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UNITED G. LODGE AGENDA PAPER.

WE publish elsewhere in our columns the programme of the business to be transacted at the meeting on Wednesday next of our United Grand Lodge. From this it will be seen that notice of motion has been given by Bro. E. T. Budden, P.M. No. 622, to the effect that so much of the minutes of the June Communication as embody Bro. Raynham Stuart's resolution granting an additional £800 to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, namely £300 to the Male and £500 to the Female Fund, be non-confirmed, and that a series of resolutions be adopted instead, by the first of which the addition is reduced to £200, to be paid out of the Fund of General Purposes, so that the annual sum payable to the Male and Female Funds shall be the same, namely, £500. By the second, it is proposed to raise the grants to the Schools from £150 each, as they are now, to £500, and the third lays it down that a Committee be appointed for certain purposes, with which we have nothing to do at present.

The proposal to increase the Schools is by itself unobjectionable. Differences may, and no doubt will, exist as to the amount to which they should be raised, but Bro. Budden cannot be charged with having suggested too large a sum. To his proposition, however, that the minutes relating to the grant to the Benevolent Institution be non-confirmed, and its amount set down at £1,000 instead, we feel it our duty to offer our most strenuous opposition. Our Masonic Parliament, unless it wishes to become the laughing stock of men of intelligence, cannot afford to be guilty of such flagrant inconsistency as Bro. Budden, by his present motion, invites it to commit. It has done so before in the case of Bro. Stevens's Uniformity Resolution, and whatever our opinion may be as to the merits or demerits of Brother Stevens's proposition, it cannot be said that Grand Lodge gained much in reputation by adopting it at one meeting and cancelling it at the next. In this instance, the result will be the more deplorable if Grand Lodge should take a backward step. Bro. Stewart's motion was accepted unanimously when it was brought forward for the first time in December last. In March, at the instance of Bro. Philbrick, Q.C., the resolution was non-confirmed, and a Committee was appointed to inquire into the income of the Fund of General Purposes. In June the Report was delivered, and was to the effect that the annual surplus income was about £4,000, and on the strength of that, Bro. Stewart's motion was again submitted and carried, though in a thin house, by a sufficient majority, over a rival proposition to grant only an additional £400. Thus Grand Lodge on two occasions has committed itself to the policy of increasing the grant to the Benevolent Institution. It has been shown that Grand Lodge can afford the extra £800 out of its surplus income of £4,000, and the only point of difference in June was whether the sum should be £400 or £800, a small but, as we have said, a sufficient majority determining the scale in favour of the latter. Under these circumstances, Grand Lodge will commit an amazing act of stultification, if, after having solemnly accepted Bro. Stewart's motion for the second time, it should now turn round and accept Bro. Budden's idea, which, in its turn, will have to be confirmed in December, before it becomes law. The policy of increase has been acquiesced in universally. It has been shown that Grand Lodge has money and to spare, not only for this

additional grant to the Benevolent, but also for further grants, if they should be found necessary, to the Schools as well. Lastly, Bro. Stewart's motion has been twice approved, once unanimously, and the second time by a majority. If Bro. Budden has at heart the interests of the English Craft, the wisest course for him to adopt will be to let the motion drop.

GRAND LODGE OF INDIANA.

WE have received copy of the Proceedings of the Sixty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana, and from it we learn that the meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Indianapolis, on the 23rd and 24th May, under the presidency of Brother Calvin W. Prather M.W.G.M., there being present to support the following Grand and Past Grand Officers, together with the representatives of 475 Lodges in the jurisdiction, namely:—Bros. Bruce Carr D.G.M., Albert P. Charles S.G.W., Mortimer Nye J.G.W., Charles Fisher G. Treasurer, William H. Smythe G. Secretary, Rev. John K. Pye G. Chaplain, Francis W. Hauss G. Lecturer, Milton L. Humston Grand Marshal, Isaac P. Leyden S.G.D., Frank E. Gavin J.G.D., William M. Black G. Steward and Tyler. Past Grand Officers:—Bros. Thomas R. Austin P.G.M., William Hacker P.G.M., Martin H. Rice P.G.M., Christian Fetta P.G.M., Lucien A. Foote P.G.M., Daniel McDonald P.G.M., Frank S. Devol P.G.M., Andrew J. Hay P.G.M., Robert Van Valzah P.G.M., Bellamy S. Sutton P.G.M., Mahlon D. Manson P.D.G.M., Elijah Newland P.D.G.M.

After the usual preliminaries and the appointment of the different Committees, Bros. W. H. Meffert M.W.G.M. Kentucky, and W. H. Scott M.W.G.M. Illinois, were introduced, and greeted with the honours due to their rank. The Grand Master then delivered his address, in which he dealt at length with the principal events that had transpired during the biennial period then about to close. From this it appears that four new Lodges had been constituted, and eight dispensations granted for new Lodges, while thirteen Lodges had surrendered their charters. The appointment of sundry brethren as representatives of foreign Grand Lodges having been notified, and a tribute of respect paid to the memory of distinguished members of the Fraternity recently deceased, resolutions to refer the address to a Committee were adopted. The Grand Treasurer's Reports showed Receipts, including Balance brought forward, to the extent of 34,371 dollars, and disbursements, of which 12,000 dollars were in respect of "Bonded Debt" amounting to over 24,188 dollars, thus leaving a Balance in hand of, in round figures, 10,182 dollars. These figures concern only the year 1881-2, but for the financial period 1880-2 they are as follow: Balance brought forward 15,202 dollars, Receipts 61,032 dollars—total 76,235 dols. Expenditure 66,053 dols., leaving to Grand Lodge balance to credit, as aforesaid, of 10,182 dollars. It further appears from the same Report that the Debt, which in May 1880 amounted to over 94,333 dollars, had been reduced in May of the current year to 63,000 dollars, a very gratifying achievement, and one for which our Indiana brethren deserve great credit. We learn also that during the same period of two years

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the Receipts in respect of rents have exceeded the expenses by over 4,651 dollars.

After a brief adjournment Grand Lodge met again in the afternoon, when, among other business transacted, the following were elected Grand Officers for the year, namely,

Bros. Bruce Carr ... ..	Grand Master
Albert P. Charles ... ..	Deputy Grand Master
Mortimer Nye... ..	Senior Grand Warden
Isaac P. Leyden ... ..	Junior Grand Warden
Charles Fisher ... ..	Grand Treasurer
William H. Smythe ... ..	Grand Secretary

The above were installed the day following, and the rest of the Grand Officers appointed and invested, to wit:—

Bros. John K. Pye ... ..	Grand Chaplain
Willis D. Eagle ... ..	Grand Lecturer
Thomas B. Long ... ..	Grand Marshal
Jacob J. Todd ... ..	Senior Grand Deacon
Francis W. Hauss ... ..	Junior Grand Deacon
William M. Black ... ..	Grand Steward and Tyler

The Reports of the different Committees having been submitted, and a vote of thanks to the retiring Grand Master having been passed unanimously, the proceedings came to an end. The Appendix contains a complete list of the Grand Officers from the foundation of Grand Lodge in 1818 till the present time, and an interesting report by the Committee on Correspondence.

## GRAND LODGE OF IOWA.

**T**HE Thirty-ninth Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was held at Moor's Opera House, in the City of Des Moines, on Tuesday, the 6th June and two following days. Bro. Van Saun M.W.G.M. presided, and among those who were present were the following Grand and Past Grand Officers, together with a strong array of representatives of foreign Grand Lodges, as well as of the daughter Lodges of the jurisdiction, namely, Bros. William W. Douglass R.M. Grand Senior Warden, Christopher S. Binkley R.W. Grand Junior Warden, Horatio G. Cilley R.W. Grand Treasurer, Theodore S. Parvin R.W. Grand Secretary, Lafayette Young Deputy Grand Master, E. K. Young Grand Chaplain, Newton R. Parvin Dep. Grand Secretary, C. T. Granger Grand Senior Deacon, J. E. Johnston Grand Junior Deacon, Theodore Schreiner Grand Tyler, G. B. Swan Grand Marshal, J. R. Jones Grand Senior Steward, G. W. Wilson Grand Junior Steward, F. W. Dance Grand Pursuivant; and P. Grand Masters Bros. T. S. Parvin, A. R. Cotton, J. R. Hartsock, E. A. Guilbert, John Scott, O. P. Waters, Joseph Chapman, H. W. Rothert, Z. C. Luse, J. W. Wilson, J. N. McClanahan.

Grand Lodge having been opened in ample form with the accustomed ceremonial, Bros. Newton R. Parvin, Willis Davis, and George M. van Leuven jun. were announced as having been appointed, in advance of the session, to serve as a Committee on Credentials, and their report was delivered in the afternoon of Tuesday. Other Committees were then appointed, and the Journal of Proceedings 1881, having been distributed in printed form, was taken as read. The Grand Master then delivered his address, in which he reviewed at considerable length the events of the past year, and congratulated the brethren on the prosperity of the Craft in his jurisdiction, the memory of the late Bro. President Garfield being, as a matter of course, duly honoured. The financial report of the Grand Treasurer showed that the Receipts, including Balance brought forward, amounted, in round figures, to 17,751 dols., while the Expenditure reached 12,321 dollars, leaving a handsome balance to the good of 5,430 dollars. In the evening the work of the first and second degrees was exemplified, and Grand Lodge adjourned.

On Wednesday morning, the Committee on the Grand Master's address was handed in, the majority of his recommendations being cordially endorsed. In the afternoon, the election of Grand Officers was proceeded with, the result being as follows:—

Bro. George Banta Van Saun ... ..	Grand Master
Charles Trumbull Granger ... ..	G. Senior Warden
James De Kalb Gamble ... ..	G. Junior Warden
Philip Schaller ... ..	G. Treasurer
Theodore Sutton Parvin ... ..	G. Secretary

the rest of them being appointed and invested on Thursday, namely:—

Bro. Crom. Bowen ... ..	Grand Master
Newton R. Parvin ... ..	Deputy Grand Master
Emerson K. Young ... ..	Grand Secretary
S. Mills Fowler ... ..	Senior Grand Deacon
M. J. Curteis ... ..	Junior Grand Deacon
Theodore Schreiner ... ..	Grand Tyler
A. T. Drinkle ... ..	Grand Marshal
O. E. Aldrich ... ..	Senior Grand Steward
Frank E. Hamilton ... ..	Junior Grand Steward
James W. Fletcher ... ..	Grand Sword Bearer
Fred. Merck ... ..	Grand Pursuivant

The rest of the business having been transacted, the Communication was brought to a close in the utmost harmony.

From the statistics presented on the occasion it appears there are on the roll of this Grand Lodge as many as 383 Lodges, with a total membership of 19,342, giving an average per Lodge of 53. Only eighteen Lodges sent in no returns in time for the meeting, and of these but four failed to comply with the requirements of the law in this particular. The statistics appended to the Report have been most carefully and elaborately compiled, and the correspondence is most voluminous and interesting. Moreover, there are several illustrations, some *in memoriam* of deceased Masonic worthies, and others, portraits of those happily still preserved to the Grand Lodge.

One point deserves to be singled out for special notice, namely, that this Grand Lodge passed a resolution authorising the officials to purchase the valuable library of the late Bro. Bower, either in its entirety, or to the extent of so much as might seem desirable, the only condition imposed on the said officials being that under no circumstances should the sum of four thousand dollars be exceeded. Certainly, our Grand Lodge, in the matter, might take a leaf out of the book of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. Here the magnificent sum of £25, equal to 125 dollars American currency, is allowed annually for the purchase of Masonic literature, while in Iowa, a lump sum, thirty-two times as great, is voted in order to secure, if possible,—and we believe it has been secured—one of the best collections of Craft literature which has been ever known. Golden Square has a unique collection, but at Great Queen Street there is a library, and that is about all that can be said.

