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EMULATION.

THIS is a principle the exercise of which may, in Masonry as in all the other walks of life, be turned either to profitable or ill account. The business man, the scholar, and the student are alike actuated by a spirit of emulation, between which motive and that of mere rivalry there is a wide and important distinction. Men may vie with each other, with all the ferocity of zeal, in pursuit of certain objects aimed at, and yet with an utter absence of that invaluable attribute of which we speak. And this distinction, with perhaps but little perceptible difference, it is to which we would draw the attention especially of the younger members of the Craft, with a view, if possible, to mould their thoughts and aspirations whilst in search of Masonic light. Many a man of sound judgment, after having discerned the first glimpses of that refulgence which bursts upon him in the initiative ceremony, and which deepens with every progressive step taken in a Masonic Lodge, sees before him a wide field for the culture of those nobler and loftier sentiments of which the human mind is capable, but which for the first time open out to him in all their comprehensiveness after he has had restored to him that blessing which had been the predominant wish of his heart. On the other hand, there are some who, having gratified their feelings of curiosity by the initiative rite, are inspired by no longings for a development of the motives which "prompted them to seek a participation in the mysteries and privileges of our Order." They stand lingering at the portals of the stately and superb edifice, but, though the foundation of their Masonic faith was duly laid, they fail to raise upon it the "superstructure, perfect in its parts and honourable to the builder." The absence of a spirit of emulation in such brethren precludes them from drinking those refreshing draughts which are the source of life-giving enjoyment to the more intellectual of their fellows; and when they see others rising to positions of honour and eminence in the Craft, they gaze, and wonder, and inquire how such things can be.

The answer is as simple in this as in any other of the avocations of life. The race is not always to the swift, nor the victory to the strong; but it is by a careful appreciation of the advantages placed within our reach, and by taking care that the opportunities presented to us are embraced in the proper spirit, that the most salutary results are accomplished. The man of business who, envious of his neighbour, enters into jealous rivalry with him, in order to keep pace with, or to outdo, the success which he observes is attendant on that neighbour's career, does so in a vein, not of friendly emulation, but of spiteful avarice, and from this spring "envy, hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness." It is a sentiment which, if carried into active exercise, would undermine and sap the very vitals of such an Institution as that of Freemasonry, whose objects are the binding together in bonds of mutual sympathy and brotherhood the members of one universal family. We have spoken of the brother who lacks either the courage or the intelligence to grasp with ready appreciation the grandeur and sublimity of a system which is

the source of such unfailing interest to those who tread its paths, and who looks with a sort of sullen envy upon those to whom are awarded the palms of honour meritoriously won. We have known brethren, excellent and admirable in many other respects, grow peevish and discontented at witnessing the rise and progress of others, and for the reason only that they have not cultivated this principle of emulation. They have been content to repose on the couch of indifference, and expect the fruit to come to them, instead of industriously tilling the soil and zealously tending the crop until it is ready to be garnered. They querulously covet exalted positions in their Lodges, and would scramble through a slipshod form of official display; but the achievements of such men neither reflect credit on themselves, nor afford satisfaction or edification to the brethren by whom they are surrounded. They lack this essential spirit of emulation of which we speak, and are actuated solely by feelings of rivalry—which, in many cases, is but another word for jealous antagonism. Emulation can go along the common path hand in hand with brotherly love; rivalry never. The former whispers and exchanges mutual encouragement and hope; the other breathes only discord and contention.

What deplorable scenes, therefore, are sometimes—though they are happily very rare—witnessed in the Masonic Lodge, from which should be banished even the faintest shadow of jealousy and strife. We have seen the promptings of this rivalry carried on with such subtle, yet potent, pertinacity as to produce results highly detrimental, if not almost fatal, to the very life of a Lodge. There is the weak-kneed brother who could never understand the secret of that perseverance which lifts some men, Saul-like, shoulder-high above their fellows, but who deems it no degradation to make use of unworthy artifices by which to add a cubit to his Masonic stature. By and bye, the opportunity and the occasion arrive; he is lifted up, not by his own meritorious action, resulting from a proper application of the principle of which we are speaking, but the compassionate kindness of friends, or perhaps the shrewdness of his own diplomacy. But, as a rule, such ambition invariably overleaps itself. We have seen pitiable instances in which brethren so promoted—with all good intention, no doubt, on the part of the newly exalted Worshipful Master—to positions of importance under his rule, bring discredit and discomfort upon the Lodge by the prevalence of that spirit of rivalry which actuated them in aspiring to office, and by the lack of emulation to acquire competency. We repeat that, happily such cases are not of frequent occurrence, but on more than one occasion brethren must have been pained to see the scornful curl of the lip, and to detect the suppressed titter attendant upon the floundering about of an officer who has been pitchforked into a chair, "not wisely, but too well," by an indulgent Worshipful Master. He belongs to that class amongst whom the spirit of emulation has obtained no foothold, who gazes vacantly into the vista of that Masonic grandeur along the paths of which others walk with such graceful confidence, and who is content to wait until some wind of fortune wafts him into a position he is incompetent to fill.

Far more pleasant it is to watch the progress of the young brother who, from the first step he takes along the

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chequered floor, turns a keen eye and ear to all the mystic beauty of our symbolism, and betrays that appreciation of the Art which gives him more abundant confidence at every step. Whilst the apathetic brother of whom we spoke just now gazes on him with envy, as he plunges boldly into the hidden recesses of the science, there are kindly hearts and stout hands extended to this young student, who, seeing the bright deeds of those who have gone before, is so anxious to emulate their good example. He watches with intelligent and absorbing interest the minutest details of every rite and ceremony; he listens with retentive interest to every beautifully-rounded sentence of the ritual; he follows mentally the actions, observations and attitudes of those who have earned their title to be Mentors of the Craft; and thus, when successors are required to those who pass into higher offices, he emerges already self-educated and self-fitted to receive "some further mark of favour" at the Master's hands.

We commend these suggestions in all friendliness to brethren who cling so tenaciously to the system of promotion by seniority, and which in many cases proves a not altogether unalloyed source of satisfaction. We admit that when young brethren are called to the front, and placed in positions "over the heads" of, older members, there may be a risk of dissatisfaction, or even of offence; but this we argue is by no means to be shirked, if the welfare of a Lodge is the object of primary regard. For a man entrusted with the insignia of Inner Guard to look upon himself as Worshipful Master, *volens volens*, within a certain period, whether he is fitted for the post or not, is not Masonry. And thus when a Warden or other brother is selected to govern the Lodge, he should be most solicitous that those whom he appoints as his Officers are imbued with the most zealous and earnest determination to emulate all they may be able to see worth copying in his own work and example. That emulation, if properly directed, will permeate the whole official conclave, and instead of the bickerings and fighting after office which we sometimes read of, there will be a real and substantial aiming after that proficiency which will render "promotion by rotation" not only usual, but desirable.

The point we wish to impress upon our younger members especially then is, that rivalry and emulation are utterly and totally distinct. Whereas the former breeds only jealousy and sensitiveness, often retarding the best efforts of those who wish to advance the interests of the Craft, the latter sheds a kindly ray of earnestness upon the whole working of the body of members, infusing into it a fixity and enthusiasm which combine to strengthen the hands of the rulers, and to build up a spirit of happy cordiality and unity of purpose all round. Emulation heals the wounds and breaches which rivalry would produce; it is contagious, and incites a like spirit in others; it is, moreover, a principle which gathers strength as it goes, and works in a mysterious way for the good of any object over which it holds its sway. All, therefore, who desire to see our Institution flourish—and who does not?—must assist in promoting the growth of this invaluable plant, and nowhere can the seeds be more advantageously sown, with a chance of bringing forth fruit, than in our Lodges of Instruction. Here, in the nursery grounds of our future Lodges should the necessity for, and the priceless benefits of, this principle of emulation be engrafted into the minds and aspirations of our junior Craftsmen; and of this we may be assured, that those who practise it most zealously, will themselves reap the richest reward.

It has been announced that the Alhambra Theatre, London, will shortly have to close to make some extensive alterations to the stage, required by the Lord Chamberlain, and also to redecorate and refurnish the theatre. The "Bronze Horse," which has been played over 100 nights, will then have to be withdrawn. On the re-opening will be produced a new version of the "Black Crook," founded on "La Biche au Bois," a grand spectacular fairy opera, now creating a great sensation at the Porte St. Martin, in Paris, and which is also to be performed in New York at Christmas. The "Black Crook" is to be mounted on a scale of great splendour, and one of its most interesting features will be the introduction of no less than three new grand ballets, in which Mdlles. Pertoldi, De Gillert, and Palladino will appear. Amongst the artistes engaged for this new opera are Misses Constance Loseby, Lizzie Coote, Emilié Petrelli, Rose Berend, Julia Seaman, and Messrs. Harry Paulton, Henry Walsham, René Longrois, Louis Kelleher, J. H. Jarvis and W. Hargreaves.

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Obituary.

BRO. R. BOGGETT.

WE exceedingly regret to announce the decease of our esteemed Bro. Richard Boggett, of the borough, town, and county of Kingston-upon-Hull, P.M. 57 and 1811, Past Prov. G.S.B. of North and East Yorkshire, which took place very soon after midnight on the 21st instant. The deceased was the First Principal of the De La Pole Chapter, besides being connected with many other degrees outside the Craft, notably the Mark, of which he was Past Grand J.D. of England, P.P.G.M.O. of Lincolnshire, P.M. of the Humber 182, I.P.M. of the Beverlac 281, Past M.P. Sovereign of the De La Pole Conclave of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine, Past Commander Royal Ark Mariners, besides being an Excellent and Super Excellent Master, and connected with the Prince of Wales Chapter Rose Croix, Commander of St. John K.H.S., the Royal Order of Scotland, and St. Lawrence the Martyr, &c. Bro. Boggett, who but young (37), had, during his Masonic career, extending over ten or twelve years, certainly Freemasonry at heart, especially the Masonic Charities, he having several times served as Steward for the Institutions. His energy, his zeal, and his anxiety to promote the welfare of the Craft in general, won him the confidence and esteem of the whole of the brethren, and made him one of the most useful and influential members of the several Lodges with which he was connected. He was ever at the call of any Brother, and ready at a moment's notice to fill any place, from the Master's chair to Inner or even Outer Guard. In fact, it may unhesitatingly be said that our deceased Bro. Boggett was one of the best Masons in the Province of North and East Yorkshire, and it will be long before the members will look on his like again, and yet still longer before his various offices will be filled to the satisfaction of the brethren in the Province. Whatever his hand found to do, he did with all his might, and his geniality and cheerfulness will never be forgotten. He was laid to rest on the 25th instant, and although at the request of the family of the deceased the funeral was entirely of a private character, we noticed amongst the mourners Bros. Gillett, Worshipful Master of the De La Pole Lodge, No. 1181, Preston; Cheesman P.M., A. P. Wilson Worshipful Master Beverlac 281, Ansdell S.W., Wright, Howarth, Highmoor, Chapman, Wing, &c. The G.A.O.T.U. having called our Brother to that house not made with hands, may his footsteps be followed by many young and rising members in the Province who may emulate the cheerfulness and zeal in the carrying out of all good Masonic work which characterised Bro. Boggett. We understand it has been suggested by the Beverlac Mark Lodge (of which the deceased occupied the position of I.P.M.) in conjunction with the Craft and Royal Arch Chapter, to try and raise a Masonic Hall at Beverley, to be called the "Boggett Masonic Memorial," and we trust that if such intention is carried out, that it will not only be assisted by many of the brethren in the Province, but by many at a distance, who prize honour and worth above the external advantages of rank and fortune.

BRO. E. G. LEGGE.

Many of our readers will hear, not with surprise, but with infinite regret, of the death of Bro. Edwin Gillingham Legge. Bro. Legge was initiated in the Urban Lodge, No. 1196, where he filled the chair in the year 1878. He was one of the founders of the Lodge of Loyalty, No. 1607, and at the time of his death was its Immediate Past Master. The sad event took place on the 19th instant, after a long and trying illness, which from the first was looked upon as almost sure to terminate fatally. Our late brother was deservedly respected and esteemed by all with whom he was associated, and many will regret the loss of a sincere and true-hearted man. We tender to his family our cordial sympathy in this the hour of their bereavement.

A meeting of the magistrates of the County of Armagh has been called, at the instance of R.W. Maxwell C. Close, M.P., "for the purpose of considering the condition of" Ireland, "with a view to putting a check upon the illegal combinations and outrages with which the country is now threatened."

ROYAL ARCH.

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SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL
ARCH MASONS OF ENGLAND.

A QUARTERLY Convocation of the Supreme Grand Chapter will be held at Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C., on Wednesday, the 2nd day of November next, at 7 o'clock in the evening, punctually.

Business:—The Minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation to be read for confirmation.

The Committee of General Purposes beg to report that they have examined the Accounts from the 21st July to the 19th October 1881, both inclusive, which they find to be as follows:—

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance Grand Chapter	1314	1	5	Disbursements during			
„ Unappropriated				the Quarter . . .	188	19	4
Account . . .	193	19	1	Balance	1440	12	7
Subsequent Receipts .	318	19	10	„ in Unappropriated			
				Account	197	8	5
	£1827	0	4		£1827	0	4

which Balances are in the Bank of England, Western Branch.

The Committee have likewise to report that they have received the following petitions:—

1st. From Companions Robert Hudson as Z., James Saxburn Wilson as H., Matthew Henry Dodd as J., and seven others, for a Chapter to be attached to the St. Bede Lodge, No. 1119, Jarrow, to be called "The St. Bede Chapter," and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Grange-road, Jarrow, in the County of Durham.

2nd. From Companions William Coppard Beaumont as Z., George Bernard Brodie, M.D., as H., Edward Milner as J., and seven others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Castle Lodge of Harmony, No. 26, London, to be called "The Castle Chapter of Harmony," and to meet at the Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, Regent-street, London.

