song—"In Cellar Cool"—must have been intensely gratified at the reception accorded them. We regret to add, however, that the state of health of our Bro. Weige is not quite what his many friends would like to see him in the enjoyment of.

ANNUAL SUPPER OF THE YARBOROUGH LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 554.

THIS anniversary festival was celebrated at Bro. Walter's, Green Dragon, Stepney, on the 3rd inst. Bro. G. W. Walter W.M. 554 presided, and was assisted by Bro. W. Cross (in the vice-chair) Hon. Secretary of the Lodge of Instruction. Ample justice having been done the excellent fare provided by the host, the usual Loyal and Craft toasts were introduced, among others being the neighbouring Lodges, the Mother Lodge, the Officers, the Masonic Press, &c. The proceedings were most harmonious and enjoyable, and many capital songs were given. Bro. Lineker S.D. 554 favoured the company with a capital rendering of "The Charge of the Light Brigade," and Bro. Stephens a popular ballad, "Told to the Missionary," both of which gave great satisfaction. After spending a most successful evening, the brethren separated at a reasonable hour.

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INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c.

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NORTHERN COUNTIES LODGE, No. 406.

THE fiftieth anniversary and installation festival of this Lodge was celebrated on the 25th April, at the Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. The Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge had been invited to attend the festival, and a great many of them honoured the Lodge meeting with their presence. Lodge was opened at three o'clock p.m. by Bro. R. G. Salmon P.G.A.D.C. W.M., assisted by the following Officers:—Bros. John Page I.P.M., R. W. Sisson as S.W., S. M. Harris J.W., John Ridsdale P.M. Treasurer, G. Dunford Secretary, J. S. B. Bell S.D., A. Hume J.D., R. G. Sisson I.G., Bilbie Steward, and G. S. Sims Tyler. There was also a large array of Past Masters and Visitors. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, and the report of the Finance Committee read and adopted, the I.P.M., Bro. Page, assumed the chair, when Bro. T. Anderson P.G. Treasurer presented Bro. R. G. Salmon P.M. W.M. elect for the benefit of re-installation. This ceremony was performed in the most perfect and correct manner by Bro. Page. The customary formalities having been gone through, the new W.M. appointed and invested the following Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. John Page I.P.M. D.C., S. M. Harris S.W., G. Dunford J.W., John Ridsdale P.M. Treasurer, J. S. B. Bell Secretary, R. G. Sisson S.D., R. W. Sisson J.D., Belbie I.G., Duncan McDonald S.S., William Mure Lion J.S., and G. S. Sims Tyler. The customary addresses were impressively delivered by the Installing Master, and the Lodge was then closed. The brethren, about fifty in number, adjourned to the Royal Turk's Head Hotel, where they sat down to a sumptuous banquet, well served, and complete in every appointment. Full justice having been done to the many good things which were placed before the brethren, and grace said, the W.M. rose to submit the first toast, one that was always well received amongst Masons. The Queen having been duly honoured, the W.M. gave the Most Worshipful Grand Master the Prince of Wales. He had filled the high office he held with credit to himself and entire satisfaction to the Craft. He called on the brethren to drink the health of the Prince and the rest of the Officers of Grand Lodge. In proposing the health of the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master Earl Percy, and Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge, the Worshipful Master said that this toast came a little nearer home; for their Provincial Grand Master they had a nobleman second to none in the country, and when he mentioned his Deputy, and looked around on all the Provincial Grand Officers, he (the W.M.) was sure they had cause to be proud. With this toast the W.M. coupled the names of Bros. Cooper P.G.J.W. and Nichol Provincial Grand Chaplain. Bro. Cooper suitably replied, and Bro. Nichol expressed the pleasure it gave the Provincial Grand Officers to visit the Lodge on that occasion, it being, as they were all aware, the jubilee of that time-honoured Lodge. Bro. T. J. Armstrong proposed the next toast—The Marquis of Londonderry Provincial Grand Master of Durham and the Grand Officers of that Province. In doing so he regretted their noble Brother was not present at the Lodge meeting. With this toast he would couple the name of a brother who had been his father in Masonry, and who had gained the esteem and respect—he might say affection—of all who had the privilege of knowing him; he meant Bro. E. Davis P.P.G.S.W. It was only necessary to ask him for advice on any point, and he would freely give it, and those who did not follow such advice would be sure in the end to find themselves in the wrong. The toast was drunk amid loud applause. Bro. Davis thanked the brethren for the compliment they had paid the Province of Durham, and dwelt on the unanimity that existed between the two Provinces. It was now forty years since he first visited the Northern Counties Lodge. Comparing that visit with the present one, it was a pleasure to him to witness the difference. Bro. Page I.P.M. then assumed the gavel, and brought the health of the W.M. under notice, complimenting Bro. Anderson on his worthiness for the post; he hoped that he might have a prosperous year, and preside over a contented and united Lodge. In reply, the W.M. thanked the brethren for the manner in which his health had been received. Many able Masters had presided over them, and he felt it an honour to be one on the list. Before sitting down he would ask the brethren to fill their glasses and drink the health of the I.P.M. and Installing Master Bro. John Page. This toast having been suitably responded to, the W.M. then submitted the names of the Past Masters of the Lodge, calling on Bro. John Ridsdale P.M. Treasurer, and Bro. R. L. Armstrong P.M. P.G.R. to respond. Brother Ridsdale expressed the pleasure they had had in seeing the installation ceremony so perfectly worked. Brother Armstrong hoped the W.M. would hand the warrant of the Lodge down to his successor in the same manner he now received it. The next toast on the list was that of the Visitors; this was responded to by Brother G. J. Chorlton P.M. 1664, and Brother J. G. Taylor P.M. The Past and Present Officers received their meed of praise, which was acknowledged by Brother S. M. Harris S.W., who joined in the hope that the ensuing year would be one of prosperity and harmony for the Lodge. The Masonic Charities found an excellent pleader in Bro. R. L. Armstrong, and Bro. E. D. Davis responded. In course of some well directed remarks on Charity he said he was not pleading for himself, but on behalf of the oppressed, the helpless, and the destitute. The Tyler's toast brought to a close a pleasant evening, enlivened by songs and recitations, rendered by Bros. Ferguson, G. S. Dean, Dunford, J. Page and S. M. Harris. Amongst the visitors present were Brothers E. D. Davis P.P.G.S.W., T. Anderson P.G. Treasurer, J. Cook P.P.G.S.W., H. Hotham P.P.G.S.W., Rev. T. B. Nichol P.G. Chaplain, R. L. Armstrong P.G.R., G. Cockburn P.P.G.R., R. T. Cook P.P.G.S.D. (Durham), T. Robson P.G.J.W., J. Montgomery P.G.A.P., J. G. Taylor P.G.P., T. Armstrong 1626, G. J. Charlton P.M. 1664, H. E. Wilson P.M. 1664, J. Wood I.P.M. 4s, D. Broadhurst P.M. 406, M. Bell 1712. The Worshipful Master received a very courteous letter from Earl