We take the opportunity of announcing that, in accordance with the promise given, as reported in the notice of last week's meeting of the Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, Bro. W. W. Morgan will give one of his lectures in the said Lodge on Tuesday next, the 5th inst. As the choice was left open to him, Bro. Morgan has resolved on giving the one on the Masonic Institutions, which has already been delivered in more than one Lodge, and has invariably been well received. We trust, therefore, there will be a strong muster of the brethren on the occasion. We will further note, and we do so with a great deal of pleasure, that it was at Bro. Wallington's request that Bro. Morgan was induced to promise this lecture. Bro. Wallington is a most able and assiduous Preceptor; he has been associated for several years past with the Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, and thus has been the means of imparting much sound knowledge of Craft ritual to the younger members of the Fraternity, and his recent action is only one more illustration of the zeal and interest he displays in all that relates to Freemasonry.

We are in a position to state that Bro. Alfred Best, who for the past few years has been lessee of the Freemasons' Tavern, has disposed of the goodwill of the said Tavern to the well-known firm of Messrs. Spiers and Pond, who will take possession on Tuesday next, the 5th inst. Bro. Best, by his energy and attention, has won the respect of the many Lodges and brethren for whom he has catered, and his departure will necessarily be the subject of regret. At the same time, the business could not have passed into better hands than those of the firm which has under its management so many large establishments in the metropolis and elsewhere. We rejoice to say the services of Bro. E. Dawkins will be retained as manager.

## CONSECRATION OF A NEW LODGE AT HAVANT.

ON Tuesday afternoon the Provincial Grand Master of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight (Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P.) accompanied by the Very Worshipful the Deputy Provincial Grand Master (Bro. W. Hickman) and several of the Provincial Officers, took part in the Constitution of the Hundred of Bosmere Lodge, No. 1958. The ceremony was performed at the Masonic Hall, Waterloo-road, Havant, the Lodge being close tyled at two o'clock. The following brethren signed the attendance book:—Bros. W. W. B. Beach P.G.M., W. Hickman D.P.G.M., A. J. Miller, J. E. Le Feuvre, J. Ridd Hayman, G. H. Barclay, W. Quickfall, W. H. Jacob, Charles Travess, J. G. Mason, John Lavery, V. S. Freeman, Thomas Francis, W. Miller, George P. Arnold, George S. Lancaster, R. W. Beale, C. F. Matier, William Dart, Captain William H. St. Clair, R.N., James E. Buck, Charles W. A. Jellicoe, Eugene E. Street, James Weeks, J. Harrison, J. W. Willmott, George Bond, Joseph Ogburn, William King, James Lintott, Mark E. Frost, Thomas Page, S. R. Ellis, G. L. Green, Richard Lansmere, J. C. Arlidge, T. D. Askew, F. J. Hunt, R. J. Rastrick, J. W. Biggs, Joseph Exell, W. Blackmore, William Gamon, William Royston Pike, Frederick M. Stringer, Thomas A. Bramsdon, Thomas R. Williams, G. T. Cunningham, W. D. Parkhouse, Silas Dove, H. W. Townsend, and F. Rutland. The founders of the Lodge are Brother H. M. Green, H. R. Trigg, J. Purnell, J. Weeks, J. Harrison, J. Lintott. After the Grand Master had taken the chair and appointed Bros. A. J. Miller and G. S. Lancaster Wardens pro tem, the impressive ceremony was proceeded with, and at the appointed time the Provincial Grand Master, who was heartily greeted by the brethren, addressed them on the nature of the meeting. The interesting occasion, he said, naturally led them to reflect on the importance of the work in which they were engaged, and on the length of time during which it had existed. It was difficult, indeed, to estimate this time. Those who had been students of antiquity could carry back their thoughts a very long period, and of this they might be sure, that whenever knowledge existed and was preserved, in any portion of the world, there Freemasonry existed. They traced back their traditions, and in the most learned nations of the past they had evidence that Freemasonry prevailed. They had many proofs that where building and architecture existed, where it was necessary to arrange men in order and carry out work in a methodical and proper way, there Freemasonry was found. They knew that in many of the great buildings of the past, which were connected with ancient history, and which were the pride and admiration of the world, indications were to be found that Masons were engaged in their construction. As in the past Masons were engaged on those mighty works, so in the present day they did not withhold their interest from the construction of buildings, and though they did not act as operative builders, yet they imparted, in connection with the construction of buildings, those lessons of morality which they desired to communicate to all their votaries. In the history of their own country Masonry could extend its researches back a very great length of time. For at least a thousand years there were records of the meetings of Masons. They had met with more or less encouragement, and also with more or less opposition, but yet Masonry had continued to exist in England, and had become a great fact. Now that its magnitude was so great, and it was increasing on every side, it was indeed necessary for those connected with it to reflect more than ever on the work in which they were engaged. The lessons of morality which were impressed upon them were most important, and no one who took those lessons to heart ought to be unmindful of their teachings. Most of the virtues which could be named were brought to their notice, and they impressed them upon all those who joined their ranks. Of those virtues none was more strongly impressed or more actively practised in Masonry than that of Charity. If they saw that Masons were entirely unmindful of the great lessons which were impressed upon them they would think there was something very far from solid in the construction of their Order. But he thought they could confidently assert that it was otherwise, and that they had ample proof that Masons everywhere strove, as far as they could, to act up to the dictates and in the spirit of the lessons they received. Thus they saw they were engaged in no light work when they tried to extend the sphere of their operations, and to give others an opportunity of becoming members of their Craft. In doing this they were satisfied that they were trying to make them better citizens and better men, more affected to the laws of their country, more loyal subjects of the Queen, still worthier of the religion which they professed than they had hitherto been. They did not try to inculcate the lessons of any particular system of religion, but what they said was that those who joined their ranks and acted up to their principles could not fail to be better men. He hoped that this new Lodge might be productive of great good and assist in propagating those principles which they desired to inculcate, and it was because he believed that this new Lodge would be a force for good in the future that he had great pleasure in acceding to the request that had been made to him, and should now proceed to constitute it into a regular Lodge. The Provincial Grand Registrar (Bro. Hayman), who at the request of the Provincial Grand Master officiated as Chaplain, in the unavoidable absence of Brother the Rev. G. H. De Fraigne, then offered the introductory prayer, and subsequently read the portion of Scripture selected for the occasion. The ceremony of consecration, dedication, and constitution was then completed in due form, and the P.G.M. installed the W.M. Bro. H. Martin Green P.M., who appointed his Officers as follow:—Bros. J. N. Hillman P.M. S.W., H. R. Trigg P.M. J.W., Aldridge S.D., J. Harrison J.D., J. Purnell Secretary, W. King Treasurer, Lintott I.G., G. Blackmore Tyler. At the conclusion of the ceremony a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Provincial Grand Master and his Officers for attending, on the motion of the W.M. of the newly-constituted Lodge, seconded by Bro. Hillman. Subsequently a banquet was served in the Town Hall by Bro. J. Purnell, of the Dolphin Hotel,

whose catering was most satisfactory. The chair was occupied by the W.M. Bro. H. Martin Green P.M., who was supported by the Provincial Grand Master and his Craft. After the Queen and the Craft had been duly honoured, the W. Master gave the health of the M.W. Grand Master, referring to the progress which Freemasonry had made under H.R.H.'s rule, as was evidenced by the fact that since 1874, the year in which he became ruler of the Craft, no less than 500 Lodges had been established, or about one-fourth of the whole number of those owing allegiance to the Grand Lodge of England. The Wor. Master next gave in eulogistic terms the health of the Provincial Grand Master, which was received with great cordiality. Bro. Beach, in reply, said he had the honour of ruling over a Province of very extensive dimensions, though, perhaps, in point of members, not to be compared with some in the north of England, and for this reason, however much he might desire to assist all the Lodges, his public duties rendered it impossible to do so. At the same time, he was always pleased to come amongst the brethren whenever his engagements enabled him. Since the year he succeeded to the government of the Province, no less than thirteen Lodges had sprung into existence, or one-third of the entire number; and this was in itself sufficient evidence of the growth which Freemasonry was making in the Province. Throughout the entire country, it was making equally rapid strides, and so long as they remained true to their principles, so long would Freemasonry flourish, and so long would it remain a power for good. They must not abjure these principles for a moment, but zealously and strenuously uphold them through evil and through good report. They must remember that they were not mere ephemeral ideas of the day, but had been handed down to them through distant ages, and they should on this account be very chary of permitting any deviation from the landmarks. They had seen the danger of doing this from a neighbouring country, and they had seen the melancholy result. When they saw how Freemasonry flourished in every other part of the world, and how ready their brethren were to hail them as Masons, it behoved them to be very careful how they altered one jot or tittle of those forms and ceremonies which had been handed down to them, or did anything to disturb the universal bond of brotherhood which existed. He was exceedingly glad to see this new Lodge spring into existence, because he believed that those who had taken it in hand would do their utmost to promote its welfare; and so surely as they selected suitable officers year by year to succeed those who now so worthily filled the chairs, and practised the principles of Freemasonry, so surely would the Lodge continue to flourish. Bro. Triggs P.M., the Senior Warden of the Lodge, proposed the Deputy Provincial Grand Master and Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge. Bro. Hickman, in reply, said that the Grand Officers were one and all deeply interested in the welfare of the Province, and they viewed with a great deal of pleasure the progress which Freemasonry was making. They endeavoured to discharge their various functions to the utmost of their abilities, not only from a sense of duty, but also because they delighted to work under such an able and genial Grand Master as Brother Beach. As an illustration of this he referred to the resumption by Bro. Le Feuvre of the arduous duties of Provincial Grand Secretary. He wished prosperity to the new Lodge, and trusted many Masonic friendships would be formed and cemented within it. Bro. Beach proposed the health of the Worshipful Master, whom he had had the gratification of installing in the chair that day. He was sure he would preside over the Lodge with great ability and courtesy, and that he would consult the best interests of all the brethren in its government. The toast having been received with great enthusiasm, the Worshipful Master, in responding, said it was his earnest desire to discharge the duties of the office efficiently, and if he succeeded in any degree in meriting their approbation, he should feel himself amply rewarded. Other toasts followed. The proceedings were agreeably interspersed with a varied selection of vocal and instrumental music by Bro. F. J. Hunt P.P.G. Organist of Surrey, and Mrs. Hunt, Bros. R. Lansmere and J. Churchill Arlidge, the latter brother's flute obligato to Bishop's "Echo Song," which was sweetly rendered by Mrs. Hunt, being much applauded.—*Portsmouth Times.*

The Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of the Province of Berks and Oxon, of which the Rt. Wor. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Jersey is Prov. Grand M.M.M., and the V.W. Bro. Charles Stephens Deputy Prov. G. M.M.M., will assemble, by command of the Rt. Wor. Prov. Grand Master, at Maidenhead, under the Banner of the Jersey Lodge, No. 257, on Monday, the 2nd October next, when and where all Grand Lodge Officers of the Province (present and past) and Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens and Overseers of private Lodges are summoned to attend, and, by permission, all regularly registered Mark Master Masons are invited to be present. The Great Western Railway Company will concede special privileges to brethren attending this meeting.

The Rt. Wor. Bro. Sir Edmund A. H. Lechmere, Bart., M.P., has fixed Wednesday, the 13th inst., for holding his next Provincial Grand Lodge meeting. This will take place at the Public Hall, Wolverhampton Street, Dudley, under the banner of the Royal Standard Lodge, No. 498. The brethren will assemble at 12.30., and Prov. G. Lodge will be opened at one o'clock.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

All Letters must bear the name and address of the Writer, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our Correspondents.

We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

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## ORIGIN OF THE ROYAL ARCH, &amp;c.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—About two months ago I learned that a reply to my communication printed 6th May, in your journal, would appear in the Masonic Magazine. It did not, however, appear before July—that number did not reach me before 7th August, and, the most unpleasant part of all, it found me on a sick bed. I was unable to write or even read, and I am yet unable to leave the house. However, I have since then read it, but found in it no reply at all. It neither proved, nor disproved, anything; and, upon my word and honour, it is not worth analysing and showing up its shortcomings, and even its misleadings.

