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CHARITY ORGANIZATIONS.

HAVING last week devoted some attention to the doings of a class of brethren who make it their pleasure to advance the interests of the Masonic Institutions, either by soliciting support from others, or by taking an active interest in the work connected with the Charities, rather, it would seem, on behalf of the circle to which they belong than on their own individual account, we feel we cannot do better, in continuance of the subject, than to review the work that has been accomplished by some of these "Organizers of Charity," and, at the same time, refer to any peculiarities connected with the particular work on which they have been engaged, so that, as far as possible, our readers may know what is being done in various part of the country, and may also be able to decide for themselves which programme is the best to adopt, and which the most likely to lead to ultimate success, should they feel disposed to engage in somewhat similar undertakings. We have recently received the "Report of Committee, Statement of Accounts, and List of Members for 1883," of the Staffordshire Masonic Charitable Association, and a study of its contents is admirably adapted for the first of our proposed reviews, more particularly because we find here a record of the working of a form of Organization which will be new to most of our supporters—the London section of them at least—and further because herein is expressed the regret of the Committee at the retirement of the Founder, in the person of Brother Bodenham, "who—as convener of the first meeting of the Association, held 6th April 1871, and from that time to the close of the year 1883—has been a most active and earnest worker in the cause of Masonic Charity in Staffordshire."

This return of the Staffordshire Association for 1883 is the Thirteenth Annual Report submitted, and in presenting it the Committee congratulate the members on the continued success of their efforts in the cause of Masonic Charity, which resulted last year in the sending up of £593 5s to the three Institutions: £393 15s to the Boys, £152 5s to the Girls, and £47 5s to the Benevolent, and this in addition to grants made, under a separate fund, for the education of children while residing at their own homes. The Province was represented at all three of the Festivals of 1883, and although our readers may perhaps be aware of the amounts taken up by each of its Stewards, it will no doubt be news to them to learn that of the £775 9s actually contributed no less a sum than the £593 5s we have already mentioned came directly from the Charitable Association connected with this District, thus showing what great assistance such organizations are to the Stewards in making a show at the Festivals, and what benefit they are to the Charities themselves in swelling the totals contributed. No doubt the several Stewards did their best to obtain outside donations, but this is difficult at all times, and becomes particularly so in a Province where such perfect organization exists, and consequently we find but few individual subscriptions beyond those received through the Association, the bulk of the difference between the total from that source and the amount taken up having been contributed by the several Lodges. We therefore have a most respectable year's total, made up, not by the generosity of a few, but by the hearty co-operation and smaller donations of almost every brother in the county. This is, without doubt, a result of which Bro.

Bodenham, the Staffordshire "Organizer of Charity," is very proud. A few years back there was no ready means of collecting this money, and the probability is that nothing like the amount would have been forthcoming last year had not Bro. Bodenham, or some other Craftsman, started the Association to which so much is now traced, and which we hope will continue its good work for many years to come.

In thus detailing what was done by Staffordshire last year, we have perhaps gone somewhat from the course we should have pursued in reviewing the Provincial Charity Association, the first reference to which should undoubtedly have been to explain its actual objects, and these are given in the Rules as:

- (A). The increase of the number of Life Subscribers and Life Governors to the Royal Masonic Charities.
- (B). The formation of a systematic Benevolent Fund for the following purposes:—
 1. The education and advancement in life of the children of distressed or deceased Freemasons in the Province of Staffordshire.
 2. To give assistance in elections to the Masonic Charities.

The Association is formed of Freemasons who subscribe not less than One Guinea per annum to the A Fund, or Five Shillings to the B Fund; Lodges and Chapters being admitted to the privileges of the A Fund on payment of two guineas per annum, while Lewises and Ladies are treated as ordinary subscribers, except that they have no voice in the management of the Association. All money subscribed becomes the property of the Association, and is expended, so far as the A Fund is concerned, in the purchase of Life Subscriptions to the Masonic Institutions, the priority of presentation to which is balloted for at the annual meeting—held in January each year—subject to certain regulations, among which may be mentioned the following: Each member subscribing to the A Fund has one chance in the ballot for every complete guinea standing to his credit, and if successful has to give a promise, in writing, to continue paying until the full amount of his Life Subscription is received, he of course having no second chance in the ballots until his first Subscription is cleared off, and another started upon. Should he subscribe five guineas without drawing a nomination he becomes entitled to one without ballot, and the necessity for balloting may also be dispensed with on behalf of any brother recommended by the Committee, provided a majority of those present at an annual meeting are in favour of such a course.

The B Fund provides for the working expenses of the Association, and for the distribution, at the discretion of the Committee, of amounts for the benefit of the children of Freemasons, who have been subscribing members to a Lodge or Lodges in the Province for at least three years. Under these heads we find that last year there was expended a total of £84 3s 9d, viz., in working expenses £32 15s 0d, and in grants £51 8s 9d, the latter item being distributed among seven families. This total was some £28 odd less than the total receipts, so that the balance in bank was increased during the year to that extent, and stood, at the close of the twelve months at £162 15s 0d, while the balance at the same date on account of the A Fund was £492 1s 0d.

As we have already said, the Association has been in existence since 1871, and up to the present time the amounts contributed to it from the members of Lodges in the Province total up to £3,999 3s 6d, of which sum £3,452 11s 0d was subscribed to the A Fund, and £546 12s 6d to the B Fund, the subscriptions during the whole term, from the several Lodges being as follows:—

| No. | | A Fund. | B Fund. |
|-------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| | | £ s d | £ s d |
| 98 | St. Martin's, Burslem | 111 6 0 | 11 5 0 |
| 347 | Noah's Ark, Tipton | 24 3 0 | — |
| 418 | Menturia, Hanley | 412 13 0 | 103 18 0 |
| 419 | St. Peter's, Wolverhampton | 72 9 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 451 | Sutherland, Burslem | 206 17 0 | 3 15 0 |
| 456 | Foresters, Uttoxeter | 82 1 0 | 21 15 0 |
| 460 | Sutherland of Unity, Newcastle | 220 10 0 | 28 9 0 |
| 482 | St. James, Handsworth | 284 11 0 | 22 13 6 |
| 526 | Honour, Wolverhampton | 130 4 0 | 18 10 0 |
| 539 | St. Mathew's, Walsall | 225 15 0 | 71 15 6 |
| 546 | Etruscan, Longton | 274 1 0 | 21 10 6 |
| 624 | Abbey, Burton-on-Trent | 296 2 0 | 90 3 6 |
| 637 | Portland, Stoke-on-Trent | 164 17 0 | 20 2 0 |
| 662 | Dartmouth, West Bromwich | 82 19 0 | 4 9 0 |
| 696 | St. Bartholomew, Wednesbury | 47 5 0 | 3 1 0 |
| 726 | Staffordshire Knot, Stafford | 420 0 0 | 74 12 0 |
| 966 | St. Edward's, Leek | 47 5 0 | 3 2 0 |
| 1039 | St. John's, Lichfield | 181 13 0 | 16 3 0 |
| 1060 | Marmion, Tamworth | 1 1 0 | 5 5 0 |
| 1520 | Earl Shrewsbury, Cannock | 96 12 0 | 10 6 6 |
| 1587 | St. Giles, Cheadle | 4 4 0 | 5 7 0 |
| 1792 | Tudor, Harborne | 21 0 0 | 5 0 0 |
| 1838 | Tudor Rifle Volunteers | 10 10 0 | 0 10 0 |
| 1914 | St. Thomas, Kidsgrove | — | — |
| 1941 | St. Augustine, Rugeley | 5 5 0 | — |
| 1942 | Minerva, Fenton | 29 8 0 | — |
| Total | | £3452 11 0 | £546 12 6 |

The above figures show a state of affairs which we may describe as all but perfection. It is to be hoped that in future summaries there may not be even one blank among the list of Lodges, and then we think we might say the Province of Staffordshire occupies a position as regards Charity Organization better than any other in the Kingdom; as it is, we almost doubt whether there is any other which excels it.

The amount contributed to the A Fund during 1883 was £573 6s 0d, and of this £420 0s 0d was expended in the purchase of eighty Life Subscriptions, 16 of which were appropriated to brethren who had completed their payments, while the remaining 64 were balloted for. During the year, 87 new accounts were opened, 24 by old members commencing a new series, and 63 by new aspirants for the title of "Supporter of the Masonic Institutions," while as regards the B Fund we have already given the figures for the year. The Committee desire specially to urge upon the brethren "the necessity for increased support to this B Fund, as in the future many cases will have to be assisted, whose election to the London Schools cannot be relied on in consequence of the greatly increased number of votes required to secure election." This is a subject which will call for considerable attention at no very distant date, the difficulty of carrying an election at the present day being a matter of grave importance to all associated with the Institutions.

The Association has regularly-appointed Stewards for the Elections, and the way in which the brethren appointed to the office report their doings is not the least interesting of each year's work. It is here also that the members will feel the loss of Bro. Bodenham, who, with Bro. Humphreys, has conducted the cases of the Province for some years past. There are other good men ready to take the post vacated by Bro. Bodenham—indeed, it would be very strange if among so many workers there were not—and there is no doubt but that the choice of the members will fall on the most capable.

We think we have now said sufficient to show the thorough success which has attended the Staffordshire Masonic Charitable Association, and also to show that its founder has fully entitled himself to be ranked among the "Organizers of Charity." In conclusion, we can but quote the concluding remarks of the Committee in their Report, when, in speaking of Bro. Bodenham, they say:—

To him the Province is indebted in the first instance as the Founder of the Association, and, afterwards, for 10 years down to 1880, for undertaking the arduous duties, either as Secretary or Treasurer (occasionally both); the Elections at same time having been conducted by him with marked success at considerable personal cost and trouble. While ceasing to be so active a worker, it is to be hoped that in the position as life Vice-President, to which he was

elected at the Meeting, held 29th June 1883, he may for many years continue to take an active interest in the welfare of the Association, and that the support from the Brethren may be such that he may watch its continued extension and success.

UNITED GRAND LODGE

OF

Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G.,
&c., &c., &c.,

M.W. GRAND MASTER.

A SPECIAL Grand Lodge will be holden at the Fitzwilliam Hall, Peterborough, on Wednesday, the 7th day of May next, for the purpose of laying, in Masonic Form, the Chief Corner Stone of The Central Tower of Peterborough Cathedral, by the M.W. The Right Hon. The Earl of Carnarvon, Pro Grand Master, in the unavoidable absence of the M.W. Grand Master H.R.H. The Prince of Wales, K.G.

The Grand Officers, Masters, Past Masters, and Wardens of Lodges are to assemble at Eleven o'clock a.m.

The Grand Lodge will be opened at a Quarter past Eleven o'clock precisely.

The Brethren will appear in Black Coats, Trousers, and Ties, and in full Masonic Clothing.

By Command of the M.W. Grand Master,

Shadwell H. Clerke G.S.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.
25th April 1884.

