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## ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

IT is with infinite pleasure we approach the task of chronicling the event of the week in regard to this the oldest of the three Institutions so closely connected with the Mason Craft—the Festival in aid of the Funds of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. The Ninety-sixth Anniversary Festival was held on Wednesday, and the result must be intensely gratifying to the executive of this popular Institution. The Festival itself was preceded, as usual, by the annual visit of the Stewards to the Schools, which took place on Monday, when the Baroness Burdett-Coutts most graciously undertook the duty of presenting the Prizes to the Pupils who had more especially distinguished themselves during the past year. Her Ladyship was accompanied by Lady Tenterden, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Spencer Chapman, Colonel Sir Francis Burdett, and Bro. Burdett-Coutts, the last named being this year the Treasurer of the Board of Stewards. Her Ladyship was received by Bro. Colonel Creaton Past Grand Treasurer, Bro. Frank Richardson P.G.D., and other members of the Committee, and inspected the establishment, expressing herself much gratified with the general arrangements. The company assembled in the Large Hall, where the accommodation provided was taxed to its fullest extent; indeed, many were unable to find room to witness the proceedings and enjoy the entertainment.

We append the official programme:—

### Part I.

Hymn—(to be sung by all present) "Old Hundredth."  
 Trios—"Marche des Ruines d'Athènes"—Beethoven—36 hands.  
 Trios—"Der Freischütz"—Weber—36 hands.—Grace Bartrum, Emily Cecil, Ellen Dalafons, Minnie Gough, Gertrude Hare, Julia Harvey, Kate Hebblethwaite, Louisa Johnson, Mabel Lewis, Florence Mason, Mabel Osmond, Annie Parker, Alice Pope, Florence Popkiss, Amy Rogers, Agnes Stephenson, Inga Wilkinson, Adelaide White.  
 Recitation—"Wedding among the Flowers"—1st Part—Ann Taylor—Ellen Ashton.  
 Duets—"Scherzetto"—Maude Valérie White—24 hands.  
 Duets—"Gavotte Stéphanie"—A. Czibalka—24 hands.—Ethel Allison, Grace Bartrum, Emily Cecil, Ellen Dalafons, Minnie Gough, Minnie Howle, Cecily Jardine, Mildred Okell, Alice Pope, Agnes Stephenson, Susanna Tippler.  
 Recitation—"Wedding among the Flowers" 2nd Part—Ann Taylor—Ellen Ashton.

### Prizes to the Highest Pupils—

Susannah Mary Norrish, the Gold Medal for Proficiency, given annually by Brother William Paas, with £5 given annually by Bro. William Winn. Clara Kingcombe, the Silver Medal for Good Conduct, given annually by the Institution, with £5 given annually by Brother William Winn. Mary Anne Johnson, for Proficiency in Music (Royal Academy Examination), £5 given annually by Brother William Winn.

### Prizes given by the Institution:—

For Passing Cambridge Examination in 2nd Class Honours—Susanna Mary Norrish.  
 For Passing Cambridge Examination in 3rd Class Honours—Mona B. Hennet, Clara Kingcombe, Julia Harvey, Edith M. Potts, Eleanor Spurgin, Gertrude Mey, Kate Parker, Kathleen Collins.  
 For Passing Cambridge Examination—Minnie S. Ansell, Katherine A. Peele, Ada B. Tanare, Mary Anne Johnson, Edith Hicks, Alice W. Cecil.

### Part II.

Part Song—"Make the Car of a Golden King-cup"—Sir Michael Costa.  
 Recitation—"La mort de Jeanne d'Arc"—Delavigne—Fanny Oberdoerffer.  
 Toy Symphony—Haydn—18 performers. Ethel Allison, Rose

Bridgeman, Ruth Byers, Maude Carter, Emily Cecil, Ellen Dalafons, Minnie Gough, Kate Hebblethwaite, Edith Hicks, Charlotte Macmillan, Gertrude Mey, Mabel Osmond, Eleanor Peele, Alice Pope, Florence Popkiss, Nina Prideaux, Agnes Stephenson, Mary Wyatt.  
 Recitation—"Curfew shall not toll to-night"—Alice W. Cecil.  
 Quartette—"Dichter und Bauer"—F. Von Suppé—24 hands.—Effie Bellamy, Rose Bridgeman, Lucy Busher, Maud Carter, Alice Cecil, Agnes Deeley, Mary Ann Johnson, Gertrude Mey, Rosina Symon, Ada Tanare, Mabel Ward, Mary Wyatt.

Class II.—Mary A. Wyatt, Proficiency.  
 Class III.—Catherine F. Hide, Proficiency.  
 Class IV.—Susanna H. M. Tippler, Proficiency.  
 Class V.—Ada M. Watson, Proficiency.  
 Class VI.—Florence James, Proficiency.  
 Class VII.—Maude Hill, Proficiency; Needlework, Edith M. Potts, Laura S. Spurr, Evalina Mary Hill, Minnie C. Goddin, Florance E. Wilton; Machine Work, Amelia J. Hocking, Frances A. Swain; General Usefulness, Marion Whyatt, Mary Rugg; Order and Attention (as proved by Conduct Marks throughout the year), Annie Elizabeth Hill, Rosa Pauline Pelham.

### Part III.

Part Song—"Tell me where is fancy bred"—J. G. Calcott.  
 Lecture Française—de "John Bull et son île"—Max O'Rell—Susanna M. Norrish.  
 Recitation—"Henry IV. and Prince Henry"—Shakespeare—Ada B. Tanare, Alice W. Cecil.  
 Pianoforte Solo—"Scherzo, Trio and Allegro Op. 2, No. 3"—Beethoven—Mary Anne Johnson.  
 Recitation—"Clapham Junction" (a parody)—Ada B. Tanare.  
 Symphonie—"No. 1, in C major"—Haydn—24 hands.—Kathleen Collings, Maude Cowley, Mona Hennet, Edith Hicks, Mary Ann Johnson, Geraldine Keighley, Clara Kingcombe, Gertrude Mey, Eleanor Peele, Mabel Ward, Ellen Wand, Clarissa Wright.

### Prizes given by Friends of the Institution:—

By Bro. C. E. Atkinson, for Religious Knowledge:—Clara Kingcombe, Eleanor Spurgin.  
 By Bro. Robert Grey, for Theory of Music (as distinguished at the Cambridge Examination):—Susanna Mary Norrish, Julia Harvey.  
 The "Wentworth Little" Memorial Prize, for Music (2nd Prizes):—Mabel Ward, Clarissa Wright, Eleanor Peele.  
 By Bro. and Mrs. Louis Hirsch, for Music (3rd Prizes):—Ethel Allison, Emily Cecil.  
 The "John Boyd" Memorial Prize, for Drawing:—Katherine Peele, Ellen Wand, Rosamond Laybourne, Alice Pope.  
 By Bro. P. H. E. Brette, D.D., for French:—Fanny Oberdoerffer.  
 By Mrs. Crick, for Elocution:—Ada Tanare, Alice Cecil, Ellen Ashton.  
 The Supreme Grand Council of the 33rd Degree, for Good Conduct (1st Prize):—Maude Cowley.  
 By Bro. Frank Richardson, for Good Conduct (2nd Prizes):—Gertrude Mey, Mona Hennet.  
 By Mrs. Edgar Bowyer, for Needlework (1st Prize):—Amy Laura Kirke.  
 By Bro. Joshua Nunn, for Fancy Work:—Bessie Reed, Minnie Howle.  
 The "Yates" Memorial Prize (per St. James's Lodge, No. 482), for Domestic Duties (Cookery):—Maude Cowley.  
 By Bro. H. Matthews, for Cookery (2nd Prize):—Mary Anne Johnson.  
 By Bro. John Faulkner, for Cookery (3rd Prize):—Adelaide Brunskill.  
 By Bro. Robert Grey, for Calisthenics and Deportment:—Ellen Wand, Eveline Pelham.  
 By Bro. John Faulkner, for Amiability (Selected by her School-fellows):—Annie Edith Corney.