And now for the R.A. ritual mentioned in the Chronicle of 24th of June. The ritual, as I then stated, was sent by the Moderns Grand Chapter of England to Hayti during the first decade of this century; and in 1833 it was copied in New York by Bro. Marconnais. It is in the French language, and P.G.M. Nickerson, now G.S., promised to translate it into English. But after waiting a few weeks, and finding him still overloaded with work appertaining to his office, I began to look out for another translator, and was fortunate in being introduced to Dr. De La Grangea, who performed the task without fee or reward. But, "thereby hangs a tale." The said Dr. has made a stir in High Degreedom, and, as the whole subject is still unknown on your side of the big pond, I shall here give the origin and cause of that high degree squabble.

About fifteen or twenty years ago there was a rage here for studying the science of Masonic jurisprudence, and any number of pretenders published books, and set themselves up as professors of that so-called science. At that time our jurisprudence-mongers, without exception, sincerely believed that all the Masonic laws, written and unwritten, have descended from Solomon, Nimrod, and older Masonic worthies, and consequently were Masonic laws all over the world. It has, however, since then been demonstrated that what is Masonic law in America is not, nor ever was, Masonic law anywhere else. The phrase has, therefore, been altered. It is now called "the science of American Masonic jurisprudence." I shall, however, here refer to one branch only of that science, viz., "Masonic jurisdiction." And now for a few specimens of that branch of the science. Thus, a citizen of one State must not be initiated into Masonry in another State. When such a thing occurs, and it does occur sometimes, the Masonic jurists of all the States raise up a great hue and cry against the offending State, as if it had committed a crime of the greatest magnitude. This crime is called "Jurisdictional invasion."

You might, perhaps, suppose that the object of that law was protection of the Fraternity for keeping out wrong materials, because a candidate's character is better known to the brethren of his own State than to those of another State. But nothing of the kind. The top and bottom of the reason is—the dollars. To prove my statement, I will give you a case that happened within my recollection. A young man from Massachusetts, after living two years in California, visited his native village, and during his stay among his old associates and schoolmates, he was initiated, and then returned to California; his first attempt to visit a Californian Lodge exploded a bomb shell. Some indignant letters were received by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; a Committee was appointed to mollify California, or to argue some legal points. I do not now remember what the result was, but I know there was a good deal of powder wasted. Now, in this case, no complaint was made against the moral character of the young man. Indeed, it must be conceded that the brethren of and in his native village must have known more about their candidate's character than the Californians could have known about him. But, as already said, it was not the character of the man California cared for, but the dollars. But while these worthy American Masonic jurists invariably fly into a rage when their jurisdictions are invaded, they have not a word to say when Englishmen, Turks, or any countrymen are initiated in their Lodges. It is only a very few years ago when some Turks were initiated in Connecticut, and I have met with any number of Englishmen, employed on the Cunard steam ships, who were initiated in East Boston or in Jersey City. If their law had been designed to keep out suspicious characters, why did they not tell those foreigners—your characters are better known in your own countries than here? &c. But, as already said, character is not the motive, but dollars.

But though the motive and aim of that law is obvious, the fanaticism for the necessity of that law is so ingrained in their minds that some of them were quite astonished at the audacity of the King of Sweden in initiating the Prince of Wales, at Stockholm, and at the temerity of the Grand Lodge of England for not having made an American Masonic fuss about it.

I will now give another illustration of the science with regard to jurisdiction. The law saith a man must be initiated in the nearest Lodge to his residence. Now, as there are some towns and villages which have no Masonic Lodges, a resident of such a town, if he wishes to be initiated, must consult a civil engineer in order to ascertain which Lodge in his surroundings is nearest to the village he resides in. True, this would-be Mason is acquainted with brethren belonging to the Lodge at village A, and is not acquainted with any one belonging to the Lodge at B. Yet if the Lodge at B is a little nearer to his residence than that of A, he must either be proposed in the Lodge at B, or must obtain its sanction to be initiated in the Lodge at A, or

not be initiated at all. Should the Lodge at A, however, initiate him without being sanctioned by B, then begins the tug of war. The Lodge at B lays a complaint before the Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge appoints a committee of jurists; sometimes counsel are hired by the contending parties to attack and defend. The jurists draw up a verbose report, enumerating at great length the opinions of other Masonic jurists, and the thousand and one precedents. This report sometimes recommends to censure the offending Lodge, or suggests some compromise; but in either case the new-made brother cannot again enter a Lodge without being first healed. And here again it is obvious that dollars was the main object of the law.

One more illustration of the science of the jurisdiction law will suffice at present. "No new Lodge can be formed (says the law) without the sanction of the Lodge located at the nearest distance from it." In 1855, there were five Lodges in Boston, all of whom met at the Boston Masonic Temple. A number of young men organised a new Lodge, but neither of the five Lodges would give its consent to it. A Lodge at East Boston, which is separated by a channel from Boston proper, was willing to endorse the brethren's petition. A certain part of Boston, situated just opposite East Boston, was found by measurement to be somewhat nearer than the Boston Temple was from that locality. The whole neighbourhood was covered with nothing but warehouses and storehouses, so the brethren actually made an arrangement to hire a loft in that neighbourhood for holding its Lodge there. When, however, the leaders of the Boston Lodges found they were outwitted by the youngsters, they made a virtue of necessity, and Joseph Warren Lodge was finally consecrated in the Boston Temple. In this case, dollars was also the object of the law. Our American Masonic jurists are evidently protectionists, not only in trade and commerce but in Masonry too.

With such Masonic science it is no wonder that our Grand Lodges are always in hot water with each other, with their own Lodges, and their members too. During the Grand Mastership of the Earl of Zetland the Grand Lodge of England was startled by a long-winded official communication from the Grand Lodge of Maine, the purport of which was that a Lodge in New Brunswick initiated a man who lived a short distance from it on the Maine side of the border. The Earl of Zetland explained the nature of the long document, and told the brethren of the Grand Lodge, if any of them wished to have it read, to make a motion to that effect. But no such motion was offered, and the Maine Grand Lodge learned, probably for the first time, that what is law in Maine is not law in England. A similar hubbub was raised in Missouri not many years ago. A Scotch brother, residing in Missouri, while on a visit to his native place received there the Royal Arch degree; thereupon the Grand Chapter of Missouri charged the Grand Chapter of Scotland with violating its jurisdiction. It is really fortunate for Masons and Masonry that our American Grand Lodges, Grand Chapters, and other kinds of American Grands, own neither armies nor navies; for otherwise there would have been any number of fights, both with outsiders and insiders too. I hope the reader will now be prepared to understand to what length American Masonic jurists would go if the rights of their sacred jurisdictions (for so our Masonic luminaries style it) were invaded. And now I must go back to the anticipated new trouble.

Dr. De La Grangea is a native of Spain. Besides his mother tongue he is master of Latin, French, English, &c. In short, he is a linguist and scholar, well versed in science and history,—except Masonic history. He received the Blue Degrees in Spain, in accordance with the Scotch Rite fashion. When he first tried to visit a Boston Lodge he was told that he could not be admitted unless he was initiated in the York Rite. So he paid the usual fee, and was re-initiated. Being by nature ardent, enthusiastic, and impulsive, and money being no object with him, he rushed pell-mell into the Royal Arch, the Council or Cryptic degrees, Templarism, and finally got the thirty-second degree of the Scotch Rite. Our Doctor was very much elated with the high honours he received, and believed himself to have become a veritable Sir Knight, Prince, and very Illustrious. About a year or two since, he made up his mind to re-visit Spain, when he was furnished with letters of high recommendation from our American Sir Knights, Princes, &c. His old friends in Spain were very glad to meet him, and showed their appreciation of his high merit by conferring upon him the thirty-third degree. Upon his return to Boston, previous to entering one of the High Concerns, he appended to his name in a book in the ante-room the mysterious two threes, with the little ring, thus 33°. As soon as this was learned by the Grand Commander, after he entered the grand sanctum, the high degree volcano exploded. The Sovereign Grand Commander lost his temper; he was enraged with the Grand Orient of Spain for invading an American sacred jurisdiction, and was no less enraged with the Doctor for presuming to style himself a 33°. The Doctor tried to defend himself. The Grand Commander would not listen, and ordered him to be silent. But the Doctor's blood was roused, and he would not be silent. The Grand Commander rapped his gavel. But, lo! he might as well have tried to stop the Falls of Niagara with his gavel as to stop the Doctor's talking. The fact is, the faster and louder the one rattled with his gavel, the faster and louder did the other talk. Of course, all this produced an excitement, but many of those present thought it as good as a comedy. Such scenes are not at all uncommon in the history of High Degreedom; but whenever such an event takes place, it is always denounced as unprecedented. The upshot of all this fracas was the expulsion of the Doctor; he, however, has appealed to the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction, which will meet in Boston during the next month, when I expect there will be some more jolly fun.

I said before that Bro. De La Grangea is a very enthusiastic and ardent Mason, this I discovered at a glance as soon as I entered his room. The walls of his parlours are decorated with about half a dozen elegantly framed pictures, probably bought in France. Each picture contains a group of High Degree Princes, Knights, &c., attired in all kind of fashions, of all ages and nations, scattered all over with

swords, belts, symbols, and all kinds of crosses; and as already remarked, my new friend, like most of the new High Degreers I have met with, actually believed himself to be one of the greatest of the Masonic Illustrations. It did not take me much time to shake his faith in all his illusions.

But however great a sinner Bro. De La Grangea may be deemed among the High Degreers, I found him a very obliging man, a perfect gentleman, and enjoyed his conversation on various topics. The scene above described, and other information given, I did not receive from the Doctor. He at once consented to translate the ritual of the R.A., and the R.A. Companionhood ought to be very thankful to the Doctor for what I may call a new R.A. Revelation. The Doctor's copy I presented to Bro. Nickerson, but a copy I took therefrom I sent to the R.W. Bro. Shadwell Clerke, G.S. of England.

I shall only add that those who have access to Bro. Clerke's sanctum, and are willing to devote half an hour to the perusal thereof, will learn more in that half hour about the origin and history of the R.A. than all the Grand Preceptors in your Chapters of Instruction will teach them during their lifetime. Indeed, after perusing it, you may with a good conscience tell the great Preceptors that they don't know anything at all about it.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

JACOB NORTON.

Boston, U.S., 15th August 1882.

THE EVENING NEWS AND FREEMASONRY.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Upon what data the Masonic writer for the *Evening News* founds his assertion that the confirmation of the minutes, carried in June, is a foregone conclusion, I am at a loss to understand. With the facts before him that the minute of December 1881 relating to the additional grant of £800 to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution was non-confirmed, in order that the Board of General Purposes might have time to ascertain their financial position, or ability to make the grant;—the answer to which very inquiry and the Auditors' verification of it, would in a few minutes have been read out by the Grand Secretary. If, upon one occasion, because members of Grand Lodge are too negligent, or careless, to listen to statements to which they are asked to assent or dissent they are to delay the carrying out of an important item on the agenda paper for six months, some other equally reasonable cause may be found for a further delay of six months. Grand Lodge, as at present constituted, is a great, unwieldy body, without any consistency; and how can it be otherwise? Let us for a moment analyse its component parts. There are in England and the Channel Islands some 1200 Lodges, more or less, under the English Constitution. Now, the W. Master, two Wardens, and all the Past Masters of each and every one of these Lodges is entitled to attend at the Quarterly Communications, and if we take the very low average of three Past Masters for each Lodge, we have the enormous number of 7200 as having a voice, and a right to a vote, personally in the framing of our laws and our government. "In the multitude of councillors there is wisdom;" but I take it, you can have too many, as well as too few. Again, the utmost that can be massed into our legislative Temple is about 700. At one of these meetings a resolution is carried, and at the next it is asked to be confirmed by the same number, but not one-half of whom were present on the previous occasion, and the large majority of the others are unacquainted with the facts of the case, or the reasons adduced which caused the said motion to be carried. The numbers I have previously mentioned are exclusive of the brethren who wear the purple, who may be reckoned at another 400 or 500, and also all the qualified brethren of colonial Lodges under the English Constitution who may be staying in town. Now, while not for a moment doubting that the groundwork for a remedy to this grievous evil—which I venture to suggest—will meet with strenuous opposition by some, as well as warm support by others, it will at all events open the ball and invite discussion, out of which some plan may be shaped which will meet the object I have in view in broaching the subject.