THE Grand Festival was celebrated on Wednesday; the preliminary meeting was held in the Temple, at Freemasons' Hall, this being the first time of its being used for an assemblage of Craftsmen since the destructive fire which occurred on the 4th May last year. Grand Lodge was opened at five o'clock, by the Earl of Carnarvon Pro Grand Master, when Lord Holmesdale Provincial Grand Master for Kent acted as Deputy Grand Master (in the absence of the Earl of Lathom), with Viscount Ebrington Provincial Grand Master for Devonshire as Past Grand Master. The following, amongst other Grand Officers, were present:—The Earl of Milltown S.G.W., Victor A. Williamson as J.G.W., Rev. J. Studholme Brownrigg as Grand Chaplain, John D. Allcroft Grand Treasurer, Æ. J. McIntyre Grand Registrar, Sir John B. Monckton President of Board of General Purposes, Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary, Dr. E. E. Wendt Grand Secretary German Correspondence, R. Gooding S.G. Deacon, F. Green and T. H. Devonshire Junior Grand Deacons, Horace Jones Grand Superintendent of Works, Sir Albert Woods (Garter) Grand Director of Ceremonies, T. Dolling Bolton Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies, Raymond H. Thrupp Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies, Colonel Peters Grand Sword Bearer, Lieut.-Col. F. Gough and E. Bowyer Grand Standard Bearers, L. F. Littell Grand Pursuivant; H. G. Buss Assistant Grand Secretary; J. W. Havers P.G.W.; Revs. J. W. Hayes, R. J. Simpson, C. J. Martyn, H. A. Pickard, T. Cochrane, Thomas Robinson, Ambrose W. Hall, Dr. E. Cox, and C. W. Arnold Past Grand Chaplains; Colonel J. Creaton Past Grand Treasurer; W. J. Hughau, T. Fenn, R. C. Else, Dr. Jabez Hogg, C. A. Murton, H. Maudslay, J. A. Rucker, R. Grey, J. M. Case, F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., J. Sampson Peirce, J. H. Scott, Frank Richardson, Captain N. G. Philips, Brackstone-Baker, C. W. E. Hutton, Peter de Lande Long, and H. J. Dumas, Past Grand Deacons; H. D. Sandeman P.D.G.M. Bengal; Hyde Clarke Representative Grand Lodge Columbia; Messent, S. Mullins, and Charles Greenwood Past Grand Sword Bearers; R. Turtle Piggott, D.C.L., and C. A. Dumas P.A.G.D.C.'s; C. J. Jekyll P.G. Organist; W. T. Howe, T. Cubitt, and W. Clarke P.G. Pursuivants. Amongst the other brethren present were Bros. Captain Colvill, C. F. Hogard, W. Medwin, Barclay Perkins, D. P. Cama, F. T. C. Keeble, Fred. Binckes, F. W. R. Hedges, James Terry, G. P. Festa, Bradshaw-Brown, W. Lake, H. Venn, A. M. Broadley, E. F. Storr, Pendlebury, Ockenden, Spratling, George Kenning, Stedwell, F. Adlard,

W. Radcliffe, Baxter, Foulger, Marsh, Captain A. Nicols, J. Mason, Rev. Dr. Maguire, Berridge, Freeman, J. D. Langton, W. H. Lee, W. Dodd, W. W. Morgan, &c. &c.

After the Grand Lodge had been opened, Grand Secretary read the minutes of the meeting in March, as regarded the election of the Grand Master and Grand Treasurer. These minutes having been confirmed, Sir Albert Woods proclaimed the Prince of Wales by his titles as having been installed as Grand Master.

The Earl of Carnarvon then stated that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales had been pleased to appoint him again as M.W. Pro Grand Master, and that His Royal Highness had also re-appointed the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom as Deputy Grand Master.

The following were then appointed and invested as the other Grand Officers for the year:—

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| Bro. Lord Cremorne | Senior Grand Warden |
| The Lord Mayor of London | Junior Grand Warden |
| The Rev. Canon Tristram | Grand Chaplains |
| The Rev. Dr. Robbins | |
| Horace Brooks Marshall, C.C. | Grand Treasurer |
| F. A. Philbrick, Q.C. | Grand Registrar |
| Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke | Grand Secretary |
| Ernest E. Wendt, D.C.L. | Secretary German Cor. |
| Baron de Ferriers, M.P. | Grand Senior Deacons |
| F. Davison | |
| James Smith Eastes | Grand Junior Deacons |
| Edward Letchworth | |
| Horace Jones | Superintendent of Works |
| Sir Albert W. Woods (Garter) | Director of Ceremonies |
| Alfred Richards | Asst. Dir. of Ceremonies |
| Major Edward Locock | Grand Sword Bearer |
| James H. Matthews | Grand Standard Bearers |
| Lieutenant-Colonel Taylor | |
| Professor E. M. Lott | Grand Organist |
| H. G. Bass | Assistant Grand Secretary |
| W. Stephens | Grand Pursuivant |
| Henry Garrod | Assistant do. |
| Henry Sadler | Grand Tyler |

The following were appointed Grand Stewards:—

Brothers James Holah 1, C. O. Tagart 2, Fred West 4, John Hallett 5, A. E. Craven 6, E. W. Rushworth 8, W. Bedford Liddard 14, Samuel Hill 21, J. J. Boyd 23, E. C. Stebbings 26, C. C. Black 29, W. E. Ramsden Wood, M.D., 46, James Ford 58, George Penn 60, Thomas Lough 91, Chester Cheston 99, Benjamin Horatio Paul 197, and Alderman Sir Reginald Hanson 259.

The Earl of Carnarvon, before closing Grand Lodge, felt he might make a few remarks, which would be quite in harmony with the feelings of the brethren. The first was one of satisfaction at finding themselves once more within the familiar walls of their Temple. There might be larger, more spacious, even grander rooms, but he confessed—after having known the place for so many years, and having been allowed to take so considerable a share in the business carried on therein—he felt very great satisfaction in finding it again available. He feared it had lost some of its ancient decorations, but many of them could be replaced, while, with regard to those for which there was no substitute, the brethren could only remember them with affection. Now, a word as to a more painful subject. They had lost one who was well known in the Craft; who was an excellent Mason, discharging the duties of the Order with all those high qualities which befit Masonry. He had filled high offices in Grand Lodge, being for many years Grand Organist, and, afterwards, by the favour of His Royal Highness, receiving the rank of Past Grand Warden. He alluded to the late Sir Michael Costa, and he was quite sure that among those who knew him personally there would be but one feeling, of affectionate sorrow and regret at his loss; while those who knew him only at a distance, and as no inconsiderable figure in Masonry, there would be a feeling of sympathy and concern. Having paid this brief tribute, he proceeded to close Grand Lodge.

An adjournment was then made to Freemasons' Tavern, where the customary banquet was provided by the Grand Stewards, the company being here presided over by the Provincial Grand Master for Kent, Viscount Holmesdale,

After Grace had been sung, the Chairman proposed the health of the Queen. He thought it would be best, considering the recent bereavement of the Royal Family, to omit the usual cheers on the reception of this toast. Her Majesty had always shown a benevolent spirit towards the Craft, and had also been a most liberal Patroness of the Charities of the Order. This was followed by the proposition of the Princess of Wales and the rest of the Royal Family. No doubt many brethren there present could remember the time when the Princess was first seen in this country, twenty-one years since, and all would agree that both she and the Prince of

Wales had each in their turn endeavoured, and succeeded, in keeping up that spirit of affection which had always been characteristic of the English people. In proposing the health of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Lord Holmesdale referred to the meeting, nine years since, at which His Royal Highness was installed as Grand Master of the English Craft. There was not one among them but would acknowledge that from that day enormous benefit had accrued to the Order. The brethren would accept the toast of their Grand Master with great pleasure that day, when they remembered that, although he was not then among them he was taking great interest in a ceremony abroad which must call to his mind that of twenty-one years ago, in which he was one of the two principal actors. "The Sister Grand Lodges of Scotland and Ireland" was next proposed. When brethren from foreign jurisdictions came among them the Masons of England were desirous that they should see their working; they were also glad when such brethren were among their visitors, as on the present occasion, when he was pleased to say they had present a brother from the United States—Brother Levey—and with the toast he should couple his name. Bro. J. M. Levey regretted that the task of responding should have fallen upon him, more especially because the official representative—Bro. Brackstone Baker—was present, and could do greater justice to the toast, particularly as he could have responded, not only for the State of New York but also for several others. After all, what could he say beyond what had been repeated time after time by brethren across the water—that their hearts beat with affection towards the Grand Lodge of England, which they looked up to as a child does to its mother; and that they sincerely hoped the fraternal feeling that existed might never be broken or disturbed. Bro. Brackstone Baker followed, and then the Chairman proposed the Pro and Deputy Grand Masters. He apologised for the absence from the present festivities of the two noblemen who had so long filled these offices; they were both away on business, or would undoubtedly have attended. Bro. John Havers P.G.W. proposed the Provincial Grand Masters, of whom the Chairman was one of the most zealous. They all performed their duties in a manner which left nothing to be desired. Lord Holmesdale replied. It was always his desire to do his duty, and it had afforded him great pleasure to take the chair that day in the absence of the Earl of Carnarvon, who had fully intended to be present. The health of the District Grand Masters was given from the chair, and replied to by Bro. Sandeman (P.D.G.M. Bengal), and then the Grand Wardens and the other Grand Officers Present and Past were honoured. To this toast Lord Cremorne, Senior Grand Warden, responded. He felt deeply sensible of the high honour conferred on him, and expressed his gratitude to the Chairman for proposing, and the brethren for drinking, the health of the Grand Officers so heartily. The present Grand Officers would do their best to emulate the work of their predecessors. Lord Holmesdale next gave the Masonic Charities. At no Masonic gatherings were the Charities of the Order forgotten. They had achieved a success which was highly gratifying to every Mason. If his memory served him it was £54,000 which was collected last year for the three Institutions. This was a result of which every one must be proud, and not only so; they must also be proud of the Secretaries of those Institutions, to whose efforts so much of their success was due. Bro. Hedges, R.M.I.G., responded; he rose with a very great amount of pleasure to acknowledge on behalf of the Masonic Charities the very kind way in which the Chairman had proposed, and the brethren had received the toast. At that late hour of the evening he felt he must not detain them with any lengthened remarks. He knew the charms and attractions of the adjoining room were too strong to admit of the brethren remaining in that heated atmosphere; but he begged to be permitted, in the name of the Masonic Charities, not only to acknowledge the very kind manner in which the toast had been received, but, addressing that assembly as a representative assembly of the Craft, he wished to express on behalf of the Institutions the Secretaries' sincerest acknowledgments for the liberal and generous support which at all times was afforded them. The Festival of the Boy's School for 1883, when they had the honour of his Lordship's presidency, must long be a red-letter day in the annals of that Institution; it was a day which must be remembered by them with a great amount of pleasure and lasting gratitude. The Festival of the Benevolent Institution, celebrated in February last, was one of great success, and one for which the executive of that Institution felt the deepest gratitude. If he might be permitted to detain them but two minutes longer he would like to say a word on behalf of the Girls' School. That Institution was anxiously, yet hopefully, looking forward to that day three weeks, when it would hold its Anniversary Festival. Lord Brooke, Prov. Grand Master for Essex, would preside, and he trusted, and he would even entreat, on behalf of that Institution a similar amount of support to that afforded to the other two. The Province of Essex had been working very hard to support its Grand Master. That county had, however, experienced a very untoward circumstance by the late earthquake, although it was slight compared with the earthquakes experienced in other lands. Still the effects had been sufficient to require subscriptions to a fund for the relief of the sufferers by it, and that must make some difference in the amount that Province subscribed to the Girls' School. Nevertheless, he hoped and trusted this unfortunate event would lead to renewed efforts on behalf of the Girls' School. Thanking the Grand Stewards for the invitation he had had that evening, he hoped their efforts would not be relaxed on behalf of the Masonic Institutions. The toast of the Grand Stewards, proposed by the Chairman and acknowledged by Bro. J. W. Fuller, President of the Board, brought this part of the proceedings to a conclusion, and the remainder of the evening was spent in the Masonic Temple, where a most enjoyable concert was given under the direction of Bro. Jekyll (who acted for Bro. W. G. Cousins P.G. Organist. Bro. Jekyll was assisted by Miss Clara Samuell, Miss Woodhatch, Bros. Henry Guy, Brereton, John Foster, G. T. Carter, Dalzell, W. Winn, Henry Parker and Signor Papini (violin soloist).

THE SALUTATION TAVERN AND ITS VICINITY.

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TO those who remember the Salutation Tavern as it was, with its close smelling rooms and the dingy passage entrance from Newgate street, the new building, as established under the magic influence of Bro. Liebmann, offers the strongest possible contrast, and when the decorations and fittings are complete, we venture to say there will be no handsomer or better-appointed house of its kind in the metropolis. It will, of course, be understood that the proprietor has had to confine his operations to the space originally marked out, but he has made the most of his opportunities, and if the ground covered by the new hostelry is no larger than it was in the days of Coleridge and Lamb, the accommodation provided within its four walls is undoubtedly on a more extensive scale. In fact, all is changed, with the solitary exception already noticed, namely, that the same jovial spirit of hospitality will be found in the present tavern as in its predecessor. It may not, probably will not, again occur, that one of our most brilliant poets will seek refuge in its parlours from the busy haunts of man. Magazine proprietors and antiquaries may no longer be

“desired on Monday night to meet,
At Salutation Tavern, Newgate-street,”

but frequenters of the City will find in Bro. Liebmann one who ministers both to the comfort and pleasure of his patrons, and, once they have visited his premises and learned to appreciate his “Salutation,” no poetical invitations will be needed to induce them to repeat the experiment.