We do not feel called upon critically to comment on this performance in its entirety; but a few words from us may not be out of place. The musical selections throughout were eminently successful; the pupils undoubtedly work well together, and the most unqualified praise is due to the ladies to whom the musical instruction of the children in the Institution is entrusted. We were greatly pleased with the Recitation—"Wedding among the Flowers" (in two parts) by Ellen Ashton, who went through this popular work with a care and precision that denoted most careful

study. Fanny Oberdoerffer was very successful, and delivered with excellent accent Delavigne's "La Mort de Jeanne d'Arc." "Curfew shall not toll to-night," was effectively rendered by Alice W. Cecil; while the selection from Shakspeare's Henry IV., Second Part, was in good hands when entrusted to Ada R. Tanare and Alice W. Cecil. Should we, however, have another opportunity of hearing these young ladies in this same selection, we would recommend they transpose parts. The deep intonation of the fair representative of the youthful prince would be more suited to the character of the King. We say this in no spirit of invidious comparison, but merely throw it out as a suggestion. Both did well, and each was deservedly applauded. At the conclusion of the Entertainment the Baroness Burdett-Coutts delivered the following address:—

A request has been made to me to say a few words on the present occasion. It is a request with which I feel bound to comply, and which in one sense is a simple pleasure, inasmuch as it enables me to testify the gratification of myself, and the friends who have accompanied me, at all we have seen and heard in this Institution. But the day is wearing on, and I feel I ought to be brief. It is very difficult to compress into a few words all I should like to say, together with the thoughts passing through my mind even as I speak. Yet one point is paramount, and that is congratulation; and I will therefore first offer those congratulations to myself, on being present to-day. It was with pleasure I accepted the proposal kindly conveyed to me to distribute your prizes, but it is with enhanced pleasure that I now thank the managers of this School for the privilege of taking part in its annual examination. It is always a delight to be associated in the remembrance of the young with those bright days which, like that of to-day, will become to them cherished memories; but besides this, it is a gratification to me to be connected in ever so slight a degree with those who, as managers and teachers, carry on the work of this great School—a work of education wisely conceived and brilliantly carried out—in every detail perfect; but this, while it is a source of satisfaction, is scarcely a subject for surprise in the work of a Masonic School. I would, secondly, warmly congratulate the scholars on their success, both individually and collectively; and above and beyond this, on their position as scholars and children of this Institution. Tenderly yet judiciously trained for their own welfare in life, they are also trained for the welfare of others, in whatever station of life they may hereafter occupy, possibly to remain as teachers (just as I understand is the case now) under the roof which sheltered them; or, as carrying about the seed of good sound work to whiten the harvest of humanity. They will never forget that to them, through their education, is entrusted the power to implant on the minds and hearts of those with whom in after life they may become connected, those precepts and those habits which, inculcating virtue, renders life under every variety of condition noble, useful and therefore happy. And now, thirdly, I have my heartfelt congratulations to offer to all those engaged in the direction and guidance of this School—to its managers, and to its teachers in every department—not only my own personal congratulations, but as all are more or less concerned in the question of educational work, and deeply interested and anxiously observant of its action upon national character—I venture to congratulate you on behalf of an outside public, for I may fairly claim to be its representative to-day—being myself only linked to your body through your courtesy for a few moments. We therefore congratulate and thank you for the blessings you are conferring on the country through the girls you are here training. They inherit no ignoble heritage, and you are preparing them to carry on in the future the noble line of English women of whom the country has so much reason to be proud, for though we have inherited a great deal from our forefathers—men useful and good—whose great names are handed down to us from generation to generation; men who carried out, wherever they went, the fervent desire to make this country honoured and respected; but side by side with these throughout our English history have been its women. If we feel pride in our forefathers, if they have been true and good, so have our foremothers (if I may thus coin the term). They have given to us, they have trained the sons, the husbands of the past, and their grandmothers were those who with their grandfathers watched over the honour of the nation in its domestic life. From generation to generation the women of England have carried out in the fullest manner all that gives dignity and comfort to life. The names of many are household words, and will never be forgotten. Lady Jane Grey, Rachael Lady Russell, Mrs. Fry, the devoted wife who effected her husband's escape from prison under the eyes of his jailors, and many more will doubtless suggest themselves, as I speak, and be remembered as types of our mothers and grandmothers; but in the past as in our present the names of quiet heroines remain unknown till that day when the name of each will be written on the "White Stone" of Scripture. Then, as now, and as—let us fervently hope they will do in the future—these earnest, quiet heroines carried to their graves the great work of life, and left a precious inheritance to their children, the example of a pure, honest, truthful, loving nature. If the Higher Education which is at present rather the cantword for female education gives to those who come after us women equal to those of the past it will do all any one can wish to see effected. In reference to the discussion upon education, which constantly presses itself on public attention, much difference of opinion must exist, and to all really thoughtful it must cause anxiety; but there seems to be one unquestionable duty for all; some may approve, some may disapprove the tendencies of modern education, but every one should strive, as is done in this Institution, to direct it beneficially, collecting (as the bee does from even poisonous flowers) all that is useful for the needs of the present,

cultivating the disposition as well as the intellect, and preserving to our girlhood and womanhood,

"A heart within whose sacred cell  
The peaceful virtues love to dwell,  
Affection warm, and faith sincere,  
And soft humanity were there."

A cordial vote of thanks to her Ladyship was proposed by Bro. Col. Creton. The company then partook of refreshments; the usual calisthenic exercises were most successfully carried out, and the evening was brought to a conclusion after the disciples of Terpsichore had disported themselves to the honour of that festive goddess.