1st. Though not approving of the mode in which Bro. Jas. Stevens has endeavoured to bring about a division of the Metropolitan district, which no one can deny is immeasurably too large, I am still in favour of his principle, and am of opinion that its division into four or more districts would be of great advantage to the Craft in general, besides giving opportunities for those desirous of the honours of the purple and scarlet, and a better chance of attaining them.

2nd. That it should be the duty of every Province at its annual meeting to ballot for and elect a certain number of representatives to attend the Quarterly Communications of G.L. on behalf of their several Lodges.

3rd. That every Province should send up the same number, and not in proportion to its strength, otherwise Provinces such as West Yorkshire, East Lancashire, &c., would have the power of carrying all before them.

4th. The dais should be represented by a certain number appointed by the M.W.G.M., besides the Officers of G.L. necessary to conduct the business thereof.

Thus there would be, including Jersey and Guernsey, forty-two Provinces, or with the proposed four London districts—forty-six in all; add to this the G.L. itself, would make forty-seven; allow ten representatives for each Province, and an extra ten for G.L., and you have the comparatively manageable number of 480, or in round numbers 500, which is more than enough to transact all the business, ordinary and extraordinary, appertaining to Grand Lodge.

As to the other charitable assertions of the *Evening News* writer, they are not novel, for certain dyspeptic individuals have uttered them before; but they partake of the nature of a novel,—they con-

tain a modicum of fact and a large amount of fiction; of this I shall be pleased to try to convince him and his readers in a future letter.

Yours fraternally,

P.M. 1607.

P.S.—Since writing the above, I have seen the agenda paper for the next meeting of Grand Lodge, and find that so far from the confirmation of Bro. Raynham Stewart's motion being a foregone conclusion, that there is actually a notice of motion, by Bro. E. T. Budden, P.M. 622, St. Cuthberga, to non-confirm that special minute which was carried in June and December last, and substituting another, reducing the extra grant from £800 to £200. I appeal to the brethren to attend on the 6th September, and not let it be said that Grand Lodge does not know its own mind from one quarter to another.

Referring to the remarks in the *Evening News* (made out of place, I maintain, in a general daily paper), about the recipients of our Charities, the following tables are about correct, and confirm, more nearly than I had hoped, the writer's statements. They are taken from the polling papers of the Old People's election in May last, and the forthcoming ones of the Boys and Girls in October next:—

	Number of Candidates.	Average Years Subscriptions have been paid.	Contributors to the Institutions.		
Aged Masons	47	21 nearly	5	or	not quite 10 per cent.
Widows	63	20 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	6	or	about 10 per cent.
Boys	62	9	14	or	nearly 22 per cent.
Girls	20	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3	or	15 per cent.

Of course there may be some contributors among the foregoing whose light is hid under a bushel, but it is very improbable, for candidates naturally try to make their claims as strong as they can; and what they had done for others in their time of prosperity would surely be one, and that a strong one.

IS MASONRY REALLY FLOURISHING?

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—To this query, recently put in an article in your columns, with an invitation for an expression of opinion, I had hoped some more comprehensive correspondence would have taken place, as certainly the issues raised are worth careful consideration at the hands of all who are anxious for the welfare of the Craft. The tendency of your article, and that also of the recent interesting correspondence in the *FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE* relating to Masonic Mendicancy, is to show the undoubted existence of an undesirable element in the Craft, which, though it might be impossible to eradicate, may, as "M.M." so pertinently observed last week, be guarded against in the future. It is hardly within the province of individual members to suggest even as to the discretion of Grand Lodge in the issue of new warrants, though, as your correspondent points out, the number of Lodges now on the roll should suffice for the reasonable necessities of the Institution for some time to come. We may be perfectly certain that our Grand Officers, much as they may desire to meet the wishes of the brethren who aspire to found new Lodges, are well advised, and carefully weigh the nature of the requests made to them before they accede to the prayer of petitions. On this score, it appears to me they are equally at no option, as are the members of Lodges, in following "the late Bro. Hervey's advice" as to their being "cautious in the reception of candidates." The latter, as one or two of your correspondents rightly remark, cannot fathom the hearts of those who seek to participate with us in the mysteries and privileges of the Order; neither can Grand Lodge at all times gauge the feeling locally prevailing, and which animates brethren in praying for a new warrant. More than one instance might be recorded of men who, being ambitious for office, and not seeing their way clear to the attainment of their desire for perhaps a considerable time, gather around them chosen friends, and privately concoct a design for the establishment of a new Lodge. It is perfectly true such a petition must be supported by a certain number of signatories from the mother Lodge, but are these not sometimes influenced by a personal desire for the advancement of those who are striving after distinction, and in others by an equally urgent wish to rid the Lodge of troublesome and officious malcontents? When a servant leaves your employ, you do not always refuse him a "character," though he may not have been all you could have desired in him. He may have done his work in a manner such as would not justify you in withholding from him the means of obtaining other employment, but still you are "glad he is gone," and you would rather aid than impede his progress by giving him a recommendation. Thus it has been found that in many cases where Lodges have become too strong numerically there have grown up amongst them—from the "infusion of new blood" as we are apt to say—young and enthusiastic men who aspire for, and may be deserving of, office, but who from the very fact of the Lodge being so full see their chances very remote indeed. The consequence is that they hold a *tête-à-tête* with the view of starting an offshoot of the Mother Lodge, and the Mother Lodge is only too glad to get some of her obstreperous children off her hands. Is not this the true explanation why so many new warrants were applied for, until the "brake" was put on a few years ago? I quite agree with the comments made upon your recent leading article, contained in the *Evening News*—a paper which is devoting some judicious attention to the affairs of the Craft—that this is "a subject of great importance, and which, it is a pity has not been taken up in print before this." Still, now the matter is broached, it will be well for all of us to consider that "the evils which affect the fair fame of Freemasonry are not irremediable. Let the late Grand Secretary's advice be seriously taken to heart by individual Lodges, and let every care be

taken not to admit into them "comparatively pauper members, or those whose only care in joining Masonry is to make out of it as much profit as possible." This sentence of "M.M.'s" may be in some degree construed to mean that affluence should be the only royal road to Masonry; but I am certain he does not wish to convey any such an idea. It is difficult, of course as you have all along pointed out, to dive into the hidden recesses of a man's mental structure, and to prove his intellectual integrity, still, in a majority of cases, those who propose and second candidates should be in some measure acquainted with those whose sponsors they become, and should not willingly introduce to the brethren those who are not, so far as can be, humanly speaking, judged fit and proper persons to become Masons. Hoping to see this matter still further dealt with in your valuable columns,

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

J.D.

30th August 1882.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—All who study the interests of the Fraternity will be glad that you have opened up the question above asked, and that other Masonic writers are devoting their attention to a subject of such vital importance to the Craft. For a long time it has been a prevailing opinion amongst Masons that the Order was too rapidly extending its borders, and that, in your own words, merely numerical strength in Freemasonry is not an "unmixed good." Since you have invited an interchange of views upon the matter, may it not be suggested that in many cases more than due influence is exercised in order to induce men to become Masons? I know it is an accepted maxim amongst us that we shall not *persuade* any one to join the Brotherhood, and indeed the candidate at his initiation avows that he has been impelled to do so of his own "free will and accord," and from a favourable opinion preconceived of the Order. And yet it has been not infrequently known that without stopping seriously to consider whether their status or means are likely to give stability to those who are virtually asked or encouraged to join our ranks, many brethren are only too eager to precipitate the entrance of their friends into Lodges by the implied benefits which they are likely to derive from their connection with Freemasonry? That is a principle which cannot be too rigidly discouraged by those who would rule wisely and well, and who are jealous for the prestige and good government of their Lodges. The old saying no doubt holds good that—

Angels are bright still,  
Altho' the brightest have fallen;

and, though many who "pass well" at first have lapsed into the serried ranks of those who reflect no credit upon the Craft, yet the great principles we hold so dear are by no means affected by such declensions. But, on the other side of the question, I am disposed to believe that in a great number of cases men are practically led to seek admission into the Institution by the "improper solicitation of friends." I do not mean to say dishonestly, or with any wilful intention of bringing in unworthy members, but out of an excess of zeal, and a desire to draw into their society those acquaintances whom they may have learned to respect in other walks of life. This is merely a passing opinion, which may fit in with others which your correspondents will suggest in helping to elucidate information on this momentous question.

I am, Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

GAVEL.

Aldersgate-street, 30th August 1882.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—There are so many phases of this question that, in order fully to ventilate it, even a word from so humble an individual as myself may be acceptable. I leave it to older and wiser heads than mine to solve the difficult problem of remedying that which you and your correspondents consider a great and increasing evil to the Craft, namely, the too rapid increase in the number of its members. But there is a case I could mention of a warrant being applied for and obtained by a coterie, who saw no hope of attaining to honours in their own Lodges, and who were assisted by Past Masters who either sought after a second reign, or some Provincial honours. This was prior to the year you mention when a curb was placed upon the "indiscriminate granting of warrants," and the circumstances attending it were, to say the least, not very meritorious. Several brethren were invited by one most anxious to achieve distinction (as is only natural where one has occupied a Warden's chair, but has been passed over by an incoming Master who disbelieves in the strict order by rotation method of advancement) to meet at his private residence, when the "grievances" of those who had hoped for, but did not receive collars, found full vent in sympathetic company. The "leader of the opposition," if I may use the term, lost no opportunity of expatiating upon the "slight" they had received, and urged upon each and all to strive their utmost to obtain a new Lodge. Of course, the leader was to be first Wor. Master, and those who supported him were to be his chosen Officers for the year. On that they all agreed, with wonderful unanimity, and it was furthermore made a condition that promotion should go by strict rotation, that is to say, each Officer should move one "peg" up at the close of each successive year, until all had passed the chair. I never heard the precise *modus operandi* by which that warrant was obtained, but it was obtained; the Lodge was founded, and in order to make a "good start," several persons were more than persuaded to become members, with the obvious view of obtaining funds by means of the initiation

fees. The result has been that at least a dozen of the first initiates have since lapsed, proving that they could not afford, if they had been candid enough to admit it, to pay their initiation fees; and if they are not actually a burden upon the Craft, many, I know, have long since found it impossible to keep up their payments, or discharge their responsibilities to the Lodge. As an almost inevitable consequence of the secret conclave I have shadowed forth, the "plot" leaked out very shortly after the Lodge was founded, and most unpleasant recriminations ensued, which I will not here revive. I believe the Lodge has at last sailed from turbulent waters into a substantial calm; but its early days will be long remembered by those who watched the launch, and knew the circumstances under which it was arranged. I do not see how any blame can be attached to Grand Lodge for granting the warrant; but the responsibility is a grave one that rests upon those who, for the sake of snatching at honours which have been denied them in their own Lodges, were not over scrupulous as to whom they persuaded to join, and afterwards admitted into their Masonic circle.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Fraternally yours,

A YOUNG MASON.

Gravesend, 28th August 1882.

### PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF CORNWALL.

THE Provincial Grand Lodge of this Province was held on the 29th ult., at the Public Rooms, Truro, under the presidency of the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe Provincial Grand Master. Lodge was formed shortly after ten o'clock, the room being well filled. The Provincial Grand Master at once proceeded to business, which throughout the whole day he conducted in his usual efficient manner. The Secretary, W. Bro. E. D. Anderton, having read the minutes of the preceding Grand Lodge, they were confirmed. The Treasurer W. Bro. William Tweedy presented the balance-sheet, by which the sum of £223 10s 7d was duly accounted for, and a balance of £28 15s 4d was shown on hand. The Secretary reported that the number of brethren in December was 1,522 against 1,551 in December 1880. One new warrant had been issued during the past year, but from unavoidable circumstances the consecration had not yet taken place. It was also right to mention the great obligation of the Province to W. Bro. W. J. Hughan, for the excellent Masonic Directory he had compiled. The balance-sheet and report having been adopted, the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe moved that a cordial vote of thanks be given to W. Bro. W. J. Hughan, for his connection with the Directory. This being carried, W. Bro. Hughan responded in a few suitable words.