We have spoken of the Salutation Tavern as it was in bygone days, when, in spite of its dinginess, it enjoyed the reputation of being a well-found house of call, not only among residents in the neighbourhood, but likewise among visitors from remoter districts. Under the new auspices it bids fair to maintain, and even enhance, that reputation. What money can do in order to combine elegance with comfort has been done by Bro. Liebmann, who has spared no pains or expense in setting his new house in order. He has in the first place shown his wisdom by inviting the co-operation of people who are known to be competent business and professional men. Messrs. Wylson and Long, of King William-street, Strand, are his architects; Messrs. Pickersgill Brothers, of West-street, Soho, are his builders; and Mr. Robert Eddie his Clerk of Works. With the assistance of men of this calibre it is not astonishing he should have succeeded in erecting a tavern that will meet the requirements even of more exacting patrons than the general public. The house is substantially built from roof to basement, the rooms are lofty and commodious, the offices ample and well-appointed, and the communications between the several parts of the establishment such as leaves nothing to be desired in respect either of safety or rapidity. Even the apparently insuperable difficulty of making attractive the narrow entrance to the Tavern from the main thoroughfare has been successfully met, and the old unsightly passage looks quite brave with its elegant mosaic pavement and the handsome swing mahogany glass doors.

But it will be as well, perhaps, if, in imagination, the reader will be so good as to accompany us on a tour of inspection throughout the premises, and for this purpose we cannot do better than take him, not to the topmost floor of all, where are situated the sleeping apartments of the servants of the house, but to that immediately beneath, which, seeing that it contains the kitchens and attendant offices, is, after all, of the greatest importance in such an establishment as this. Here will be found all the latest and most approved appliances that are necessary in the practice of the culinary art, the cooking range in particular being admirably fitted and possessing very great capacity, so that in one part of it two lambs, or at most two sheep, may be roasted whole. The service arrangements are likewise excellent, there being no need for the slightest delay in serving the various dishes and courses, while one feature may be noted here, though our remarks are equally applicable to the other floors, namely, that all the flooring, which has been supplied and fitted by Messrs. Dennett and Ingle, is fireproof.

Descending to the floor immediately beneath, we find ourselves, on the one hand, in a large and handsomely-fitted dining-room, where quite a hundred guests may sit down to table without in the slightest degree inconveniencing one another. Separated from this by folding-doors is another room, devoted to the same purpose, which, in case it should be wanted by a small private party, may be kept separate and distinct from the principal room; or, should the guests be too numerous for the larger apartment, by un-hanging or folding back the doors, the two rooms may be made into one. This is unquestionably a great convenience, as especially in Masonic gatherings it is not always possible to determine beforehand even approximately the number of brethren who intend remaining for the banquet. These rooms occupy one-half of the floor, the other half being occupied by the Masonic Temple, with ante-room for the Tyler's use. Here Bro. Liebmann has laid himself out to provide Lodge accommodation, which, given an equal expenditure of money and the same display of taste, is capable of being equalled, but cannot certainly be surpassed. Even the minutest details of fitting and arrangement have been attended to. Everything is of the handsomest, and the utmost care has been taken that the brethren, when in Lodge assembled, shall enjoy the greatest possible amount of comfort. But the feature which will strike the visitor most forcibly is, that the harmonies have been most scrupulously preserved. There is the most complete uniformity of design throughout, while the decorations and appointments are in keeping with the purposes for which the apartments are intended. The Temple itself is most commodious, and has been so built that the chair of K.S. will occupy its proper place, due east, the windows being likewise so placed as to conform strictly with the plan on which all Masonic Lodge-rooms should be

arranged. The walls and ceiling are handsomely and appropriately decorated with Masonic symbols and devices, and the dome, when completed, will be, in the strictest sense, the chief artistic as well as architectural feature of the room. Even the elaborately-painted glass windows, though as Lodges generally meet in the evening their full effect will stand less chance of being appreciated as they deserve, have been filled in with elegantly-drawn Masonic insignia, the devices being for the most part representations of the jewels worn by the principal and other Officers of Grand Lodge. These windows are four in number, each with a fanlight above, three of them being placed at the east end of the room, while the fourth is situated to the north-west. In the fan over the central east window is the Grand Master's jewel and chair of office, while the fans on either side are filled in with two handsomely painted columns rising from a tessellated pavement. The windows beneath these are richly and effectively coloured; the two compartments of the middle window containing in the one case the Master's jewel and collar, and in the other the jewel and collar of a Past Master, each compartment of the remaining windows being decorated with the jewel worn by some one of the Grand Officers. The room is lighted by means of a very handsome ruby cut glass gas burner, specially designed and wrought by the well-known firm of Stevens and Son, and it has been so contrived that the light can be raised or lowered to any extent that may be required from the Tyler's room. Another arrangement well worthy of notice is that the door is constructed of sliding panels which may be opened to their widest extent or only enough to allow of a report being handed in without incommencing any one or displaying any portion of the interior of the Lodge. Moreover, Bro. Liebmann has provided a handsome damask curtain, which when held completely shuts out the door from the gaze of the brethren, and at the same time gives an appearance of warmth and comfort to the room, which even the most indifferent visitor will have good reason to appreciate. The Tyler's room is also a perfect model of a well-arranged apartment, well furnished, and lighted by means of painted glass windows, ornamented with coats of arms of different City Companies. Thus, the whole floor, leaving out of the question for the moment the artistic beauty of its decorations and fittings, is admirably designed for a Masonic Lodge meeting, the Lodge and Tyler's rooms, the banqueting-room, and the retiring-rooms being all in close proximity to each other, and so arranged as to insure complete privacy from the rest of the Tavern, the electric bell in the Tyler's room enabling that officer to communicate with the waiters and attendants elsewhere, so that once the brethren have assembled, there is no need for any of them to visit any other part of the house during the period assigned either to labour or refreshment.

The accommodation on the ground floor, except in matters of detail, is the same as that we have just described. There is here another Lodge room suitably fitted and furnished in the best possible style, while the richly carved ceiling may be noted as a special feature for the visitor's inspection. The banqueting room adjoining has its walls panelled with handsome mirrors and is lighted by a series of specially designed gas brackets. Care has been taken that every thing in this suite of rooms shall minister to the comfort and convenience of visitors. There is nothing in the decorations which can offend even the most critical taste, while as regards the service—and when we say this, our remarks must be understood as applying with equal force to the whole establishment—it has been so excellently arranged that whatever is required can be had on the instant and without causing inconvenience to anybody. In fact the service part of the establishment is quite apart from that appropriated to the guests, while each floor is in a great measure a complete and separate establishment in itself, the one being entirely independent of the other, though both, as a matter of course, have their requirements satisfied by the proprietor and his staff. And this isolation of the business or service part of the tavern is made all the more complete by the fact of there being a principal staircase which is used only by Brother Liebmann's patrons, the other being intended only for the servants in attendance. This is a point in Bro. Liebmann's arrangements on which we may be excused for laying particular stress. There are many people who are quite willing to avail themselves of such accommodation as is afforded by the Salutation and similar houses, but they have a horror of being pestered or confronted by the waiters. Here there is no possibility of such inconvenience befalling them, and to a certain extent they will find the same peace and quietness with the same freedom from personal contact with the attendants as they are in the habit of enjoying at home.

We must not omit to mention that on the basement floor will be found a large and well-appointed billiard room, the tables being by the best makers, while the fittings and appointments are of the latest and most approved character. Bro. Liebmann's aim here, as elsewhere, has been to provide the best of everything, the best and most suitable as well as the most likely to meet the public taste which money can procure. There is not the slightest chance of any one having reason to complain of any shortcoming in one part of the arrangements neutralising the good effect produced by excellence in the other departments. The proprietor, as we have said before, has taken care that the several branches of his establishment, like the several rooms it contains, with their respective fittings and appointments, shall harmonise together most completely, and even those who think the whole duty of a critic is to find fault will be puzzled to know what fault can be found with the Salutation Tavern in its new aspect. We heartily congratulate Bro. Liebmann on the success he has achieved, and as by the provision of Masonic Lodge and banqueting rooms he may be said to appeal especially, though not solely, to the Masonic public for support, we sincerely trust he will meet with that reward which his unbounded liberality of outlay and the exceeding taste he has shown throughout so fully deserve. His great aim has been to please the public generally and Masons in particular, and we are satisfied neither the one nor the other will be found loath to avail themselves of the pleasure he is so willing and anxious to purvey.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF DEVON.

A PROVINCIAL Grand Lodge meeting of Devon was held on 23rd ult., at the St. George's Hall, Stonehouse, for the purpose of constituting and consecrating the "Lodge of St. George," which has been founded on temperance principles. There was a grand assembly of Provincial Officers, Past Masters, and Masons, there being nearly 400 present. The large hall was utilised for the occasion, and was handsomely decorated with flags, fern trees, ferns, flowers, and exotics of the most choice description from the conservatories of Right Worshipful Bro. the Earl of Mount Edgcombe and M.W. Bro. L. P. Metham, of The Elms. The Provincial Grand Master of Devon (Lord Ebrington) was accompanied by the Provincial Grand Master of Cornwall (Lord Mount Edgcombe), who officiated as Deputy Provincial Grand Master in the unavoidable absence of V.W. Bro. G. R. Rogers, of Exeter. There was a very large company present. In consequence of the much lamented death of his Royal Highness the Duke of Albany, K.G., P.G.M. of Oxfordshire, P.G.W., it was ordered that Masonic mourning should be worn. When the Lodge had been opened in due form, the Provincial Grand Master said that he should like to propose a resolution, which was not upon the agenda paper viz., a vote of condolence with Her Majesty and the Duchess of Albany on the sad bereavement they had sustained through the death of His Royal Highness Prince Leopold. A Fraternity which prided itself on its loyalty as much as its antiquity was not likely to be behind the rest of the people of England in the expression of feeling of respect and sympathy for the Royal Family, whether in weal or woe. The Queen had graciously acknowledged, in her beautiful letter to her subjects, the great sympathy she had received in her sorrow from the people of England, and had said that these expressions comforted her and her daughter-in-law in their terrible bereavement. There was a special meeting of the Grand Lodge of England to-morrow to pass votes of condolence with the Queen and the Duchess of Albany, and he felt that they would like to send their vote of condolence with the rest. He would ask their assent to such a vote without addressing them further.

The Earl of Mount Edgcombe, on rising, said he had the greatest possible pleasure in seconding the resolution.

The P.G.M. thought that they could not do better than couch their vote in the same language as the Grand Lodge would adopt, and he, therefore, suggested that the wording of their resolution be deferred until this question had been decided by the Grand Lodge.

The resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The Earl of Mount Edgcombe proposed that the suggestion of the P.G.M. with regard to the wording of the resolution be acted upon, and that the whole matter be left in his hands.

The P.G.M. expressed his willingness to undertake the duty.

The P.G. Secretary having announced to the P.G. Master that certain brethren, having obtained a warrant from the G.M. of England, desired to be constituted into a regular Lodge in ancient form, the P.G.M. desired the P.G. Secretary to read the warrant from the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of England, and this V.W. Bro. Brewer did. The brethren of the new Lodge having, at the request of the P.G.M., signified their assent to the Officers named in the warrant,

Bro. C. Croydon delivered an impressive and eloquent oration on the subject of Masonry. It was as follows:—R.W. Prov. G. Master, The high honour you have conferred upon me in desiring that I should deliver an address to this Grand Lodge is one that I cannot over estimate, and only fear. I shall fall short in that which is expected from me, but if my eloquence should fail me, I trust my earnestness will plead for my egotism in having undertaken the task. I can only say that

"I shall speak with earnest mind
What is in me; self-rewarded
If I aid, though unregarded,
The advancement of my kind."