We will now refer to the proceedings of Wednesday, and at the outset tender our hearty congratulations to the Chairman of the day, the Right Honourable the Lord Brooke, M.P.; to the brethren of his Province, and indeed to the Craft at large, on the very satisfactory result of their exertions. Amongst those who supported his Lordship were:—Bros. R. J. Fennimore D.G.M. Natal, Rev. R. J. Simpson P.G. Chaplain, Horace Brooks Marshall Grand Treasurer, Colonel J. Creton Past Grand Treas., F. A. Philbrick Grand Registrar, D.G.M. Essex, President of the Board of Stewards, Col. Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary, E. Letchworth G.D., Dr. Jabez Hogg, J. A. Rucker, Robert Grey, Peter de Lande Long, Frank Richardson Past Grand Deacons, Griffiths Smith G.A.D.C., John Messent P.G.S.B., Col. Peters P.G.S.B., Jas. H. Matthews G. Std. Br., Edgar Bowyer P.G. Std. Br., W. Burdett-Coutts W.M. 2030 Treasurer Board of Stewards, C. Hamerton Chairman Board of Stewards, T. J. Ralling Prov. G. Sec. Essex, Alderman Savory, Herbert Dicketts, J. Faulkner, Fredk. Binckes Secretary R.M.I. Boys, Jas. Terry Sec. R.M. Benevolent Institution, F. R. W. Hedges Sec. Girls' School, Rev. Dr. Morris LL.D., Henry Smith Prov. G. Sec. West Yorkshire, A. Lucking, Richard Clowes W.M. 650, Provincial G.S.W. Essex, R. Vassar Vassar-Smith P.G.J.W. Gloucestershire, Henry C. Caseley 114 P.P.G.W. Suffolk, Rev. F. B. Sheppard P.M. 1543 P.P.G.W. Essex, W. H. B. Tomlinson, J.P., P.M. 154 P.P.G.W. W. Yorks, Rev. J. Marsden P.P.G. Chap. S. Wales (W. Div.), D. P. Cama P.P.G.S.B. Middlesex, A. McDowall I.P.M. 1962 P.P.G.D.C. Berks and Bucks, Clement Tudway P.M. 592 P.P.G.D.C. Gloucestershire, W. F. Smithson P.M. 1001 P.P.G.D.C. West Yorkshire, Robert Berridge, F.R.G.S., P.G. Steward, James R. Cassell P.M. 46 P.G. Steward, W. Cunningham Glen 197 P.G. Steward, F. Sumner Knyvett P.M. 1494 P.G. Steward, John Mason P.P.G.D. Middlesex, E. C. Mather, E. G. Harwood Mayor of Bolton, Samuel Bland High Sheriff of Gloucester, &c.

The banquet was capitally served by Messrs. Spiers and Pond, lessees of the Freemasons' Tavern, under the superintendence of Bro. Edward Dawkins, and hearty congratulations were offered to the several Stewards through whose exertions so satisfactory a result had been achieved.

Lord Brooke, in proposing the health of Her Majesty the Queen, the Most Gracious Patroness of the Institution, said it was useless for him to dilate on the toast. In no place had Her Majesty a more affectionate reception than in the hearts of Freemasons. The Queen had made herself beloved during a long and prosperous reign by those personal qualities, both private and public, which should endear her to the nation. When they had to regret the loss of one of the best beloved of their Order (the Duke of Albany) the heart of every Freemason in the country went forth in the deepest sympathy with Her Majesty the Queen. In speaking to the toast of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and the other Members of the Royal Family, the Chairman alluded to His Royal Highness's admirable discharge of his Masonic duties. With the rest of the Masonic body, he had sustained a great loss in the death of the late lamented Duke of Albany. It was naturally a painful subject to allude to, and particularly so to himself (Lord Brooke), for his earliest recollections of Freemasonry were connected with the Duke of Albany, in whose presence he had the honour of being initiated, in an Oxford Lodge. He also had the honour of being installed as Provincial Grand Master of Essex by His Royal Highness. It was a great pleasure to the Duke of Albany to go down amongst the brethren of Essex, and he (Lord Brooke) had been requested on many occasions to assure the brethren of that Province of Prince Leopold's great pleasure at the cordial reception extended to him by them. With regard to the Princess of Wales, she had made herself beloved throughout the kingdom by her charming manner and every attribute which became a high-born lady. From the moment she set her foot on English ground she found a warm corner in the heart of every Freemason. Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson, Past Grand Chaplain, in replying for the Earl of Carnarvon, the Earl of Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past, said if any of the brethren

present had had the privilege and pleasure that he had, at Peterborough, of seeing Lord Carnarvon perform the ceremony on behalf of the Prince of Wales, he was sure they would say his Lordship was an ornament to Freemasonry. There was a scene, however, far superior, at the meeting at the Girls' School on Monday last, when they saw the results of Freemasonry in the glorious and beautiful assemblage of children, and heard from the lips of the Baroness Burdett-Coutts words of such eloquence and wisdom as he ventured to say had seldom been heard in any Masonic assembly. Bro. Fennimore, District Grand Master of Natal, in proposing the health of the Chairman said, although he had been but a short time in England, he had seen sufficient to know that this toast was well worthy of the brethren's favourable reception. From what his Lordship had said, he could see that a melancholy interest attached to his installation as Prov. Grand Master for Essex. The death of His Royal Highness the late Duke of Albany was deeply deplored by all, and one of the last injunctions impressed upon him, before leaving Natal, was to convey the heartiest expressions of the regret and sympathy of the Natal Masons to the brethren here. He wished to say how much he appreciated the kind sympathy he had received from the brethren, and how pleased he was to see so distinguished a gathering that evening. He would like to say many other things, but time was short, and while thanking them very much for their reception, he would propose the health of the Chairman, Lord Brooke. The Chairman, after expressing thanks for the cordial reception given him, thanked the brethren of Essex and his Deputy, Bro. Philbrick, for the manner in which they had supported him. This was only one of the many acts of kind feeling and friendship which they were always ready to shew him. He felt the result of the evening would be a grand pecuniary success, and it would be greatly due to the efforts of the brethren of his Province. The Chairman next proposed the toast of the evening, Success to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. This was the object uppermost in the minds of the brethren. They had, he trusted, in various ways been striving to do to the best of their ability all they could to promote the success of the Institution of which he was speaking. It had usually been the custom for those who were about to take the chair to attend the meeting previously held for the purpose of giving away the prizes to the girls; but another engagement prevented him doing so. The thanks of the brethren were, however, due to the excellent lady the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who on Monday went to Battersea Rise and distributed the prizes to the girls who had won them. It was only one of the acts of kindness which that eminent lady had performed during her exceedingly able career, a career which had been of so much benefit, not only to the City of London, but to the whole country. If he might be allowed, without troubling the brethren too much, he would read an extract from a letter which the Baroness had written to Bro. Hedges, the Secretary, in which she said: "I am glad to have again an opportunity of thanking the Committee for the personal pleasure of Monday, which will not be effaced readily from my memory. I saw the signs of a very important and useful national work which you are carrying out at the Masonic Girls' School." These sentiments of the Baroness, so admirably expressed, he was sure were shared in by every one present. They had most of them probably attended there on a similar occasion, and he would not detain them at great length in describing the various merits of the Institution; but he would like, first of all, to recall their memory to the fact that the Institution was founded in 1788, and that during the course of the School since its establishment 1350 girls had been educated, maintained, and clothed within it, from the age of 8 to the age of 16. They received a sound English education, and were most worthily and excellently prepared for the various duties which might fall to their lot in future life. Although he thought it was right they should be brought up to the refinements of education, still, for the position of those girls who attended the School, he thought it necessary they should be fitted so far as possible for the life which was before them. If they would allow him to say so, he thought there was further testimony to the excellence of the School in the fact that 15 girls went up to the University examination and all passed successfully, nine with honours. There was also another important fact that the teachers of the School were every one of them, with the exception of the head mistress, girls who had been educated in the Institution. It appeared to him to be a most excellent practice, because having been there a great portion of their lives they must know, naturally better than any other person, what the requirements of the Institution were, and would be able to impress on those who went there the great advantages which they themselves had obtained. Most heartily he wished prosperity to the School, a prosperity which he thought was assured from the fact that at this moment there were 239 girls enjoying the benefits of the Institution. He was aware that the cause of the Institution had been advocated by many much more able men than he. The brethren had seen in that chair illustrious men; men who had made their mark in the country, as well as members of the Royal Family. He therefore felt that it was an honour to preside, and he could only trust most heartily that this occasion might be one of pecuniary success to the School, and that when the Secretary announced the figures they might be proud of what had been done. He thought the brethren would like to know that the next Festival of the Boys' School would be presided over by the Lord Mayor, a most popular Mason, who, notwithstanding his many engagements, had been able to find time to take the chair at the School Festival, which was fixed for the 28th June. For himself he wished the Boys' Institution every success on that occasion. He pointed to this to show what Freemasonry could do. When they were asked by the uninitiated what was the use of Freemasonry, he thought they might point to the manner in which its great Institutions had been so admirably sustained for many years. Col. Creaton, Past Grand Treasurer, and Treasurer of the Institution, responded, and thanked Lord Brooke for taking the chair that evening. Bro. Hedges, the Secretary, then read the list of subscriptions, which we give elsewhere. The Chairman next pro-