Percy the Provincial Grand Master, regretting his inability to be present, as he was out of town. Letters of apology were also received from the following P.G. Officers:—L. M. Cockcroft D.P.G.M., G. Bolam P.G.S.W., B. J. Thompson P.G.S., John Braithwaite P.G.S.D., R. H. Holmes P.P.G.S.W., and J. S. Wilson P.P.G.J.W.

LOYAL WYE LODGE, No. 1807.

THE annual meeting of the members of this Lodge was held at the Masonic Rooms, Billth, on the 5th instant, when Bro. William Williams was installed into the chair of K.S. There was a large attendance of members. The Officers present were Bros. H. C. Rich W.M. and P.M. 651, J. W. Coulthard S.W., Wm. Williams J.W., Wm. Gordon Williams Chaplain, B. Davies Treas., J. A. Whittle W.M. 65 Secretary, Wm. Price S.D., H. V. Thomas J.D., and A. Truscott I.G. The following brethren were also present—Marmaduke Tennant D.P.G.M. for South Wales Eastern Division, J. E. Prothero Past P.G.C. for South Wales Western Division, John Jones Prov. G. Secretary, Geo. Allen W.M. 1323, T. L. Lewis 651, J. G. Hall Past P.S.G.W., Rowland Thomas 364, H. M. Bradford 1323, H. C. Rich jun. 651, E. H. Teale 651, and E. T. Edwards 651. The installation ceremony was performed by Bro. Marmaduke Tennant, in his usual efficient manner. The newly-installed Master invested his Officers as follow:—Bros. H. C. Rich I.P.M., Wm. Price S.W., H. V. Thomas J.W., Wm. Gordon Williams Chaplain, B. Davies Treasurer, J. W. Coulthard Secretary, B. Davies S.D., G. J. Woods J.D., Jno. Phillips Organist, A. Truscott I.G., A. Gwynne Vaughan and Hugh Bennett Stewards, and John Jones Tyler. On the motion of the W.M. it was resolved to minute a vote of thanks to Bros. H. C. Rich I.P.M. and J. A. Whittle, for the services they had rendered to the Lodge since its consecration two years ago, and that a Past Master's jewel be presented to Bro. H. C. Rich, and that both these brethren be appointed honorary members of the Lodge. The Lodge having been closed the brethren adjourned to the Lion Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet had been prepared by Brother James. The usual Masonic toasts were given and responded to. Bro. T. Lawrence Lewis 651 presided at the organ. The organ, which is a valuable one, is the gift of Bro. Geo. John Woods, who has also presented to the Lodge a set of new furniture.

PANMURE CHAPTER, No. 780.

THE installation meeting of this Chapter was held at the Horns Tavern, Kennington, S.E., on Monday, the 9th inst., when, there being no other business before the Chapter, the newly-appointed Principals were installed into their respective chairs with full ceremonial, and addresses by Ex. Comp. James Stevens P.Z. and Scribe E. The Principals for the year are Ex. Comps. Richard Nollis Field M.E.Z., Samuel Poynter H., and Thomas Meggy J. On the completion of the installation ceremony the Officers were invested, viz.:—Ex. Comp. James Stevens P.Z. Scribe E., Comps. B. R. Bryant Scribe N., J. W. Watts P.S., J. S. Terry 1st A.S., H. Baldwin 2nd A.S. Ex. Comp. Henry Smith was invested as Treasurer, and Comp. John Gilbert as Janitor. A vote of congratulation to Ex. Comp. H. C. Levander Grand Sword Bearer (one of the oldest members of the Chapter), on his promotion to Grand Chapter honours, was cordially passed, and suitably acknowledged by that distinguished Companion. The thanks of the Chapter were also voted to the Installing Principal, Comp. Stevens, for his able and effective rendering of the entire ceremony. The Auditor's report and balance sheet were favourably received and adopted. Two members of the Burgoyne Lodge, No. 902, were proposed for exaltation at the ensuing meeting, and, nothing further offering, the Chapter was closed, and the Companions adjourned to banquet. The evening's proceedings were greatly enlivened by the vocal services of Comps. Wilkins, Arnold, Baldwin, Stevens, and Meggy, and the usual harmonious good-fellowship which characterises this Chapter was fully maintained. Amongst the P.Z.'s present were Ex. Comps. R. H. Harvey and Mark S. Larham. Comp. Edward Harrison, of the Lewes Chapter, No. 1186, responded to the toast of the Visitors. After a most agreeable evening the Companions separated, well satisfied with the business of the day and the future prospects of the Chapter.