Worshipful Brethren and Brother,—It has been customary on all occasions like the present, when a new Lodge has been consecrated, to mark the event by the delivery of an address to the brethren assembled, reminding them of the great and important obligations they have taken upon themselves as men and Masons. Events such as we are now celebrating form good stand-points from which to take a survey of the past, as far as it regards Masonry itself, the special Masonic Society in which we move, and above all the high and dignified position the individual Mason occupies in that Society. It not only forms a stand-point from which to look back o'er the past, but it becomes, as it were, a new beacon light to incite in us increased efforts in the future; it forms a new nucleus, around which another band of brethren shall assemble, and from whence shall flow all those streams of kindly affection, sympathy, and brotherly love. The great and important lessons which the past history of Freemasonry teaches us containing, as it does, the elements of all that is great, and good, and noble of veneration for, and submission to, the will of the most High, and a conscientious performance of the active duties of our daily life, should be indelibly imprinted on our minds. The earlier history of Freemasonry presented striking and important features as far as regards the civilisation and improvement of man, ever different in its requirements from those of to-day. There were times when it may be said that the Arts and Sciences owed their very existence to the secrecy of Masonic Lodges and the fidelity of the brethren. This was at a time when ignorance, superstition, and bigotry reigned supreme; but in modern times, when the general education of the people and the diffusion of knowledge have become so universal, this part of its mission has become in a great measure obsolete, giving to the brethren of our day more time to cultivate the moral and social virtues and the grand principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth. The ancient history of Freemasonry can scarcely be considered on an occasion like the present, but the history of Freemasonry to every individual brother may be considered to mean that

Masonic history, the earliest chapter of which commences at that time when his eyes first open on the three great lights of Freemasonry, where he is taught to look on and understand the mystic symbols of the Craft and then learn the deep and instructive lessons they inculcate; it is there the foundation stone will be laid, and from hence, step by step, he is led on, imbibing by the way those great moral lessons and religious truths that are to build up the superstructure of his Masonic life. To you, Worshipful Brethren, I would first appeal, you are placed in the foremost rank as rulers of the Craft, you have been selected by the brethren to receive the highest honour the Craft can give, or the Lodge bestow on any of its members. On you they have conferred this honour as men to be trusted, and brethren to be loved, as Masons well skilled in all the ancient charges, regulations, and landmarks of the Order, to whose judgment they can defer in all cases of difficulty, doubt, and danger. When you received this high honour you entered into a solemn engagement to be strict in your moral conduct, to conform to the laws of your country, to obey all those who are placed in authority over you, to live in unity and brotherly love with all mankind, to avoid intemperance and excess in all things, and in all the actions of your lives deal justly and honourably with all men. In proportion as the honour you have received is high and dignified, so will your responsibilities have increased; those whom it has pleased the Most High to endow with wealth, rank, and honour, have great responsibilities placed upon them; that which they receive, they receive in trust; they are but the custodians of the general happiness of their kind. Hence, when you receive that high honour you took upon yourselves to rule and govern your brethren with all firmness, but kindness of heart, to uphold the weak, confirm the wavering, instruct the ignorant, direct the strong, and in all things follow the teachings of the sacred volume which has been given as a rule and guide for your faith. Brethren, as you are aware, such is the peculiar nature of our constitution that, as some must teach and govern, others of necessity must learn to submit and obey. Obedience is one of the great principles of Freemasonry, for only as you are obedient to the laws yourselves can you expect obedience from others when at any time you shall be placed in authority as a ruler over them. Your fidelity must be exemplified in every act of your lives, for to the faithful all things are trusted. Faith, hope, and charity are taught you as the three great moral virtues; but the greatest of these is charity; and of what does it consist? not merely in extending the hand of benevolence and doling out the minted coin; besides this it means the rendering to your neighbours—and Masonically the whole world is your neighbour—every kind office that justice or mercy may require, soothing his affliction, pouring the healing balm upon the troubled spirit, teaching him to look to higher and better things, and doing unto him as you would that he should do unto you. Worshipful Master designate of Lodge St. George, you will this day be elevated to a post of high honour and dignity. I congratulate you on the trust reposed in you by your Brethren, and the confirmation of that trust by the R.W. P.G.M. The task before you is an arduous one; that man who advances from the rank of his fellow men professedly to teach a more useful, higher, holier life, requires a great amount of moral courage to undertake the task, and need seek that support from on high which alone will enable him to carry out his purpose. You start out from among your fellow men in your own belief a better man than they are, or how professedly could you teach them better things. See that your every act and word, nay, every thought, be pure; that your precept and example go hand in hand, and thus place before the outer world the spirit of Freemasonry in its truest and its noblest form. Your name will be emblazoned on the warrant of the Lodge as its first Master. Let that name remain pure and unsullied, not only to the termination of your official career, but to the latest moment of your life, and then shall your children's children look with joy and rejoicing upon that record of a noble name. Brethren of Lodge St. George, you will have this day assisted to inaugurate a new Lodge, starting somewhat on new lines, or, at least, with new resolves; you will have placed your Worshipful Master on a pedestal where your moral support will be required to maintain him with honour and dignity, and I pray you to remember that, as grains form the mountains and minutes make the years, so will the accumulated acts of the individuals of a society stamp that community with a good or bad repute. Be sure, then, that the conduct of each one of you be such as shall aid in establishing the good repute of the Society of which you are members. And thus, my Brethren, if by a firm resolve of purpose, and acting on the purest principles of morality and virtue, you have, in carrying out your Masonic duties, led a good and holy life, how patiently you can afford to wait until that time when, as all things earthly, you shall pass away; and oh! how great, how glorious, will be that moment when you shall hear the Archangel's trumpet summoning you to the Grand Lodge above, and the voice of the High and Mighty One exclaiming, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of your Lord."

The P.G.M. said he was sure the brethren would express their acknowledgments to W. Bro. Croydon for his splendid address.

The P.G.M. pledged the Masters and members of the new Lodge to obey the laws and constitutions of the Lodge, the Lodge board was then placed in the proper position, covered with white satin. W. Bro. W. Hearder then sang in splendid style the solo from the Creation, "In Native Worth." Several brethren sang the 133rd Psalm as an anthem. The music for this was specially composed by W. Bro. John Hele, Mus. Bac., P.P.G.O. Cornwall. The P.G. Chaplain offered in an impressive manner the first part of the dedication prayer, and subsequently the P.G.M. gave the invocation, and the P.G. Chaplain followed by reading the first sixteen verses of the 2nd Chapter of the second book of Chronicles. The Lodge board having been uncovered with solemn music, the ceremony of consecrating the Lodge, with corn, wine, and oil, followed. The Brethren chanted, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, goodwill towards men." Whilst the P.G. Chaplain was offering the second part of the dedication prayer the W.M. and Wardens of St. George's Lodge deposited the working tools of the three degrees

upon the table. The brethren sang as an anthem some verses from the first book of Kings, and the P.G. Master then declared the Lodge duly constituted and dedicated, and pronounced the final benediction. Before closing the Lodge the Prov. Grand Master said he must express on behalf of the Lodge their thanks to the Right Worshipful Grand Master of Cornwall for his presence amongst them on that occasion, and for kindly undertaking the duties of Deputy Provincial Grand Master. Their thanks were also due to the brethren who had taken so much trouble to arrange and beautify that room and to those who had conducted the musical part of the ceremony. He trusted that these two things were an augury that the meetings of the Lodge would be conducted in harmony and its path strewn with flowers.

The Earl of Mount Edgembe, who on raising was accorded a most hearty reception, said that he wished for a long continuance of the friendly feeling which had always existed between the Provincial Grand Lodges of Devon and Cornwall. He should always remember the grand gathering of the two provinces in the Plymouth Guildhall, when, with the kind co-operation of the respected and much-lamented predecessor of the present P.G.M., a most cordial welcome was given to the Grand Master of England. The noble lord said it would always be his pleasure and duty to try and carry out that feeling of harmony which had hitherto existed between the two Provincial Lodges.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed, and W. Bro. C. Croydon, at the request of the P.G.M., opened the St. George Lodge for the first time, and subsequently, in an able manner, installed the W.M. elect W. Bro. G. R. Barratt P.M. P.G. Steward, who invested the following brethren as his Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. C. Croydon P.M. I.P.M., John Lynn P.M. P.P.G.S.B. as S.W., E. Aitken-Davies P.M. P.P.G.S. Wks. as J.W., the Rev. W. E. Darby Chaplain, Josiah Austin P.M. P.P.G.O. Treasurer, James Gifford W.M. Sec., J. S. Sloggett S.D., J. T. Bond J.D., James Griffin P.M. Dir. of Cer., C. G. Withell A. Dir. of Cer., A. Brickwood Hutchings P.M. P.G.Std. (Cornwall) Organist, W. Cann I.G., J. Ray Plimsaul S. Steward, H. M. Bing and F. Couch Junior Stewards, J. Gidley P.M. Tyler, J. Griffin Charity Steward, and G. R. Barratt Representative on the Committee of Petitions. Several brethren heartily congratulated the W.M. on his well deserved appointment of being Master of a Lodge founded on such excellent principles, especially considering the fact that the Lodge numbers seventy-three members, and several propositions for initiation were announced. The W.M. bore testimony to the great assistance he had received at the hands of Bro. J. Gifford Secretary, who had been most energetic in his efforts to found the Lodge. The brethren of St. George, together with a large number of friends, subsequently banqueted together at the Congregation Hall, Courtenay-street. The room was beautifully decorated with flowers, moss, and flags for the occasion, and presented an attractive appearance. It was decorated by Bro. F. Hodge, florist, under the able direction of the W.M., Secretary, Treasurer, and other members of the committee. The banquet was supplied by Bro. H. Matthews, of Bedford street, who is to be complimented on the excellent spread. The W.M., Bro. G. Barrett, presided, and was supported by a large number of the Provincial Officers who were at the consecration, and, among others, by Bro. I. Latimer, J.P., P.M. 189, and P.P.G.J.W.

The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. Many were the congratulations offered to Bro. Barratt on his election, and the W.M. responded in suitable terms. He read a number of letters from various brethren, regretting their inability to attend. Among these were letters from Lord Wolseley, Bros. P. S. MacIver, M.P., Edward Clark, Q.C., M.P., Admiral Glassey, W. B. Richardson, M.D., W. J. Hughan P.G.D. of England, and Dr. Merrifield of Plymouth, most of whom congratulated Bro. Barratt and the Officers of the Lodge for founding a Lodge on such grand principles. Bro. P. Howard Davis J.W. of Wolseley Lodge (the first temperance Masonic Lodge), Manchester, replied to the toast of the Visitors. In doing so he said that his Lodge was consecrated twelve months ago, in the presence of over 1,850 Masons, and the W.M. announced that there were 67 joining brethren, and 27 candidates for initiation. St. George Lodge was started on the same principles as the Wolseley, and there were now eighteen temperance Masonic Lodges on the roll. They had either obtained charters, or were applying for warrants. They were very much struck with the name St. George in Manchester, and they had decided on starting another temperance Lodge, the St. George of all England. Bro. Davis advocated the formation of a Benevolent Fund in connection with St. George Lodge.

During the evening Bro. E. A. Lyons gave a very amusing reading, Bro. Kinton Bond a good recitation, and Bros. Hearder, Dyke, H. J. Barter, Davis, and J. Rendle excellent songs. The Masonic glee choir also rendered glees and choruses. The gentlemen who took part in the musical service at the P.G.L. were Bros. Barter, Dyke, Firks, Gillman, Goodall, Hearder, G. Hele, Rendle, Congdon, Dawe, and others.

The P.G.M. of Devon would have been present at the banquet but for an important engagement. The P.G.M. of Cornwall did not, therefore, put in an appearance.

GRAND LODGE OF NATAL.