3rd. From Companions William Herbert Addiscott as Z., James Keating as H., George May as J., and ten others, for a Chapter to be attached to the United Service Lodge, No. 1341, Victoria, Hong Kong, to be called "The United Chapter," and to meet at the Freemasons' Hall, Victoria, Hong Kong, China.

4th. From Companions Robert Hill Crowden as Z., William Lake as H., John Knight Stead as J., and six others, for a Chapter to be attached to the West Kent Lodge, No. 1297, Sydenham, to be called "The West Kent Chapter," and to meet at the Thicket Hotel, Anerley, Surrey.

5th. From Companions Richard Bagnall Reed as Z., Robert Foreman Cook as H., John Wood as J., and nine others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Lodge of Industry, No. 48, Gateshead, to be called "The Chapter of Industry," and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Gateshead, in the County of Durham.

The foregoing petitions being in all respects regular, the Committee recommend that the prayers thereof be respectively granted.

6th. The Committee have also received a petition from the Principals and other members of "The Otago Chapter," No. 844, Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand, praying for a Charter of Confirmation, the original Charter having been burnt in a fire when the Freemasons' Hall was destroyed.

7th. Also a petition from the Principals and Members of "The Chapter of Harmony," No. 309, Fareham, Hampshire, praying for a Charter of Confirmation, the original Charter having been destroyed by fire.

The Committee also recommend that Charters of Confirmation for these Chapters be respectively granted.

(Signed) JOHN CREATON, P.G.Pr.Soj.,
Grand Treasurer,
President.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.
19th October 1881.

NOTE.—The "Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book" for 1882, will be published early in November, Scribes of Chapters and other Companions are requested to notify to the Grand Scribe E. the number they require.

North London Chapter of Improvement, No. 1471.—

At the weekly meeting, at the Jolly Farmers Tavern, Southgate-road, on Thursday, 20th October. Present, Comps. J. Weston M.E.Z., J. Osborn H., G. H. Hunter J., Sheffield Acting S.E., Parkes S.N., T. C. Edmonds Preceptor, R. Percy P.S., Gregory, Laurence, and several others. The Chapter was opened, and the minutes of the preceding Convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Laurence acting as candidate. It was decided to invite Comp. Stiles, of the Metropolitan Chapter, to officiate as M.E.Z. at the next meeting. All Masonic business being ended, the Chapter was closed and adjourned. At a previous meeting of this Chapter of Improvement, held on 13th October, Comp. Fraser, Chapter 1507, was elected a member.

The ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the Princess Helena College, Ealing, by H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, assisted by Prince and Princess Christian, has been unavoidably postponed.

ENFIELD CHAPTER, No. 1237.

THE annual convocation for the installation of Principals and investment of Officers of this flourishing Chapter was held on Monday, at the Court House, Enfield. The Companions assembled at 4.30, when there was a very fair attendance of the members, with the following Visitors:—J. W. Hobbs P.Z. 1365, T. J. Cusworth P.Z. 813, E. W. Mackney P.Z. 134, W. W. Morgan, &c. The Chapter was formally opened by the Principals present, and on the admission of the Companions below the several chairs, the minutes of last convocation were read and confirmed. The installation of Principals was then proceeded with, Companion James Linzell, who during the last twelve months has ably conducted the business of the Chapter, was re-instated in the chair of Z. by P.Z. Comp. H. J. Adams. Comp. Henry Clements was installed into the chair of H., and Comp. S. M. Greenwood into that of J., the Installing Principal ably conducting the ceremonies. On the re-admission of the lay members, the Officers were appointed and invested as under:—H. J. Adams P.Z. Scribe E., Burford (named as) S.N., H. C. Weld Principal Soj., Bolton First Assistant, J. Garrod Second Assistant, J. Very Janitor. The ballot was taken for Brother Charles Handley, St. John the Baptist Lodge, No. 475, Luton, proposed by Comp. E. G. Lewis, and seconded by Companion G. Burford; for Bro. George Rowe, J.D. High Cross Lodge, No. 754, proposed by Companion H. V. Clements H., and seconded by Companion J. Garrod; for Bro. Stephen Goodall, High Cross Lodge, No. 754, proposed by Companion E. G. Lewis, and seconded by Companion G. Burford. The result was unanimous in favour of each of these candidates, and while they were being prepared for the ceremony, the ballot was again brought into requisition, this time for Companion William Dance, Stability Chapter, No. 217, who desired to enter the Enfield Chapter as a joining member. He was proposed by Companion E. G. Lewis, and seconded by the M.E.Z.; here likewise the result showed perfect unanimity amongst the members for the admission of the candidate. The three aspirants were now introduced, and Companion Linzell ably carried out the ceremony of exaltation, for their advancement. The report of the Auditors was presented. This showed the financial condition of the Chapter to be highly satisfactory. The receipts during the year had been eminently gratifying, while the expenditure had been kept within modest proportions. There was a goodly balance in hand on the general fund, while the preliminary expenses still outstanding were amply covered by the furniture and appointments (which, by the way we may state, are very complete) of the Chapter. However, the balance in hand was so favourable, that on the recommendation of the Committee, it was moved and seconded that £20 be taken from the general fund towards the liquidation of this outstanding claim, and to this proposition assent was given *nem com.* Routine work followed, hearty good wishes were tendered, and Chapter was closed. The banquet was served at the George Inn, Comp. R. Mathison using every exertion to make his guests comfortable. On the removal of the cloth, the Loyal and Royal Arch toasts were given. In speaking to the toast of the Grand Superintendent of the Province (Sir Francis Burdett), reference was made to the fact that no Provincial Grand Chapter had been held in Middlesex for more than two years. This was to be deplored, as many of the Companions looked forward to these gatherings as having a tendency to sustain interest in the working of Royal Arch Masonry. Comp. Adams P.Z. proposed the health of the M.E.Z., to whom, in an earlier stage of the proceedings, had been presented the P.Z.'s jewel. After a humorous song from Comp. Mackney, Comp. Linzell acknowledged the honour paid him, assuring all how he should value the jewel they had so kindly voted. The other toasts customary on these occasions were done ample justice to, and the proceedings throughout were rendered agreeable by the successful efforts of those who exerted themselves to entertain, by music, songs, and recitations.

Bro. Major Chard, V.C., R.E., the gallant defender of Rorke's Drift, is on the eve of quitting England on foreign service at Malta.

The infant son of Lord Brabourne, better known as Mr. E. Knatchbull-Hugessen, was christened recently, at Mersham Church.

The Lord Mayor elect, Bro. Alderman Ellis, will be sworn into office in the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Judicature, instead of, as heretofore, in the Court of Exchequer.

H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, P.G.W. of England, and Prov. G. Master Oxfordshire, will preside at the Annual Festival of the Scottish Corporation, on the 30th November prox.

On the 14th inst., Earl Granville, K.G., presided at the ceremony of handing over the restored gateway at Dover to the authorities, and subsequently distributed the prizes to the successful students of Dover College.

Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., Recorder of Colchester, opened the Michaelmas Quarter Sessions of that town, and delivered his customary charge on the occasion, on Friday the 14th instant.

The Earl of Dalhousie has recently granted important privileges to his tenants, not the least important of his concessions being a reduction of 20 per cent. on their rents.

INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c.

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ANCHOR AND HOPE LODGE, No. 37.

THE monthly meeting of this Lodge was held at the New Masonic Hall, Swan Hotel, Bolton, on Monday, the 3rd instant, at 5.30 p.m. The Worshipful Master (Bro. Rooke Pennington) was punctual in his attendance, and with his Officers opened the Lodge at the appointed time, when the following brethren were present:—Bros. E. M. Garstang S.W., John Booth J.W., G. P. Brockbank Secretary, Rev. J. H. Gibbons Chaplain, J. D. Porteous S.D., F. W. Pacey J.D., James Poyntz I.G., W. Pennington P.M. Master of Ceremonies; Past Masters Johnson, Mills, James Walker, Reuben Mitchell, James Newton, John Morris, R. K. Freeman, Samuel Crowther; Bros. W. H. Wilson, Porter, Ridyard, Naylor, Whowell; Bros. Hardcastle and Lomax Stewards, and J. W. Roiley Tyler. Visitors—Bros. Thomas Nash Provincial Grand Registrar, P. Royle Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon, Thomas Entwisle Past Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, Robert Harwood Past Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, J. W. Taylor Past Provincial Grand Organist, Thomas Mitchell Provincial Grand Tyler, A. A. Cokayne Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer Cheshire, Jessop Hulton W.M. 62, Manchester, William Cooper 146, Bolton, J. S. Aldred 221, Bolton, W. H. Alcock 318, Bolton, William Blair 1723, Bolton, John Alcock P.M. and Secretary 348, N. Nicholson P.M. and Secretary 1723, George Taylor S.W. 146, W. Wadeson 221, Thomas Morris P.M. 221, George Ferguson P.M. 221, J. M. Rutter P.M. 221, J. F. Elliston 221, Thomas Raby P.M. 348, G. A. Mort Past Master 1354 Leigh, W. C. Freeman Past Master 1354, W. Y. Martin 1814, Worsley, R. Moir 526, F. W. Brockbank 1145, James Richardson Past Master 1723, E. G. Harwood 1723, John Priestley 1723. Bro. James Newton P. Prov. G.S.D. had kindly placed for the inspection of the brethren his valuable collection of old Masonic Jewels and Medals; also his copy of the first Book of Constitutions ever printed, and bearing date 1723; also excellently preserved copies of the Constitutions of 1767; and 1784; Freemasons' Pocket Companions of 1735, 1764, and 1772 Smith's Use and Abuse of Masonry, 1785; Preston's Illustrations 1801; copy of Pyne's Engraved List of Lodges, dated 1734 (originally belonging to Bro. Edward Entwisle, the first Worshipful Master of the Lodge), bearing his initials on silver clasp; Masonic Scrap-Book, containing old Certificates, early Lodge Summonses, autograph letters of distinguished Masons, &c.; also Masonic Cup of the eighteenth century (Staffordshire ware), and other Masonic curiosities. The Secretary's collection of more modern works embraced the Freemasons' Magazine for 1793 and several succeeding years; the valuable works of Bro. Hughan—Masonic Memorials, Masonic Register, Old Charges of Freemasons, and others; Bro. Gould's works—The Four Old Lodges and the Athol Lodges; Ahiman Rezon, 1801; Proofs of a Conspiracy, 1797; Freemasonry in Scotland, by D. Murray Lyon; Selection of Masonic Songs, printed in Bolton in 1811; Freemasons' Pocket Companion, Glasgow, 1771, with a varied selection of Masonic Jewels, appertaining to every Degree and Order in Masonry. Two brethren—James Naylor and J. J. Whowell—who were candidates for the second degree, presented themselves for examination as to their proficiency as Entered Apprentices. This proving satisfactory, they retired, and the Lodge was opened in the second degree, when the Worshipful Master, in a most able manner, passed the candidates to the second degree, the working tools being presented by the S.W. Brother Garstang, and the Fellow Craft Lodge was forthwith closed. The Secretary, Bro. G. P. Brockbank P. Prov. G.S.D., had prepared a few statistics as to the early history and progress of the Lodge; but in view of the fact that the Lodge would attain the 150th anniversary of its existence in the course of another year, it was deemed advisable to defer the statement, and in the meantime the Secretary, with the assistance of Brother Newton, would endeavour to collect every available scrap of information, and produce the result of their labours on the occasion of the ter jubilee of the Lodge in 1882. Hearty good wishes were expressed by representatives from Provincial Grand Lodges of East and West Lancashire, Cheshire, Derbyshire, Berks and Bucks, from various Lodges in Lancashire, and from the Lodge of Edinburgh (Mary's Chapel), No. 1 under Grand Lodge of Scotland. The minutes of the proceedings of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Pennington W.M. explained the circumstances under which the brethren were now assembled in a room which had been engaged pursuant to a resolution passed at the last regular meeting for the exclusive use of the members of this Lodge, at an annual rent of £10, and expressed his thanks on behalf of the Lodge to the brethren who had so laboriously worked to achieve the present result. Mentioning brethren by name who had contributed to the satisfactory result, he distinguished particularly the services of Brother George Parker Brockbank, whose untiring zeal on behalf of the Lodge resulted in its establishment in such comfortable quarters, and without whose persistent hard work the end could not have been attained. The elegant appearance of the Lodge room was largely due to the exertions of Bro. Brockbank, aided by the professional skill of two architects, members of the Lodge, Bro. R. K. Freeman and John Morris. The furniture of the Lodge, which had been removed to a store for the purpose of safety since the Lodge ceased to assemble at the Church Institution, was now placed in the room, and a few banners which had been obtained by the brethren who had superintended the decoration of the room, were tastefully displayed. Prominently, a banner in possession of the Lodge, which evidently had been provided for the Provincial Grand Lodge some 50 years ago, was conspicuously placed in the centre of the building; the possession of this banner was quite unknown to the oldest Mason of the district or Lodge, and was looked upon both by members and visitors as a great curiosity. The obverse side contained the armorial bearings of the following Provincial Grand Masters of Lancashire, viz., Edward Entwisle 1734,

(this brother was the first Master of this Lodge on its foundation in 1722), William Rachdale 1742, and John Smith 1758. On the reverse side the arms of John Allen 1769, E. D. Astley 1813, and of the Provincial Grand Master of East Lancashire 1825, Bro. John Crossley. There was also displayed amongst the banners of the Lodge a dark blue banner, elaborately painted with Masonic devices, not only referring to the Craft, but also to the other unrecognised Orders, as the K.S., Red Cross of Babylon, and others, with the name, Wigton Lodge, 208 Ancients. Lodge was closed in due form at half-past six o'clock, when the brethren adjourned to refreshment in the large dining-room of the Swan Hotel, which, under the supervision of the Worshipful Master, was most appropriately decorated, and by whom a most sumptuous banquet was provided for the Visitors. The usual Masonic toasts were duly honoured and responded to, a most effective speech being delivered by Bro. Nash Provincial Grand Registrar, who responded for the Provincial Grand Officers. Bro. Walter Pennington P.M., Master of Ceremonies, conducted the proceedings pertaining to his office, both in Lodge and at the banquet, with consummate skill and to the entire satisfaction of the brethren. The host, Bro. Greenwood, Past Provincial Grand Pursuivant, who has only recently entered upon possession of this ancient hostelry, proved his capacity for catering to the wants of his brethren, and the highest praise was awarded him for his successful exertions to make this interesting meeting a perfect success.