posed the Sister Institutions, and said he could not but thank the Stewards, and, first of all, those of his own Province—which was not a rich one—for the very kind, hearty, and cordial manner in which they had worked to support him that day. It must be gratifying to the Stewards who put their shoulders to the wheel to bring up £13,000. Every one knew the times were bad; but he sincerely trusted they would be better for every one. It was a fine thing to feel that the great Charitable Institutions, even if there was distress or not in the country, were most thoroughly supported. He felt sure these efforts of benevolence would have their reward in renewed prosperity. Brother Binckes replied, and strongly appealed for support on the occasion of his Festival. There were several other toasts honoured, and then the brethren joined the ladies in the Temple, where an excellent concert was given, under the direction of Madame Mathilde Zimeri, the artistes being Miss Marian McKenzie, Mr. Hirwen Jones, Brother Gilbert Campbell, Mr. Charles Oberthur (Harp), Miss Maria Norton (Pianoforte), with Bro. Wilhelm Ganz P.G.O. at the pianoforte. Bro. James Hayho was the Toastmaster of the evening.

## REVIEWS.

All Books intended for Review should be addressed to the Editor of The Freemason's Chronicle, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville, London, N.

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*Official Directory for the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cornwall.* Thirteenth year of publication. Edited by William James Hughan, Past Senior Grand Deacon of England, P. Prov. G. Secretary of Cornwall, &c., &c. With an Appendix, containing Annals of the Cornish Craft by the Editor. Royal Cornwall Gazette, Truro, 1884.

*The Freemasons' Calendar and Directory for the Province of Oxfordshire and Neighbourhood, 1884-5.* Edited and published by Bro. W. R. Bowden, P.P.G. Org. Oxon, &c., P.P.G. Org. Mark Master Masons Berks and Oxon.

THESE are welcome additions to our collection of Provincial G. Lodge Calendars, and as both are old friends we need not devote too much space to a repetition of our praises, the merits which have evoked these praises in respect of former years being quite as conspicuous as ever. That of Cornwall, which is the elder, and consequently the better-known of the two, is by the veteran Hughan, who has furnished a most useful and interesting sketch in the form of a chronology of Freemasonry, what he calls "Annals of the Cornish Craft." In these Annals our worthy brother has noted the leading events connected with the Lodges, Chapters, and brethren of the Province. There is also a list of the Provincial G. Officers still living, and much valued information respecting the great central Charities and other matters of general or local importance. The Oxfordshire Calendar has been most carefully compiled by Bro. Bowden on the same lines as in previous years, and is as remarkable for the quantity of information vouchsafed as for the admirable method with which it has been arranged, and the accuracy of the details. Every one seeing Bro. Bowden's Calendar will be reminded of the great loss sustained by the death of H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, whose name figures in these pages as chief of the Province, the publication having been issued when the illustrious Prince was still among us. We congratulate both brothers on the quality and appearance of their respective Calendars.

*Early History of St. John's Lodge, F. and A.M., Philadelphia, 1731 to 1738, the earliest Lodge in America.* By Clifford P. MacCalla.

THE contents of this little work have already been published in the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, and it is only necessary we should congratulate Bro. MacCalla on this further evidence of the remarkable success which has attended his efforts to unravel the history of the Craft in the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, but especially in its capital, the City of Brotherly Love. Few Masons have laboured as devotedly as Bro. MacCalla and, what must be still more gratifying to him personally, it has been the lot of few to have had their labours crowned with so signal a degree of success.

*Le Monde Masonnique.* April 1884.

THIS is an exceptionally good number, containing, as it does, in addition to the concluding portion of the article entitled "La Morale," a long and interesting letter from Corfu, the usual sketch of Masonry for the previous month, and other contributions of merit.

*The Knepl.* May 1884.

THE important feature of this number is the first portion of Chapter I. of "Records and Documents relating to Freemasonry as a Speculative Society," by Bro. John Yarker, the subject dealt with being the "Ancient Craft Constitutions."

## Obituary

It is with deep regret we have to announce the death of Bro. I. Benjamin I.P.M. Joppa Lodge, No. 188. Bro. Benjamin was cut off in the prime of life, after a short illness of less than a week. He was highly respected, and will be deeply regretted by his sorrowing family, and the members of the Joppa Lodge. The funeral took place at the West Ham Cemetery, on Monday last.

The following represents the respective amounts collected by the several Stewards, as announced at the Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, on Wednesday last.