The report of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund, the recommendations of the Committee of Relief, the report from Bro. Charles Truscott respecting votes for Masonic Charities, the making grants to the Cornwall Masonic Annuity Fund, and the great Masonic Charities, and the report of the Truro Cathedral Fund Committee, after being duly considered, were accepted or decided upon. The consideration of the Revised Book of Constitutions was then proceeded with. A Committee had been appointed to report thereon, and a printed form of the various matters which had commended themselves to their notice was submitted and circulated. On one or two points a debate arose, but ultimately the whole were arranged to the satisfaction of the Lodge. Bro. W. J. Hughan next proposed some alterations and additions to the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund; and these, with one slight alteration, were carried. The brethren now formed in procession and proceeded to the temporary church, erected alongside the Cathedral, where a very eloquent sermon was preached by the Prov. Grand Chaplain, Bro. P. H. Newnham, from 1 Cor. iii. 9. "We are God's fellow-workers . . . Ye are God's building"—The Rev. Brother said, meeting there as they did that day, in a place which must for ever be connected with the memories of a day unique alike in the annals of their Craft and in the history of religious work in that Province of Cornwall, it was only natural that he should endeavour to connect what he desired to say to them with the associations of that day, and also with that growing work which they saw close by. That work would be viewed very differently by different minds, according to their natural power of appreciating the beautiful in the lines of architecture, and their knowledge of the rules which have governed the ideas of the builder. Where one man will see only a heap of stones and a few pillars and arches rising, another would be able to appreciate the beauty and understand something of the general plan of the work, while a third would be able, by the help of technical knowledge, already to foresee the general appearance of the finished structure. Even so had God built up the religious structure of the world's faith from the earliest days until the present time. The existing system of Freemasonry combined into one many of the earliest religious symbols and rituals by which the spiritual instinct in its earliest infancy sought to embody its faith in one living God, and its hopes of a future immortality. Out of the darkness of the past God had built up the edifice of its present stage of completion. But the grand Cathedral of the world's worship was still like their present building far from complete. And yet hearts that had given themselves to its study could even now foresee the shape its arches would assume, and could give a good guess of the kind of roof that would rest upon them. And, as God had thus built up the religious life and thoughts of the world, so did He build up their individual lives. Every thought, word, deed, accident, coincidence of their lives was a stone, often apparently shapeless and unhewn, but which, worked into form by the chisel of time, was found to fit into its place in building up the plan of their lives. And that plan was, as the first clause of the text affirmed, that they would become "God's fellow-workers" in the scheme of His future building. Freemasonry had fulfilled its destiny in the past in bringing materials for the foundations, and building the crypts of God's destined World Temple. It must now claim its share in completing its own allotted por-

tion of the work. And that it could do by smoothing down social asperities in a way that no other institution was capable of doing, for no other institution could bring together hundreds of men to unite in a common work and share in a common ritual, and yet never jar upon the social, political, or religious susceptibilities of one of them. So that Freemasons work on still, looking forward to the time that shall come when the "Lost Name" shall be found again by the patient delvers in darkness; when the roof of God's World Temple of Worship shall be placed on its appointed supports; and He that is for ever shall be known no longer by the cold abstractions of Great Architect and Grand Geometrician, but the Father of all shall be revealed in His own true name of Love.

On the return to the Lodge Brother W. J. Hughan proposed that the sermon be printed and inserted in the next Directory. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master said he would, as usual, offer a few remarks, which he hoped would be found of some use and service. He then alluded to the great importance of the returns being sent in not later than 31st January, and intimated that he could not, in any case, grant a dispensation for a Masonic procession or any similar exhibition if the object was only display. For purely Masonic ceremonies it might be granted, and only for such a purpose. Having then alluded to a matter which concerned the admission of candidates, and to the Lodge at Wadebridge, which is awaiting consecration, he said his next duty was a most pleasant one, namely, the presentation of a token of respect to Bro. E. T. Carlyon. That worthy brother's genial kindness and worth in Masonry were well known to all in the Province. Some nine years ago they sustained a very heavy loss in Bro. Augustus Smith, and from that time to the present Bro. Carlyon had earned feelings of deep gratitude for his help and service to himself as Provincial Grand Master, and to the whole Province. The presentation consisted of a magnificent silver salver, a P.M.'s jewel, and a heavy gold bracelet for Mrs. Carlyon. On the salver was inscribed:—

"Presented to Edward Trewbody Carlyon, by the Freemasons of Cornwall, as a mark of their sincere regard and grateful recognition of his active exertions in the cause of Masonry, and of his invariable courtesy during the sixteen years he held the office of Provincial Grand Secretary.—1882."

W. Bro. Carlyon responded, saying he had been over twenty-five years a Mason, and had served under three Provincial Grand Masters, one of whom was Sir Charles Lemon, and he was made Prov. Grand Registrar in Sir Charles's reign. Afterwards he served under one whom he might call a personal friend, Bro. Augustus Smith, and he could recall many happy days spent with him at Truro. Of the present Provincial Grand Master it was difficult to speak, he being present, but his kind and courteous manner and the forbearance which his Lordship had always shown, made him respected by them all. It was a feeling of pride, pleasure, and thankfulness that he from the bottom of his heart, cordially accepted this salver. He should value it exceedingly, and he hoped one of his own name would cherish it for many years to come. He was also sure Mrs. Carlyon would accept with pleasure the bracelet, and think the better of Freemasonry for the future. It was with a feeling of deep regret that he retired from office, but in Bro. Anderton he had a good successor who would give satisfaction. The Officers for the Cornwall Annuity and Benevolent Fund were next elected as follow:—W. Bros. W. Tweedy Treasurer, Thomas Chirgwin Secretary, J. C. R. Crewes Assistant Secretary, W. D. Rogers Falmouth, and J. H. Sampson Truro, Auditors.

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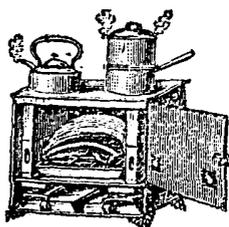
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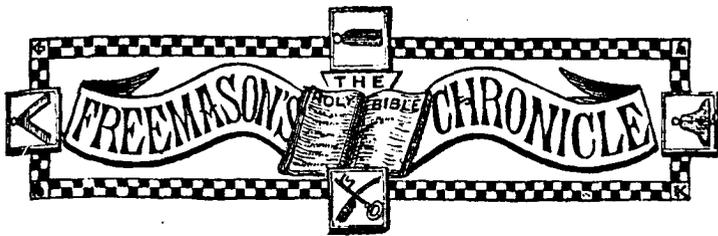
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## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF UNITED GRAND LODGE.

THE following is the business to be transacted in Grand Lodge on Wednesday, 6th September 1882 :—

1. The Minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 7th June for confirmation—except so far as relates to the balance of the Grant of £75 to a Brother of the Whittington Lodge, No. 862, London, which has lapsed in consequence of the death of that Brother on the 7th July last, he having been paid £50 on account of such recommended grant, pursuant to the Constitutions, Art. 16, page 104.

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

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### 3. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

Grand Lodge having at its last Quarterly Communication accepted the draft of the proposed revision of the Book of Constitutions, as prepared by the Board, and having approved of its suggestion that the same be considered at a Special Grand Lodge, and that in the meantime copies be circulated amongst the Provinces for the information of the Craft, which has accordingly been done, the Board now beg to recommend that Brethren desiring to propose any amendments or additions to the said Revision of the Constitutions should be required to transmit the same to the Grand Secretary on or before the 25th September next, in order that they may be considered and reported on by the Board before the meeting of the Special Grand Lodge, which it is believed will be held about the middle of October next.

(Signed) FRANK GREEN,  
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15th August 1882.

To the Report is subjoined a statement of the Grand Lodge Accounts at the last Meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 11th day of August last, shewing a Balance in the Bank of England of £4,245 4s 5d, and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for Petty Cash £75, and for Servants' Wages £100.

N.B.—Copies of the proposed Revision of the Constitutions, referred to in the foregoing Report, are lying in the Grand Secretary's Office, and open for inspection daily during office hours.

### 4. NOTICES OF MOTION.

(1) By Brother EDWIN T. BUDDEN P.M. No. 622 :—

"That the minute of the last Grand Lodge (7th June 1882), containing the Resolution proposed by Brother Raynham Stewart to raise the Grand Lodge subscription to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution from £800 a year (its present amount) to £1,600 a year be not confirmed; but that instead thereof the following Resolutions be adopted, viz. :—

(I.) "That the Grand Lodge contribution to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution be raised from £800 a year to £1,000 a year; £500 a year to the Male Fund, and £500 a year to the Female Fund. The £200 a year now added to be paid from the Fund of General Purposes."

(II.) "That the Grand Lodge contributions to the Royal

Masonic Schools be raised from £150 a year to each School (the present amount) to £500 a year to the Girls' School, and £500 a year to the Boys' School, to be paid from the Fund of General Purposes."

(III.) "That a Committee be appointed" :—

(a) "To consider the condition, resources, and claims of the Fund of Benevolence," and

(b) "To revise the Scale of Fees payable by Lodges to Grand Lodge, and report to Grand Lodge, so that the revised Scale of Fees, if adopted, may be incorporated in the revised Constitutions, now under the consideration of Grand Lodge."

(2) By Brother EDWIN T. BUDDEN P.M. No. 622 :—

"That any member of Grand Lodge be permitted to purchase a proof copy of the 'Revised Constitutions' now under the consideration of Grand Lodge at a price not exceeding Two Shillings per copy."

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

No. 1971.—The Aldershot Army and Navy Lodge, Aldershot, Hants.  
1972.—The Urania Lodge, Willowmore, South Africa, E.D.  
1973.—The Saye and Sele Lodge, Belvedere, Kent.  
1974.—The Saint Mary Abbots Lodge, Kensington.  
1975.—The Charles Egan Lodge, Untata, South Africa, E.D.

The "Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book" for 1883 will be published early in November next. Secretaries of Lodges willing to subscribe for copies of the Calendar are requested to notify to the Grand Secretary the number they will respectively require.

The Calendar Committee direct the attention of Masters of Lodges and Principals of Chapters to the necessity of communicating to the Grand Secretary any change in the day or place of meeting of Lodges or Chapters so soon as the resolution for effecting such change shall be confirmed.—Vide Book of Constitutions pp 64, 92, 93.

The meetings of the Islington Lodge of Instruction, No. 1471, will be resumed on Tuesday, the 5th inst., at Seven p.m., at the Crown and Cushion Tavern, London Wall, under the direction of Bro. J. L. Mather, P.P.G.D.C. Herts. The attendance of brethren is requested.

A richly painted window, from the studio of Mr. Taylor of Berners Street, has been presented to the church at Omagh, Co. Tyrone, in memory of Bro. Francis John West, M.D., by the brethren of Lodge No. 332. The appropriate subject of "The Good Samaritan" occupies the centre of the window, and above and below it are Masonic emblems, with rich surroundings on a golden background.

A new Lodge, the Aldershot Army and Navy, No. 1971, was consecrated, at Aldershot, on 21st ult. The ceremony was performed by the R.W. Prov. G. Master of Hants and Isle of Wight, Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., who was assisted by the Prov. G. Officers and a large number of Craftsmen. The Officers appointed were Bros. F. J. G. Cook W.M., H. Grier S.W., E. H. Sartorius J.W., R. Crosdall Treasurer, C. Bailey S.D., M. Turner J.D.