ECCLESTON LODGE, No. 1624.

THE installation meeting of this Lodge was held on the 19th inst., at the Criterion, Regent-circus, Piccadilly, under the presidency of the W.M. Bro. S. Jones. John Galt Fisher S.W., Powell J.W., Isaacs Treas., A. W. Beckham Sec., Taylor S.D., Johnson J.D., J. Tapp I.G., P.M.'s Flattery, Jones, Vincent, McLeod, and a numerous and distinguished company of visitors, amongst whom we may mention—Bros. J. Bevan District Grand Master Westland, New Zealand, W. Blakey P.P.G.D.C. Kent, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., J. Stevens P.M. 1426, Besant 1194, Duncan 907, Bond 1314, Lucas 1360, W. Ruddle 73, Larner 858, Goffin 1572, Davies 87, Knight 749, Snook 1604, Hamilton 1641, Bray P.M. 1155, J. I. Cantle P.M. 1257, W. Hicklin, Berry P.M. 584, Carrington 1794, J. Gourlay P.M. 160, C. F. May P.M. 780, T. Cross W.M. 1194, Barfield P.M. 35, Giacomazzi, E. C. Massey P.M. 1297, C. Helden 1791, J. F. Hallet 907, J. Ward 860, A. Kimber 804, A. Stamp 1194, Hart 1348, Sanicroft 467, Shute 1791, Wrangham 619, Ludd 619, Laughton 1365, Pinn 860, Sanders 1257, White 217, R. W. Boyce 1381, and H. M. Levy P.M. 188. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. The auditors' report was read; it showed the Lodge was in a flourishing state. Ballot was taken for the admission of Mr. S. Bruce. Bro. Smith was passed to the 2nd degree. Bro. J. G. Fisher S.W. and W.M. elect was then presented to the Lodge, and duly installed into the chair in the presence of 14 W.M.'s and P.M.'s, Bro. J. Bevan, of New Zealand, and Bro. Cottebrune occupying the Wardens' chairs. The ceremony was perfectly and impressively delivered by Bro. Vincent P.M., and he well merited the encomiums passed on him at its conclusion. Bro. Flatterley P.M. acted as D.C., and appropriate music aided the ceremony. The customary salutations having been given, the W.M. in appropriate terms appointed and invested his Officers—S. Jones I.P.M., Powell S.W., Taylor J.W., Isaacs Treasurer, Beckham Secretary, Johnson P.M. S.D., Bro. Tapp was appointed J.D. but through a domestic affliction was unable to be present, Bottle I.G., Egerton Organist, Vernon and Coalthard Stewards, Bennett and A. Johnson Wine Stewards, Thomas Tyler, Webb Asst. Tyler. We may congratulate the Lodge on its selection of a W.M. Bro. J. G. Fisher showed his proficiency by the perfect manner in which he initiated Messrs. G. Messenger and S. Bruce. The newly-appointed officers were also conversant with their duties. Hearty good wishes were now given by the numerous visitors, and Lodge was closed. The brethren, over 100 in number, sat down to a sumptuous and *recherché* banquet and dessert, provided by Messrs. Spiers and Pond. The W.M., who ably presided, after grace had been sung, proposed the customary Loyal and Masonic toasts. With that of the R.W. the Earl of Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, he would couple the name of Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, Past Grand Pursuivant, who, in replying, said he was pleased to attend; this was the first time he had visited the Lodge. All knew the qualifications of the Grand Officers. For himself, he was but a very humble representative of Grand Lodge, but were some of the more important Officers present they could but be gratified at the way the work had been done. He might add that he had never seen better working than that of their Worshipful Master who had so recently been installed in the chair. The Installing Master had also ably done his duties. The Worshipful Master, on again rising, said he was very much pleased with what he had seen that day. He would depart from the order of the toasts as set down on the list. They had, unexpectedly, the honour of a visit from a distinguished brother from abroad, and it behoved them, as loyal and hospitable Masons, to extend to him a cordial welcome. The District Grand Master of New Zealand, Bro. Bevan, had done them the honour of visiting them; he had come unexpectedly, or they would have inserted that of his health amongst the toasts of the evening; but as he was with them, he wished them to show Bro. Bevan that they felt as cordially for brethren from distant colonies as for those of their country. He (the W.M.) had been in some of the English colonies, and wished he had been a Mason at that time; if he should ever visit them again he felt that he should be received there with the same cordiality that he wished to extend to Bro. Bevan on the present occasion. Bro. Bevan could hardly find words in which to express his delight at the warm reception he had met with. The Worshipful Master had said that he came unexpectedly that night; in reply, he would add that that is just the way he could wish to come among them. When he entered the Hall he knew that there was the same tie between them as there was between his brethren on the West Coast of New

Zealand. Masons are the most loyal of subjects; they honour the Grand Master, and abide by law and order, and the good government of society. When we look upon the deplorable events occurring in this nineteenth century, we have reason to wish that there were more Freemasons, because then there would be less disorder. It was a delight to him, after an absence of nearly twenty-five years, to meet a band of brothers; he felt no restraint or diffidence in speaking to them, simply because they were brothers, and could sink all differences. This was caused by the tenets of Freemasonry. They were taught to love one another, to pause and think of the grand realities of life. Masonry is the great stepping-stone to everything beautiful in life, and undefiled Masonry is one of those goodly trees that spread their branches over the length and breadth of the land, exerting a good influence on all. He was pleased to observe that the working in New Zealand corresponded in every detail with what he had just witnessed. It was very pleasing to say this; it showed how well the ritual was carried out on the other side of the globe. He thanked them heartily for the cordial manner in which the toast of his health had been proposed and received. Bro. Jones I.P.M. had now, with great pleasure, to propose the toast of the Worshipful Master. They had seen, since his occupation of the chair, what Bro. Fisher had done, and from that they could judge as to what he would do in the future; he would never allow the hinges of the Lodge to rust while he was associated with it. The Worshipful Master, in reply, said he was gratified to have the opportunity of responding. He had been associated with other Lodges, and he had worked for many years as an aspirant for the chair; to-night he had arrived at the proud position of Worshipful Master. As he said before, he belonged to several Lodges; he had the interest of the Craft at heart. This was the first time he had been installed. With all sincerity he thanked them for their reception of the toast. The toast of the I.P.M. was the next on the list. The W.M. had an important duty in connection with it. The duties of the chair had been so satisfactorily fulfilled by Bro. Jones that he had become endeared to every member of the Lodge. He (the W.M.) had now great pleasure in presenting him with the Past Master's jewel, which he trusted he might long live to wear; he would ask them to drink long life and health to their Immediate Past Master. Brother Jones thanked the Worshipful Master; he felt grateful that he had received the jewel, which he should be proud to hand down to his family as an heirloom. He had been very anxious to get into the chair, and now he was equally glad to get out of it. With these few remarks he begged most sincerely to thank them. The Worshipful Master then proposed the toast of the newly initiated brethren. He trusted that what they had heard, and what they had seen, would ever be remembered by them. He must now tell them they had a Lodge of Instruction in connection with the Lodge, and if they attended there they would find how easy the working was. He would now ask the brethren to drink to the toast of the Initiates. After this had been suitably responded to, the Worshipful Master proposed the toast of the Visitors. They were a very numerous body. On ordinary occasions it was not unusual for them to have fifteen or twenty, but to-night they had fifty visitors. However, if the members invited them, they should always be pleased to see them and give them, in the name of the Eccleston Lodge, a hearty welcome. Bro. Captain Blakey, Past Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies Kent, ably responded; he was followed by Bros. Stevens and H. M. Levy. Bros. Barfield and Cantle likewise spoke, paying just compliments to the Worshipful Master for his excellent working. He then proposed the toast of the Masonic Press, and Bro. C. E. Massey responded for the *Freemason*, while Bro. H. M. Levy responded for this journal. The Worshipful Master then proposed the toast of the Officers; those he had selected would, he felt assured, render him valuable assistance; each one could do the duties of the chair, if required, and he hoped they would eventually occupy it. This toast having been ably responded to, the Tyler's was given, and the brethren separated. The Worshipful Master had provided a very excellent selection of music. Bros. Davies, W. Sexton, Crow, Bond, Taylor, and Cantle were the artists. Bro. Stevens gave his popular recitation, "Masons' Vows." Bro. G. R. Egerton Organist presided at the piano.

NEW FINSBURY PARK LODGE, No. 1695.

THE annual installation meeting was held on Tuesday, the 18th inst., at the Alexandra Palace, where there was a large attendance of members and visitors—viz., Bros. T. Press I.P.M. as W.M., R. C. Frampton S.W., J. N. Thompson J.W., R. T. Davies P.M. Treasurer W.M. elect, A. J. Berry Secretary, G. D. Edmunds S.D., J. H. Bastable J.D., J. Eldridge P.M. D. of C., A. F. Speller I.G., E. Grout Organist, F. H. Tibbetts Steward, A. Ayden, W. Earl, H. Hollis P.M. P.G.S.B. Herts, F. Rushwood, W. F. Richmond, F. G. Madgin, J. Swinyard, T. Jackson, W. J. Cattermole, J. R. Perfect and Geo. Chutter. Visitors—Bros. J. Terry P.G.S.W. Norths and Hunts, A. Stewart W.M. 1158, J. Cooper 1471, J. Barber 1314, A. Mulford W.M. 1288, J. T. Rowe P.M. 167, C. James 15, J. Chinnery 145, P. Harnott 813, F. Rehm 813, S. Carrington P.M. 1314, H. Follitt P.M. and Treasurer 45, T. Goode P.M. 1283, L. Bamberger 1366, George Blackie P.M. and Sec. 1426, J. Pigot P.M. 753, F. Rothschild P.M. 1288, S. J. Byng P.M. 902, J. Viney 173, J. F. O. Wood 1288, W. Wilkinson S.D. 167, B. Groner W.M. 1613, S. Medcalf 206. The Lodge was opened in due form, and after the confirmation of the minutes, and the reception of the balance-sheet and report of the auditors, Bro. Terry took the chair, and having advanced the Lodge installed Bro. Davies as W.M., performing the ceremony in that excellent manner which characterises Bro. Terry's working. The following brethren were then appointed and invested:—Bros. J. N. Thompson S.W., G. D. Edmunds J.W., J. Eldridge P.M. Treasurer, A. J. Berry Secretary, J. H. Bastable S.D., A. F. Speller J.D., H. Hollis P.M. Director of Ceremonies, F. H. Tibbetts I.G., E. Grout Organist, F. Richmond Steward, and J. Very Tyler. All business

being ended, Lodge was closed, and the brethren sat down to a banquet furnished in the best style of Bros. Jones and Barber, of the Alexandra Palace, and a most enjoyable evening was spent, enhanced by the vocal ability of some of the brethren present.

ROSSLYN LODGE, No. 1543.

THE Installation Meeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday last, the 25th instant, at the Saracen's Head Inn, Dunmore. Amongst the Visitors present on the occasion were—Bros. G. D. Clapham P.M. 1513 1312 P.P.G.S.W. Essex, T. J. Ralling P.M. 51 Prov. Grand Sec. Essex, James Terry Prov. G.S.W. Norths and Hunts, Secretary Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, J. Stanley Treasurer 1769, T. C. Thomson I.G. 1769, M. S. Rubinstein 1642, J. Dehane 1052 905, G. Motion P.M. 453 P.P.G.S.W. Essex, J. Collinson 862 I.G., Smith S.W. Hornsey Lodge, &c. The ceremony of installation was performed by Bro. James Terry, who acquitted himself with wonted ability. The following is a list of the brethren who will conduct the business of the Lodge during the ensuing twelve months:—Bros. E. P. Shedd S.W. 276 I.P.M., H. F. Dehane W.M. P.G.S. Essex, F. Warner S.W., E. Rattray J.W., Rev. F. B. Shepherd Chaplain P.M. 276 P.P.G.C. P.P.G.S.W. Essex, F. J. Snell Treasurer P.M., F. M. Williams, M.D., P.M. Secretary, J. P. Lewin S.D. W.M. 276 P.G.S. of W. Essex, E. O. Cockayne J.D., J. Lucking I.G., R. W. Russell Tyler. After the brethren and their Visitors had partaken of a banquet, to which ample justice was done, Bro. Dehane, who ably fulfilled his duties, introduced the Loyal and Masonic toasts. In speaking to that of the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, and the rest of the Grand Officers of the Province, the W.M. expressed his regret that Bro. Philbrick, Q.C., had been prevented from attending. To Bro. T. J. Ralling, therefore, was entrusted the duty of replying to this toast, which he did in brief, but well-selected sentences. The health of the W.M. was proposed by Bro. E. P. Shedd, who spoke in terms of eulogy of Bro. Dehane's sterling qualities. His remarks were fully endorsed by the brethren, who gave the toast an enthusiastic reception. The W.M., in acknowledging the compliment, thanked the I.P.M. and brethren for the kind way they had responded to the toast of his health. It behoved him to carry out the duties of the important post to the best of any skill and ability he might possess. He hoped to be able to do this creditably, with the assistance of the I.P.M. and P.M.'s. He should strive to observe a strict conformity to the rules and regulations in the Book of Constitutions and the Bye-laws. Bro. Dehane pointed out that the active and individual co-operation of each Officer was imperative. He considered tact was quite as necessary to a W.M. as the grand principles on which the Order was founded; and if tact was brought into play it would conduce to the welfare of the Lodge and the harmony of the brethren. He trusted that when he might have the honour of installing his successor, he might hand over the affairs of the Lodge in as prosperous a state as now, and to become its I.P.M. with the unanimous esteem of the brethren and the gratifying testimony of a clear conscience that he had performed the duties of W.M. in such a manner that he might follow in their footsteps without fear or reproach. The W.M. concluded by again thanking all for the kind manner they had received the toast of his health. The toast of the Visitors was replied to by Bro. Motion; Bro. Shedd acknowledged the honour done the P.M.'s, while Bro. Terry, in the dual capacity of Installing Master and Representative of the Institutions, was most eloquent. The Wardens and other Officers were all remembered, and—as usual—the Tyler gave the parting toast. Harmony throughout was in the ascendant, Bros. Rubinstein, Lewin, and others successfully exercising their musical abilities.