LONDON.			Lodge			DEVONSHIRE.							
	£	s	d		£	s	d	Chapter	£	s	d		
Lodge				1679	H John	40	3	0	112	H W Madeley	38	17	0
Grand Stewards Br. R P Spice	15	15	0	1681	William Honeyball	78	15	0	Lodge				
1 Br. A P Yonle	14	14	0	1704	W H Crosier	44	2	0	164	Rev R T Thornton	15	15	0
2 G A Ames	67	6	0	1716	W J Rundell	48	6	0	1402	G J Pepprell	10	10	0
Chapter				1724	P F Walker	23	2	0					
2 Comp. E Letchworth	47	15	0	1768	F R Spanll (see also North Wales & Salop)	8	8	0					
Lodge				1790	H M Hobbs	221	0	6					
4 Br. H P Hughes jun.	15	15	0	1804	G A Haynes	17	17	0					
5 E J Paine	52	10	0	1820	Rev. R F Hosken	39	18	0	82	Fredk Ticehurst	5	5	0
6 Lord Cremorne	21	0	0	1827	T D Sowell	10	10	0	Chapter				
7 A Hill (see also Lodge 21)	7	7	0	1839	A Stokes	18	2	0	82	W R Porcher	34	13	0
8 S G Glanville	17	17	0	1900	F R W Hedges	94	10	0	Lodge				
10 Rev. S Maude	33	12	0	1900	G P Festa	94	10	0	246	T E Gandy	36	15	0
11 A J Probyn	23	12	6	1924	Wilmer Hollingsworth	115	0	0	246	John Balcombe	10	10	0
14 W B Liddiard	26	5	0	1962	A McDowall	264	12	0	493	Alfred Woodward	78	15	0
18 R C Sudlow (see also Lodge 263)	68	5	0	1964	William Bellingham	109	4	0	493	Samuel Bland			
21 A Hill (see also Lodge 7)	44	2	0	1974	H S Andrews	17	17	0	493	H Hunt	89	5	0
25 A W Stead	36	15	0	1986	Col. Marmaduke Ramsay	84	0	0	592	C Tudway	14	14	0
26 E Milner	39	18	0	2012	George Gardner	69	15	0	702	H S Stephens	48	6	0
28 E M Money	45	3	0	2030	W Bardett-Coatts	157	5	0	761	H John Small	36	15	0
29 J H Bott	15	9	6	2032	B E Blasby	62	6	0	839	John Weston	47	5	0
33 E B Saunders	56	14	0		Rose Croix Chapter, No. 10				1005	W T Byett	15	15	0
46 J R Cassel	80	17	0		Comp. W G Lemon	31	10	0	1005	R V Vassar-Smith			
91 T A Logan	28	7	0										
95 Howard Ruff	32	11	0										
99 Chester Cheston	85	1	0										
140 C E Spark	32	8	0										
143 Rev. J Hawes	79	5	6										
162 W Holmes													
172 H R Cope	21	0	0										
173 F D Vine	74	11	0										
177 W M Foxcroft	60	14	0										
185 F Croaker	46	17	0										
186 T E Tallent	10	10	0										
192 H A Pratt													
193 Bedford Lemere	26	5	0										
194 S J Weston	53	18	6										
197 W Cunningham Glen	12	12	0										
198 J C Carr	25	0	0										
211 W Radcliffe	70	8	6										
222 G C Finnis	65	2	0										
Chapter													
255 D P Cama	59	17	0										
Lodge													
259 Robert Grey	131	5	0										
263 R C Sudlow (see also Lodge 18)	11	11	0										
435 J J Brown	28	7	0										
511 George Read	32	11	0										
548 H Carman	137	11	0										
657 F A Warner	19	3	0										
720 J R Garrow	22	10	0										
733 S R Walker	42	0	0										
742 H Cox	45	13	6										
813 L C Haslip	21	0	0										
Chapter													
820 Comp. C Hubbard	113	8	0										
Lodge													
822 Br. J C Partridge													
907 S H P Moore	30	19	6										
975 M Graham	10	10	0										
1150 T H Gardiner	38	17	0										
1155 F Morgan	110	0	0										
1196 E Liebmann	89	5	0										
1257 G T N Farman	71	8	0										
1259 I Charlton	105	0	0										
1298 G Bigley (see also Herts)	55	13	0										
1319 Charles Wellard	24	3	0										
1329 B R Bryant	50	0	0										
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1339 Comp. H E Frances	31	10	0										
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1365 Br. A McMillan	23	0	0										
1381 H M Appleton	41	8	6										
1383 R Stuart Lane	108	3	0										
1397 C W C Webb	44	2	0										
1593 G W Armstrong	63	19	0										
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1604 Comp. G Boulton	172	3	6										
Lodge													
1608 Br. H J Turner	110	5	0										
1613 J Corke	50	0	0										
1614 G Coleman	153	5	0										
1615 Lt.-Col. C Wolsley-Cox	26	5	0										
1622 W Clauson-Thue	31	10	0										
1623 H J Lardner	38	17	0										
1635 J Edmeston	60	0	0										
1642 Samuel Smont	176	8	0										
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1657 Comp. J Derby Allcroft	131	5	0										
Lodge													
1669 Thomas Edmondston	40	0	0										
1671 H Warden	200	11	0										

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				1679	H John	40	3	0	112	H W Madeley	38	17	0
				1681	William Honeyball	78	15	0	Lodge				
				1704	W H Crosier	44	2	0	164	Rev R T Thornton	15	15	0
				1716	W J Rundell	48	6	0	1402	G J Pepprell	10	10	0
				1724	P F Walker	23	2	0					
				1768	F R Spanll (see also North Wales & Salop)	8	8	0					
				1790	H M Hobbs	221	0	6					
				1804	G A Haynes	17	17	0					
				1820	Rev. R F Hosken	39	18	0					
				1827	T D Sowell	10	10	0					
				1839	A Stokes	18	2	0					
				1900	F R W Hedges	94	10	0					
				1900	G P Festa	94	10	0					
				1924	Wilmer Hollingsworth	115	0	0					
				1962	A McDowall	264	12	0					
				1964	William Bellingham	109	4	0					
				1974	H S Andrews	17	17	0					
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					Rose Croix Chapter, No. 10								
					Comp. W G Lemon	31	10	0					

## MISCELLANEOUS.

R Berridge	36	15	0
E Bowyer	52	10	0
Colonel Creaton	21	0	0
W J Cratch	10	10	0
J A Farnfield	21	0	0
R T Fennell	37	16	0
C Hammerton	120	0	0
P de L Long	10	10	0
E C Mather	10	10	0
J H Matthews			
J Mason	53	11	0
T Hastings Miller	10	10	0
Colonel J Peters	10	10	0
Frank Richardson	53	11	0
J A Rucker	10	10	0
Ald. Savory	22	1	



NORTH WALES AND SALOP.			STAFFORDSHIRE.			WARWICKSHIRE.		
Province	F R Spaul (see also London)	59 17 0	Prov. & 526	C W Graham	100 0 0	502	Dr. J H Simpson	48 6 0
1336	J Oswell Bury	10 10 0	Prov. & 1792	J R Lee	80 19 6	739	A W Williamson	42 0 0
OXFORDSHIRE.			SUFFOLK.			WILTSHIRE.		
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1703	Rev. Dr. J Payne	10 10 0	81	W P T Phillips	32 11 0			
1895	W A Simmons	21 0 0	936	N J Beale	84 0 0			
SOMERSETSHIRE.			SURREY.			WORCESTERSHIRE.		
Province	Major A T Perkins	71 8 0	777	C Belton	36 15 0	377	J W Consterdine-Chadwick	105 0 0
			1638	C Edward Oldridge	42 0 0	377	A F Godson	
			1872	J E Bowen		377	G W Grosvenor	
			1872	W R Grove	10 10 0			
SOUTH WALES (East Div.)			SUSSEX.			N. AND E. YORKSHIRE.		
Province	D C Jones	160 0 0	732	Francis Daniel	170 2 0	236	William Lawton	84 0 0
SOUTH WALES (West Div.)			Inviota	Rose Croix—Capt. S B McWhinnie	67 4 0	1010	F W T Thorp	10 15 0
Province	Rev. J Marsden	262 10 0				1611	John T Seller	36 15 0

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## BRO. JOHN PINE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Some of your readers have doubtless seen some of Bro. Pine's handiwork, and all have read about Pine's engraved Lodge lists. But beyond these facts, I believe no writer for a Masonic paper has ever taken the trouble to collect any further information about that personage; Bros. Mackey, Mackenzie, Rob Morris, Oliver, and other noted writers, were too much absorbed with collecting and compiling imaginary histories about Pythagoras, Numa, the Rosicrucians, the Kabbala, the Ancient Mysteries, Knights Templar, and all kinds of sectarian humbuggeries; hence, they never thought to write about Pine and many other Masonic worthies, and even in our standard literature very little could I find about Pine. As, however, a few scraps of information are better than nothing, I will just give a few items that my limited means of research enabled me to find. First:—

"In the Mastership of Dalkeith, a list of all the Lodges was engraved by Bro. John Pine in a very small volume, which is usually reprinted on the commencement of every new Grand Master and dispersed among the brethren." (Anderson's Constitutions 1738). Second:—

"Pine—Engraver of the lists of Lodges from 1723, and of the frontispiece to the Book of Constitutions of 1723, and of the vignette in the edition of 1738." (Kenning's Cyclopædia). And third:—

"It would seem highly probable, that Eman Bowen and John Pine were in some way connected in their business as engravers, the former, it may be, executing the order of the latter. The earliest edition of the engraved lists has no frontispiece, and bears the printer's name in very small letters at the foot of the last page. The list for 1724, however, has a distinct heading, and exhibits Pine's name in fair sized type on the first page." (Gould's "Four Old Lodges").