The General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls met on Thursday afternoon, at Freemasons' Hall, Bro. Colonel Creaton Grand Treasurer in the chair. There were also present Bros. Colonel James Peters, Frederick Adlard, H. A. Dubois, A. E. Gladwell, H. Massey, Frank Richardson, R. Grey, F. R. W. Hodges Secretary. The business of the meeting was purely formal. The Chairman was authorised to sign cheques, and one petition was received for placing a London candidate on the list for next April election.

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"The air is full of farewells to the dying  
And mournings for the dead.  
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"If thou dost bid thy friend farewell,  
But for one night though that farewell may be,  
Press thou his hand in thine.  
How canst thou tell how far from thee  
Fate or caprice may lead his steps  
Ere that to-morrow comes?"

The angel of death has repeated his visits oftentimes among us during the past Masonic year, calling hence no less than six Past Grand Officers of this jurisdiction—one of them at the head of the Royal Craft in the great republic, and the "first among his equals" in all good words and kindly deeds; and another aged pilgrim whose trials began during the long, dark crusade inaugurated in the Morgan times, which tried men's souls in that day of sore trial; beside many of lesser note, as useful and deserving in their humbler spheres of life.

The nation, too, and the world, has been called to weep, with our sister jurisdictions, the loss of their "illustrious dead," "falling at their post of duty."

It is seldom we are called upon to pen so sad a page as this must be in our records of the year.

"The year  
Has gone. \* \* \*  
\* \* \* "In its swift course,  
It waved its sceptre o'er the beautiful,  
And they are not. It laid its pallid hand  
Upon the strong man, and the noble form  
Is fallen."

Yet in all this the wise may read a lesson, as in an open book ever in sight, for our instruction. Let the living profit by the noble examples set us in the lives of the departed. They were Christian men, followers of Him who "spoke as never man spake," and heeded His words. With them Masonry was a living reality, and they comprehended its mission to make men better in this life, bind them more closely together in the Brotherhood of man, and afford them the means and opportunities for greater usefulness among men. Now that they have

"Gone across the dark river,  
And into the land of shadows,"

May we so treasure the memory of their good deeds that they may not have lived in vain.

Of those of our own jurisdiction, all save one, the patriarch Gillis, were our *associate* Officers in the past, going in and out with us before the brethren whom we served. All were our friends, and we prized and valued the friendship of such men; but

"One there was above all others,  
Well deserved to be our friend."

The brethren of this jurisdiction, and of all jurisdictions, have long known the friendship which existed between Brother Bower and ourself, and the love that bound us together as brothers. That we may not be thought to mould our words in the form of over-wrought friendship, we quote the language of another, who says: "Brother Bower was faithful in the discharge of every Masonic duty. Nothing was too great for him to undertake, and yet he undertook it with such apparent gentleness, and carried it out with such precision and poise—with such smoothness—that hardly any one realised the overmuch he was attempting and the overwork he was doing. But suddenly the long-strained chord has snapped like brittle glass, and as noble a human life as ever possessed a human body was released from its sufferings. He is gone, but has left us his example of a faithful worker, a good citizen, and an upright Mason."

In his closing address to his brethren, on retiring from office in the Grand Chapter, Brother Bower remarked, "I never like to say farewell, but with a gentle pressure of the hand glide silently away." His prayer was granted, for so he passed away, speaking no farewell word. God took him, and he is not. But his "example of strict integrity, honesty of purpose, and purity of intention through life is worthy of imitation by all of us" who survive him. He has "fallen with his armour on," and gone to receive his reward.

"Ne'er to the mansions where the virtuous rest,  
Since their foundation, came a worthier guest;  
Nor to the bowers of bliss was e'er conveyed  
A nobler spirit or a gentler shade."

Brother Judge James L. Gillis, after a long and eventful life, died at the house of his son, who had been a short period before shot down in his own home by an unknown assassin. This so worked upon the mind of the aged and bereft father that he soon followed the son. He had lived seventy years a just and upright Mason, and eighty-eight as a useful and honoured citizen. A man of remarkable energy, intelligence, and perseverance, he made a good and permanent record in his public and private walk in life. He was a man of dignified and commanding appearance, which prepossessed strangers in his favour, and led them to seek a more intimate acquaintance with him. We met him last at the Grand Conclave in Chicago, in the summer of 1880, he being drawn thither in his old age to meet some whom he had met in his younger years. We remember his interest in the great gathering, and the courtesy shown him by the Sir Knights favoured in meeting him. The attempt upon the life of the President plunged

him into the deepest anxiety, without the thought that the taking off of a well-loved son would be so soon and in the same way.

He had forgotten the world of care and the battle of life which had furrowed his earlier years, and drawn closely around the hearth of his children and grandchildren, and in their loved presence awaited the hour when he should be summoned to meet his beloved partner in the mansions of rest. That hour came suddenly and unheralded. But he had so lived, and was so prepared for the reaper, that we need not ask,

"Can it be truth,  
That there is no eloquence in death,  
No voice beyond the passing breath,  
For thoughtful man?"

Joseph Curtis Knapp, an old, useful, and prominent citizen, died 27th April 1882. He was made a Master Mason during the Annual Communication at Keosauqua, where he lived (almost thirty years, and died) in the year 1855, and was Grand Orator at Iowa City in 1857. He was a leader among leaders at the bar and in politics, a worker in good works, in his town, county, and state, leaving an honourable record for manly devotion to the public interest, a Christian's faith in his Master's service, and devotion to the Fraternity whose welfare he sought to promote. When such men die, the Fraternity, the church, and the world are the losers.

"Shall the clos'd eyes,  
Once filled with light, and the pale lips  
That spake for oth'rs good and friendship's  
Gold'n tie, ne'er wake?"

Brothers Watson Emery Webster Senior Grand Warden in 1878, Norman Chipman Junior Grand Warden in 1853, Horace Tuttle Junior Grand Warden in 1856, and Thomas Mercer Grand Treasurer in 1865, were all past elective Grand Officers and permanent members in the Grand Lodge. But their true merit and worth was not obtained by election, nor did it follow—it preceded; and their election to those high offices was only the public recognition of that merit which recommended them as Office-bearers in the courts of the Temple. Brother Webster, at the time of his death, 8th January 1882, was a member of the General Assembly in session, and died in office, with his "honours thickly blushing on him." He was a devoted Christian, superintendent of his Sabbath School, and an active Mason, conscientiously performing his duty in whatever sphere called to labour. The purity of his private life well qualified him for the discharge of his public duties, and his services as an experienced legislator were properly testified to by the body of which he was a member in the memorial service it held in honour of his memory.

"His work is done—  
The fleeting sands of life are spent:  
A beautiful smile from heaven sent  
Plays o'er his brow."

Brother Norman Chipman—Father Chipman, as the boys were accustomed to call him—belonged to a generation of Masons of whom but few are left to recount his services and his worth. We knew him long and well, and a most deserving man he was. In his younger years active and devoted to the cause, he laboured to advance it among men, and in his declining years ever fondly remembered his "first love." Living and dying, in official and private life he set before his brethren an example worthy of imitation. The record of a long and useful life he left as a legacy to his brethren who kindly ministered at his bedside in his last hours of earth. He has

"Gone to the land of peace;  
Gone where the tempest has no longer sway,  
The shadow passeth from the soul away;  
The sounds of weeping cease."

Brother Horace Tuttle, immigrating to Iowa at an early day, and lending his services to start and build up Masonic bodies of various grades in Iowa City, then Muscatine, and finally Dubuque, usefully and actively engaged as a citizen and Mason, he raised a family, and leaving a son to carry on his work, he in his declining years returned to the place of his nativity to spend his later years and be gathered home among his kindred in an eastern state (Connecticut). We knew him well as a plain, humble, and unassuming, yet most active and useful, man among men and with his brethren. The memory of his many virtues—we never knew that he had any vices—are treasured in the faithful breasts of his early associates, who always speak of Horace Tuttle as one of nature's noblemen.

"Whoever, amidst the sons  
Of reason, valour, liberty, and virtue,  
Displays distinguished merit, is a noble  
Of Nature's own creating."

Brother Thomas Mercer, coming to Iowa many years ago, took an active part in County affairs, and made himself very useful in the Lodge and Grand Lodge as a ritualist of a superior order. His activity in the Grand Lodge of 1865, at Marshalltown, where he then resided, in his efforts to maintain in its purity from the touch of unholy hands the work he taught, will long be remembered by those present on that occasion. Honest in the discharge of every duty, he was a useful man, in whatever field he laboured. Removing to California, he withdrew his membership from Iowa, and there struggled with faith and hope against fate, and only lately came the tidings of his decease far away, borne on the breeze from the Pacific shore. Few of to-day knew him, but we who did remember him the more kindly, and now that he is gone, exclaim:

"Brother, we mourn for thee  
We call upon thee to answer us.  
Dost thou hear the call?  
Our brother answereth not our call.  
Angels ever bright and fair,  
Take, O take him to your care."

In Europe, Prince Frederick of the Netherlands, Grand Master of Masons in Holland, died at the age of sixty-five, having served the Craft long and well. He was styled "the Nestor of the House of Orange," whose history and liberty-loving ancestry have become household words through the brilliant pages of Motley, one of our own most celebrated historians. The great ancestor of his house, William the Silent, fell in the midst of his great career by the hand of an assassin, and in this becomes the more endeared to the American people.

Brother and President James Abram Garfield. When the pens of historians, orators, and poets have become silent in praise, how shall we essay to write of this great and national bereavement? The sentiment to the "memory of the dead" is ever drunk in silence. If we speak, then, let us

"Mournfully, chant mournfully, the requiem for the dead:  
Mourn for our brother fallen, his lofty spirit fled;  
Yet let it not be hopelessly, for the pathway that he trod  
While in life—Our faith is strong—hath led him up to God."

Doctor James M. Austin and Tracy P. Cheever, Grand Secretaries respectively of the Grand Lodges of New York and Massachusetts, died in office, 'mid their active duties and with honours thickly clustering about them. The one had long served the Craft in its most useful field of labour, bringing to his aid a well-trained mind, methodical habits, and a love for his work. These, added to his long experience and service of more than a quarter of a century, made him a prominent figure in the nation as well as in the body of which he was the central object. He was also the Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge near that of his own. The other, while but recently called to his post, was a man of ripened experience, great culture, and superior usefulness in whatever line of duty he laboured. A Mason of prominence at home, he was fast becoming known throughout all jurisdictions as a leader among men. Both have been called to labour on high, removed from the cares and petty vexations ever attending the Secretariat, in which they were bright and shining lights.

Doctor George Stodard Blackie, of Tennessee, a Past Grand Officer and a Mason of great learning and varied attainments. He made his mark as a reporter on correspondence by his learning and zeal, and by his able and courteous discussions of the numerous subjects ever coming in review. He was an educator of men and of youth, in which latter vocation he devoted his active life. Coming from old Scotia's land to young America, he blended in his personal character the good qualities of both people, and lived a useful life and died regretted by the Masonic world of letters.

R. H. Thomas, Librarian of the Grand Lodge of New York, died during the Annual Communication of his Grand Lodge, which called off to attend and conduct the ceremonies of his funeral—an honour well merited. Brother Thomas was one of the most genial men and most interesting correspondents we ever found. He was a very useful and liberal contributor to our stock of Masonic literature. As Master of Kane Lodge, he founded and built up the largest and best Lodge library in the land. As Librarian of the Grand Lodge of New York, he systematised its collections, infused new life into its enterprise, and was about publishing its catalogue, which he had prepared, when death interposed and stopped the work. Brother Thomas was widely known over the land as a collector more liberal and generous in giving than in receiving, and had made a host of warm friends, drawn to him by the chords of love which so thoroughly dwelt in his noble heart. How have the good, as well as the mighty, fallen during the past year, leaving green memories behind on which we may dwell.

Others, too, have departed, of whom we would like to speak, but we must not prolong this list.