Israel Lodge, No. 205.—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, at the Cannon-street Hotel, City. Bro. H. J. Phillips, the Worshipful Master, presided, supported by the following Officers, viz.:—Bros. Da Silva S.W., A. Abrahams J.W., A. M. Cohen P.M. Treasurer, C. F. Hogard P.M. Secretary, H. M. Harris P.M., A. Bassington P.M., I. P. Cohen P.M., H. M. Harris P.M., W. Littanr P.M., A. Abrahams S.D., John A. Gartley J.D., B. V. Paton Organist, E. H. Norden Steward, Edwin I. Ward I.G. There was also a good attendance of members of the Lodge, and the following among other Visitors:—Bros. C. Hunt P.M. 194, A. J. Henochsberg P.M. 1502, B. M. Cothan 9, W. Cracknell 1423, H. Massey P.M. 619 W.M. 1928, J. Lewis Thomas P.M. 142 P.A.G. Director of Ceremonies, W. W. Morgan jun. J.W. 1107, Edgar Bowyer P.M. 1580 P.P.G.S.W., D. M. Davis Organist 1017. The ballot was taken for, and proved in favour of, Messrs. Edward Nathan and Lewis Nathan, who were afterwards prepared, and regularly admitted to a participation in the benefits of Masonic light. Lodge being advanced, Bro. Lewis Emanuel was raised, Bro. Phillips performing this and the other ceremony (in which he was assisted by Bro. I. P. Cohen) in a splendid manner. After the transaction of some routine business, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to banquet. In the Lodge Bro. Hogard, the Secretary, read several letters of regret from brethren who were unable to be present; these included communications from Sir Albert Woods, the Grand Secretary, Sir John Monckton, Thomas Fenn, Peter De Lando Long, and others. At the conclusion of the banquet Grace was said, and the Worshipful Master preceded with the toasts of the evening. Being late, he should not occupy the time of the brethren with any lengthened remarks, but would simply call upon them to honour the toast of the Queen and the Craft. This was followed by the National Anthem, and then the Worshipful Master gave the health of the M.W. the Grand Master. With the toast of the Grand Officers he had the pleasure of coupling the name of a most distinguished Mason—Brother J. L. Thomas—whom he was particularly gratified to welcome on the present occasion. Bro. Thomas felt that the way in which the toast had been received was ample evidence of the respect of the brethren for the Grand Officers. He had had the pleasure of visiting the Lodge

on previous occasions, and was at all times gratified at being present at its meetings. He could but refer to the admirable manner in which the ceremonies had been performed; the working of the W.M. must be a delight to them all, and was sufficient evidence that his heart and soul were in Masonry. Bro. A. M. Cohen gave the health of the Master. As senior P.M. it fell to his lot to propose the toast, which he was able to do in very brief terms, as no comment was really needed to ensure it the heartiest reception. It had been his province to see many brethren presiding over the Lodge of Israel, and he could safely say that none had excelled their present Master. He desired to address a few words to the brethren, but more particularly to the initiates, on the subject of Bro. Phillips's progress in the Lodge. It was but a very few years since that the present W.M. was an initiate in the Lodge, now he occupied the first place in it. His present position was well deserved, and had been honestly earned. He felt that no more words were needed, the working of the Master spoke more eloquently of his ability than it was possible for him to do. The toast having been honoured, the W.M. tendered his thanks. He considered he had but simply done his duty in the Lodge. If the way in which he worked met with the approval of the brethren, he was amply repaid. He then proposed the health of the Initiates. The Lodge had that evening received two gentlemen of the same blood as himself. He had known them for some years, and could vouch for them as good men. He was sure they would prove a credit to the Lodge, and that it would benefit by their introduction. He wished them every success in their Masonic career, and trusted they might be elected to the chair as quickly as he had been, and might fill it with the same amount of support from the brethren he now experienced from them. Each of the newly admitted members having replied, the W.M. proposed the toast of the Visitors, giving them a hearty welcome. Bros. Hunt and Massey were called upon to respond. The former, on behalf of the Visitors generally, felt they were under great obligations to the officers and members of the Lodge for the way they had been entertained. For himself, he might say he had that evening enjoyed a very great treat. All who had witnessed the working must be gratified, while the initiates and others who had not seen the ceremonies so ably performed could but be very much impressed. Bro. Massey followed. The present was not the first occasion on which he had had the pleasure of visiting the Israel Lodge, he having been present at many of its meetings, even before the initiation of the present Master. What the brethren had had the opportunity of witnessing that evening was nothing new. The Lodge had always been noted both for its good working and its princely hospitality. As Past Master of one Lodge, and present Master of another, he naturally took some interest in the working of the ritual. He might say he had that evening received a lesson for which he was extremely obliged. It was some years since he had worked the third degree, but having to confer it next month, the way in which it had been carried out that evening would serve as a splendid guide for him, and he hoped he might acquit himself as well as had their Master that evening. The next toast was that of the Benevolent Fund of the Lodge, with which the W.M. coupled the name of Bro. A. M. Cohen, its founder and Treasurer. Bro. Cohen knew of nothing so gratifying to Masons as that of helping the less fortunate members of the Craft, brethren, or those families who were unable to help themselves; it was for this object that the Israel Lodge Benevolent Fund had been founded, and for this that it was kept up. It behoved every Mason to provide in the day of prosperity for those of adversity, which although he hoped might never fall upon any of those present, it was impossible to say would not do so. One great principle in connection with their Benevolent Fund was, that of keeping all knowledge of who appealed to it entirely unknown, except to a few members of the committee, who of necessity became acquainted with the several applicants—indeed he might say that the right hand of the Lodge did not know what the left was doing. He could but appeal to the brethren for their support, and express thanks for all that they had done in the past. Nine amounts of half-a-guinea each, and two of five shillings each, were subscribed by the brethren. The health of the Past Masters of the Lodge was next honoured. The W.M. felt very grateful to the Past Masters for their assistance, as he felt the Lodge must do for what they had done in the past. Bro. S. M. Harris replied, returning sincere thanks on behalf of the Past Masters for the way in which the toast had been proposed and received. The Past Masters felt great pride in the Lodge, especially after the high opinions expressed by the distinguished brethren present as visitors that evening. He felt it an honour to be in the position of Past Master of the Lodge. The tongue of good report had been heard in its favour many miles distant, as was evidenced by their receiving that evening the name of a distinguished P.M. of the Lodge of Israel, at Liverpool, No. 1502, as a candidate for joining; he would not be the first member of that Lodge who had joined them—provided, as he had no doubt he would be—he was accepted by the members. He thought this was sufficient evidence that the work of the Lodge was carried on properly, as Bro. Henochsberg, the candidate, knew too well what Freemasonry was to imagine he would join an inferior Lodge. Bro. A. M. Cohen took the opportunity of thanking the brethren for their kind expressions during his recent illness. The few words they had recorded on the minute book of the Lodge were, in his estimation, the kindest expression they could possibly have made. They amply repaid him for any little trouble he had been at in past years in connection with the Lodge. He trusted he might long enjoy the pleasures of the Israel Lodge, so long as he was spared. The toast of the Officers was given, and that of the Tyler concluded the proceedings.

St. Michael's Lodge, No. 211.—An emergency meeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, when the W.M., Bro. John Waters, presided. Mr. Henry Gibson Craft was initiated into the mysteries of our ancient Order, the W.M. ably conducting the ceremony. The brethren afterwards spent an hour or so in a most agreeable manner.

Lodge of Union, No. 414.—A regular meeting was held on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at the Masonic Hall, Reading. Present:—Bro. C. Stephens Provincial Grand Treasurer Berks and Bucks W.M., R. C. Mount S.W., F. J. Ferguson J.W., S. A. Pocock P.M. Treasurer, M. J. Withers Secretary, S. Wheeler S.D., A. W. Parry J.D., F. Blackwell D.C., D. H. Witherington I.G., J. Martin Steward; Past Masters Bros. Oades, Moxhay, Baker, R. Bradley, J. Morris, A. M. Yetts, S. Bradley I.P.M., J. Long; Bros. G. W. Webb, R. Brachu, J. T. Dodd, E. Davies, C. G. Field, W. C. Moffatt, H. Higgs, C. G. Hawkes, C. T. Rayner, Doran Webb. Visitors—Bros. Hickie Organist 1101, Palley P.M. 340, W. F. Cottrell W.M. 278, W. A. Weatherhead 1101. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes of the last regular Lodge were read and confirmed. Bro. Joseph Franklin Stevens, a candidate for raising, proved his efficiency, was entrusted, and retired. Lodge was opened in the third degree, and Bro. Stevens was raised to the degree of M.M. The musical and vocal parts of the ceremony were kindly conducted by Bro. Hickie, who presided at the organ. The Lodge was resumed in the second and first degrees, when the report of the Permanent Committee respecting the reparation and redecoration of the Lodge room was received, and adopted. The Worshipful Master vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Moxhay P.M., who proposed the following resolution, which was seconded by the Prov. Grand Secretary, and carried by acclamation:—"That the best thanks of the Lodge of Union, No. 414, be given to Bro. Charles Stephens W.M. for his munificent gift of a new carpet for the Lodge, and defraying the cost of stuffing and covering with leather the benches and seats, and renovating the pedestals." The Worshipful Master expressed his pleasure in finding that his presentation was appreciated, and hoped it would add to the comfort of the various Lodges that assembled in the Masonic Hall. A vote in favour of a subscription to the "Hervey Memorial" Fund was unanimously passed. A discussion took place on the subject of providing an American organ or harmonium for the Hall, which was adjourned. Two resignations were accepted, and three joining members were proposed, after which the Lodge was closed, and adjourned.

Montefiore Lodge, No. 1017.—The first regular meeting of the above Lodge since the recess was held on 24th instant, at the Masonic Rooms, Air-street, Regent-street. Bro. S. V. Abrahams W.M., M. Levy S.W., Syer J.W., L. Jacobs Treasurer, E. P. Albert P.G.P. Sec., G. T. Mann S.D., N. H. Benjamin J.D., M. Leverton I.G., Davis Organist, N. Vallentin W.S.; P.M.'s W. H. Gulliford, De Solla, S. Pollitzer, A. Blumenthal, J. Lazarus, Grunebaum. Visitors—Bros. W. Argent British Lodge, P. E. Van Noorden Org. 188, Phillips W.M. 205, Moore, L. Hart, Beck, P. Tobias 185, Dr. Macaulay (Star-in-the East), Dr. Zachary P.M. No. 9, U.S.A., Max Klein 1319, and H. M. Levy P.M. 188. The Lodge was opened, and the minutes of May, and an emergency meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Frikell answered the usual questions very satisfactorily, and was passed to the second degree. A ballot was taken for the admission of Mr. J. Walter, who was duly initiated into the Order. The resignation of Bro. L. A. Lazarus was accepted, with regret. The name of a candidate for initiation was proposed. After Lodge had been closed, the brethren sat down to a banquet and dessert, provided by Bro. Nicols. Afterwards the Worshipful Master, in eloquent terms, proposed the Loyal and Masonic toasts. In speaking to that of the Earl of Lathom and the rest of the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of England, the W.M. said they were pleased to have a Brother present a member of Grand Lodge. Bro. Albert, to whom he referred, had not only done his duty in this Lodge, but also in Grand Lodge. After Bro. Albert P.G.P. had replied, the W.M. proposed the toast of the Initiate, who, he thought, would eventually become a credit to the Order. Bro. Walters briefly responded, and then was proposed the toast of the Visitors. Bros. Phillips W.M. 205, Dr. Zachary, and H. M. Levy P.M. 188, responded. Bro. De Solla P.M., in proposing the toast of the W.M., whom he was proud to have had the honour of installing, said, he had never yet met his equal as a worker. Brother Abrahams was fully entitled to their regard and esteem. The W.M. said he esteemed it an especial honour to have been elected to the chair; he felt it a great compliment to hear the flattering remarks of so old a Mason as Bro. De Solla. He had been twice elected to fill the chair. He thanked them heartily for their reception of the toast. The Past Masters were next complimented, and Bro. J. Lazarus was called on to respond. The toast of the Wardens, the Treasurer, the Secretary, and the Junior Officers followed in due course. Bro. Max Klein gave a masterly performance on the violin, and then the Tyler's toast was given. The W.M. provided an excellent concert, Misses Clara Riba, Florence Dyart, and others being engaged. Bro. Frikell, the celebrated Prestidigateur, amused by some marvellous tricks of sleight of hand. Bro. P. E. Van Noorden Organist 188 superintended.

Grey Friars Lodge, No. 1101.—Referring to our report of the proceedings of this Lodge last week, we may mention that a "Past Master's jewel, similar to those of his predecessors, it was agreed should be presented to Bro. W. Ferguson W.M., in acknowledgment of his many valuable services rendered to the Lodge, and of his admirable working during his year of office." This was proposed by Past Master Margrett, seconded by I.P.M. Danks, and carried unanimously.

Brownrigg Lodge of Instruction, No. 138.—A Lodge of Instruction, under the above title, now meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays in the months of October to May inclusive, at the Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames, at 8 o'clock, such ceremonies being worked as the W.M. for the time being may think fit. The joining fee is one shilling, and the annual subscription five shillings. Visiting fee 6d. We wish those interested in the Lodge every success in their undertaking.

Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, No. 1445.—This Lodge of Instruction meets every Wednesday evening at the Moorgate, Moorgate-street, E.C., at seven o'clock. Bro. W. H. Myers P.M. and P.Z. 820 and 1445 is the Preceptor, and Bro. Seymour-Clarke 1445 the Secretary. The arrangement for working is the first, second, and third degrees on the first, second, and third Wednesdays respectively; as many of the Fifteen Sections as can be worked in two hours on the fourth; and the installation ceremony, and the first degree on the fifth, whenever there happens to be five Wednesdays in the month. A good feature in connection with this Lodge is, that when there are sufficient funds in hand, a life subscribership is ballotted for by those members who have attended six meetings in the previous three months.

King's Cross Lodge of Instruction, No. 1732.—There was a numerous attendance on the 23rd instant, at Mrs. Copelin's, Adams Arms, Hampstead-street, Fitzroy-square. Bro. J. Hemming presided as W.M.; Bros. Cleghorn S.W., W. J. Burgess J.W., Devine Treasurer, Robinson S.D., L. Jacobs J.D., N. P. Vallentine I.G. The Lodge of Instruction was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. The Fifteen Sections were then worked by the following:—First Lecture—Bros. L. Jacobs, B. Kauffmann, J. Elvin, W. Birrell, Cleghorn, J. Hemming, and C. Koester. Second Lecture—Bros. W. M. Robinson, W. J. Burgess, J. C. Smith, J. Paul, and Sillis. Third Lecture—Bros. W. C. Smith, Edwin Storr, and N. P. Vallentine. All the sections were perfectly worked, and reflected great credit on those engaged, many of the workers being but a short time in the Order. Bros. Baron Theokoy 1563 and H. Dawson 1516 were elected members. A cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. J. Hemming for the able manner in which he had conducted the duties of the chair that evening, and also for the excellent way he at all times performs the duties of Preceptor. A vote of thanks was also recorded on the minutes to the Senior and Junior Wardens and the brethren who had worked the sections. Bro. L. Solomon was elected W.M. for the ensuing week.

A Committee of the brethren of the King's Cross Lodge, No. 1732, has been formed for the purpose of arranging a Benefit Performance for Bro. F. Silvester (Sydney Franks) at the Royal Music Hall, Holborn, on the morning of the 26th November. Several talented artistes, in addition to the company, have promised their assistance. Bros. L. Solomon, 109 Old-street, and L. Jacobs, 12 Upper Marylebone-street, W., have been appointed Treasurer and Secretary. It is expected a numerous attendance of the brethren and Bro. Silvester's friends will be present.

DEDICATION OF A MASONIC HALL AT SHANKLIN.

THERE was a large meeting of Freemasons at Shanklin, on Tuesday, the occasion of the dedication of a new Masonic Hall, recently erected there. The ceremony was performed by the Right Worshipful Grand Master (Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P.), who was assisted by the Grand Officers of the province, Bro. Osborne P.G.O. presiding at the harmonium. The new building has been erected by Mr. Francis Cooper, of Shanklin, from designs furnished by Mr. Francis Newman, of Ryde. Though not a large building, it is thoroughly adapted for its purpose. On the ground floor there is a capacious reception room and dining hall, and above are the Lodge room and offices. The Lodge room, which has been furnished in a very substantial manner, is of ample dimensions, and is well ventilated. The new building is in connection with the Chine Lodge, No. 1884, which was started only a few months since, and of which Dr. Dabbs is Worshipful Master. In the course of the ceremony of dedication, the Provincial Grand Master congratulated the brethren of the Chine Lodge on the completion of the building. In addressing the architect (Bro. F. Newman), he said that the manner in which the erection of the building had been carried out reflected the highest credit on those who had taken it in hand, not only for their skill, but for the order and arrangement which had been shown. In a limited space every one knew how difficult it was to finish a building complete in all points, and therefore he was quite certain that they had brought to bear not only powers of intellect, but great arrangement, in arriving at so successful a conclusion. After the ceremony had been completed, the Provincial Grand Master said it was most interesting to see a body of Freemasons—the members of a new Lodge only recently sprung into existence—so anxious to carry out the principles of the Order, that they had lost no time in erecting a building for that purpose. It was seldom that a new Lodge did not take time before deciding on such a step; but the Chine Lodge had shown that they were animated by a pure spirit of Freemasonry, which led them to think that Freemasonry being good in itself it was right that they should have a building suitable to carry out its principles. He congratulated the Lodge on their new building, and said that, considering the manner in which the building had been inaugurated, and the spirit which had animated the brethren in undertaking it, he entertained no doubt that their new Lodge would be crowned with complete success. The Provincial Grand Master then expounded in eloquent terms on the tenets of the Craft, exhorting the brethren to act up to its principles, and endeavour to do something to preserve and maintain the character of the Order. The Provincial Grand Master was well supported by Provincial Grand Officers and brethren of neighbouring districts. After the Lodge had been closed a number of the brethren adjourned to a banquet at the Town Hall, at which Dr. Dabbs, the W.M., presided, supported by the Provincial Grand Master and his Officers. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and the vocal efforts of some of the brethren were much appreciated. Bro. J. G. Jones P.G.O., of Newport, presided at the pianoforte.—*Portsmouth Times.*

BRO. SEYMOUR SMITH'S ANNUAL CONCERT.—This interesting event came off on Saturday last, at the City of London College, with a success which must have been highly gratifying to our estimable brother. There was a strong array of talent, among the artistes being Madame Worrell, Miss Matilda Roby, Miss Meta Russell, Mr. Arthur Thompson, and Bros. F. H. Cozens and Chaplin Henry. Madame Harry Brett and Mr. Michael Watson presided at the piano, and Bro. Seymour Smith did similar duty. The programme, in two parts, was admirably rendered throughout, Macfarren's trio, "The Troubadour," by the Misses Meta Russell and Kate Earle, and Mr. G. Hunt—all pupils of Bro. Seymour Smith—being the opening number. Bro. Chaplin Henry sang with great effect a new song, entitled "Comrades in Arms," by the beneficiary, and Bro. Seymour Smith gave in his usual style an admirable musical sketch—"A Quiet Night in the Country." Part II. opened with a brace of glees, which were rendered effectively. Bro. Chaplin Henry sang "The Wolf" in a manner which fully justified the hearty applause of the audience, and Mr. Michael Watson played a pianoforte solo of his own composition, based on a favourite English melody, after the styles of Mendelssohn, Wagner, Gounod, Handel, and Rossini, theme being "Home, Sweet Home." A humorous duet—"The Singing Lesson"—by Miss Meta Russell and Bro. Seymour Smith, and a New Part Song by the latter, entitled "And now we'll say Good-night," brought the Concert to a close. We congratulate Bro. Smith on the admirable and varied nature of his entertainment.

MISS FLORENCE SMART'S EVENING CONCERT took place on Wednesday, at the Athenæum, Camden-road, and proved a great success. The fair beneficiary was assisted by Miss Kate Hardy, Miss M. Belval, Miss Amelia Oakeshott, Mr. W. Coates, Mr. Horscroft, &c. There was a most excellent programme, and the artists exerted themselves in a manner which evoked constant manifestations of delight from the numerous audience that was assembled. A marked feature of Part I. was the concluding number, a quartette for violin (by Miss Smart), two pianos and harmonium; while Miss Kate Hardy rendered with admirable feeling Handel's "Angels, ever bright and fair." In Part II., Miss Florence Smart's "Valse Caprice," by Wollenhaupt, on the pianoforte, was deservedly encored, Mr. Horscroft's rendering of "The Midshipmite" experiencing a similar recognition of honour. The concert concluded with a duet for two pianos, by Misses Smart and Fry, which met with a very enthusiastic reception.

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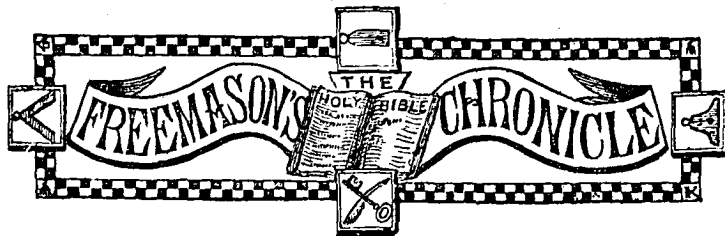
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MARK MASONRY IN NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

A FEW weeks ago we recorded the installation in Grand
Lodge at Sheffield of Bro. J. W. Woodall, of Scar-
borough, as Provincial Grand Mark Master of North and
East Yorkshire. We now have to announce his first official
act, which consisted in the consecration of a Mark Lodge
at Driffield, a pleasant little market town in the centre of
the far-famed Yorkshire Wolds, where a flourishing Craft
Lodge (the Sykes), and Royal Arch Chapter (the Londes-
borough) already exist. There is a very commodious little
Masonic Hall, neatly furnished, and here the brethren
began to muster at midday on Tuesday, the 18th inst.
The Prov. G. Master and the Scarborough contingent, and
the party from York, were in good force, and about two
o'clock, after a luncheon at the Bell Hotel, proceedings
were opened. By command of the Prov. G. Master a Mark
Lodge was opened by Bro. the Rev. W. C. Lukis, Rector of
Wath, the W.M. of the York Mark Lodge (T.I.), Bros.
A. P. Wilson W.M. of the Beverlac Lodge, No. 281, and
S. Chadwick Junior Warden of the Fitzwilliam Lodge
(Malton) acting as Wardens. There was a long list of

candidates and joining members to ballot for, and four of the former were advanced to the degree. Bro. T. B. Whytehead, P.M. of York, acting as S.D. The Prov. G. Master having been announced, was admitted and saluted with the honours, and briefly addressed the assembly on the subject of their gathering, and then proceeded to the ceremony of consecration, in which he was assisted by Bros. T. B. Whytehead P.G.M.O., who acted as Prov. G. Sec., Rev. W. C. Lukis as Prov. G. Chaplain, S. Middleton P.M. (Scarborough) as Prov. G.D.C., J. Barker of Mirfield Prov. Grand Steward, and A. P. Wilson of Hull. The Past Grand Master performed his part with great impressiveness. The musical portion of the ceremony being conducted by Bro. Cheesman of Hull, who presided at the harmonium. The oration was delivered by Bro. T. B. Whytehead, who, in the course of a brief address sketched the history of Mark Masonry in these islands, and alluded in detail to the minutes of the Newstead and other old Lodges. He also showed the rational connection between the ceremonies and teachings of Craft and Mark Masonry, and concluded by an exhortation to the brethren to keep in mind the charitable tendencies of the Order, and its deeply moral lessons. The consecration having been completed, the chair was assumed by Bro. Whytehead, who proceeded to instal Bro. S. Chadwick in the Chair of A. according to ancient custom, and to give the various addresses to the Officers and Brethren. Bro. Chadwick afterwards appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Martin M., Reynard S.W., G. S. Highmoor J.W., A. P. Wilson as I.P.M., J. Dunn M.O., James Elgey S.O., Jas. Ansell J.O., Rev. J. Blake Chaplain, J. Elgey Treasurer, T. J. Kirby Sec., J. S. Wilson Reg. of Marks, J. Robinson S.D., John Baines J.D., T. Bowman D.C., Walter Highmoor I.G., G. H. Potts Tyler.

The W.M. then moved a vote of thanks to the P.G.M. and those brethren who had come long distances to aid him, and moved the election of Bros. J. W. Woodall, T. B. Whytehead, W. C. Lukis and S. Middleton as Honorary Members, which was carried unanimously. A hearty vote of thanks was also accorded W. Bro. M. M. Reynard J.W., who had presented the Lodge with most of its furniture, the Overseers' mallets being turned out of old timber from the Parish Church, which is undergoing restoration. After the completion of the business, the Driffield brethren entertained their visitors at high tea at the Bell Hotel, and in the course of the evening many of the usual toasts were duly honoured. We may add that the name of the new Lodge is, according to Domesday Book, the ancient method of spelling the name of the place, and signifies "land near waters," the town being surrounded by a network of beautiful streams of water running clear and cool out of the chalk rocks of the wold lands, and swarming with "lusty" trout, affording sport to members and their friends of the exclusive "Driffield Anglers' Club."

We understand that Bro. J. W. Woodall has arranged to hold his first Provincial Grand Mark Lodge for the appointment of Officers and other business at York under the banner of the York Lodge (T.I.), on Tuesday, the 15th November.

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ALFRED LODGE, No. 247.

THE Annual Festival of this Lodge of M.M. Masons was held on Wednesday, the 19th instant, in the Masonic Hall, Oxford. Lodge was opened in due form by the W.M. (Bro. Christopher Park). Bro. James Jenkin was presented for installation by Bro. Ansell P.M., and the ceremony was carefully performed by the W.M. Bro. Jenkin appointed and invested his Officers as follow:—Bros. Park I.P.M., W. G. Emberlin S.W., Frank Ryman Hall J.W., J. M. Dornor M.O., James Jesse Hughes S.O., A. Rowley J.O., W. Park Treasurer, R. Payne Secretary, A. Wheeler Registrar of Marks, H. O. Crane S.D., H. G. W. Drinkwater J.D., R. Hodgson Director of Ceremonies, W. R. Bowden Organist, J. Seary and G. H. Osmond Stewards, G. Norwood Tyler. Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to banquet. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. Some excellent songs and glee singing enlivened the proceedings. It is understood that Bro. Jenkin—who is highly esteemed and popular in Oxford—will occupy the Mayor's chair during his year of office.

Friendship Lodge No. 16.—The annual meeting was held at the Masonic Rooms, St. Stephen's-street, Devonport, on Thursday, 20th inst. The especial business was the installation of the W.