THE half-yearly meeting of this Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Hall, Smith-street, on the 28th March. There was a large attendance of the members of the Craft. The meeting was opened by the R.W. Bro. R. I. Finemore, R.M., D.G.M., who said: Brethren, I have, as your District Grand Master, convened you to-day for several reasons. In the first place this is the anniversary of the formal opening of our District Grand Lodge, and it is necessary to appoint new Officers. In the next place it is desirable that no

time should be lost in passing Bye-laws. I drafted a code in 1882, which was printed and circulated among the Lodges; but owing to impending changes in our Constitution it was thought advisable, and recommended by Colonel Clarke, the Grand Secretary, that we should postpone the settlement of this matter until the final revision of the New Book of Constitutions in England had been completed. I have not yet received a copy of the new Constitutions; but, from a summary of alterations which was published in the *Freemason*, and which I have carefully studied, I have been enabled to ascertain in what respects the Old Constitutions have been amended, and with this knowledge I have drafted a second code, which I shall lay before you to-day for your consideration and approval. In preparing the new code, which I have made as brief and simple as I conveniently could, I have adhered as far as possible to the resolutions which were passed at the last regular Communication of District Grand Lodge, which was held under my presidency in Pietermaritzburg in September last. Beyond the necessity for appointing new Officers, and finally passing the Bye-laws, subject to the approval of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, there is also another reason why I wished to meet you here to-day, namely, that being about to leave the colony for some months, after a residence of nearly thirty-four years, for the purpose of re-visiting the mother country, I was desirous of bidding adieu to my Masonic brethren, and of arranging sundry Masonic matters of importance preparatory to my departure. During my absence from the colony the Masonic government of the district will devolve upon the Deputy District Grand Master, assisted by the District Board of General Purposes; and I feel sure that you will accord to my deputy during my absence the same hearty support and co-operation which it has been my privilege to experience at your hands. As to the amended Constitutions, I find that I am empowered to appoint the President of the District Board of General Purposes, who will rank next to the District Grand Registrar. The appointment of two District Grand Standard Bearers is also authorised, and the office of District Assistant Grand Secretary is now provided for and recognised by the new rules. I think it well also that I should exercise the power of appointing two District Grand Chaplains, as there are so many candidates desirous and deserving of holding office in District Grand Lodge that it is difficult, if not impossible, for me to adequately recognise the claims of all of them. I would recommend that the District Board of General Purposes be constituted without further delay, as there will be many matters arising for their consideration. From the reports of Lodges for the past year, it will be seen that the state of Freemasonry generally in the district is eminently satisfactory and encouraging. It is true that no new Craft Lodges have been opened in the district during the past year, as it was anticipated they would be. Unfortunately, difficulties arose which prevented our Newcastle brethren realising their wish to obtain a charter; and I understand that the brethren at Ixopo have abandoned for the present their expressed intention of establishing a Lodge at that place, because it is considered that the Carnarvon Lodge at Richmond will suffice, for some time to come, for the wants of the brethren in the locality. The recent erection and dedication of two new Masonic halls, one at Richmond the other at Greytown, and the position generally of the existing Lodges, however, furnish satisfactory evidence of the vitality and progressive character of Freemasonry in the district, and is a subject of congratulation. Sundry matters of detail connected with the Craft have at different times during the year been submitted for my decision and action. Thus there was one appeal to me from the decision of a private Lodge; one application for permission to temporarily change the places of meeting of a Lodge; several applications for my ruling on points of order or practice; sundry amendments of bye-laws of private Lodges submitted for my approval; and various other matters, including, I regret to say, a few applications for pecuniary relief or assistance. All these matters have been dealt with by me as they arose, and in such a manner as circumstances would enable me to deal with them. Business of this nature, as well as necessary communications with the Grand Secretary in London, the Deputy D.G.M., and the District Grand Secretary from time to time, has entailed upon me an amount of correspondence which is not inconsiderable; but notwithstanding my official and other duties I have endeavoured to settle all points as they arose and to ensure as far as possible that there should be no delay in answering letters. The experience of the first year of our District Grand Lodge has thus shown that the home authorities rightly judged that the time had arrived when Local Government of the Order in the colony had become necessary. I may here mention that Bro. George Russell D.G. Senior Warden is compiling for publication a History of Freemasonry in the district, more particularly with reference to the Port Natal Lodge, No. 738, with which he has been so long and honourable connected; and I have no doubt but that this publication will be found to be of great interest to members of our Fraternity. I have the pleasure also to announce to you that Bro. M. H. Emanuel of Lodges 738 and 1192, P.M. 1069, has kindly made a present to the District Grand Lodge of a handsome silver square and compasses, which I now submit for your acceptance. The D.G. Secretary will read to you the letter which accompanied the presentations. I am sure I am only expressing the unanimous feeling of the members of District Grand Lodge when I say that we sincerely appreciate the gift; and for my own part I value still more the kindly expressions towards myself as District Grand Master which accompanied it. My sincere thanks are due to the outgoing Officers for their attention to their duties during their tenure of office; and I thank you all, brethren, for your salutations and reception of me to-day. I will not now detain you from the more important business of the meeting with any further preliminary remarks, but will conclude with the time honoured wish, that as the labours of our District Grand Lodge have begun in order, and the blessing of the Great Architect of the Universe has been invoked on our proceedings, so may they be conducted in peace and with a true regard to the best interests of the Order, and may be closed in love and harmony. The following District Grand Officers were then invested:—

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| Bro. G. Russell ... | ... | Senior Warden |
| Jesse Smith ... | ... | Junior Warden |
| Rev. J. Reynolds ... | ... | } Chaplains |
| Rev. A. Ikin, LL.D., Mus. Doc. | ... | |
| A. C. Dulckin, Advocate | ... | Registrar |
| T. J. Hill ... | ... | Pres. Board of Gen. Pur. |
| E. Homersham Wiltshier, Advocate | ... | Secretary |
| A. J. Keeler ... | ... | Assistant ditto |
| S. Marriott ... | ... | Treasurer |
| J. Crowe ... | ... | Senior Deacon |
| G. O. Matterson ... | ... | Junior Deacon |
| S. Stranack ... | ... | Superintendent of Works |
| W. A. Voysey ... | ... | Director of Ceremonies |
| W. Sink ... | ... | Assistant ditto |
| W. A. Smith ... | ... | Sword Bearer |
| D. Deeves and P. Cook | ... | Standard Bearers |
| E. S. T. Stantial ... | ... | Organist |
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| B. Ireland ... | ... | Assistant Ditto |
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| R. Willis, Crabb, and J. Schulz | | |

In the evening the members of the Order partook of a banquet, when the usual Masonic toasts were honoured.—*Natal Mercury*.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

GREY FRIARS LODGE, No. 1101.

A REGULAR meeting of this spirited Lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Reading, on Wednesday, 9th ult., when there were present: Officers—Bros. W. W. Ridley W.M., Dowsett I.P.M., Hawkes S.W., Prickett J.W., Stransom Treasurer, Ivey P.M. Sec., Ravenscroft S.D., Creed J.D., Palley P.M. D.C., Hickie Organist, Cordrey I.G., Vowles, Collins, and Sands Stewards; P.M.'s Ferguson, Blackwell, Margrett, J. T. Brown; Members—Bros. Coates, Ridley, Slaughter, Greenaway, Biggs, Rhind, Bailey, Hukins, Brown; Visitors—S. Wheeler W.M. 414, Mount I.P.M. 414, Webb D.C. 414, Tubbs 414. Lodge having been formally opened, the minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the second degree; Bros. E. W. Ridley and S. Biggs being candidates for raising to the third, satisfactorily answered the questions; they were entrusted and raised to the sublime degree of M.M. The first part of the ceremony was performed by the W.M., the charge by the I.P.M., and the explanation of the tracing board was given by Brother Blackwell. The whole of the imposing ceremony was admirably performed, and the effect considerably heightened by vocal and instrumental music, under the direction of Bro. Hickie Organist. We cannot speak too highly of the plan of this Lodge in dividing the labour between the Master and Past Masters, an entire absence of monotony and dullness results, and we commend the practice for adoption in other Lodges. Lodge was resumed to the first degree. The W.M. proposed that the report of the Permanent Committee of the 20th March be received and passed, this was seconded by Bro. Margrett P.M., and carried unanimously. A discussion then arose on the question of increased accommodation in the Lodge premises, for the Lodge of Union, No. 414, when Brother Margrett P.M. gave notice of motion: "That a gratuity be offered to the Lodge of Union as a contribution, from the funds of this Lodge, towards the expense incurred." The W.M. read a communication from the Grand Secretary, which orders that the Lodge be placed in mourning for three months from the 4th of April, in consequence of the death of Prince Leopold Duke of Albany P.G.W. of England, Provincial Grand Master of Oxfordshire, K.G., &c. The Worshipful Master also proposed that letters of condolence be sent to Her Majesty the Queen, and Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Albany, to be signed by the Master and Secretary. The I.P.M. referred to the question of certificate of Bro. the Rev. Dr. Coleman, which he had received in duplicate from the Carbon Lodge, U.S.A.; he now proposed him as a joining member. The W.M. seconded it. Another joining member was proposed and seconded. All business being ended, the Lodge was closed according to ancient form, and adjourned.

St. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 1723.

THE annual Festival and Installation of the W.M. was held on Wednesday, the 23rd April, at the Commercial Hotel, Bolton, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Present—Bros. Robert Latham W.M., Barrett S.W., Harwood J.W., Ferguson Prov. G.S. of W. Treasurer, Nicholson P.M. Secretary, Cosgrave S.D., Taylor P. Prov. G. Org. D. of C., Naylor and Derham Stewards, Smith Organist, Roiley Tyler. Past Masters Brockbank G. Steward of Scotland, Morris, Blain, Heywood, Court, Stead, Richardson, Bromley, Flitcroft; also Bros. Brierley, Fielding Smith, Priestley, Whewell, Whitaker, Goulborn, Hawksworth, Collins, Parkinson, Forbes, T. Morris jun., Fogg, Kershaw, Arden, Elliston, Pendlebury, Settle and Bolton. Visitors—Bros. Pope P.M. Northern Bar Lodge 1610 (Recorder of Bolton), Booth W.M. 37, Broughton W.M. 146, Melrose 221, Higson 348, Mitchell Prov. G. Tyler, Marlow 1462, Forrest 221, Glover 1868, Sillitoe P. Prov. G. D. of Cers., Naylor 37, Duxberry 146, Nicholson P. Prov. G. S.B., Vevers 480, Sefton 1773 (Pendleton), Rimmer 146. Lodge was opened by the W.M. punctually at the appointed time, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Mr. Magee was balloted for as a candidate for initiation and unanimously elected. Lodge was advanced to the second degree, when Bro. Harwood was presented by Bro. Heywood P.M. and obligated by the W.M. as to the government of the Lodge. After the Lodge had been opened in the third degree the brethren not duly qualified retired, and a Board of Installed Masters was opened, under the presidency of Brother Brockbank, and the W.M. elect was duly obligated, proclaimed, and saluted as Master for the ensuing twelve

months in ancient form, the honours being given by Bro. Taylor P. Prov. Grand Organist, and the musical portion of the ceremony rendered by the members of St. George's Lodge choir, Bros. Collins, Smith, Hawksworth, Whitaker, Goulborn. The following brethren were appointed as Officers for the year 1884-5:—Bros. Barrett S.W., Cosgrave J.W., Ferguson P.M. Treasurer, Nicholson P.M. Secretary, Tong S.D., Bardsley J.D., Taylor P. Prov. G. Organist D. of C., Smith Organist, Whitaker Assistant Organist, Derham I.G., Naylor and Hawksworth Stewards, Roiley Tyler. These brethren were invested by Bro. Nicholson P.M., who explained the symbolic meaning of their respective jewels; the final addresses to the W.M., Officers and brethren was delivered by Bro. Brockbank, the Senior Past Master of the Lodge. Before closing the Lodge the W.M. proposed a resolution welcoming the illustrious Visitor, Bro. Pope, Q.C., Recorder of Bolton, who remained in Bolton at the conclusion of the Quarter Sessions in order to attend the meeting of the Lodge, and be present at the installation of Bro. Harwood, who is serving the office of Mayor of Bolton for a second year. Bro. Harwood referred to the honourable position filled in the Masonic world by the learned brother, and expressed the pleasure his timely visit had afforded the brethren. The motion was cordially agreed to, and ordered to be inserted on the minutes of proceedings. Bro. Pope, in acknowledging the compliment paid him, expressed his gratification in attending a Lodge in a town where he had been officially connected for very many years; where everything seemed to be worked so well, and where all the needful arrangements had been carried out with such zeal and precision. He could not help referring to the great courtesy and kindness extended to him by the Magistrates generally, and the Mayors of the Borough in particular, who were always ready and willing to afford him every possible assistance and anticipate every wish. The Mayor, the W.M. of to-day, was the youngest Magistrate on the Bench, but his acquaintance with him had been such as to satisfy him that he was a true type of an Englishman; frank, open, and straightforward; it had afforded him great satisfaction to be present to welcome his admission amongst the rulers of the Craft. The Lodge-room was most tastefully decorated, and adorned with many banners, the property of private members of the St. George's and other Lodges, with their respective arms and crests elegantly embroidered thereon. These were arranged under the direction of Bro. Blain, an old Mason, and a Past Master of this Lodge. Hearty good wishes were expressed by the visiting brethren, and the Lodge closed in form and with harmony, at 6 p.m. Banquet was prepared under the able supervision of Bro. and Mrs. Priestley, whose efforts were heartily appreciated and gave the greatest satisfaction. The musical brethren mustered in force, and contributed materially to the success of the meeting, which was the most successful gathering in Bolton for some years, and will be long remembered by those who had the privilege of being present.