Yarborough Lodge of Instruction, No. 554.—At the meeting, at the Green Dragon, Stepney, E., on the 10th inst. Bros. J. Taylor W.M., A. Wood S.W., J. R. Shingfield J.W., G. H. Stephens Deacon, Smith I.G., T. J. Barnes P.M. Preceptor, W. Cross, Honorary Secretary, &c. Lodge having been duly opened, Bro. Cross answered all necessary questions; Lodge was advanced, and the ceremony of passing was ably rendered. The brethren availed themselves of the presence of Bro. Barnes to ascertain the meaning and bearing of many points of the ritual, a course, we think, far more advantageous than simply to hurry through the ceremony. Lodge was closed in the second degree and the W.M. worked the third and fourth sections of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. A. Wood was elected W.M. for the ensuing meeting.

Grey Friars Lodge, No. 1101.—A meeting was held on Wednesday, 11th May, at the Masonic Hall, Reading. Bros. W. Ferguson W.M., J. Early Danks I.P.M., E. J. Blackwell S.W., R. Dowsett J.W., J. T. Stransom Treasurer, W. P. Ivey P.M. Secretary, Rev. C. R. Honey S.D., J. H. Hawkes J.D., W. J. Browne D.C., W. Ravenscroft Steward, R. C. Prickett I.G., W. Hemmings Tyler; P.M.'s Bros. Pulley, Brown, Margrett, Welch; Bros. Whitfield, Weatherhead, Coates, Vowles, Wort, H. Ferguson, James Greenaway, Parkes, Rhind, Goff; Visitors—Bros. Fisher Alfred 340 and St. Hilda 1887 Secretary, Sherwood 414, Tarrant 1158, Rayner 414, Evans 526, Blunett 261 P.P.J.G.W. Somerset, &c. The Lodge was opened, and

the minutes of last regular meeting were read and confirmed. After Lodge had been advanced, Bros. Parkes and Coates, candidates for the third degree, replied satisfactorily to the usual questions, and were entrusted. After these brethren had retired, Lodge was opened in the third degree. Bros. Parkes and Coates were re-admitted and raised to the sublime degree of M.M. On resuming to first degree, the I.P.M. called the attention of the brethren to the Stewardship of the W.M. at the approaching Festival of the R.M.I.B., and expressed a hope that he might be well supported by contributions, and that his list would bear a favourable comparison with that of his predecessors in the chair. The W.M. informed the members that it required only five guineas to make the Master of the Lodge a Vice President; he thought that by placing the P.G.L. vote of five guineas in the name of the Master, the Lodge vote of ten guineas might be placed in the name of the J.W., as the S.W. was already a Life Governor. The consideration of the subject will be renewed at the next Lodge. After the customary salutations and formalities Lodge was closed.

Beacontree Lodge, No. 1228.—A meeting of the above Lodge took place on Wednesday, 11th May, at 5 p.m., at the Red Lion Rooms, in the pretty suburban village of Leytonstone, with Bro. Pigé in the chair. J. Allinson S.W., C. Vile Treasurer, J. Gullichon J.W., J. Reed S.D., W. Helmer I.G., P.M.'s Richards, Dobbs, Thark, Alcock, Angel and Turner. Minutes were read and confirmed. Proposed and carried unanimously that the Lodge should meet in the winter instead of the summer, and that a Committee be formed to revise the Bye-Laws. Lodge closed at 6 p.m., when the brethren retired to a sumptuous banquet, prepared for them by Bro. Barford P.M., to which they did full justice. Visitors—Bros. Dr. Corrie Jackson W.M. 534 Polish National, Edenger P.M. Eastern Star, A. Meads S.D. Good Fellowship, J. Britton Yarborough. Bro. Alcock P.M. said he thought it wise to make this a winter, instead of a summer Lodge, and that he and the other P.M.'s would always be most happy to afford instruction to any of the junior members.

Friars Lodge of Instruction, No. 1339.—Held at Brother Pavitt's, the Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, on Tuesday last. Bros. Pavitt W.M., Smith S.W., Barker J.W., Peterken S.D., Ives J.D., Browne I.G., Worsley Secretary, P.M. Musto Preceptor; Bros. McGeorge, Brownsom, MacGregor, Watkins, Bailey, Roddam, Wyles, Tabor, P.M. Myers, &c. Lodge was opened in due form and minutes were read. Bro. Tabor answered the necessary questions, and the Lodge opened in the second degree, when the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. Bro. Worsley worked the first, second, third, and fourth sections of the Lecture. Bro. Tabor of Prosperity Lodge, No. 65, was elected a member. Bro. Smith W.M. 860, will occupy the chair on Tuesday next, and will rehearse the third ceremony. The installation ceremony will be rehearsed here on Tuesday, 31st inst., by the well-known P.M. and Preceptor Bro. Myers. We would recommend a visit on this evening. This Lodge of Instruction is now increasing in numbers every week, a result of the excellent working of those associated in its management. Those brethren who require instruction will find the Preceptor ever ready to impart the same to any member of the Craft desirous of getting on.