Master, and Bro. William Allsford (who had been previously elected), by special dispensation of the Grand Master, was, in ancient form, duly placed in the chair, the ceremony being performed by the W. Bro. Henry Cochrane P.P.G.M.O., the retiring Master. The Board of Installed Masters was composed of the W. Bros. J. W. Collins, E. Parnell, E. J. Knight, S. Jew, T. Searle, J. B. Price, J. R. Harris, J. Baxter, B. S. Johns. After the usual addresses, the following Officers were appointed for the year ensuing:—Bros. H. Cochrane I.P.M., J. D. Sandy S.W., J. F. Burns J.W., Eli Langsmaid M.O., Jno. Leonard S.D., Jos. Oldfield J.D., E. J. Parnell Treasurer, Geo. F. Sherman Reg. of Works, W. H. Cawse Secretary, H. Langsmaid S.D., W. Oates J.D., E. J. Knight D. of Cer., D. McGivern Inner Guard, Jos. Benny Tyler. The Lodge was reported to be in a very satisfactory state, and after the usual yearly business was closed, the banquet was held in the refectory of the Lodge; it was largely attended, and was very enjoyable. The Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

Temple Lodge of Mark Master Masons, No. 50.—The annual meeting was held at the Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth, on Wednesday, 19th inst. The principal business was the installation of Bro. John Russell Lord P.G.S. Wks. W.M. The ceremony as was performed by the W. Bro. J. B. Gover P.M. P.P.G.M.O., in a Board of Installed Masters, amongst whom were the R.W. Bro. C. Spence Bate, Deputy Provincial Grand Master; V.W. Bros. Charles Godtschalk, Samuel Jew, L. D. Westcott, Companions Cooper, R. Pengelly. The charges were very impressively delivered by the R.W. Bro. Spence Bate, and the following Officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—W. Bros. John James I.P.M., J. B. Gover Treas., L. D. Westcott Secretary, James Griffen S.W., Edwin Tout J.W., T. King sen. Chaplain; F. B. Westlake M.O., George Sercombe S.O., C. Harris J.O., J. D. Barker S.D., W. J. Staunby J.D., R. C. Uglow D.C., T. King jun. A.D.C., L. Martin O., W. A. Fowler R. of M., Thomas Gray S.S., W. Symons J.S., T. Denniford I.G., W. H. Phillips Tyler. The Lodge being closed, the brethren adjourned to Bro. John James's Imperial Hotel, Millbay, where the dinner was provided. Bro. Lord presided, and the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. The host and hostess were thanked and complimented for their admirable catering.

Brunswick Lodge of Mark Master Masons.—The yearly meeting was held on the 19th inst., at the Ebrington Masonic Temple Hobart-street, Stonehouse. A dispensation having been obtained from the M.W. G. Master—Bro. John William Trevan was elected and installed as W. Master, the ceremony being ably performed by W. Bro. J. H. Stephens P.M. 43 P.P.G.S.B., assisted by the R.W., Bro. C. Spence Bate D.P.G.M., and Thomas Searl P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C., and a Board of installed Masters, consisting of V.W. Bros. S. Jew, H. Miller, F. Littleton, W. Amery, B. S. Johns, James Bartlett. On the completion of the ceremony the following brethren were appointed as the Officers for the year:—B. S. Johns I.P.M., C. D. Stentiford P.G.O. S.W., Charles H. Nicholson J.W., F. Littleton Treasurer, J. H. Stephens Secretary, R. Lose jun. M.O., C. Marshall S.O., R. Carter J.O., Thomas Worledge Chaplain, Isaac Masters S.D., S. Chubb J.D., F. Webber O., A. Spoer D.C., James Lose I.G., D. Curno S., James Bartlett Tyler. The refreshment was provided in the very convenient rooms adjacent, and the usual toasts were given.

THE FIFTEEN SECTIONS

WILL BE WORKED AS UNDER:—

At the Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198, at Bro. Fysh's, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, this (Saturday) evening, at 7 p.m. Bro. T. Cull W.M. First Lecture—Bros. A. Tuck, E. Woodman, G. H. Gillham, A. W. Fenner, D. Moss, C. K. Killick jun., and J. A. Powell. Second Lecture—Bros. G. Fearar, R. Percy, C. Weeden, C. Lockin, R. P. Forge. Third Lecture—Bros. J. Lorkin, S. Somers, and F. Brasted.

At the Kennington Lodge of Instruction, No. 1381, at the Holms Tavern, Kennington Park, by the members of the Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, No. 1056, on Tuesday, the 15th November, commencing at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. J. R. Stacey W.M., Larchin S.W., Gush J.W., Appleton I.G. First Lecture—Bros. Appleton, Creak, W. F. Gardner, Johnson, Larchin, Tate, and Woods. Second Lecture—Bros. Caton, Snelling, Abell, Gush, and Stead. Third Lecture—Bros. Lee, Denison, and Fox.

At the Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, No. 1415, at the Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate-street, E.C., on Wednesday, the 2nd November, at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. J. T. Barnes W.M., W. H. Myers S.W., W. Musto J.W., B. Cundick I.P.M. First Lecture—Bros. Kimbell, Loring, Leane, Goddard, J. Robson, McDonald, and Cundick. Second Lecture—Bros. Richardson, Partridge, F. C. D. Fenn, Myers, and Macgregor. Third Lecture—Bros. Musto, Job, and J. Taylor. Bros. W. H. Myers Preceptor, Seymour-Clarke Hon. Secretary.

Bro. H. J. Lardner, W.M. Farrington Without, No. 1745, will rehearse the ceremony of Installation at the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction, Cathedral Hotel, St. Pat's, E.C., on Monday next, 31st inst., at 7 p.m.

FAIR TRADERS, Registered.—J. E. SHAND & CO. Wine Merchants, 2 Albert Mansions, Victoria Street, London, S.W., hereby Give Further Public Notice that in May 1879, they Adopted and REGISTERED the words "FAIR TRADERS" as their Trade Title, and as an addition to their original Trade Mark of 1869.—File advertisement in "The Times" and "The Standard" of that date, also of October 1881.

A PARALLELISM BETWEEN SCIENCE AND FREEMASONRY.

UNITY IN THE OBJECTS OF BOTH.

AT the late Masonic Reception at York, Bro. T. W. Tew, D.P.G.M. for West Yorkshire, read the following paper:—

BRETHREN,—Permit me to echo the sincere aspiration of every member of the Craft in the two Masonic Provinces of North and East Yorkshire and West Yorkshire, of the heartiness with which we have endeavoured to embrace this occasion of the Jubilee Meeting at York of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, to form ourselves, under the auspices of the York and Eboracum Lodges, into a Masonic Reception Lodge, to give the right hand of fellowship and a fraternal greeting to all Freemasons throughout the world attending this scientific gathering in the capital of Yorkshire. We, the members of that operative and speculative science popularly known as Free and Accepted Masonry, constantly assert in our Lodges, when opened in the first degree, two astronomical axioms, and from these two we deduce a third. This last is evident, for if "The sun is always at its meridian," "Freemasonry being universally spread over the surface of the globe, it necessarily follows that the sun is always at its meridian with respect to Freemasonry." The sun of Freemasonry was at its zenith in the magnificent reign of our Grand Master King Solomon, upwards of 2885 years ago. At that same point overhead, opposite to the Nadir, ever shining in its universality over the whole surface of the globe, under the Grand Mastership of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, it is still, as then, at its highest point of glory and power; and, in its meridian splendour and lustrous brilliancy, it still may be said to shine in its benign influences for good upon mankind. For fifty years under the auspices of this British Association have Freemasons and the great personages of science been gathered together from all parts of the world once every year for the advancement of science, in order "to give a stronger impulse and more systematic direction to scientific inquiry, to obtain a greater degree of national attention to the objects of science, and a removal of those disadvantages which impede its progress, and to promote the intercourse of the cultivators of science with one another, and with foreign philosophers;" and thrice during this period of time have Science and Freemasonry joined hand to hand, and foot to foot, within the walls of this ancient city, in unitedly pointing out to the whole world the great lines of direction in which the researches of operative and speculative, of aerial and oceanic science, should move; in assigning to every class of mind a definite task, and in vindicating the claims of science to freedom of inquiry into the hidden mysteries of nature. At Plymouth, at Sheffield, and this year, for the third time, at York, the Freemasons have markedly proved themselves the organisers of the meetings of this Association, and have thus shown themselves to be the true "Fellow Crafts" of this Association for the advancement of science and of moral philosophy. Dr. William McCormac (about to be knighted), of Harley-street, has written an admirable work on the "Unity of Science;" and a very learned lady, Miss Buckley, has in another work introduced us to the "Fairy Land of Science;" and in still another, to "Life and Her Children, from the Amœba to the Insects,"—

"His parent hand,
From the mute shell-fish gasping on the shore.
To men, to angels, to celestial minds,
For ever leads the generations on
To higher scenes of being."—AKENSIDE.

The teachers of the minds of both these latest of scientific expounders are the men who, for the most part, are now and have been recognised as *masters in their several departments of speculative knowledge*,—Lord Milton, Harcourt, Gray, Phillips, Allis, Ford, Smith, Kendrick, Davies, Wellbeloved, and Dr. Bell D.P.G.M. of N. and E. Yorkshire: as well as those upon whom the mantles of these noble founders of the Association have fallen,—Professors Huxley, Osborne, Reynolds, Ramsey, President of the Royal Society, the ex-President, and the acting President of this Association. The key-note of these writers and scientific philosophers is, that science is a centre of union amongst us, and that if Miss Buckley in her glimpses of animal life has shown us the struggle for existence from the Amœba to the insects, so has that noble Yorkshireman, one of the founders of the British Association fifty years ago, shown us in his struggle for existence, for he was a self-educated man,—I mean Professor Phillips,—"The only thing which made the continuance of life an object of desire was to enjoy the contemplation of the works of nature." And he always added—"The works of nature are the works of God—the Great Architect of the Universe." Freemasonry has the same unity of purpose as the unity of science. The concord of its degrees and branches is so to polish and adorn the mind, to enrich it with the most useful knowledge, and to prepare it for the reception of moral and divine truths; that while it searches into the marvellous properties of nature, it further demonstrates the wonderful truths of morality, mercy, and charity. Freemasonry, indeed, contemplates with studious reverence the splendour of the dispensations of Jehovah's Providence, while the Sciences investigate but the outward exercises of God's power over matter. And what, may I ask, is the second degree of Freemasonry, with its inculcation of the study of the liberal arts and sciences, but the development of those objects which Freemasonry and the British Association of Science hold to most firmly, and which the outside world, in an age of material progress, is too likely to forget, the "beauty and the dignity of knowledge," the duty to look on nature as a more sacred thing, and to view the study of it in a more religious light. Science has penetrated everywhere—into the home, the college lecture room, the Mechanics' Institute, the Board School, and even into the pulpit. Its results are in every one's hands. Its methods are consciously, or

unconsciously, followed by every mind. In every kind of study its influence has made itself felt, the moral philosopher, the editor of a classical poet, the historian, the Biblical critic, are forced to adopt and to follow the rules of evidence, of which the history of science has proved the universal necessity. The idea which may be said to underlie the very conception of science—the idea of law, is now familiar to every one who has the rudiments of education. Science has transformed not only the material aspect of life, but the whole mutual attitude of mankind. Truly it may be said that the sun of science is at its zenith, and shedding its influences over the whole of the globe. The leading facts in the history of the British Association tells us this, but there is much work that remains for us to do, if the Sun of Science has to maintain its meridian in duration, like the sun of Freemasonry. Through the efforts of this Association, and the kindred institutes and academies of foreign countries, which compose, in conjunction with it, the many departments of scientific knowledge, since 1831, when the British Association was first formed in York, the universality of its scientific influence has been marked, for the benefit of mankind, by changes greater, more far reaching and more astonishing than are to be met with in long ages of the time that preceded it, fifty years ago. And first, one of the greatest changes which has accrued to scientific research is our great advance in appreciating, as our fathers and grandfathers did not, the discoveries and labours of the great men of our earlier times. A flood of light has, for instance, been thrown upon the works of Newton, of Rumford, and of Davy. Thanks to their genius and experiments, we owe most important discoveries to Colding, to Joule, and to Helmholtz. Amongst the most important to mankind is the recognition of the fact that work can be converted into heat, that heat can be converted into work, and that while in such conversions there may be a loss of energy in so far as practical terrestrial effect is concerned, there is never any loss in cosmical result. For a long time it had been known that it was impossible to create or destroy a single particle of matter; but it remained to be proved, for the benefit of mankind, that it was equally impossible to create or destroy a single impulse of energy. It was known by ancient philosophers that matter was constant; but it was left for this British Association, and to these men in their labour of recent years, to show that matter was constant, although its forms were variable, that energy is equally indestructible, and that heat and light, electricity and magnetism, are only modes of motion. To Joule, then, we are indebted for the definite law of thermo-dynamics, or in plain words how much work must be expended to procure a certain amount of heat. But equally great advances for the benefit of mankind have been made in another direction. This is a new branch of science, hardly twenty years in existence; and in only one other direction, viz., that of electricity, has science in our time advanced as rapidly. From a careful study of the laws of radiation and absorption the fundamental principles to spectrum analysis have been deduced. The Nebulæ have been searched into; comets have been examined; the sun's rotation on its axis has been verified, and an accurate approximation of the distance of the fixed stars made possible. This brief list of results of scientific advance for the benefit of mankind can only point to Helmholtz's investigations in acoustics, the connection between sun spots and terrestrial magnetism, and the subjects of contact-electricity, atmospheric-electricity, and thermo-electricity, to note how much has been done to contribute to the clear and accurate appreciation of some of the most important scientific problems of our times. As an illustration of the adaptability of electrical discoveries to practical uses, it may suffice to state that the Great Northern Railway Company have contracted with Messrs. R. E. Compton and Co. to light up one of their trains with the Swan incandescent lamps. The initiation of this novel departure from oil-lamps to electricity is looked forward to with the keenest interest. Horticulture and agriculture, are similarly in the near future to benefit by the wondrous adaptability of this electric force. With these advances of science, we must couple the labours of Sir John Lubbock and his tastes for natural history. His researches in zoology were first in the direction of insects and crustacea. He studied the development, structure, and habit of these lower forms of life, and recorded his observations and discoveries in papers communicated to the journals of the learned societies. His elucidations of the habits of ants, bees, and wasps are well known. "On the Origin and Metamorphoses of Insects," on "British Wild Flowers, considered in relation to Insects," are works of his, and contributions to Science, equally well read. In the preservation of the ancient monuments of this country, Sir John Lubbock, as an archaeologist, has taken the deepest interest. As a legislator and an educationalist, his views are set forth in a volume "Scientific Lectures." But as the author of the Bankers' Holiday, he is, perhaps, most popularly known amongst us; and as the Honorary Secretary to the London Association of Bankers, he is the natural representative and the spokesman with the Government on all questions concerning the banking interest in general. Yorkshire bankers greet Sir John as the President of the 51st meeting of the "British Association for the Advancement of Science." It is not only our science, our banking laws, and our commerce that have advanced by "leaps and bounds;" the whole material conditions of life have been changed during the last half-century; and these changes are nowhere better recorded than in the history of the British Association. It is difficult, indeed, to realise the conditions in the midst of which the British Association was born. England then differed notably from the land we now inhabit. No railways (the Manchester and Liverpool line had only been opened a year or two), no telegraphs, no Reform Bill: our navy was still "the wooden walls of Old England;" Oxford and Cambridge were close Corporations; South Kensington, and Board Schools, and Technical Colleges were in the far future; science was mostly spoken of as philosophy, and Philosophical Institution was the dignified title given to the few local societies that then existed; George IV. had been dead only about a year, and London was scarcely half its present size; half the world was unexplored; Australia was only a penal settlement, Melbourne did not exist. The sciences were but accumulations of