Justice Lodge of Instruction, No. 147.—On Thursday, 1st May, at the Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford. Bros. B. R. Banks W.M., Penrose S.W., Smith J.W., Speight P.M. Secretary. Greener S.D., Dale J.D., Catt I.G., P.M.'s Hutchings Preceptor, Ingram, and Good; and Bros. J. Bedford Williams, Stringer, Pitt. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Williams candidate. Lodge was then called off, and on resuming was opened in the second and third degrees, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed, Bro. Stringer personating the candidate. After resuming in the first degree, Bro. Penrose was elected W.M. for the ensuing Thursday. Lodge was then closed in due form.

Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, No. 65.—A meeting was held on Tuesday last, at Bro. Maidwell's, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street. Present—Bros. Bentley Haynes W.M., Sainte S.W., Walker J.W. and Secretary, Wall S.D., Roberts J.D., Rich I.G., Moss Preceptor; also Bro. Webb. The minutes were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and Bro. Rich answered questions and, being intrusted, was duly raised to the sublime degree of a M.M. in a most efficient manner. Lodge closed in third and second degrees, when Bro. Moss gave a lecture, explanatory of the moral tendencies of the jewels. Bro. Sainte was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Nothing further offering, Lodge was closed and adjourned.

MAY ELECTION 1884.

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A MOVEABLE GRAND LODGE will be held, on the invitation of the R.W. Provincial Grand Mark Master, the Dep. Prov. Grand Mark Master and the Brethren of the Province of North and East Yorkshire, at *The Assembly Rooms*, Blake Street, York, on Friday, the 9th of May 1884, at which all legally advanced M.M.M. may be present. Grand Lodge will be opened at 9 o'clock prompt.

By command of the M.W. Grand Master,
FREDERICK BINCKES (P.G.J.W.)
Grand Secretary.

OFFICE:—8a Red Lion Square, London, W.C.
24th April 1884.

BUSINESS.—Open Grand Lodge in form. Consecration of the Streamshall Lodge, No. 337, Whitby, and installation of Bro. W. H. Marwood, W.M. Designate, by the M.W. Grand Master assisted by his Grand Officers. General Business. Close Grand Lodge.

A Banquet will take place at 5.30 o'clock precisely, in the Grand Hall of the York Fine Arts Exhibition Building. Tickets 4/- each (exclusive of Wine), including admission to the Picture Galleries.

N.B.—To facilitate the arrangements for the comfort of the Brethren attending the Banquet, application for Tickets must be made not later than Monday, 5th May, to W. Bro. T. B. Whytehead, Provincial Grand Secretary, 20 South Parade, York.

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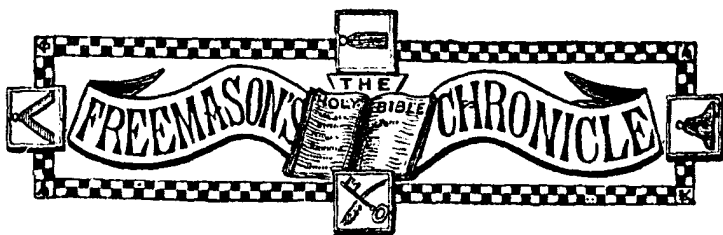
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SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

A QUARTERLY Convocation of the Supreme Grand Chapter will be held at Freemasons' Hall, London, on Wednesday, the 7th day of May instant, at six o'clock in the evening.

The Regulations for the Government of the Supreme Grand Chapter during the time of public business to be read.

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

Installation of Principals, and appointment and investiture of Officers for the ensuing year.

The Committee of General Purposes beg to report that they have examined the accounts from the 16th January 1884, to the 15th April 1884, both inclusive, which they find to be as follows:—

| | £ | s | d | | £ | s | d |
|----------------------|--------|---|---|----------------------|--------|---|---|
| Balance Grand Chap- | | | | Disbursements during | | | |
| ter - | 1246 | 7 | 7 | the quarter - | 221 | 8 | 4 |
| „ Unappropriated | | | | Balance - | 1458 | 8 | 9 |
| Account - | 209 | 7 | 4 | „ in Unappropriated | | | |
| Subsequent Receipts- | 429 | 5 | 6 | Account - | 205 | 3 | 4 |
| | £1,885 | 0 | 5 | | £1,885 | 0 | 5 |

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

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

1st. From Companions Thomas Samuel Curteis as Z., William Henry Cronk as H., Adam Young as J., and six others for a Chapter to be attached to the Knole Lodge, No. 1414, Sevenoaks, to be called the Knole Chapter, and to meet at the Old Assembly Rooms, London-road, Sevenoaks, in the county of Kent.

2nd. From Companions Thomas Forrester as Z., Robert Irving as H., Joseph Malcolm Kerr as J., and Seven others for a Chapter to be attached to the Ellesmere Lodge, No. 730, Chorley, to be called the Earl of Lathom Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Chorley, Lancashire (Western Division).

3rd. From Companions Joseph Clever as Z., Louis Hirsch as H., Robert Berridge as J., and six others for a Chapter to be attached to the Amity Lodge, No. 171, Greenwich, to be called the Amity Chapter, and to meet at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, in the City of London.

4th. From Companions Robert Nendick Banks as Z., William Masters as H., Thomas Emmott Skidmore as J., and eight others for a Chapter to be attached to the Sincerity Lodge, No. 428, Northwich, to be called the Sincerity Chapter, and to meet at the Angel Hotel, Northwich, in the county of Chester.

5th. From Companions Benjamin Lamb Wells as Z., Thomas Wells as H., George Lawrence Shackles as J., and seven others for a Chapter to be attached to the Alexandra Lodge, No. 1511, Hornsea, to be called the Alexandra Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Hornsea, in the East Riding of the county of York.

6th. From Companions John James Meakin as Z., James Sudren as H., William Dumville as J., and six others to be attached to the Lodge of Harmony, No. 935, Salford, to be called the Starkie Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Adelphi-street, Salford, Lancashire (Eastern Division).

7th. From Companions John Henwood Thomas as Z., Henry Massey as H., Thomas Minstrell as J., and six others for a Chapter to be attached to the Gallery Lodge, No. 1928, Brixton, to be called the Gallery Chapter, and to meet at the Brixton Hall, Acre-lane, Brixton.

8th. From Companions Stephen Barton Wilson as Z., Charles Belton as H., Frederick Binckes as J., and seven others for a Chapter to be attached to the Royal Naval Lodge, No. 59, London, to be called the Royal Naval Chapter, and to meet at Freemasons' Hall.

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

The Committee have also received a petition from the Principals and members of the Royal Albert Chapter, No. 907, London, praying for a Charter of Confirmation, the original being lost.

The Committee recommend that a Charter of Confirmation for this Chapter be granted.

A complaint having been received from the Grand Superintendent of Northumberland against Companion Paul Smith, P.Z. of Chapter No. 24, Newcastle-on-Tyne, for having wilfully disregarded a sentence of suspension passed on him by the said Grand Superintendent, in having attended a meeting of his Royal Arch Chapter after receipt of such sentence, the Committee have summoned Companion Paul Smith to attend Grand Chapter on the 7th May to answer the charge.

An appeal from the said Companion Paul Smith, P.Z. Chapter 24,

against the said sentence of suspension having also been received, the Committee recommend that Grand Chapter do not hear it until Companion Paul Smith makes due submission to the Grand Superintendent of his Province for the contempt of his authority.

The Committee beg to report that there now stands to the credit of Grand Chapter, in the Three per Cent. Consols, a sum of £3,200, and in the Bank of England (Western Branch) a balance of £1,458 8s 9d, and they recommend, as no immediate claim is likely to be made on the funds of Grand Chapter beyond the ordinary current expenses, that the following grants be made to each of the Masonic Charities, and the amounts paid to their respective Trustees:—

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| The Royal Masonic Institutions for Girls ... | £500 |
| The Royal Masonic Institution for Boys ... | £500 |
| The Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged | |
| Freemasons and the Widows of Freemasons ... | £500 |

The Committee further recommend that a sum of £500 be expended on the purchase of an organ to be presented by Grand Chapter to Grand Lodge—to replace that destroyed in the recent fire at Freemasons' Hall.

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

FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON, W.C.
16th April 1884.

Election of the Committee of General Purposes for the ensuing twelve months.

In consequence of the much lamented death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Albany, K.G., Third Grand Principal, Grand Superintendent of Oxfordshire, it has been ordered that the Grand Chapter, and all subordinate Chapters, be placed in Masonic mourning for the space of three months from the 4th of April.

The mourning to be worn by Companions individually to be as follows:—

Grand Officers present and past, and Principals and Past Principals of private Chapters—Three rosettes of black crape on the badges and one at the point of the chain or collar just above the jewel.

Other Companions—Three black rosettes on badge.

POLISH NATIONAL CHAPTER, No. 534.

THE installation meeting took place on Thursday, 24th April, at the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, under the presidency of Comp. Palmer as M.E.Z. and the following Officers:—Comps. Lowden H., Dr. Jackson J., Dr. Jagielski S.N., Oliver Bryant P.S., Bieling First Assistant, Geflowski Second Assistant, and Banks Janitor. The Audit Report was read; it was of a very satisfactory nature. Bro. H. Reed P.M. Great Northern Lodge was then entrusted, and in due course exalted to the Supreme Degree; especial praise is due to Comp. Dr. Jagielski for the manner in which he acted as P.S. All business being completed, the brethren retired to dinner. In speaking to the toast of the Queen and Royal Arch Masonry, the M.E.Z. referred to the untimely death of the Duke of Albany P.G.J., and requested that the toast should be drunk in silence. Comp. Paas then proposed the health of Companion Palmer, and thanked him for the manner in which he had performed his duties. Comp. Palmer having replied, next proposed the toast of the evening, viz., that of the new Companion, Bro. Reed P.M. Great Northern Lodge, who thanked the M.E.Z. for having exalted him, and also for the very impressive manner in which the proceedings had been conducted. He could not have believed that the ceremony would have been so beautiful, and he felt that a lasting impression had been made on his mind. The health of the various Officers having been proposed and duly honoured, the Janitor's toast brought to a conclusion a very pleasant evening.

The members of the North London Chapter of Improvement held their weekly meeting at the Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, on Thursday, at 8 o'clock, when Comps. Brasted occupied the chair of Z., Hunter H., Radcliffe J., Sheffield S.N., Shaw P.S. An instructive evening was the result.

The ceremony of installation of Principals will be rehearsed at the Jamaica Coffee House, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill, on Tuesday next, 6th May, at half past 5 o'clock, by Comp. Maidwell Z., Webb H., J. S. Fraser J., all of the Stanmore Chapter, 1549. On the same evening, at half past six o'clock, the ceremony of exaltation will be rehearsed.

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MARK MASONRY.

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An emergency meeting of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales was held on the 25th ult., at the Masonic Hall, 8a Red Lion-square, for the purpose of adopting addresses of condolence to Her Majesty the Queen, to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales M.W. Past G.M., and to H.R.H. the Duchess of Albany on the death of Past Grand Master H.R.H. the late Duke of Albany. The M.W. G.M.M.M. Lord Henniker presided, and he was supported by a large number of influential members of the Order. We shall give a more detailed account of the proceedings in our next issue.

Brethren from London who intend visiting York, on Friday next, will doubtless take the opportunity of making calls *en route*, and for their guidance, as well as for that of brethren who will not proceed direct from the capital, the particulars of the trains of the three principal southern lines serving York, which will be found in our advertising columns, will be of service. The opening of the new route, *via* the Great Eastern system, has placed the brethren of the Eastern Counties in direct communication with the original home of Freemasonry in England, while the Midland Railway will accommodate brethren desirous of travelling from the West, and the Great Northern those from the central districts. The extent, however, to which these great lines now extend places them all three in active competition in many districts, so that not a few of the intending visitors will have an opportunity of making a selection as to the road they shall travel.