Old England Lodge, No. 1790.—At the monthly meeting of this Lodge, held at the Masonic Hall, Thornton Heath, on Monday, the 9th inst., Bros. Foulsham I.P.M. P.P.G. J.W. Northumberland officiated as W.M., in the absence of Bro. Buckworth; Harland S.W., Pascall J.W., Whittaker S.D., Shonfeld J.D., Baber Secretary, Sergeant I.G., Bavin Tyler, Daniel P.M., Fleming, Clarke, White, Ranson, Legg, Ridpath, Sparrow, Haskins, and Tutton; Visitor Bro. Ridge J.W. 463. After preliminaries, Messrs. James Burnham and W. Hinson were balloted for, elected, and presented for initiation; the ceremony was performed by the W.M. Bro. Haskins was then questioned, and passed to the degree of F.C. Bro. Tutton answered the questions, and was raised to the sublime degree of M.M. The Lodge having been closed to the first degree, the byelaws were read by the Secretary, and it was announced that five brethren were eligible for the office of W.M. for the ensuing year; the election, however, was unanimous in favour of Bro. Harland S.W. Bro. Foulsham was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Bavin Tyler for the ensuing year. Bro. Harland, in thanking the brethren for their unanimous vote, said that, as a young Mason, he would use his best endeavours to deserve the trust they had reposed in him. He would be as constant in his attendance as it was possible, and hoped during his year of office, with the assistance of the Officers, to give satisfaction. Bro. Foulsham, as one of the founders of the Lodge with Bro. Harland, could not keep silent on this occasion; he was sure that when Bro. Harland was installed as W.M. of Old England Lodge, he would give satisfaction, and perform his duties in accordance with the wishes of the brethren, who must know something of his working, or they would not be so happy in their unity. Personally he would give Bro. Harland all the assistance in his power. The Lodge being one of his creation, he did not mind what labour he might be called upon to do to further the interests of a Lodge of which he was so proud. The Audit Committee was appointed, and a gentleman proposed for initiation. After hearty good wishes had been expressed by Bros. Daniel and Ridge, Lodge was closed in due form.

Northern Counties Lodge No. 406.—The first meeting since the installation took place on the 4th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. Bro. R. G. Salmon P.G.A.D.C., assisted by the following Officers—John Page I.P.M., S. M. Harris S.W., G. Danford J.W., John Ridsdale P.M. Treasurer, J. S. B. Bell Secretary, R. W. Sisson S.D., G. W. Sisson, J.D., Duncan McDonald as I.G., W. M. Lion J.S., and G. Sims Tyler. There being no business of any importance the Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment.

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FREEMASONRY IN PHILADELPHIA..

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I have been favoured with a letter from Bro. Jacob Norton, in which he very kindly encloses transcript of one of the many so-called exposures of Masonry which have, from time to time, been published. This particular exposure appeared in the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, 8th December 1730, and the introduction gives one the idea that the body of the document must be one and the same with that which was described some time last year by Bro. A. in the columns of your contemporary the *Freemason*. It reads thus:—

"By the death of a gentleman who was one of the Brotherhood of Free-masons, there has lately happened a discovery of abundance of their secret signs and wonders with the mystic fraternity. The following is a true copy of a manuscript which the deceased had written for the benefit of his own private remembrance, and which was found concealed among his choicest papers in the most hidden part of his cabinet. The world had long admired that in such numerous company, many of them not remarkable for taciturnity, there had been not one found that in his cups or in any other circumstance would discover their mysteries; but the whole appears so childish and ridiculous that this is probably the case,—their grand secret is, that they have no secret at all; and once a man is enter'd, he finds himself obliged to be its defender to carry on the jest with as solemn a face as the rest. We shall not use many words to persuade the public that the following piece is genuine; it carries all the marks of truth in itself. We would only refer the reader to the conduct of the Brotherhood upon occasions; if they ridicule it, or look grave upon it, he may be satisfied it is the real truth."

Bro. Norton writes, "The above is a transcript of Franklin's introduction to the document discovered" by Bro. A. "in the Guildhall Library, and on comparing with the preface in the original you must become convinced that Franklin was not a Mason in December 1730. I hope, therefore, that Bro. PHILADELPHOS will do me justice by acknowledging publicly that when all things are taken into consideration, there is not a particle of evidence in existence to prove the legality of Pennsylvania Masonry before 1749."

I am sure Bro. Norton will give me credit for not being so bigoted to my own opinions as to refuse to accept anything in the shape of evidence, even though it should go towards negativing the views I take. But will Bro. Norton have the kindness to point out how the fact of Franklin not being a Mason in December 1730 destroys "the legality of Pennsylvania Masonry before 1749?" Does it disprove—

- (1) The authenticity of the Cox's Deputation in 1730;
- (2) That Cox was present in the Grand Lodge, London, in 1731, and was described as Prov. G. Master of North America;
- (3) The accuracy of the announcement in the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, of 1732, as to the meeting of brethren in Philadelphia on one or more occasions in that year.