Albert Gallatin Mackey, M.D., the Masonic writer *par excellence* of this and of all ages. The great light among a thousand lesser lights, his character and labours shone forth, and his great and valued services were read and known of all men. Thirty years have passed since first we met our genial Brother (now no more) and Dr. Austin, and then began the warm friendships closed only when death closed them from our sight for ever. They were friends, as well as brothers and co-labourers, and the record they have left behind in good deeds and worthy examples the living will do well to follow. Brother Mackey's labours have been dispersed wherever Masonry is known, and his reputation as a master workman is world-wide. Honoured as a ruler, revered as a teacher, he was beloved as a man. Good, kind, and true in his friendships, his removal leaves an "aching void" in every heart beating to impulses of truthfulness and love.

"We who survive, and knew him most and best,  
Can truly say, how deeply dear was he  
Whom now we sadly mourn."

Though the hand become weary, the heart saddened, and life become dreary, let us all so live and wait

\* \* \* "Till the angels  
Open wide the mystic gate.  
Let us listen for their footsteps,  
And their voices far away;  
When they call us, we are waiting,  
Only waiting to obey."

The Companions of the North London Chapter of Improvement met on the 31st ult., at the Canonbury Tavern, St. Marys-road, N. Comp. Higgins filled the chair of Z., Speedy H., Percy J., John Evans Sheffield S.E., Osborn S.N., Fraser P.S. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, after which the Chapter was closed and adjourned until Thursday evening, the 7th instant.

## THE EXETER ALBERT MEMORIAL MUSEUM.

WEDNESDAY was quite a gala day at Exeter on the occasion of laying the foundation-stone of a wing in connection with the Albert Memorial Museum. Those interested in taking part in the ceremony met at noon, at the Guildhall, and marched in procession to the site. Among those present were—The Mayor of Exeter (Mr. T. Andrew), the Sheriff of Exeter (Dr. Henderson), the Mayor of Plymouth (Mr. C. F. Burnard), the Mayor of Devonport (Mr. G. Ralston), the Mayor of Barnstaple (Dr. Harper), the High Sheriff of Devon (Mr. W. H. Halliday), the Right Hon. Earl Devon, the Right Hon. Lord Coleridge, Sir John Phear, Mr. J. Dixon, Mr. S. Beacroft (Town Clerk of Barnstaple, &c.) The Freemasons were represented by Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Devon W. G. Rogers P.M. 39, and a large gathering of members of various Masonic Lodges. Mr. D. Urban, Hon. Sec. of the Extension Committee, explained the object for which they were assembled. He said, although they had not yet sufficient for the completion of the whole undertaking, the necessity of securing the legacy of the late Mr. Kendall, left on condition that the buildings should be erected within five years of his decease, had prompted the Committee to make a commencement with the one wing, which was intended to comprise a library, reading-room, and art gallery, and two other large rooms for the museum, the whole covering an area of the present building. The Rev. P. Williams, the Provincial Grand Chaplain offered up a prayer suitable for the occasion, after which the Mayor of Exeter laid the foundation stone, observing that he did so in the name of the Great Architect of the Universe. He remarked how pleased he was to see such a large and influential gathering, and said that the courtesy of that day would, he was sure, not be the last in the city of Exeter. They would regard the occasion lastingly, and thankfully remember the presence of those distinguished persons who had favoured them with their presence and support. He was also impressed by the large number of his Masonic brethren, who were there to do them honour.

## THE FIFTEEN SECTIONS

WILL BE WORKED AS UNDER:—

At the Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, No. 1507, The Moor-gate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., on Monday, 11th September, at 7 p.m. precisely. Bros. R. Larchin P.M. 1541 W.M., W. Martin J.D. 879 S.W., F. W. Sillis 1744 J.W. First Lecture—Bros. G. W. Knight, Richard Knight, W. Dennison, E. Abell, C. J. Fox, H. G. Gush, W. C. Smith. Second Lecture—Bros. F. W. Sillis, J. Hemming, R. P. Tate, Walter Martin, J. C. Smith. Third Lecture—Bros. W. J. Burgess, Edwin Storr, G. Emblin. W. M. Stiles W.M. 1507 P.M. 1732 Preceptor, Edwin Storr J.D. 167 Hon. Secretary.

On Saturday afternoon the memorial stone of a new place of worship for the Beith Free Church congregation was laid with Masonic honours by Mr. Cochran-Patrick, M.P. A large representation of Freemasons of Ayrshire took part. The Masons having paraded the principal streets, proceeded to the church, where a large concourse of ladies and gentlemen had assembled to witness the proceedings. Mr. Cochran-Patrick having laid the stone, delivered an interesting address on the history of Freemasonry, and, in conclusion, said: "That largeness of heart which belonged to our original founder has given to Masonry a proud position which is not claimed or is not conceded to any other organisation. We recognise no social distinction or position. We equally welcome within the Order the peer and the peasant, so long as he performs in the state of society in which he has been placed by Providence the duties which are understood to belong to it. We recognise no political distinction. We welcome every man who holds before him the good of his common country, no matter how we may differ as to the means by which that good faith is to be attained; and while we acknowledge one common God, we look to one common futurity, and we know that in that futurity to which we are all bending, for that last Grand Lodge in which all must stand, there will be no room for many of the distinctions which we hope we can see on earth below."—*Evening News.*

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TESTIMONIALS.—Head Quarter Staff, Cabul, May 31st, 1880. Mr. R. Freeman, Dear Sir,—It is with much pleasure I am able to state that your Chlorodyne has been of special service to me in alleviating the wearisome spasms of Asthma, which is here existent in an aggravated form. Many of my patients now come and beg me to give them that medicine which always relieves them, and which I need hardly say is your Chlorodyne. Yours faithfully, CHARLES W. OWEN, L.R.C.P. Lon., M.R.C.S. Eng., the Divisional Head Quarter Staff and Civil Surgeon, Cabul.

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

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

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

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## SATURDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4  
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)  
1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)  
1278—Burdett Courts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)  
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)  
1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)  
S'uai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8  
1223—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent  
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester  
R.A. 975—Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge

## MONDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER.

45—Strong Man, George Hotel, Australian Avenue, Barbican, at 7 (Instruc.)  
141—St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.  
174—Sincerity, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, 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)  
1425—Hyde Park, The Westbourne, Craven-rd., Paddington, at 8 (Instruction)  
1489—Marquess of Ripon, Pembury Tavern, Amhurst-rd., Hackney, at 7.30 (In)  
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)  
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 7. (Inst.)  
1623—West Smithfield, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, E.C. at 8 (Inst.)  
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel, Mile End-road  
1693—Kingsland, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)  
1789—Ubique, Guardsman Army Coffee Tavern, Buckingham Palace-road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)  
1853—Caxton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)  
R.A. 933—Doric, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 7. (Instruction)  
M.M. 139—Panmure, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell.

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Institute, Bolton-le-Moors  
133—Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham  
154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield  
156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth  
236—York, Masonic Hall, York  
381—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market street, Over Darwen  
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)  
431—St. George, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, N. Shields  
482—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wretham Road, Handsworth, Staffordshire  
597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead  
822—St. Guthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne  
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury  
850—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire  
1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire  
1050—Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester  
1051—Rowley, Athenæum, Lancaster  
1077—Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire  
1108—Royal Wharfedale, Private Room, Boroughgate, Otley, Yorks  
1180—Forward, Masonic Rooms, New Hall-street, Birmingham  
1211—Goderich, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds  
1239—Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.  
1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.  
1302—De Warren, Masonic Hall, White Swan Hotel, Halifax.  
1380—Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, Liverpool  
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)  
1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, near Accrington  
1573—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer-siret, Swansea.  
1578—Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd, South Wales  
1674—Caradoc, Town Hall, Rhyd  
1676—St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle  
1798—Zion, Hulme Town Hall, Manchester.  
R.A. 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley

## TUESDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 4.  
55—Constitutional, Bedford's Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst.)  
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)  
141—Faith, 2 Westminster Chambers, Victoria-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)  
177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Steppay (Instruction)  
753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8 (Inst.)  
890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, at 8 (Instruction)  
1044—Wandsworth, Star and Garter Hotel, St. Ann's-hill, Wandsworth (Inst.)  
1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
1360—Royal Arthur, D. of Cambridge, 316 Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8 (In.)  
1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)  
1383—Friends in Council, 33 Golden-square  
1446—Mount Edgecombe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)  
1471—Islington, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, at 7 (Instruction)  
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, 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.)  
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hoasey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst.)  
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst.)  
1949—Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, East Brixton, at 8. (Instruction)  
R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)

70—St. John, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth  
103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.  
120—Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.  
124—Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham  
158—Adams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness  
226—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough.  
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (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  
558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone.  
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.  
695—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle  
734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.  
794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield  
804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.  
847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.  
960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.  
995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.  
1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth.  
1134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford.  
1244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar.  
1322—Waverley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne.  
1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham.  
1473—Boote, 146 Berry-street, Boote, at 6. (Instruction.)  
1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon.

R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.  
R.A. 296—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield.  
M.M. 11—Joppa, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.  
M.M. 69—United Service, Assembly Rooms, Brompton, Chatham.

## WEDNESDAY, 6th SEPTEMBER.

Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, Freemasons' Hall, at 6 for 7  
223—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowdale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In.)  
538—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. (Instruction)  
813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)  
862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)  
1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, 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.  
1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst.)  
1604—Wanderers, Black Horse, York Street, S.W., at 7.30 (Instruction)  
1682—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)  
1791—Creton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)  
R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)

74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham.  
298—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale  
326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol  
327—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton  
406—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne  
417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester  
471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire  
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)  
645—Humphrey Chetham, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.  
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)  
678—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth, near Bolton.  
838—Franklin, Peacock and Royal Hotel, Boston  
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, Clayport-street, Alnwick  
1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich  
1274—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Chester-le-Street.  
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  
1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)  
1620—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool  
R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike  
R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Gt. George-street, Leeds  
M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Barrow-in-Furness.  
M.M. 56—Temperance, Masonic Hall, Todmorden  
M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

## THURSDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER.

3—Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-sq., at 8 (Instruction)  
15—Kent, Chequers, Marsh-street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)  
45—Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, Basinghall-street.  
87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)  
435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)  
704—Camden, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, at 7 (Instruction)  
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)  
902—Burgoyne, Cock Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Ludgate-hill, at 6.30 (Inst)  
1155—Excelsior, Sydney Arms, Lewisham-road  
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Westminster-bridge, at 8 (Inst.)  
1178—Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark  
1227—Upton, Swan, Bethnal Green-road, near Shoreditch, at 8 (Instruction)  
1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington-road, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
1360—Royal Arthur, Village Club Lecture Hall, Wimbledon  
1445—Prince Leopold, Mitford Tavern, Sandringham-road, Dalston  
1614—Covent Garden, Constitution, Bedford-street, W.C., at 7.45 (Instruction.)  
1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)  
1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst.)  
1801—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)  
1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate.  
R.A. 763—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8. (In.)  
R.A. 1339—Stockwell, Half Moon, Herne Hill.  
R.A. 1391—Kennington, Surrey Club Hotel, Kennington Oval  
R.A. 1471—North London, Canonbury Tavern, Canonbury Place, at 8. (Inst.)  
M.M.—Duke of Connaught, Haverlock, Albion-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.30 (Inst.)

24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle.  
38—Union, Council Chamber, Chichester  
123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorkshire  
249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
254—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry  
266—Naphthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Heywood  
269—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn  
289—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—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.  
419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel Wolverhampton.  
425—Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester.  
446—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire.  
463—East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound, Croydon.  
509—Teas, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.  
637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent.  
792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bullring-lane, Great Grimsby.  
974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford  
1074—Underley, Masonic Room, Market-place, Kirkby Lonsdale  
1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland  
1282—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire  
1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire  
1384—Equity, Alford Chambers, Widnes  
1473—Boote, Town Hall, Boote, 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  
1590—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)  
1594—Cedewain, Public Rooms, Newtown, Montgomeryshire  
1807—Loyal Wye, Bulth, Breconshire  
R.A. 275—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield.  
R.A. 325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford  
R.A. 753—Bridgewater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire  
M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield.

## FRIDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER.

Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.  
25—Robert Burns, The North Pole, 115 Oxford-street, W., at 8 (Instruc.)  
144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruc.)

768—William Preston, Jacob's Well, George-st., Manchester-sq., at 8 (Inst.)  
 780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge (Instruction)  
 831—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction)  
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)  
 1159—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)  
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich. (Inst.)  
 36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.  
 453—Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst Hill, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 453—Aire and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-street, Gc. 10.  
 526—Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton.  
 662—Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, West Bromwich.  
 697—United, George Hotel Colchester.  
 815—Blair, Town Hall, Stretford-road, Hulme  
 1001—Harrogate and Claro, Masonic Rooms, Parliament-street, Harrogate  
 1087—Beaudesert, Assembly Rooms, Corn Exchange, Leighton Buzzard  
 1299—Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Roe's Ferry  
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7

#### SATURDAY, 9th SEPTEMBER.

198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)  
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)  
 1278—Burdett Coutts, Lamb Tavern, opposite Bethnal G. Junct., at 8. (Inst.)  
 1384—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney (Instruction)  
 1448—Mount Edgcombe, Swan Hotel, Battersea  
 1607—Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street  
 1624—Eccleston, Grosvenor Club, Ebury-square, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1686—Faxon, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
 1685—Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone  
 1743—Perseverance, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct.  
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W. at 8.

#### NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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**Royal Union Lodge of Instruction, No. 382.**—Held its meeting on Monday, 28th ult., at the Chequers, Uxbridge. Bros. Rowles W.M., Brooks S.W., Taplin J.W., Andrews P.M. S.D., Cotton J.D., Duffin I.G. and Tyler, Tuckor Preceptor. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Brother C. Andrews P.M. being the candidate. Lodge was closed and adjourned until Monday, the 4th September, on which occasion (it being the first meeting of the new session) Bro. C. Andrews will rehearse the ceremony of installation, Bro. Tucker, Preceptor of the Lodge, as the W.M. elect. The principal Officers for the above night are Bros. Brooks W.M., Tucker S.W., and Taplin J.W. It is anticipated a large number of brethren will be present.

**United Pilgrims Lodge of Instruction, No. 507.**—At a meeting at the Surrey Masonic Hall, on Friday, 25th ult., there were present, amongst others, Bros. F. Thurston W.M., H. M. Williams S.W., C. N. Phillips J.W., R. Poore S.D., J. N. Bate J.D., E. A. Francis I.G., J. Stevens P.M. Preceptor, W. H. Chase, W. J. Newland, H. Bigg, W. J. Richardson, S. Hubbard, P. S. Finch, &c. Lodge having been opened, and minutes read, was passed to F.C., and Bro. Newland, as candidate, gave proofs and was entrusted. The M.M. degree was efficiently rehearsed, and Lodge closed down. In the customary interval "entry drill" was practised. On resumption of labour, Bro. Williams was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and after some ordinary business Lodge was closed. The sections of the first lecture are to be worked in this Lodge on Friday evening, the 1st inst.

**St. Cecilia Lodge, No. 1636.**—This class Lodge, of which Bro. Kuhe P.G. Org. was one of the founders and the first Master, includes many members of the musical profession in Brighton. Its working has been a pattern to the county. A meeting was held on Tuesday. Bros. E. Broadbridge W.M., J. Eborall P.M. as S.W., W. R. Wood J.W., H. Payne Treasurer, G. Cole Secretary, Gates S.D., S. D. Smithers J.D., Lelen as I.G., Rowe Organist; P.M.'s Eborall P.P.G.P., H. M. Levy as I.P.M.; Bros. Jeffrey, Hatherley, Bootel, Reynolds. Visitors—J. B. Hannay S.D. 1121, H. M. Levy P.M. 188. Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. Bro. Jeffrey having answered the necessary questions satisfactorily, was duly raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. The working of the W.M. was a pattern of excellence. Every officer performed his allotted duties satisfactorily. Appropriate music was played throughout. A special musical service has been composed by Brother Broadbridge, the Worshipful Master, for the opening and closing, and for the three ceremonies; it can be obtained at 2s 6d each copy, the profits being devoted to the Masonic Charities. The Worshipful Master gave the Traditional History and the charge, to the satisfaction of the brethren and visitors. A letter was read from Bro. Gibson S.W., who was unable to attend through indisposition. The W.M. and brethren wished him a speedy recovery. The W.M. informed the brethren that Bro. Hawkes P.M. had just lost his son, and it was unanimously resolved that a letter of condolence be sent to him on his sad bereavement.

**Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611.**—The regular monthly meeting of the above Lodge was held on Monday, 21st ult., the W.M. Bro. G. Simpson in the chair, supported by Bros. J. T. Seller I.P.M., T. B. Whytehead P.M., J. S. Cumberland P.M., J. S. Rymer W.M. 236, J. Kay S.W., M. Millington J.W., and many other officers, brethren, and visitors. The business consisted in the raising of Bro. Waters to the third degree. Notice having been given to Bro. Cumberland of some proposed alterations in the Bye-laws, Bro. Whytehead presented, on behalf of Bro. Stead, of the Lodge, No. 236, a handsomely framed chromo-lithograph of the City of York, lately published by that brother. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Bro. Stead, and the

Secretary was ordered to convey the same by letter. Bro. Cumberland presented a framed copy of Bro. Stevens's Masonic Map of England, and a large framed photograph of a rare engraving of York City. Bro. Pearson Tyler presented an old mezzotint engraving of Bro. Francis Drake, the author and reviver of the ancient G. Lodge in York, in usually good condition. The W.M. read an extended series of notes made by him during a residence in Scotland for some weeks, and relating to Masonry in that country. The notes were of great interest and were intended to describe the difference in the working of the Scotch and English Lodges. The W.M. commented, also, upon the ridiculously low fees and subscriptions, as tending to the introduction of a class of men who were likely to be a burden rather than a strength to the Order. After the close of the Lodge the members assembled at the festive board, when some capital speeches were made, and a most harmonious evening was spent.

**Atlingworth Lodge, No. 1821.**—The members of the above excellent working Lodge met on the 25th ult., at the Masonic Rooms, Royal Pavilion, Brighton. Bros. G. S. Godfree W.M., Newsome S.W., S. Peters J.W., B. Burfield Secretary, J. B. Hannay S.D., Berry D.C., Anscombe I.G., W. A. Tooth Chaplain, J. Woodhead Organist; also Bros. Chargirs, Fielders, Deane, Hart, Metherette, Williams, and Woodhead. Lodge was opened, and the minutes were confirmed. By the courtesy of the W.M. Bro. V. P. Freeman P.G. Secretary Sussex passed Bro. W. H. Dean to the second degree in a very impressive manner, and also initiated Mr. W. C. Newsome into the Order. Bro. Eborall P.M. P.P.G.P. Sussex gave the charge in the first degree to the candidate very perfectly. The election for W.M. then took place, and Bro. W. Newsome S.W. was unanimously chosen. Bro. G. Smith P.M. was unanimously elected Treasurer, and Bro. Hughes jun. Tyler. The initiation fee was raised from the sum of seven to ten guineas. The Lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to Bro. Daniel's, the Pavilion Hotel, where mine host provided one of those good and substantial suppers for which he is so celebrated. The brethren spent an agreeable hour. The visitors were Bros. V. P. Freeman P.G. Sec. Sussex, G. Smith P.M. 732, E. Broadbridge W.M. 1636, Eborall P.M. 315.

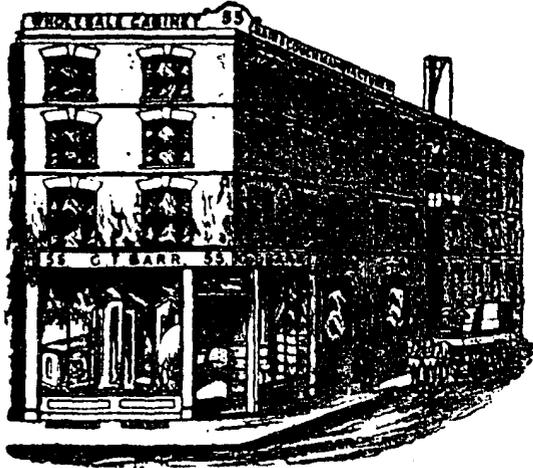
**Brixton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1949.**—On Tuesday evening, the 29th ult., at Bro. Monk's, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, East Brixton. Bro. Phillips W.M. was supported by a fair attendance of brethren. Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was most efficiently rehearsed by the W.M. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, Lodge was closed in the second degree. Two new members were elected, and other formal business transacted, Bro. Knight being appointed W.M. for the ensuing week. After hearty good wishes, the Lodge was closed in due form, and adjourned in perfect harmony.

Brighton has ever been considered "the Queen of watering places, and will be, in spite of the rumours that the drainage is imperfect. But, as regards this latter statement, the report of Sir John Bazalgette has clearly proved the contrary, as likewise has the Registrar General's report. There are ample facilities for those who favour the train service, while the road, as of yore, to many offers special attractions. The notice boards "Apartments to be Let" are conspicuous by their absence, while smiling faces of old habitués meet one at every turn.

The Brighton Pier is crowded nightly. The Aquarium is under the supervision of Bro. Alderman Cox, the Chairman, whose efforts are ably seconded by the manager, Mr. Wilkinson. Constant changes and novelties are kept up, and an excellent band plays. A truthful and gigantic map of Egypt is here exhibited, and forms a great attraction. Mrs. Nye Chart's charming little theatre commands good houses, Mr. Charles Kelly's company, with "Far from the Madding Crowd," being the attraction. Hamilton's Panorama, and the Oxford also put forth their claims. In short every kind of attraction is available for the townsfolk and visitors.

A meeting was held at Fasola's, on Tuesday evening, by the Russo-Jewish Committee, for the purpose of making a presentation to Bro. Councillor Wood P.P.G.D. Sussex, Assistant Grand Pursuivant Grand Lodge of England, and Bro. J. R. Taylor, his nephew. Mr. Henriques presided; he called on Bro. J. H. Cohen to present Bro. Wood with a very elegant and artistical address on vellum (the work of Mr. Leggat). In the course of some eloquent remarks, Bro. Cohen said this movement was promoted and carried out solely by members of the Hebrew faith, notwithstanding the eagerness of the Christian brethren, who wished to co-operate. Bro. Wood, in an eloquent and characteristic speech, acknowledged the handsome testimonial. Bro. Cohen then presented Bro. Taylor with a very elegant silver cigar case, with appropriate inscription, which was also suitably acknowledged. Amongst other speakers were the Rev. A. Jacobs and J. Szapira. An elegant repast followed, over which Bro. J. H. Cohen presided. Several loyal and complimentary toasts were given and responded to. A very agreeable evening was passed.

A Birthday Club is held at Bro. G. Smith's well-known hotel, the Star and Garter. On 29th ult., Bro. Godfree celebrated his natal day. Many of his friends, men eminent in the Craft, were present to wish him, his wife and children long life, health, and prosperity. Among those present were many Past and Present Provincial Officers, P.M.'s, and brethren of the Brunswick, York, St. Cecilia, Southdown, and other Lodges.



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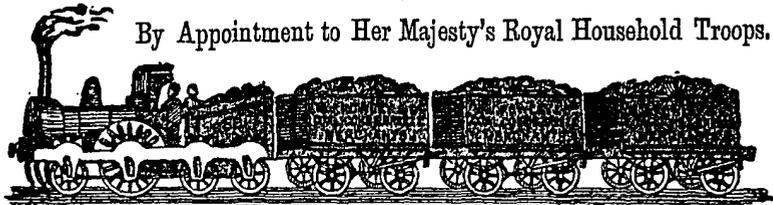
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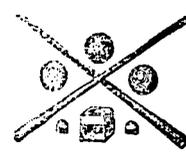
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