LEOPOLD LODGE, No. 235.

THE adjourned installation meeting of this Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Reading, on Monday, 21st ult., when there were present—Bros. S. Bradley W.M., Westall P.M. acting S.W., Homann J.W., Moffatt M.O., Glasspool S.O., Morris P.M. 257 acting J.O., Rev. R. P. Bent P.G.C. Chaplain, Stransom Treasurer, Creed R.M., Ravenscroft Secretary, Collins S.D., Tench J.D., Hickie Organist, Lindars I.G., James Steward, Hemmings Tyler; P.M.'s Bros. Pulley, Margrett, Stephens D.P.G.M., Flanagan, Park 247; also Bros. Tubbs, Vowles, Ferguson, Thompson, Sydenham, and Ridley. Visitors—Bros. Kirchhoffer G.J.O., Davison G. Treasurer, Thatcher W.M. 37, D'Almaine W.M. 225, Rev. F. W. Thoytes P.G.C., Capt. Golding W.M. 55, Benham P.M. 54, Harvey M.O. 37, Winnett S.O. 59, Dr. Leighton, Coleman, Kennedy, and others. The minutes of the last regular Lodge were read, confirmed, and signed by the W.M. The Secretary reported that the floral wreath voted at the last Lodge had been presented at the St. George's Chapel on the morning of the 4th inst. The addresses of condolence to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen and H.R.H. the Duchess of Albany were then read, approved and signed by the W.M. and P.M.'s. A ballot was taken for Bros. the Rev. H. Wells, W. A. Simmons and C. F. Simmons, and declared clear. These brethren, being in attendance, were advanced to the honourable degree of M.M.M. by the W.M., with full musical ceremony, Bro. Taylor, 99, presiding at the organ. The V.W. Bro. Charles Stephens then assumed the throne and installed the V.W. R. P. Bent P.G.C. into the chair of A., in a very impressive and perfect manner. The W.M. appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Bradley I.P.M., Homann S.W., Glasspool J.W., Moffatt M.O., Butler S.O., Creed J.O., Rev. H. Wells Chaplain, Tench R.M., Stransom Treasurer, Lindars Secretary, Collins S.D., Ferguson J.D., Margrett P.M. D.C., Ravenscroft Organist, Hickie I.G., Vowles and Sydenham Stewards, Hemmings Tyler. The W.M. had much pleasure in performing his first duty in the Lodge by presenting a valuable P.M.'s jewel to the I.P.M. Bro. Bradley, which was acknowledged in suitable terms. Bro. Glasspool proposed that the sum of five guineas be contributed to the Mark Benevolent Fund, the amount to be placed on the List of Bro. Pulley Prov. Grand Secretary. This was seconded and carried unanimously. Bro. Ravenscroft, Secretary, was then requested to retire from the Lodge, and in his absence Bro. Stephens D.P.G.M. proposed, and Bro. Pulley Prov. G. Sec. seconded, that a jewel be presented to Bro. Ravenscroft, in recognition of his valuable services to the Lodge as Secretary for the past three years. This was carried by acclamation. Bro. Ravenscroft then re-entered the Lodge and was addressed by the W.M., who communicated to him the result of the last proposition. Bro. Ravenscroft expressed his sincere thanks for the unexpected honour which had been conferred upon him, and said he should ever wear the jewel with pride, and a happy remembrance of the pleasant performance of the duties of his office. Apologies for non-attendance were then read from the M.W. G.M.M.M. Lord Henniker, Bro. Binckes Grand Secretary, and many other brethren. Lodge being closed, the brethren adjourned to the Great Western Hotel, where a sumptuous dinner was provided by Bro. Flanagan P.M. Afterwards the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly presented, and a very pleasant evening enjoyed, with the musical assistance of Bro. Taylor, and others.

Any of our readers who have votes, for either the Male or Female Funds of the Royal Benevolent Institution, will confer a favour by entrusting them to us, for use at the approaching Elections.

ANNUAL ATHLETIC FETE AT THE BOYS' SCHOOL.

IT is doubtless well known to the readers of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE that on the occasion of the Annual Visit of Stewards to the School "Our Boys" engage in a Series of athletic competitions, and, as usual on such occasions, prizes have to be provided. Now, there is no fund—of a permanent description—from which prizes can be furnished, and therefore an annual struggle ensues to raise the sum needed for the purpose. There are always a few, we may say a very few, who contribute something, but their number is not sufficient to satisfy the cravings of the "growing generation," or the honours their rulers consider them entitled to. As a consequence, the "Prize Fund Subscription List" has to be worked upon by its few supporters for a very extended period. Indeed, we have only just received last year's balance sheet, and this, too, when the coming season is all but commenced, and a start should have been made with a list for next June's assemblage. Bro. Rev. Dr. Morris, the Head Master of the School, we know will be pleased to receive contributions for the 1884 Prize Fund, or, should our friends desire it, they may be sent through us. The following is a statement of last year's account.

ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

ATHLETIC SPORTS FUND.

Midsummer 1883.

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| C. E. Soppet | 2 | 17 6 | | | |
| G. Kenning | 1 | 2 6 | | | |
| R. Morris | 0 | 8 0 | | | |
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J. J. BERE, Hon. Sec.

Wood Green, N., 29th April 1884.

THIRD CITY MASONIC BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.

IT must be a matter of very great gratification to the Committees of the three Institutions to hear of any fresh means being devised to add to the sums raised, year by year, by the brethren of England for the purposes of Masonic Charity, and when these means are of a character likely to make the increase of no inconsiderable extent, and also of no short duration, the gratification must be greatly intensified. Such is the case with the Third City Masonic Benevolent Association, the first meeting of which was held at the Railway Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on the 28th ult., when a most successful start was made, 81 shares being taken up on that occasion, with a fair prospect of further additions ere long. It is the ambition of the Hon. Sec. (Bro. Hugh M. Hobbs) to have 115 or 120 members from the commencement, as it is then expected that a clear one hundred will continue to the finish, and a total of 1,000 guineas thus emanate from the Association during the four years it is customary for these organizations to run. We understand that two or three brethren have joined the Committee since the start, and it is but fair to hope that each of these may introduce a few subscribers, but as they cannot be relied on to complete the number considered necessary to raise the One Thousand guineas desired, the Committee will be glad to receive a few names of brethren, either in London or the Provinces, who will join the Association. We may add, we are personally interested in the matter, and if any of our readers desire to join shall be pleased to receive their names and subscriptions;—one shilling per share per week.

The members of the Richmond Lodge, No. 2032, will hold their first regular meeting on Tuesday next, the 6th inst., at the Station Hotel, Richmond, when a very considerable addition to their numbers is anticipated. There are no less than eleven propositions from brethren desirous of joining the Lodge, in addition to ten candi-

dates for initiation, five for this, and five for a subsequent meeting, making twenty-one candidates in all seeking admission. We anticipate a very enjoyable assembly on Tuesday next, Brother Blasby the W.M. and the Officers having made every provision for the comfort and enjoyment of the brethren, while a due share of attention has been given to the arrangements for the anticipated ceremonies. We shall give a report of the proceedings in our next.

The Grand Lodge of Quebec, and its subordinate Lodges, have met with a most serious rebuff at the hands of the Provincial Parliament, which, at its meeting held on the 17th ult., rejected, on the second reading, a Bill, introduced by Mr. White, to relieve the brethren of the Quebec Constitution from the operation of the laws directed against Secret Societies. The Quebec brethren thus find themselves unable to hold a meeting unless they choose to violate the laws of the country in which they reside—a step which would hardly be consistent with the teachings of Freemasonry or the dictates of common prudence.

Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.—At the Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., on Saturday, 26th ult. Present—Bros. Cross W.M., and a numerous assemblage of the brethren. This being the last Saturday in the month, Lodge closed early, and the members of the Masonic Association held their sixth monthly meeting, when, sufficient subscriptions having been received, the seventh and eighth Life Governorships were balloted for. Brethren desirous of becoming Life Governors or Life Subscribers of one or other of the Institutions are reminded of this easy method of doing so. This Association presents an especial feature, inasmuch, as not having been long started, the arrears are small. A meeting of brethren interested in the testimonial to the late Preceptor, Bro. Percy, will take place on Saturday next, 4th May, at the Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N.

Tredegar Lodge of Instruction, No. 1625.—A meeting was held on 28th April, at the Royal Hotel, Mile End Road. Present—Bros. Sinclair W.M., E. W. Clements S.W., A. G. Clements J.W., Barnes Treasurer, Stewart (Secretary) S.D., Oxley I.G. Business:—Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Oxley acting as candidate. Brother Stewart worked the first and second sections of the lecture. Brother Sinclair was unanimously elected a member of this Lodge of Instruction. Brother Barnes proposed and Brother Clements seconded that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes to Brother Sinclair for the very excellent manner in which he had rehearsed the ceremony for the first time in this Lodge. This was carried unanimously. Brother Clements was elected W.M. for the next meeting.

Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, No. 1693.—A meeting was held on Monday, 20th April, at Bro. Baker's, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N. Bros. Turner W.M., Dixie S.W., Jordan J.W., Forge Treasurer, Collingridge Secretary, Goddard J.D., Cosgrove I.G., Trewinnard Preceptor; Past Masters Killick and Mallord. Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Cooper candidate. Lodge opened in second and third degrees. A vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes to Bro. Turner (one of the last initiates in the mother Lodge) for having so ably performed the ceremony this evening, it being the first time he had occupied the chair. Bro. Trewinnard Preceptor will rehearse the ceremony of installation on Monday next, 5th May, Bro. Dixie in the chair.

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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, 3rd MAY.

General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
112—St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street
198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)
1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction)
1624—Eccleston, King's Head, Ebury Bridge, Fimlico, at 7. (Instruction)
Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8
1194—Villiers, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
1273—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Westerham, Kent
1362—Royal Albert Edward, Market Hall, Redhill
1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester
1466—Nova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton
1507—Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham

MONDAY, 5th MAY.

22—Loughborough, Cambria Tavern, Cambria Road, near Loughborough Junction, at 7.30. (Instruction)
45—Strong Man, Excise Tavern, Old Broad Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
72—Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street, at 7. (In)
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8. (Instruction)
188—Joppa, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
256—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)
1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1425—Hyde Park, Fountain Abbey Hotel, Praed Street, Paddington, at 8. (In).
1445—Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7. (Inst.)
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.)
1585—Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds, Putney, at 8. (Instruction)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, Clarence Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C., at 7. (Inst.)
1625—Tredegar, Royal Hotel Mile End Road, corner of Burdett Road. (Inst.)
1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30. (Instruction)
1691—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)
1924—Wickham, St. Peter's Hall, Wickham Park, Brockley
1996—Priory Lodge of Acton, Royal Oak Assembly Hall, High Street, Acton
R.A. 933—Doric, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 7. (Instruction)
M.M. 139—Panmure, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.

37—Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Church Institute, Bolton-le-Moors
53—Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath
61—Probity, Freemason's Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
113—Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Preston.
119—Sun, Square, and Compasses, Freemasons' Hall, College-st., Whitehaven
133—Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
154—Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
236—York, Masonic Hall, York
251—Loyal, Masonic Hall, Castle-street, Barnstaple
264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
338—Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ro. s. Herefordshire
381—Harmony and Industry, Smalley's Hotel, Market street, Over Darwen
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)
395—Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
408—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Haworth
431—St. George, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, N. Shields
441—Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hotel, Petty Curry, Cambridge
467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
478—Churchill, Masonic Hall, Oxford
482—St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Wretham Road, Handsworth, Staffordshire
597—St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southampton
622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
850—St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
928—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield
1008—Shakspeare, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050—Gundolph, 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
1230—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
1440—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
1519—Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, Clayton-le-Moors, near Acorington
1542—Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
1573—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea
1575—Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
1578—Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd, South Wales
1676—St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
1798—Zion, Hulme Town Hall, Manchester
R.A. 312—Britannia, Masonic Hall, John Street, West Cliff, Whitby
R.A. 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
R.A. 404—Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford
R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-rowl, Dewsbury
M.M. 12—Minerva, Masonic Hall, Prince Street, Hull

TUESDAY, 6th MAY.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
18—Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7. (Inst)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
111—Faith, Queen Anne's Restaurant, Queen Anne's Gate, St. James's Park Station, at 8. (Instruction)
171—Amity, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruction)
188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)
554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
763—Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30. (Instruction)
860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, at 8. (Instruction)
1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Alma Road, Wandsworth (Instruction)
1257—Grosvenor, Freemasons' Hall, Gt. Queen-street, W.C.
1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road
1261—Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street, W
1298—Royal Standard, Club, Upper-street, Islington
1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8. (In.)
1349—Friars, Live-pool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1360—Royal Arthur, Rock Tavern, Battersea Park Road, at 8. (Instruction)

1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)
1446—Mount Edgecumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
1471—Falmington, Chamoion, Aldersgate Street, at 7. (Instruction)
1472—Henley, Three Crowns, Woolwich
1540—Chancer, Old White Hart, Borough High Street, at 8. (Instruction)
1601—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Queen's Head, Essex Road, N., at 8. (In)
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey 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)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, 6.30
R.A.—Camden, The Boston, Junction Road, Holloway, at 8. (Instruction)
R.A. 1345—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
M.M. 1—St. Mark's, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
R.C. 79—Orpheus, 33 Golden Square, W

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.
624—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.
794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.
847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.
897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
948—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard
960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
995—Furness, Masonic Hall, Ulverston.