The above is all the information about Pine I could find in Masonic works. With regard to the 1723 Lodge list, the well-known Bro. Robert Macoy, of New York, in 1878, kindly lent me a copy of the said Lodge List. It was not a book, as described by Anderson, but nine loose cards, engraved on one side only; neither pages nor Lodges were numbered. I knew which was the first page, on account of the picture of the Goose and Gridiron annexed to the first Lodge; but of the remaining eight pages, I could not tell the first from the last. I think in your issue of 31st August 1878, a letter of mine appeared headed, if I recollect rightly, "Two Masonic Geese," with a woodcut of the "Goose and Gridiron" from the said Pine's Lodge list.

I have lately come across an edition of Hogarth, by John Nichols and George Stevens, 1808-10, where I found (vol. I. p 73) that in 1735, William Hogarth and several other artists, among whom was Pine, had petitioned Parliament to protect their works from unscrupulous pirates, and an Act of Parliament was accordingly passed for that purpose; the said act is given in full. It secured the copyright for fourteen years from the day of first publishing any work, to which was added the following proviso:—

"That John Pine, of London, Engraver, who was then about to publish a set of prints copied from several pieces of Tapestry in the House of Lords and his Majesty's Wardrobe, and other drawings relating to the Spanish Invasion in 1588, should have the same benefit of the Act as if he had been the inventor and designer of the said prints."

In the second volume, facing page 302, there is a picture of Pine, engraved from a portrait painted by Hogarth, with the following comments in the text on the above page:—

"Mr. Pine (the celebrated Engraver) in the manner of Rembrandt, Mezzotinto (about the year 1746), by Mr. Ardell, Price 2s. The original was in possession of the late Mr. Runby, the Surgeon."

"There is a second head of Mr. Pine, a Mezzotinto; both his hands

leaning on a cane, printed for George Pulley, at Rembrandt's Head, the corner of Bride Court, Fleet Street.

"I have called this a second head, but know not which of the two was first published. In the first edition of the present work, I had described this plate as an unfinished one; but have since met with it in a perfect state."

There is a plate in the second volume of the said edition of Hogarth called "Gates of Calais." In the centre of this plate, Pine figures in the garb of a fat friar, so I am informed in the index; the face, however, is too small to be recognised. From Bryan's Dictionary of Painters and Engravers I culled the following brief notice:—

"John Pine.—To this gentleman, who was a native of England and a man of letters, we are indebted for several splendid and interesting works, for which he engraved many of the plates. The principal of them are the ceremonies used at the revival of the Order of the Bath by George I. The prints from the tapestry in the House of Lords representing the destruction of the Spanish Invasion, and a superb edition of Horace, the text engraved and illustrated with ancient bas-reliefs and gems. The Pastorals and Georgics of Virgil were published by his son after his death, ornamented in a similar manner with printed type. Mr. Pine also engraved a few portraits, among which are an etching of himself, and a mezzotint bust of Mr. Garrick, taken from a cast. He died in 1756."

There was recently sold at auction in Boston a mezzotint picture of Pine. The engraving was about eight or ten inches long, it was exactly like the engraving in Hogarth, only of larger size. I saw a quarto edition of Bryan's Dictionary of Painters, &c. in four volumes. The portrait of Pine in it is the same size as in Hogarth, but no additional information was given in the text.

And from the "Gentleman's Magazine" of 1756 I copy the following obituary notice of Bro. Pine:—

"May 15th.—Mr. Pine. Bluemantle pursuivant at arms, engraver to the King's signet and stamp office."

That is all I could collect about Bro. Pine. I hope it will stimulate some other brother to do better.

Fraternally yours,

JACOB NORTON.

Boston, U.S., 9th May 1884.

## THE MASONIC CHARITIES.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

SIR,—Referring to report in your issue of 17th, giving result of elections on 16th, of candidates into or upon the funds of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, will you permit me, through same channel of information, to state in common fairness to the two Devon widows elected that day, and their private friends, who from the first have with their votes and influence supported the two cases in question, that Mrs. E. M. Thomas obtained 1500 votes out of her total polled from her own exertions, and therewith elected herself. Mrs. E. Chapple, in a like manner, obtained 1150 votes from her individual efforts outside Devon. Therefore the actual votes polled by Devon for the two widows were very few in number, as may be seen by the total of votes polled, as given in your issue of the 17th inst.

I remain, yours faithfully,

CHAS. GODTSCHALK,

Ex-Representative of Devon at the Masonic Charities, London.

11, Hanley-road, Hornsey Rise,  
London, N., 19th May.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Counsel for the delicate.—Those to whom the changeable temperature is a protracted period of trial should seek the earliest opportunity of removing all obstacles to good health. This cooling Ointment, perseveringly rubbed upon the skin, is the most reliable remedy for overcoming all diseases of the throat and chest. Quinsey, relaxed tonsils, sore throat, swollen glands, ordinary catarrh, and bronchitis, usually prevailing at this season, may be arrested as soon as discovered, and every symptom banished by Holloway's simple and effective treatment. This Ointment and Pills are highly commended for the facility with which they successfully contend with influenza; they allay in an incredibly short time the distressing fever and teasing cough.

## POWERS OF GRAND MASTERS.

MUCH diversity of opinion exists as to the powers and prerogatives of Grand Masters. On the one side are the strict constructionists, who hold that a Grand Master of Masons is the Executive of the Grand Lodge that elects him, and that he is clothed with certain defined powers, to be exercised only within the limits indicated by the constitution of such Grand Body. It is his right and privilege to exercise authority as it is expressly delegated to him, and in conformity to the enactments of the Grand Lodge over which he presides. He fulfils the functions of his office by enforcing the laws and regulations of the Craft, but he may not go one line beyond the authority of the Constitution, which prescribes the duties and powers of Grand Masters, and to which he is subject as much as the humblest member of the Fraternity in the jurisdiction over which he presides.

According to this view Grand Masters have no prerogatives worth speaking of. Their power is defined and limited. Their authority does not include the right to grant a dispensation allowing any thing to be done that is forbidden by law. It is not within their province to set aside edicts and regulations of the Grand Lodge, except as such power is expressly given to them.

On the other side may be found Brethren who earnestly contend against the limiting of the powers of Grand Masters. In the opinion of this latter class there are certain prerogatives which are attached to the office of Grand Master, and it is not within the province of Grand Lodges to dispossess a Grand Master of the rights and privileges thus acquired. It follows, therefore, according to this view, that in the exercise of a fundamental power a Grand Master may by dispensation set aside the rules and edicts of the Grand Lodge, whose highest executive officer he is, and that he may do, or allow to be done, some things which are forbidden by the written law.