It is very possible, and, I am willing to add, very far from being improbable, that Franklin was not a Mason when he sanctioned the publication, in his own paper, of the exposure to which the above note was meant as an introduction; but, speaking for the moment from memory, I believe he was said, according to the very same *Pennsylvania Gazette*, to have been appointed S.W. in January 1732. Moreover, on the same assumption as before, that Franklin was not a Mason in December 1730, the very same number of the said gazette in which the exposure appeared contained notices that certain Lodges occasionally met in Philadelphia in 1730. There is, too, the further probability that it was because there were Masonic meetings in that year in Philadelphia that Franklin allowed the publication of the exposure—if he were not a Mason—for the purpose of holding it up to ridicule; or, if he were a Mason, to direct the natural curiosity of the Philadelphia public into a wrong channel. The public and the Masons must have enjoyed the joke hugely, and no one of the former could have been a bit the wiser in reality. I must also ask Bro. Norton to concede thus much. Franklin, we will say, not being a Mason in December 1730, sanctioned the publication of this burlesque on Masonry. Would he have sanctioned the announcement in June 1732 of his appointment as Senior Warden had he not been a Mason and so appointed.

There is necessarily much obscurity about the early doings of Freemasonry everywhere, but before I can reject Pennsylvania Freemasonry before 1749, I must have some further evidence than the not unlikely argument that Franklin when he published this Masonic Burlesque in December 1730 was not a Mason.

Faternally yours,

PHILADELPHOS.

London, 7th May 1881.

A MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

FROM THE MASONIC REVIEW, APRIL 1881.

THE *Daily Press* contains the following account of a singular murder in Iowa, which may or may not have some connection with the Morgan affair:

The mysterious murder in Iowa of a son of Judge Gillis—so well

known to many Philadelphians and Pennsylvanians—brings to mind recollections of a once famous character, and of the famous anti-Masonic excitement, and even gives colour to the suspicion that the death of Morgan is being avenged even at this late day.

As far back as 1820 the attention of Philadelphia capitalists was drawn to the great lumber regions of the north-western part of the State, and among the number was John J. Ridgway, a leading banker of this city. They purchased large tracts of land in what is now Elk county, and held them for many years. At this day Elk county borders on the oil regions, produces large quantities of lumber and coal, contains the largest tanneries in the world, the biggest trout and the most deer and game east of the Rocky Mountains. Philadelphia capital is still largely interested in the products of the county and in the development of its natural resources. Philadelphians have made much money. As far back as 1823, when the whole section of the country was an empire of woodland, it sometimes happened that Philadelphia gentlemen spent the summer in travelling over their estates in the backwoods. On these occasions they met a typical frontiersman, who went with them on fishing and hunting excursions. He was an energetic, pushing young fellow of thirty-five, quite well to do in the world, a tanner by trade, and a soldier of the war of 1812, who had suffered in British prisons. He had lived in Western New York and Pennsylvania, knew every foot of ground in the tremendous expanse of forest, and was a shrewd intelligent man. His name was James L. Gillis, and he afterward became a County Judge, a member of the House and Senate at Harrisburg, and finally a member of Congress. In the last generation he was as well known as any man in the State, and he had friends in every part of the Union. After serving in Congress, and acting for two years as Indian Agent for the Pawnee Tribe, Judge Gillis removed to Mt Pleasant, Iowa, where he now resides, nearly one hundred years old.

In 1826 William Morgan was a good for nothing tailor in the town of Batavia, Western New York. He had belonged to the Order of Free-masons, and it became known that, with the assistance of a country editor, he was preparing an exposé of the secrets of the Order. Morgan suddenly disappeared, and it was said was drowned in Lake Ontario. The people of this day can have but little idea of the excitement this case caused. There was almost a rebellion in New York, and the affair gave rise to the formation of the anti-Masonic party, which polled 33,000 votes in New York State in 1828, 70,000 votes in 1829, and 128,000 in 1830. The Presidential candidate of the party carried Vermont in 1832, and defeated the Clay ticket in Ohio and New Jersey. In this State the party almost elected David Ritner Governor in 1832, and did elect him in 1835. At the time of the Morgan excitement James L. Gillis was a prominent Freemason in Western New York, and, with others, was charged with the murder of Morgan. He was tried for the crime but was acquitted.

Judge Gillis had almost forgotten the prominence that was given him in the Morgan matter, when a few years ago one of his sons, Ridgway Gillis, was called to the door of his father's Iowa residence and assassinated. No clue could be found to the perpetrator of the deed, nor could any reason whatever be given for its commission, and it has ever since remained an unfathomable mystery. Now an exactly similar fate has met Judge Gillis' other son, Charles. One evening last week father and son were seated in the parlour of their Mt Pleasant home, when a low knock was heard at the door. Charles Gillis got up and opened the door. The Judge heard a few words of low conversation, and then a ringing pistol shot, a cry of pain from his son, and a heavy fall. Sick and trembling, Judge Gillis rose to his feet, and staggering into the hall, saw his son lying bleeding on the floor, shot through the heart. He cried for help, and that moment his son's wife, who had been out a few minutes on an errand, ran into the house and stumbled over the dead body of her husband. The assassin was gone, and there is little possibility of discovering him.