apparently unrelated facts; their students were groping in the dark after some thread that would unravel the mystery, trying to comfort themselves with final causes; the correlation of the physical forces had scarcely been dreamed of; Darwinism had not even been thought of by its founder; and the very nomenclature of many departments of science would read like a foreign tongue or the language of childhood to a South Kensington tyro of the present day. The useful arts, which are so dependent for their progress on the discoveries of science; were many of them in a condition of crudity, their methods rude, and mainly empirical. But a change, that is at least as remarkable as those which have been brought about by the 51 presidents, and by steam and electricity, is the mental change that has come over the world during these fifty years. Knowledge by an inevitable law has compelled its own recognition. Freemasonry, older than Science as an abstract profession, equally claims that it has done much for the outside world, and has done much also for its own members. It has identified itself with every section of society. It has spread its Lodges and its members over every part of the habitable globe. It has made its influence felt as a system of morality, of mercy, of charity, as well as an investigation into the mysteries of scientific researches. It prides itself as the conservator of that architectural knowledge with which Solomon's wisdom identified itself, and with which as a great master builder he made his name famous throughout all generations of men: he who possessed the greatest knowledge of science of his day, the mighty master of wisdom, before whom the most potent of invisible spirits is said to have bowed in lowly submission, who could interpret the speech of beasts and of birds, and from whom no secret power of germ or herb was hidden. We, brethren, are searchers this day into his wisdom and philosophy. In the same wisdom-spirit of our wise Master, we "incline our ears to wisdom" and "apply our hearts to understanding;" we "thirst after knowledge;" we "seek her as silver," and "search for her as for hid treasures," that we may find the knowledge of Jehovah, and understand the fear of the Grand Geometrician of the Universe. Masonry is a science confined to no particular country. Wherever arts flourish, there it flourishes also. As architects and master builders, our works stand unrivalled in the world: Yorkshire teems with examples of our constructive skill. And whilst Freemasonry displays the effects of human wisdom as well in the choice as in the arrangement of the materials of which an edifice is composed, it demonstrates that a fund of science and industry is implanted in man for the best, most salutary, efficient purposes. Its speculative branch is interwoven with religion. It leads the contemplative to view with reverence the glorious works of creation, and inspires them with the most exalted ideas of the perfections of the Divine Creator. Freemasonry in its two divisions of human and moral science is general and universal; in its application to mankind its purposes are benevolent and charitable. Virtue, the grand object in view, shines on the mind, enlivens the heart, and operates, without respect of persons, to make men happy in this world and to enable them to look forward for happiness in the Grand Lodge above. And the universal principles of the art unite with science in every effort for making "the whole world one Lodge, and every man a Brother." There are many other points in connection with the history and organisation of Freemasonry and its contact with science which I should like to mention, but time fails me, and I must conclude. Sufficient, it has like science, outlived much misrepresentation, vituperation, and ridicule, and, so long as the world lasts, there is no reason why it should not maintain its usefulness for all generations yet to come, with its sun always at its meridian. At one question only does Freemasonry halt,—but one over which scientific speculation is ever exercising continued research,—What is life? and what is it that which an animal or a plant gives up when it is said to part with life? Science would treat this question as something not separate from organisation. Freemasonry speaks of life as a vital principle, something separate from organisation, and regards it (to use the words of Joseph Green) as "a power anterior to the order of thought, to the organisation which animates, maintains, and repairs." Science unfolds to us a knowledge of how the forces act, but tells us nothing of their origin, and this, in respect of life and mind, the Freemason most earnestly studies to know. There is nothing in science which has yet determined the order of precedence among the forces. The Freemason finds the safest guide in the Volume of the Sacred Law, in the wisdom of Solomon, and in the manifold evidences of the Christian faith. These, by scientific men—some scientific men—have often been looked upon in their researches, as if opposed to Science. Freemasonry prefers to examine facts by the light of divine Truth, and to wait. Time, or if not, Eternity, will prove that science and Christian theology are but two sides of the truth. It will prove that both sides have known only in part: "For eye hath not seen, nor ear heard the wonderful things stored up by God, for those who love Him."

"Wisdom and Spirit of the Universe!
Thou Soul, that art the eternity of Thought!
And giv'st to form and images a breath
And everlasting motion."—WORDSWORTH.

Science and Freemasonry, with their unity in diversity, and diversity in unity, thus combine, in the universality of their object, to benefit mankind. Let us hope that under these conditions the meridian splendour attained by each, may never approach the Nadir of their influences for good; that with vigour and enthusiasm both may lead most flourishing lives; and that this Association and its Masonic members, welcomed within the walls of the Lodges of this ancient city, will exercise as much influence on scientific pursuits in the future, as Freemasonry hopes also to do upon the Arts and Sciences, and as both have done upon those of the past. Whatever be their ultimate fate, they must leave the world better than they found it, and the attitude mankind must cherish towards the "British Association," and to Freemasonry, is one of gratitude for the incomparable services which both have been able to render. It is a great pleasure to greet the learned Deputy Provincial Grand Master of this Pro-

vince, Dr. Bell. The greatest harmony prevails between the Lodges of North and East Yorkshire, and the 66 Lodges and 3,000 members of the Craft in West Yorkshire, all of whom are working in the paths of literature, of education, and of science, and for the development in every department of mining and manufacturing industry for the welfare of mankind. The charitable funds of both Provinces are in active operation, and are effecting much real good, both generally and locally; and on behalf of Sir Henry Edwards, my Prov. Grand Master—whose sympathies you cordially possess—I would say that the only rivalry we have with science is that of trying whether Freemasonry or the British Association shall best carry out the true and genuine principles of Freemasonry of the second degree, and of scientific research. "Behold, how good and pleasant a thing it is, Brethren, to dwell together," and work together "in unity," in the Temple of Freemasonry and in the Temple of Science.

CONSECRATION OF THE WHITWORTH LODGE.

THE consecration of the Whitworth Lodge, No. 1932, took place on Thursday, 20th inst., at the North-Eastern Hotel, Spennymoor. In the absence of the most Honourable the Marquess of Londonderry, K.P., the R.W. Grand Master of the Province of Durham, the interesting and impressive ceremony was ably performed by Bro. C. J. F. Fawcett P.S.W., acting as Prov. Grand Master, assisted by Bro. W. Brignal P.P.G.R., acting as Deputy Prov. Grand Master, and other Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge. The Lodge-room was neatly and tastefully decorated for the occasion. Punctually at one o'clock the brethren assembled in the Lodge-room, when the acting Prov. Grand Master took the chair Bro. A. C. Knowles P.P.G.S.D. the S.W.'s chair; and Bro. James Laidler P.F.G.J.D. the J.W.'s; the following brethren, numbering upwards of 100, being arranged throughout the room:—Bros. R. Hudson 1389 P.G.D. of C., Geo. Greenwell 124 A.G.D. of C., M. Corbett 48 P.G.S.D., W. Donkin 1334 P.G.P., W. M. Malcolm 124 P.P.G.P., Walker 124 P.P.G.D., W. Coxen 124 P.P.S.B., John Thompson 94 P.G.T., C. E. Barnes I.P.M. 1334 W.M. elect, Jacob Barker W.M. 1334, S. Fenny 124 P.M., G. Carter 764 P.M., John Wood 48 I.P.M., J. G. Smith 48 W.M., A. Farmer 111 P.M., Andrew Arnold 1121 P.M., Geo. Bailes, Robt. W. Thompson 1121 I.P.M., J. Probert 424 P.M., W. Canney 1121 P.M., James Sanderson 1121 P.S.W., R. H. Sootheran 1337 S.D., C. B. Ford 481 S.W., Wm. Gray 1334 S.W., R. W. Salkeld 1334 P.J.W., W. Robson 1121 P.J.W., Geo. P. Blagdon 1334 S.D., John Dakers 124 J.D., John Ostle 1121 J.W., Wm. Arrowsmith 1121 S.D., W. Hudson 1121 J.D., S. Wilkinson 1334 Secretary, R. D. Shaftoe 1932, the Rev. John Gaskill 1932, John Heslop 1932, James Turner 1932, W. B. Holland 1932, Thomas Farthing 124, Geo. Rutherford 124, Geo. Knight 659, S. Edwards 549, Ralph Sanderson 124, Geo. Crathorne 124, Wm. Hawksley 124, Robt. Lee 124, John Thompson 94, D. B. Todd 1121, H. Hornsby 124, J. G. Robson 90, W. Sanderson 1334, Jno. Willan 1334, W. Sewell 1334, D. Ostle 1121, I. F. Hiller 124, W. Robertson 124, Jos. Bowman 1121, Wm. Rutter 241, New York, Thomas Barkas 1553 P.M. Rosaria, John Thomas 1334, T. Colley 124, S. Holdsworth P.M. 124, Henry Wrightson 1712, Chas. S. Souter 1334, W. Turnbull 124, W. Hodgson 1334, J. Routledge 124, M. Coulson 124, W. Roe 764, E. Wilson 1756, G. W. Richardson 124, R. Thompson 1121, A. Carr 124, &c. The Lodge was opened in the proper degree, and a prayer offered by Brother the Rev. J. M. Shepherd, Provincial Grand Chaplain. The Provincial G. Secretary Bro. W. H. Crookes addressed the Acting Prov. Grand Master, who desired the brethren who had signed the petition to stand in the body of the Lodge. This having been done, the Prov. Grand Secretary read the petition, and also the warrant from the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of England His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. The acting Prov. Grand Master then addressed the brethren on the nature of the business before the meeting. The brethren of the new Lodge having signified their approval of the Officers named in the petition and warrant,—namely, Bros. C. E. Barnes W.M. 1334, R. D. Shaftoe S.W. 124, and W. H. Turner J.W. 124,—Bro. Rev. J. M. Shepherd delivered an excellent oration on the beauties and principles of the Order, which was listened to with the greatest attention. The ceremony was then proceeded with, according to the ancient customs of the Order, and we may state that it was rendered in a highly satisfactory manner by the Acting Prov. Grand Master. The ceremony of consecration being concluded, the installation of the first W.M. named in the warrant—Bro. Charles Edmund Barnes, solicitor, of Spennymoor—was then proceeded with by Bro. R. Hudson P.G.D. of C., the Board of Installed Masters comprising 20 P.M.'s. The brethren having saluted the W.M. as such, the acting Prov. Grand Master entrusted him with the warrant of the Lodge. The appointment and investment of Officers was then made, as follows:—Bros. C. E. Barnes P.M. 1334 W.M., R. D. Shaftoe 124 S.W., W. H. Turner 124 J.W., Rev. J. Gaskill 1934 Chaplain, George Rutherford Treasurer *pro tem*, J. Turner 124 Secretary, J. Dakers S.D. *pro tem*, John Heslop J.D., W. B. Bolland I.G. The appointment of the Tyler was deferred until the next meeting of the Lodge. The musical brethren present on the occasion were Bros. Jos. Walker (alto), D. Whitehead (tenor), J. Nutton (bass), L. Haxwell (tenor), and S. Wilkinson (organist); their harmony contributed in no small degree to render the ceremony most impressive. At the conclusion of the ceremony a banquet was held at Bro. Prudhoe's, North Eastern Hotel, at which nearly the whole of the brethren mentioned above were present. The newly-elected W.M., Bro. C. E. Barnes, occupied the chair.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—All our faculties.—Almost all disorders of the human body are distinctly to be traced to some impurity of the blood. The purification of that fluid is the first step towards health. Holloway's Pills recommend themselves to the attention of all such sufferers. They search out and remove all impurities from the vital fluid. In indigestion, confirmed dyspepsia, and chronic constipation the most beneficial effects have been, and always must be, obtained from the wholesome power exerted by these purifying Pills over the digestion. Persons whose lives have been restored to ease, strength, and perfect health by Holloway's Pills, after fruitless trial of the whole pharmacopoeia of physic, attest this fact. This is beyond dispute.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

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

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SATURDAY, 29th OCTOBER.

- 199—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hackney
 1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
 1706—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
 1462—Wharnccliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone

MONDAY, 31st OCTOBER.

- 45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)
 79—Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich
 171—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)
 1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)
 1489—Marquiss 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.)
 1615—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square
 1623—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's, at 7 (Inst.)
 1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road, corner of Burdett-road
 1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
 1745—Farringdon, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
 61—Probit, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
 62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
 148—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
 264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
 408—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
 467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
 613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1177—Tenby, Royal Assembly Rooms, Tenby, Pembroke
 1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Inst.)
 1512—Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
 1575—Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
 R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dowsbury

TUESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER.

- Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.
 7—Royal York of Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 9—Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 18—Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
 55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)
 65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 101—Temple, Ship and Turtle Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
 141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
 172—Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)
 765—St. James Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
 860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)
 1014—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)
 1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road
 1261—Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street, W.
 1293—Royal Standard, Club, Upper-street, Islington
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1367—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)
 1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington
 1397—Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
 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
 1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
 1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Crown and Woolpack, St. John's-st.-rd., at 8 (In.)
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow
 1668—Samson, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1693—Kingsland, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, Islington
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)
 1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)
 R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Horse Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
 Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30.

- 70—St. John, Hyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
 103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
 117—Wynnstay, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 120—Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford
 124—Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
 153—Adams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness
 209—Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
 228—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough
 241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 6.30. (Instruction)
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
 265—Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
 364—Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath
 393—St. David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick
 493—Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
 554—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone
 621—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle
 702—Sherburne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud, Gloucestershire
 734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay
 794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
 804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant
 847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon
 897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
 943—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linshade, Leighton Buzzard
 960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff
 986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
 995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1002—Skidlaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth
 1131—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
 1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonia-road, Batley
 1244—Woodward, Freemasons' Hall, Recluse
 1322—Waverley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
 1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham
 1473—Booth, 116 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction)
 1484—St. Elth, Castle Hotel, Antwerp, Anglesea
 1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Govebon
 R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 298—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
 P.A. 690—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
 F.A. 754—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal

WEDNESDAY, 2nd NOVEMBER.

- Grand Chapter, Freemasons' Hall, at 7
 193—Confidence, Railway Tavern, London-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 224—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)
 511—Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 533—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst.)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. 7.30. (Inst.)
 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, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7. (Instruction)
 1227—Upton, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 1278—Burdett Counts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)
 1284—Finsbury Park, Alwyne Castle, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1321—Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow Street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
 1445—Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate Street, at 7 (Instruction)
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1491—Athenæum, Athenæum, Camden Road, N.
 152—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst.)
 1585—Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds Hotel, Upp. Richmond-rd., S.W.
 1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)
 1687—The Rothesay, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields
 1707—Eleanor, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
 1766—St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch
 1791—Creton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)
 1827—A'iance, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)
 M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 7 (Instruction)
 74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
 86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancashire
 253—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
 277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
 293—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale
 326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol
 327—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
 330—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-street, Morley, near Leeds
 406—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne
 417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester
 429—Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
 471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire
 580—Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
 611—Marches, Old Rectory, Ludlow
 645—Humphrey Chatham, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
 678—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth, near Bolton.
 755—St. Tudac, Freemasons' Hall, Llandudno
 758—Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
 910—St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, Pontefract
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
 992—St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton.
 1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship-street, Hull.
 1013—Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
 1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland. (Instruction.)
 1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
 1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
 1167—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, C'nyport-street, Alnwick
 1206—Cinqe Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
 1216—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, near Manchester
 1274—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Chester-le-Str.
 1323—Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind-street, Swansea
 1335—Lindsay, 20 King-street, Wigan.
 1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashire.
 1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1363—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester
 1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
 1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
 1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Ho nsea, Hull. (Instruction)
 1620—Marlborough, Deary Hall, Tue B'ro't, Liverpool
 R.A. 126—Nativity, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
 R.A. 221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton
 R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds
 R.A. 477—Fidelity, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead
 M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Barrow-in-Furness.
 M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.C.—Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester

THURSDAY, 3rd NOVEMBER.

- 3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)
 15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 27—Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 45—Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, Basinghall-street.
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
 192—Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
 211—St. Michael's, The Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., at 8 (Instruction)
 227—Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 231—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
 538—La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
 754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
 822—Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30. (Inst.)
 1158—Southern Star, Phasant, Stangate, Westminster-bridge
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
 1351—St. Clement Danes, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 1359—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington Road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1426—The Great City, Masons Hall, Masons Avenue E.C., at 6.30. (Inst.)
 1445—Prince Leopold, Mitford Tavern, Sandringham-road, Dalston
 1539—Surrey Masonic Hall, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 1611—Covent Garden, Nag's Head, James Street, Covent Garden, at 7.45 (Inst.)
 1672—Mornington, London Tavern, Fenchurch-street
 1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst.)
 1681—Londesborough, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
 1724—Kaisir-i-Hind, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
 1765—Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street
 1772—Pimlico, Morpeth Arms Tavern, Millbank
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, at 8. (Instruction)
 R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (In)
 R.A. 1471—North London, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Bell Hotel, Shoreditch. (Instruction.)
 24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle.
 31—United Industries, Masonic Room, Canterbury
 38—Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
 41—Royal Gloucester, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath
 50—Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hingley, Leicestershire
 116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
 123—Leanoz, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorkshire
 208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
 219—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 274—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
 286—Naphthi, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Heywood
 289—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
 291—Hagmoay, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
 294—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
 298—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
 294—Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley, Yorks

295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
 300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
 309—Harmony, Red Lion, Fareham
 317—A. Stability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
 337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
 344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
 346—Union of Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, near Blackburn
 360—Pomert, Abington Street, Northampton.
 369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clitheroe
 415—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.
 425—Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester.
 446—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire.
 449—Cecil, San Hotel, Hithia
 456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
 463—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
 463—East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound, Croydon.
 509—Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.
 636—D'Ogle, Masonic Hall, Lorpeth
 637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent.
 659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blyth
 792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bullring-lane, Great Grimsby.
 816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle, near Rochdale
 913—Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern, Plimshead.
 1074—Peat's Hall, N. Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
 1012—Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire
 1074—Union, Masonic Room, Market-place, Kirkby Lonsdale
 1125—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiveaton, Devon
 1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Eiland
 1282—Anchor, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire
 1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
 1304—Olive Union, Masonic Hall, Horncastle, Lincolnshire
 1360—Royal Arthur, Village Club Lecture Hall, Wimbledon
 1367—Beaminster Manor, White Hart Hotel, Beaminster
 1384—Equity, Alford Chambers, Widnes
 1473—Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
 1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
 1504—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie's Arms Hotel, Padiham, near Burnley
 1513—Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
 1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1594—Cedewain, Public Rooms, Newtown, Montgomeryshire
 1612—West Middlesex, Feathers' Hotel, Ealing, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1639—Watling-street, Cock Hotel, Stoney Stratford, Bucks
 1807—Loyal Wye, Bullth, Breconshire
 R.A. 325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
 R.A. 758—Bridgewater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
 M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

FRIDAY, 4th NOVEMBER.

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, 7.30. (Instruction)
 834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction.)
 890—Hornsey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, 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.)
 1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1627—Royal Kensington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1642—E. Carnarvon, Mitre Hotel, Goulborne-rd, N. Kensington. at 8. (In.)
 1915—Penge, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich, at 8 (Inst.)
 Metropolitan Masonic Benevolent Association, 155 Fleet-street, E.C., at 8.30

44—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
 81—Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
 127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
 219—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden.
 242—St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster.
 306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
 375—Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-street, Durham
 401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
 404—Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford
 442—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
 453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 460—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
 539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
 574—Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart Hotel, Newbury
 601—St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Salop
 652—Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
 690—Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
 706—Florence Nightingale, Masonic Hall, William Street, Woolwich
 709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashford
 837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
 839—Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
 1034—Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
 1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
 1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
 1333—Atheletan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick.
 1387—Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton Cum Hardy
 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 1528—Port, Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
 1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
 1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire.
 1649—Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
 1664—Gosforth, Freemasons Hall, High-street, Gosforth.
 1725—Douglas, College Gateway, Maidstone
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
 R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, at 5.30
 K.T.—Loyal Volunteers, Queens Arms Hotel, George-street, Ashton-under-Ly

SATURDAY, 5th NOVEMBER.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
 142—St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1559—New Cross, New Cross Hall, New Cross
 1572—Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.
 1622—Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
 Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8.
 149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham.
 308—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood.
 1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester
 1567—Eliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

MR. GLADSTONE and the WINE DUTIES.—J. E. SHAND & CO., Wine Merchants, 2 Albert Mansions, Victoria Street, London. S.W. beg to inform enquirers that the letter received from the PREMIER in reply to their questions on this important subject appeared in "The Times" and "Daily News" of 26th January 1881.

Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.—At Bro. Fysh's, the Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, Islington, on Saturday, the 22nd instant. Present:—Bros. A. Perl W.M., A. Ferrar S.W., G. Ferrar J.W., Percy Preceptor, A. W. Fenner Secretary, R. M. Jones S.D., Woodman J.D., Stroud I.G.; also Bros. Trewinnard, Brasted, Mulford, R. W. Pearcey, Gillham, D. Moss, Catlin, Wolf, Marks, Gribbell, Fysh, Everett, &c. Lodge was formally opened, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. D. Moss acting as candidate. Lodge was called off and on, and opened in the second degree. Bro. Brasted gave proof of proficiency, and was entrusted. Lodge was advanced, and the ceremony of raising ably rehearsed, Bro. Brasted candidate. Lodge being resumed to the first degree, Bro. R. W. Pearcey, of the Upton Lodge 1227, was elected a member, and Bro. A. Ferrar to preside at the meeting to be held on Saturday, 5th November. The Fifteen Sections will be worked in this Lodge on the 29th inst.

Royal Alfred Lodge of Instruction, No. 780.—A meeting was held on Friday, 21st inst., at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge. Present—Bros. Ganner W.M., F. Botley S.W., Gomm P.M. J.W., Tacker Treasurer, C. E. Botley Secretary, Kent S.D., Monson J.D., Andrews P.M. Preceptor, Sperring I.G., Maton; P.M.'s Blasby, Sugg. Lodge opened in the 1st degree, and the initiation ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Tucker candidate. Lodge opened in 2nd and 3rd degrees, and the ritual of the 3rd degree was rehearsed, Brother Sperring candidate. Lodge closed to 1st degree. Bro. W. Goss P.M. was elected to fill the chair on 27th inst. It was decided to hold the annual banquet of the Lodge of Instruction on Friday, 11th November, at 7 o'clock. Lodge was then closed and adjourned.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.—At the Sisters' Tavern, Pownall Road, Dalston, on Tuesday, the 25th instant. Bros. P.M. Barnes W.M., C. Lorkin S.W., H. Forss J.W., Edwards S.D., Smyth J.D., Clark I.G., J. Lorkin P.M. Sec., Wallington P.M. Preceptor; also Bros. Webb, Bunker, Baker, Brasted, Jones, Christian, Greenwood, Larter, Catling, Wandell, Carr, Dignam, Beckett, Olley, Moss, Allen, Lamb, Robinson, Bonn, Clegg, and others. Visitor—Bro. Hill 1246. Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the second and third degrees, and resumed to the first, when the following brethren worked the Fifteen Sections:—First Lecture—Bros. Carr, Wardell, Smyth, Edwards, Christian, Webb, and H. Forss. Second Lecture—Bros. T. Clark, Moss, Brasted, C. Lorkin, and Allen. Third Lecture—Bros. Carr, J. Lorkin, and W. Wallington. The Lodge was resumed, and Bros. Everett 1679, Rye 1382, Marsh 917, and Hennessy 322, were elected members. Bro. Smyth was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. A cordial vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes to Bro. Barnes for the very able manner in which he had worked the Fifteen Sections. Nothing further offering, Lodge was closed in due form.

Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction, No. 1278.—Held at the Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal-green Junction, Great Eastern Railway, on 26th inst., Bros. Jones W.W., Clark S.W., Hammond J.W., Gray J.D., Hand Secretary; Christian, D'Ardenne, &c. After preliminaries, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Hand acting as candidate. Bro. Christian gave the charge in a very creditable manner. This brother also worked the 1st, 2nd and 3rd sections of the lecture. Bro. Clark was elected W.M. for next week. A vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes for the able manner in which Bro. Jones W.M. worked the ceremony of initiation, for the first time. Bro. Gray P.M. 704 was elected a member of this Lodge of Instruction. Lodge closed in due form after a very enjoyable evening.

Selwyn Lodge No. 1901.—The annual meeting of this Lodge was held at the East Dulwich Hotel, on the 20th Oct. Owing to the unavoidable absence, through illness, of Bro. W. H. Hook the W.M., the chair was taken by Bro. J. W. Brooke P.M., and there were present Bros. Linscott S.W., Nicod J.W., Bellis Secretary, Burnett S.D., Powles J.D., Marcus I.G., Mussard W.S., Grainger Organist, and numerous other brethren. Bros. Collins, Grainger, and Bridgland were raised to the third degree, Bros. E. Eagle, L. E. Eagle, H. Sweeting, J. A. Garney were passed to the second degree and Messrs. Wimble and Dean were duly initiated into the mysteries of Freemasonry. Two gentlemen were proposed for initiation, and Bro. Rowan as a joining member. There being no banquet, the Lodge was then adjourned.



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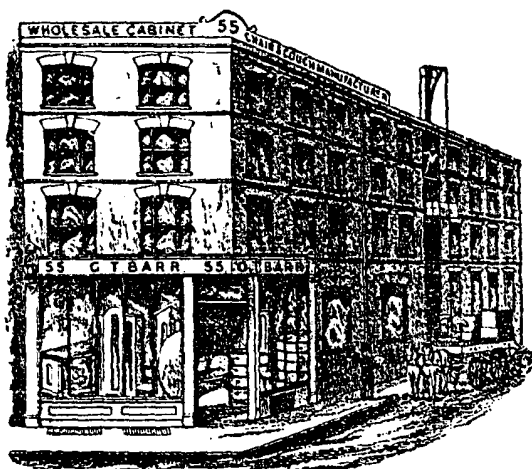
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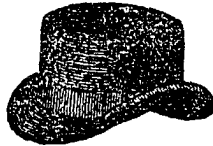
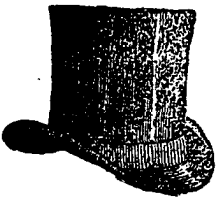
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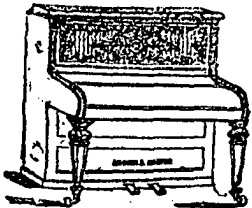
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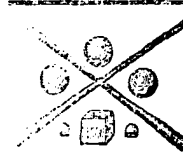
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