Our judgment inclines us to take this side of the case. We think that the system of Masonry is such as to require the investiture of Grand Masters with large powers. In most Grand Lodge constitutions something of this kind is declared, the statement being, as in one form, that "Grand Masters are possessed of authority specially delegated to them by Grand Lodge, and are also entitled to all the powers and prerogatives conferred upon such officers by the Ancient Constitutions and the usages and landmarks of the Craft." Evidently there is a primary, *ex-officio* authority, besides the precise powers that are of Constitutional provision. The prerogatives, out of which such authority springs, may be of rather uncertain and indefinite character, but according to our thought there is no question as to their existence in some form, and of their rightful exercise within proper bounds. We cannot believe that all the powers of Grand Masters depend upon the legislation of Grand Lodges, or that they are wholly derived from the bestowal of these organisations.

It is sometimes asked whether a Grand Master does not violate his obligation in issuing dispensations that set aside constitutional provisions, and on what ground he is able to justify his action in permitting a law of the Grand Lodge to be disregarded! Was it ever contemplated by the Body which elected him that he should do anything of this sort? We have no means of knowing the precise terms in which the Grand Masters of the various jurisdictions are obligated to the performance of their duties. We have before us, however, the formula used in one of the oldest jurisdictions, and among other binding clauses it contains the following: "That I will maintain and preserve the prerogatives appertaining to the office of Grand Master of Masons, and transmit the same to my successor in office unimpaired. That I will maintain and enforce the constitution and edicts of this M.W. Grand Lodge, and the general regulations of Freemasonry; nor will I suspend them, or any provision thereof, until after due examination I shall be satisfied that the best interests of the Craft will be promoted thereby."

Several generations of Grand Masters, as we are assured, have taken this form of obligation in Grand Lodge. They were never troubled as to their right to set aside edicts and regulations when the good of the Craft seemed to demand such action. They had taken an obligation, at the time of their installation, by which they were as solemnly bound to maintain the prerogatives of Grand

Masters, as to execute and enforce the laws of Grand Lodges.

Just what these prerogatives are, is, as already hinted, a difficult matter to decide. Whether by virtue of authority thus derived, a Grand Master may "make a Mason at sight," the candidate being a minor, as was done not long ago in one of the larger jurisdictions, involves questions which must be determined in large degree by ancient usage. And even if the prerogative is found to be sufficient to warrant this course, there ought yet to be great hesitancy in regard to taking such a step. Technically, by the inherent prerogatives of his high office, a Grand Master may claim the right to make Masons at sight; but it does not accord with the proper administration of Masonry in these days that such a right should be exercised. It had better remain in entire abeyance.—*Freemasons' Repository*.

## CHANGES IN THE RITUAL.

WHILE the world is constantly pursuing its eternal round in obedience to the laws of Nature, and apparently arrives at the same point this year as it did the last, we know that such is not the fact,—because then there would be no procession of the equinoxes, and by a parity of reasoning we see that, morally, the inhabitants of our gradually but almost imperceptibly changing globe change their ideas and methods of life. So in our institution, a gradual change is taking place, and generation by generation we are getting into new ideas without altogether losing sight of the old. Take, for instance, the ritual as administered in the last century, when the whole three degrees of Symbolic Masonry could be conferred in an hour. We have so far improved on that process that now it requires at least an hour for each. Whether this lengthening out is an improvement is a question upon which, personally, we entertain an opinion of the most adverse character, feeling quite certain that we could eliminate from the present ritual enough to reduce it almost, if not quite, to its earlier proportions, and that too, for the benefit of the Craft, thus giving the Lodges more time for other matters than the mere rehearsal of the words accepted as needful to the presentation of the several degrees. We shall not, of course, undertake any such task, because during the little while we have to stay we cannot afford to incur any unnecessary enmities; but we rejoice to know that, by common consent, there is a tendency to quit the nonsense of the monument representing Time standing still and clipping the flowing locks of a beautiful virgin, and we abide in hope that by some Masonic procession it may come about that many things added to the original ritual by monitor makers may be dropped into space and left to shift for themselves. Any brother familiar with the ritual and with English literature, can find for himself many quotations from authors not born when the first ritual was in force, and hence of no relation to Freemasonry except as illustrating the idea contained in the original text.

Now, while we know that the tendency is to enlarge rather than to retrench, and while we are perfectly aware that the great majority believe the present form to be the only true, genuine, original Jacobs; while we cannot prevent the continuous motion of the earth, still it seems to us that we might call a halt on the ritual, and as comets are supposed to drop their constituent parts in the air, to fall here and there upon the planets whose course may meet theirs, so it would be well for us if we could shake off our superfluous words and let them find their place in some other part of the Universe.

While we approve of the close attention to the ritual while it remains as at present, we are none the less of opinion that it is working harm to the Craft and shutting off opportunity for more healthful occupation, and we most earnestly believe that if the ritual were shortened by one-half and the residue of time given to social converse, the decadence of attendance and membership would be arrested and a new era of prosperity be inaugurated. Think it over, brethren.

—*New York Dispatch*.

The usual meeting of the Board of Benevolence took place at Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday, Bro. J. Brett Senior Vice-President occupying the President's chair, Bro. C. A. Cottebrune the Senior Vice-President's, and Bro. F. Davison Grand Deacon that of Junior Vice-President. The attendance was large. The General Committee of Management, which was first held, passed the programme of business for the next Grand Lodge on the 4th of June. At the Board of Benevolence the brethren confirmed the recommendations made at the April meeting to the amount of £235. On the new list there were 38 petitioners, and after a sitting of four hours, 33 of these were relieved, with a total sum of £1075.

The Revised Book of Constitutions; Critically Considered and Compared with the Old Edition. London: Simpkin, Marshall & Co., 4 Stationers' Hall Court, E.C. Sent on receipt of stamps, One Shilling, by W. W. Morgan, Freemason's Chronicle Office, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville.