The murdered man was not known to have any enemies. As in his brother's case, there was no apparent motive for the crime, and the murderer did his work with the same deadly certainty and escaped. There must have been some terrible incentive for these two brutal murders, and many of Judge Gillis' friends in the East firmly believe the tragedies have a connection with the celebrated Morgan murder or abduction of fifty-five years ago. Many believe the friends of Morgan are visiting vengeance on the head of the venerable Judge Gillis, half a century after his supposed connection with that affair, by murdering his sons.

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The *Times*, August 13th, 1877. From our own Correspondent with the Russian Army. Okoum, July 25th, 1877. The want of sanitary arrangements in the Russian Camp was dreadful, and had we remained there a few weeks longer, dysentery and typhoid fever would have played more havoc in our ranks than the bombs of the Turks. I myself acquired an unenviable reputation as a doctor, owing to my being provided with a small bottle of CHLORODYNE, with which I effected miraculous cures.

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, 14th MAY.

- 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
 1361—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1607—Loyalty
 1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
 R.A. 1185—Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green
 Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
 149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
 615—St. John and St. Paul, Pier Hotel, Erith
 1391—Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
 1556—Addiscombe, Surrey Club, West Croydon
 1584—Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge

MONDAY, 16th MAY.

- 45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 8 (Instruc.)
 174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, London-street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
 180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
 704—Camden, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
 901—City of London, Gresham-street, E.C.
 1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
 1489—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In.)
 1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
 1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)
 1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
 1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road, at 8 (In.)
 1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
 77—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
 236—York, Masonic Hall, York
 302—Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
 307—Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
 331—Phoenix Public Room, Truro
 359—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge.
 424—Borough, Half Moon Hotel, Gateshead.
 466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
 622—St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
 725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
 925—Bedford Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
 934—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield.
 1030—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
 1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland.
 1141—Mid Sussex, Assembly Rooms, Horsham.
 1170—St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
 1199—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury.
 1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover.
 1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 139—Paradise, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.
 R.A. 1051—Rowley, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 17th MAY.

Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.

- 55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
 65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 194—St. Paul, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, E.C.
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
 857—St. Mark, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)
 1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1380—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
 1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge, S.W.
 1446—Mount Edgumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
 1471—Islington, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, at 7 (Instruction)
 1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1558—Dr. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
 1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
 1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
 Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.
 R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
 M.M.—Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich.
 241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8.30 (Instruction)
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
 384—St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor.
 418—Menturia, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley.
 448—St. James, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
 452—Frederick of Unity, Greyhound, Croydon
 510—St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard.
 651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon.
 667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
 1006—Tregulow, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Cornwall.
 1052—Callender, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
 1089—De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness.
 1113—Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llanelgfa
 1276—Warren, Stanley Arms Hotel, Seacombe, Cheshire.
 1325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
 1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle.
 1470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable.
 1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction.)
 1534—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich.
 1551—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham.
 1570—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool
 1764—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton.

WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY.

General Committee of Grand Lodge and Lodge of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, at 6

- 174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 190—Oak, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 223—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
 539—La Tolerance, Green Dragon, 2 Maddox-street, W., at 7.45 (Inst.)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E.
 813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Inst.)
 862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
 1185—Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7 (Instruction)
 1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction.)
 1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)

- 1298—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1399—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7 (Instruction)
 1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1524—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion Road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
 1601—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
 1791—Creton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
 M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)

- 20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
 121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance
 175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, I.W.
 178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan.
 200—Old Globe, Private Rooms, Globe-street, Scarborough
 210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
 221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton
 246—Royal Union, Freemasons' Hall, Cheltenham.
 274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch, near Manchester
 290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
 325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
 342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Commercial Road, Landport
 363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
 451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
 581—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
 591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
 592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester
 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)
 625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
 633—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction.)
 683—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire
 750—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Railway-street, Cleckheaton
 795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunbridge Wells
 889—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames
 969—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Worthington
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction.)
 1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
 1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
 1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool
 1129—St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
 1161—De Grey and Ripon, Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester
 1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
 1246—Holte, Holte Hotel, Aston
 1301—Brighthouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighthouse
 1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham House, Northallerton
 1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancaster
 1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill Street, Toxteth Park, Liverpool (In.)
 1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
 1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
 1501—Wycombe, Town Hall, High Wycombe
 1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
 1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
 R.A. 220—Harmony, Wellington Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
 R.A. 481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
 R.A. 580—Unity, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
 R.A. 1060—Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tamworth
 M.M. 181—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham

THURSDAY, 19th MAY.

House Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Rise, at 4

- 3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
 15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
 211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
 754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
 813—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 227—Upton, Spotted Dog, Upton, E.
 11278—Burdett Coutts, Approach Tavern, Victoria Park
 1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst.)
 1614—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
 1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C., at 6. (Instruction)
 R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
 R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Inst.)
 M.M.—Duke of Connaught, Havelock, Albion-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.30 (Inst.)
 42—Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
 56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
 98—St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
 100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor Hotel, Quay, Great Yarmouth
 203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
 268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street, Ashton-under-Lyne
 343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
 345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn
 367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn, Smallbridge
 432—Abbey, Newdegate Arms, Nunaton
 523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester
 600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
 605—Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
 971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial-street, Batley
 1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
 1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
 1320—Blackheath, Green Man, Blackheath
 1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New Town
 1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
 1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Dearn House, Lindley
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 R.A. 63—St. Mary, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
 R.A. 204—Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 R.A. 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 307—Good Intent, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge
 R.A. 337—Confidence, Commercial Inn, Uppermill

FRIDAY, 20th MAY.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION, FREEMASONS' HALL AT TWELVE.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4.

- Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
 25—Robert Burns, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 766—William Preston, Feathers' Tavern, Up. George-st., Edgware-rd. 8 (Inst.)
 780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction.)
 834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.)
 902—Borgoyne, Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8 (Instruction)
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-rd., at 8 (Instruction)
 1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 7 (Instruction)
 1158—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)
 1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8 (In.)
 1385—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 R.A. 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington, at 8. (In.)
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
 127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
 152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 347—Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses Hotel, Tipton

516—Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
 541—De Lorraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
 993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
 1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
 1102—Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Eastthorpe, Mirfield
 1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George street, Leeds
 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
 R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
 R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
 R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30.
 K.T.—De Furnival, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

SATURDAY, 21st MAY.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., at 8. (Instruction)
 1320—Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
 Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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Acacia Lodge, No. 1314.—The regular meeting of this flourishing Lodge was held on the 10th inst., at the Bell Hotel, Bromley, under the presidency of Bro. S. Carrington W.M. Bros. J. Harvey S.W., J. Wyer P.M. as J.W., A. Avery P.P.G.R. Kent Treasurer, E. Coste P.M. P.P.G.D.C. Secretary, W. Carrington S.D., Bond J.D., E. Harvey I.G., Kift Organist, Keyse A.D.C. P.M.'s Bros. Seaman P.G.S., J. Wyer. Visitors—Bros. D. H. Jacobs P.M. 27, Jones 27, R. Fowler 754, C. Nott P.M. 87, J. H. Tustin 1627, H. Sharpe 1669, Anley 177, J. Swinyard 1697, H. M. Levy P.M. 188, Hawes, and Hartshorn. Lodge was opened, and the minutes were read and confirmed. Mr. A. G. Winson was balloted for, and duly initiated into the Order. Bro. R. Carrington answered the questions satisfactorily and was raised to the third degree. Both ceremonies were perfectly rendered by the W.M. Bro. Harvey S.W. was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year, Bro. E. Coste P.P.G.D.C. Kent was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Bavin Tyler. The W.M. elect, in an able speech, returned thanks for the honour conferred on him. Some appropriate remarks followed from Bro. A. Avery P.P.G.R. Kent. Bro. Wyer P.M. proposed that a P.M.'s jewel be presented to the retiring W.M., for the able and efficient manner he had upheld the dignity of the Lodge. This was seconded by Bro. Seaman P.M., and carried unanimously. Lodge was then closed until the second Tuesday in July. The brethren sat down to a very excellent banquet and dessert, provided by Bro. Sutton. A loving cup was passed round. The same was presented by Bro. S. Carrington W.M. on his installation. The W.M. proposed the usual toasts. In speaking to the toast of the R.W. Viscount Holmesdale P.G.M. of Kent, he said, that as this Lodge was in his province, he hoped to see that distinguished nobleman honour the brethren with his presence. (A Kentish fire was given). The toast of the R.W. D.P.G.M. Bro. Eastes and the rest of the Grand Officers was the next on the list. The W.M. felt it was a great honour to be able to say the Lodge had now had three Provincial Grand Officers belonging to it—Bros. E. Coste, A. Avery, and Seaman. Each of these brethren the members were proud of. Bro. A. Avery responded to the toast. In the course of his remarks, he announced that he was again about to act as Steward for the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, the Anniversary Festival of which Institution would take place on the 18th of May. He hoped he should have the support of the brethren. Bro. Seaman P.M. said it was some time since he was the I.P.M. However, that night he felt a great pleasure in proposing the toast of the W.M. He would repeat the words he had often uttered, Wait and work, and work and wait. That night Bro. Carrington presided over them for the last time. Personally, he (Bro. Seaman) was pleased with him. As one of the Founders of the Lodge he had seen the progress it had made during the last two or three years, and he felt greatly pleased to see the way in which Bro. Carrington had worked the third degree. He would call on the brethren to give a hearty reception to the toast. The P.M.'s, on his retirement, would be pleased to welcome him into their ranks. The W.M., in response, thanked Bro. Seaman for his kind expressions, and expressed himself much gratified at the hearty reception given him by the brethren. He always had an ardent wish to occupy the chair, and when he had secured that position his principal aim was to gain the members' satisfaction. He felt it a great honour to learn that they had proposed that a jewel should be presented him; he would wear it with great pride, as evidencing his having been associated with this Lodge. The words of Bro. Seaman, that the Past Masters would be pleased to welcome him among them, he felt as an additional honour; he would reciprocate by saying, he trusted to be among them for many years. The health of the newly initiated Bro. Winson came next on the list. The W.M. said the toast was a very pleasing one for him to offer; he trusted the step their new brother had taken would never be regretted. Personally he had known Brother Winson for a lengthened period, and he was convinced he would become a credit to the Order. Bro. Winson briefly returned thanks; he had often wished to be made a Mason, and now his wish was realised he hoped he might become a credit to the Acacia Lodge, and indeed to the Craft in general. The next one complimented was the W.M. elect. Bro. Carrington was sure he would fill the chair so as to sustain the credit of the Lodge. He would find the Past Masters would support him. This toast was ably responded to by Bro. Harvey. With the toast of the Visitors was coupled the name of Bro. D. D. Jacobs P.M. 27, who eloquently returned thanks. The toast of the Past Masters followed; the W.M. had spoken of them in a general way, but he now referred to them individually. No better could be found. The brethren had seen how they had assisted him, and they had done the like for his predecessor,