1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market-place, Cockermouth.
1134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford.
1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caledonia-road, Batley
1244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar.
1310—Harrow, King's Head, Harrow.
1322—Waverley, Caledonia Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne.
1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham.
1343—St. John's Lodge, King's Arms, Gra's, Essex
1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction)
1619—Sackville, Crown Hotel, East Grinstead
1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon.
1970—Hadrian, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields

R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
R.A. 681—Scarsdale, Masonic Hall, Chesterfield
R.A. 784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
R.A. 938—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New Street Birmingham
R.A. 1138—Devon, Masonic Hall, Devon Square, Newton Abbey
M.M. 115—Bedford, Masonic Hall, New street, Birmingham

WEDNESDAY, 7th MAY.

Special Meeting of Grand Lodge, at Peterborough, at 11 a.m.

Grand Chapter, Freemasons' Hall, at 8
3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 8. (Instruction)
15—Kent, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 7.30. (Instruction)
30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
73—Mount Lebanon, Windsor Castle, Southwark Bridge Road, at 8. (Inst)
186—Industry, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead, at 7. (Instruction)
193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)
228—United Strength, Prince Al red, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8. (In)
538—La To'erance, 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)
902—Burgoyne, Victoria Hotel, Farringdon Road, at 7. (Instruction)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, E., at 8. (Inst.)
1298—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8. (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)
1585—Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds Hotel, Up. Richmond-rd. S.W.
1604—Wanderers, Adam and Eve Tavern, Palmer St., Westminster, at 7.30. (In)
1662—Benconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30. (Inst.)
1681—Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Instru)
1707—Eleanor, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
1791—Creton, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate. (Inst.)
1827—Alliance, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
1922—Earl of Latham, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, S.E., at 8. (In.)

R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8. (Instruction)
R.A. 778—Bard of Avon, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond
M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 8. (Instruction)

74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
80—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancashire
125—Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, Hythe, Kent
128—Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bolton-street, Bury, Lancashire
258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
298—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale
326—Moir, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol
327—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-street. Morley, near Leeds
387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
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
580—Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
606—Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon
611—Marches, Masonic Hall, Ludlow
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678—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth, near Bolton.
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1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
1107—Cornwallis, Lullingstone Castle Hotel, Swanley
1147—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-street, Alnwick
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1218—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mossley, near Manchester
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1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashire
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Inst.)

- 1383—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester
 1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
 1611—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
 1649—Abercorn, Abercorn Hotel, Great Stanmore.
 1820—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool
 1845—Colne Valley, Levensham Hotel, Slaithwaite
 1892—Hervey, George Hotel, Hayc
 1842—St. Leonards, Concert Rooms, St. Leonard's-on-Sea
 1903—Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar, Masonic Hall, Portsmouth
 R.A. 128—Nativity, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
 R.A. 200—Old Globe, Lonsborough Rooms, Scarborough
 R.A. 221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton
 R.A. 301—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George Street, Leeds
 R.A. 49—Stortford, Chequers Inn, Bishop's Stortford
 M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Barrow-in-Furness

THURSDAY, 8th MAY.

- 10—Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 19—Royal Aristocrat, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 87—Viruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
 147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)
 206—Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
 238—Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 263—Bank of England, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
 436—Seisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8 (Inst.)
 704—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305 High Holborn, at 7 (Instruction)
 754—High Cross Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
 879—Southwark, Southwark Park Tavern
 901—City of London, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, at 6.30. (Instruction)
 1076—Capper, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, St. Martin's Lane, W.C., at 8 (Inst.)
 1185—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7 (Instruction)
 1216—Macdonald, Her 1 Quarters 'st Surrey Rifles, Cambridge well
 1227—Upton, Swan, Bethnal Green-road, near Shoreditch, at 8 (Instruction)
 1330—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington-road, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1427—Hyde Park, The Whitebourne, Craven-road, Paddington
 1428—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst.)
 1457—Bagshaw, Princes Hall, Princes-road, Buckhurst Hill
 1553—Duke of Connaught, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In)
 1598—Ley Spring, Red Lion, Leytonstone
 1614—Covent Garden, Cranbourne, 1 Up. St. Martin's Lane, W.C., at 8. (Inst.)
 1622—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)
 1642—Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
 1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)
 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst.)
 1804—Coborn, Vestry Hall, Bow
 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 R.A. 73—Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, London-bridge
 R.A. 763—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8. (In.)
 R.A. 1471—North London, Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 K.T. 117—New Temple, Inner Temple, London

- 35—Medina, 85 High-street, Cowes
 97—Palatine, Masonic Hall, Toward-road, Sunderland.
 116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne
 139—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
 203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool. (Instruction)
 208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
 216—Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool.
 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
 275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
 283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
 333—Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
 337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
 339—Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Cumberland.
 341—Wellington, Cinque Ports Hotel, Rye
 344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
 346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clayton-le-Dale, near Blackburn
 350—Charity, Grapes Inn, Stoneclough, near Manchester
 369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clitheroe
 432—Abbey, Newdegate Arms, Nuneaton
 449—Cecil, Sun Hotel, Hitchin
 458—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
 462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
 469—Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, London Road, Spalding.
 477—Mersey, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead.
 546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Caroline-street, Longton, Stafford.
 636—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
 659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blyth
 732—Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton.
 739—Temperance, Masonic Room, New-street, Birmingham.
 784—Wellington, Public Rooms, Park-street, Deal
 786—Croxteth United Service, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 945—Abbey, Abbey Council Chamber, Abingdon, Berks
 991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland

- 1035—Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool.
 1055—Derby, Knowsley's Hotel, Cheetham, Lancashire
 1098—St. George, Private Room, Temperance Hotel, Tredegar, Mon.
 1125—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon
 1144—Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne
 1145—Equality, Red Lion Hotel, Accrington.
 1147—St. David, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester.
 1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1204—Royal, Imperial Hotel, Malvern, Worcestershire.
 1273—St. Michael, Free Church School-rooms, Sittingbourne
 1369—Bala, Plasgoch Hotel, Bala
 1416—Falcon, Masonic Hall, Castle Yard, Thirsk
 1429—Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Newport, Mon
 1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1583—Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn
 1587—St. Giles, Royal Oak Hotel, Cheadle
 1697—Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot, near Manchester
 1782—Machen, Swan Hotel, Colleshill
 1892—Wallington, King's Arms Hotel, Carshalton. (Instruction)
 1911—De La Pré, Masonic Hall, Northampton
 1915—Graystone, Forester's Hall, Whitstable
 R.A. 51—Patriotic, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester
 R.A. 220—Harmony, Wellington Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
 R.A. 254—Trinity, Castle Inn, Coventry
 R.A. 464—Hwlford, Masonic Hall, Haverfordwest
 R.A. 613—Bridson, Masonic Hall, Southport
 R.A. 723—Panmure, Masonic Hall, Barrack Road, Aldershot
 R.A. 818—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Lion Street, Abergavenny
 R.A. 889—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames
 R.A. 1235—Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton
 M.M. 21—Howe, George Hotel, Melton Mowbray
 K.T. 21—Salamanca, Masonic Hall, Halifax

FRIDAY, 9th MAY.

- Moveable Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, Assembly Rooms, Blake Street, York, 3 p.m.
 Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
 25—Robert Burns, The North Pole, 115 Oxford-street, W., at 8 (Instruc.
 33—Britannic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

- 134—Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
 144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 157—Bedford, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruc.)
 768—William Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George St., Baker St., at 8. (In)
 780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge. (Instruction)
 834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith (Instruction)
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1058—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)
 1153—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)
 1642—E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
 1789—Ubique, Guardsman Army Coffee Tavern, Buckingham Palace-road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)
 R.A.—Panmure C. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell
 R.A. 6—Friendship, Willis's Rooms, King Street, St. James's
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich. (Inst.)
 R.A. 95—Eastern Star Chapter of Improvement, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St.
 R.A. 569—Fitzroy, Headquarters Hon. Artillery Company, City Road, E.C.
 M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)
 M.M. 198—Croydon, 105 High Street, Croydon
 K.T. 26—Faith and Fidelity, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
 36—Glamorgan, Freemasons' Hall, Arcade, St. Mary's-street, Cardiff.
 431—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
 453—Chigwell, Loughton Tavern, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30 (Inst)
 458—Aire and Calder, Private Rooms, Ouse-street, Goolse.
 460—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
 526—Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton
 653—Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
 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
 1034—Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
 1087—Beaudesert, Assembly Rooms, Corn Exchange, Leighton Buzzard
 1102—Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Eastthorpe, Mirfield
 1121—Wear Valley, Masonic Hall, Bishop Auckland
 1289—Rock, Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7
 R.A. 81—Royal York, Private Rooms, Doric Place, Woodbridge
 R.A. 993—Alexandra, Medway Hotel, Levenshulme
 K.T.—Hoje, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield

SATURDAY, 10th MAY.

- 173—Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 176—Caveac, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1328—Granite, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1624—Eccleston, King's Head, Ebury Bridge, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)
 1635—Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone
 1686—Paxton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1923—Gallery, Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
 R.A. 1185—Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green
 M.M. 234—Brixton, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
 149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham
 308—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood
 1929—Mozart, Harewood House, High Street, Croydon
 R.A. 1293—Burdett, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
 R.A. 1423—Era, The Albany, Twickenham

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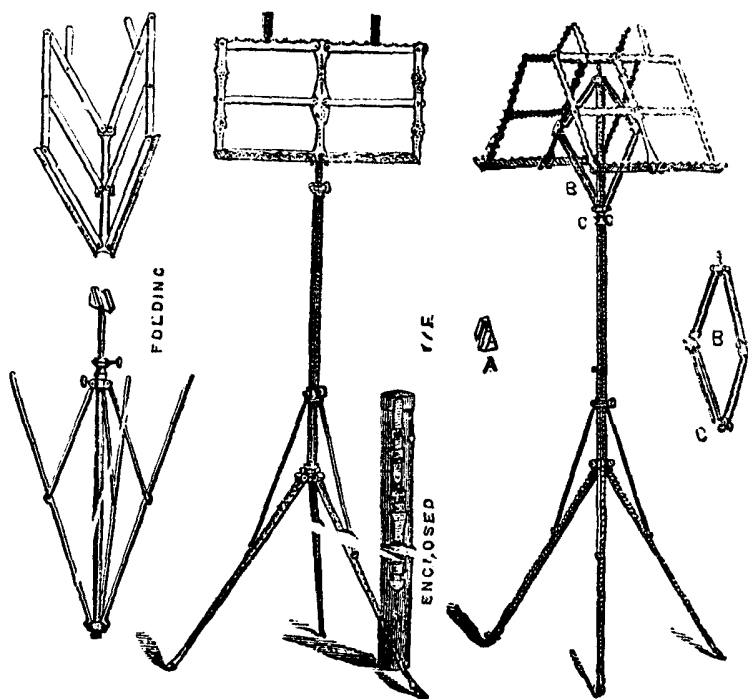
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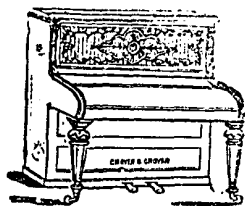
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