and would be ready to do so again. On Bro. Wyer devolved the duty of responding. In the name of the Past Masters, he could say their services would always be at command; they were ready and willing to assist the W.M. to promote the welfare of the Lodge. In speaking of the Officers of the Acacia Lodge, the W.M. made special reference to Bros. Avery Treasurer, and E. Coste P.M. Secretary, whose good qualities were well known. The Wardens and Junior Officers had likewise done their duty ably. Personally, he had to thank them for their kind assistance to him. After Bros. Coste and Harvey had responded, the Tyler's toast was given. In the course of the proceedings some excellent harmony was contributed by Bros. Kift, D. H. Jacobs, and Tremaire. Bros. A. Avery P.M. and Keyes diligently looked after the comforts of the brethren.

Strong Man Lodge of Instruction, No. 45.—On Monday last, at 7 p.m., at the George Hotel, Australian-avenue, Barbican. Present:—Bros. Caton W.M., Nell S.W., Herridge J.W., Wing Treasurer, Fox Secretary, Fitch S.D., Newell J.D., Gush Preceptor, Johnson I.G., and several others. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the second degree; Bro. Fox worked the second and third sections; the ceremony of passing was then rehearsed, Bro. Johnson as candidate. The ceremony was ably performed by Bro. Caton, and a vote of thanks was accorded him. Lodge was adjourned till Monday, 16th inst., at 7 p.m.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—Meeting held on Friday, 6th inst., at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew-bridge. Bros. Gellowski W.M., Tucker (Treasurer) S.W., Gunner (Hon. Secretary) J.W., C. E. Botley S.D., Monson J.D., Daniell I.G., Gomm P.M., Andrews P.M., Sperring, Maton, &c. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Sperring candidate. Lodge was advanced to the second degree, and Bro. Daniell retired; Bro. Andrews asked the questions leading to third degree, which were answered by the brethren. Lodge was opened and closed in the third degree, when Bro. Daniell was re-admitted. Lodge was closed in the second degree. Bro. Tucker was unanimously elected to fill the chair of K.S. on 13th inst. Lodge was then closed, and the meeting adjourned till 13th inst., at 8 p.m.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—On Tuesday at Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, Bros. T. Clark W.M., Christian S.W., Edwards J.W., Glass S.D., Dignam J.D., Smyth I.G., J. Lorkin Secretary, Wallington P.M. Preceptor; also Bros. Carr, Brasted, C. Lorkin, Boyce, Wardell, Polak. The ceremonial work of the evening comprised the rehearsal of the ceremony of passing, Bro. Boyce candidate. Bro. Christian worked the first section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. The Lodge was opened in the third degree, and regularly closed to first. Bro. C. Lorkin worked the third and fourth sections, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Christian was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. All Masonic business being ended, Lodge was closed in due form and adjourned. Brethren seeking Masonic knowledge will gain all they want by attending. The Lodge is still under the Preceptorship of Bro. P.M. Wallington, and is opened every Tuesday evening throughout the year, at 8 o'clock.

King's Cross Lodge of Instruction, No. 1732.—On the 8th inst., at Bro. Devine's, Blue Posts, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square, Bros. Snodin W.M., B. Kauffmann S.W., Davis J.W., Devine Treasurer, L. Solomon Secretary, E. Harvey S.D., J. A. Harvey J.D., N. Vallentine I.G., Hemming Preceptor. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The first and fourth sections of the lecture were worked, and then the ceremony of the third degree was rehearsed, Bro. Birrell candidate. The ceremony of passing was next rehearsed, Bro. Silvester as candidate. A cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Snodin for the perfect and impressive manner in which he had performed the ceremony. The meeting was then adjourned until the following week, at 7 o'clock.

Yarborough and Doric Masonic Charitable Association.—The third anniversary meeting of this association will be held on Tuesday evening, 24th May, at Bro. A. Walter's, Green Dragon Tavern, Stepney, at 5.30. A ballot will take place at six, and dinner at seven o'clock. Bro. T. J. Barnes P.M. 554 and 933, President of the Association, will preside. Tickets for the dinner (3s 6d each) may be had of Bro. J. G. Stevens P.M. 554, Hon. Secretary, 254 Romford-road, Upton, Essex.



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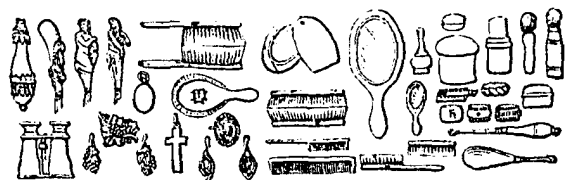
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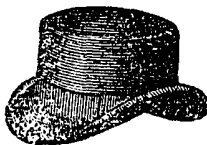
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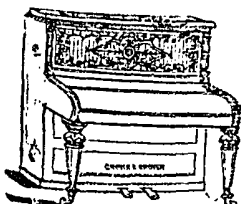
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