## LEIGH LODGE, No. 957.

THE installation meeting of this excellent working Lodge was held on the 12th instant, at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, under the presidency of the W.M., Bro. Bramley; Von Joel S.W. and Worshipful Master elect, Woodruff J.W., J. Diprose P.M. Treasurer, Cottebrune P.G.P. Secretary, Corbey J.D., George I.G., P.M.'s Marx, James, Pratt, &c. Amongst the Visitors were Bros. Kent 571, Girling 1641, Blundell P.M. 742, Reid 186, Blum P.M. 511, Vincent P.G.S.B. Middlesex, Williams P.M. 1056, Wilson 1366, Smith 1563, Dickeson W.M. 179, Coop 141, Collens W.M. 766, Smeed 1585, Stead W.M. 1997, Lambourn 87, Mason P.P.G.D. Middlesex, Sieb, Norris P.M. 181, Smith 1744, Sillis 1744, Hawkins P.M., Dickie 1744, Hampden P.P.G.S.W., Herts. Eastman 179, Peacock 201, Elwood 179, Field 1744, Ray 1624, Hughes 179, May P.M. 673, R. Perry 1382, Hemming 1287, Kew 179, H. M. Levy P.M. 188, &c. Lodge was formally opened, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The Auditors' Report, which showed the Lodge to be in a flourishing condition, was unanimously adopted. In due course, a Board of Installed Masters was opened, and Bro. Von Joel S.W. and W.M. elect was presented, and duly installed into the chair by Bro. C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P., who performed the ceremony with his usual ability. On the admission of the brethren, the customary salutations were given, and the W.M. appointed and invested the following as his Officers:—Bros. Bramley I.P.M., Woodruff S.W., Corby J.W., Diprose P.M. Treasurer, Cottebrune P.G.P. Secretary, George S.D., Moffrey J.D., Klein I.G., Marx P.M. D.C., Ager Steward, Harnett A.S., Woodstock P.M. Tyler. Bro. Taylor P.M. 144 presided at the harmonium. Ballots were next taken for the admission of Messrs. J. Harris, W. Blant, J. T. Robinson, W. J. Miller, and W. Parkyn. The newly-installed Master, though but a young Mason, showed his capacity for office by initiating these gentlemen into the Order, and conducting the ceremony in a faultless manner, that reflected great credit on him. We may add here that the new Officers were equally perfect: indeed, it was a pleasure to listen to the ceremony. Bro. Bramley said it was now 21 years since this Lodge was founded. They had only one of the Founders with them; Bro. Cottebrune P.G.P. was present at the consecration of the Lodge on the 15th of May 1863, when Bro. Stephen Barton Wilson officiated as the Officer of the day. Brother Cottebrune was the first Worshipful Master. He (Brother Bramley) was proud to say their Lodge had now attained its majority; it had hitherto always been successful, and with regard to its future, under the guidance of the present Master nothing need be feared. To Bro. Cottebrune the Lodge owed its present position. This worthy Brother's services have been recognised in the highest quarter, and he has been honoured by having the purple bestowed on him. In his more direct association with the brethren, in his capacity of Secretary, he has won the esteem and respect of one and all. The brethren fully appreciated his services, and desired to mark their appreciation in an acceptable form. All were aware Bro. Cottebrune was in possession of jewels; jewels which he had received for good suit and service done the Mason Craft, and it was fully recognised that the work he had undertaken, during his long Masonic career, was ever carried out with a care and persistency that demanded and met with success. His labours had necessarily kept him much away from home, and doubtless his family had frequently missed his genial society. The brethren, fully alive to this, had decided to hand him over, for the use of Mrs. Cottebrune, a cheque for a small amount, which they trusted would be accepted somewhat as a solatium for the loss she has sustained by her husband's enforced absence, consequent on the demands Freemasonry made on his time. In handing over the gift of the brethren, he (Bro. Bramley) hoped it might be accepted by Mrs. Cottebrune in the same spirit in which it was offered. Bro. Cottebrune, in feeling terms, returned thanks for the kindness of the members of the Lodge. It was proposed, seconded, and carried, that a letter be sent to Lord Leigh, P.G.M. Warwickshire, announcing that the Lodge had completed its majority; wishing him health and long life, and regretting his absence on this auspicious occasion. Heartly good wishes were then given by the Visitors, and Lodge was closed until the second Moaday in October. The banquet took place in the large hall, which was artistically decorated with an elegant trophy, while flowers were in abundance. Credit is due to Messrs. Spiers and Poud (Limited), and Bro. E. Dawkins, for the sumptuous repast provided. There were 90 guests present. Grace having been said, the W.M. proposed the loyal toasts. With the toast of the Pro G.M. and the rest of the Grand Officers of the G.L. of England was coupled the name of Bro. Cottebrune P.G.P., who, as Founder, Preceptor and Secretary of the Lodge, received a cordial reception. Bro. Bramley I.P.M. next rose; the duties of a Master of a Lodge, he said, were many and onerous. Amongst other things he was called on to look after the sick and afflicted; to visit them and minister to their necessities, so far as he possibly could. The Worshipful Master of their Lodge was equal to this; he took a pride in carrying out his duties, and as to his capability for work that had been evidenced that evening in the way he had initiated the five candidates who had presented themselves. He (Brother Bramley) called on the brethren to wish their new Master health and strength to preside over them, and a happy and prosperous year of office. In replying to the toast Bro. Von Joel said he saw around him many old and sincere friends; several Visitors had put themselves to great inconvenience to do him honour by attending at his installation. He sincerely thanked Bro. Bramley for the kind remarks he had indulged in in proposing the toast; he was much gratified also in noting the reception given him by the members of the Lodge. It was not his intention, however, to indulge in long speeches, so would refrain from occupying their time any further. The next toast given was the health of the Initiates, and suitable response was made by those referred to. When introducing the toast of the Past Masters, the W.M. made allusion to the zeal displayed by those who were present. Bro. Cottebrune's services as Installing Master of the day were specially alluded to; the Immediate Past Master, Brother Bramley,

had won golden opinions by the way he had carried out the duties of his year, and each of the others, in turn, were referred to and thanked for their services. It was his (Bro. Von Joel's) privilege to present Bro. Bramley with the jewel voted him by the brethren of the Lodge at their last meeting, which they all trusted he might live long to wear. Bro. Bramley thanked the Lodge for its valuable gift. He trusted they might long see it on his breast; he should never forget the circumstances attending its presentation. To Bro. Cottebrune he was especially indebted for the way in which he had conducted the installation. This could not possibly have been excelled. The remaining toasts received full recognition, and during the evening allusion was made to the liberal support given by the Lodge to the Masonic Institutions. During the evening Bros. Hawkins, Vine, Smith, Dickeson and Eastwood contributed to the harmony. Bro. Wilson kindly officiated as toastmaster.

## THE LOCAL FREEMASONS AND THE PORTS: MOUTH SCHOLARSHIP.

ON the 12th December last a grand ball was held at Cawte's Assembly Rooms, Southsea, for the purpose of aiding the funds for establishing a Portsmouth scholarship at the Royal College of Music. The various Lodges of the borough divided the expenses between them, so that the total proceeds might be handed over to Alderman J. G. Whitcombe, who has just received a cheque for £65 18s 9d from Mr. Ernest Hall, who, in conjunction with other prominent members of the ancient Craft, rendered valuable assistance in carrying out this successful effort. Alderman Whitcombe has sent the following letter, which, with a balance sheet, is being circulated amongst the Lodges:—

"Dear Sir,—In acknowledging the receipt of cheque for £65 18s 9d, the proceeds of the grand Masonic ball, let me heartily and gratefully thank you and your brother Masons of this noble Order for this true and valuable evidence of your desire to assist in the grand work to secure the the scholarship that will prove for all time invaluable to the youth of Portsmouth. In addition let me recognise the generous example you set, which should be a stimulus to others who organised entertainments for the same object, and by their energetic efforts for the completion of the scholarship have now really made it a question that three or four months will solve. Please convey my warmest thanks to your Masonic brethren for all their kindnesses, and specially accept the same yourself. From, my dear Sir, yours faithful and obliged,

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### INSTALLATION of M.W. GRAND MASTER.

THE SUMMER HALF-YEARLY COMMUNICATION OF THIS  
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(Past and Present), W. Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and Overseers of  
private Lodges, are hereby summoned to attend, and at which, by permission,  
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Grand Lodge will be opened at Five o'clock p.m.

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

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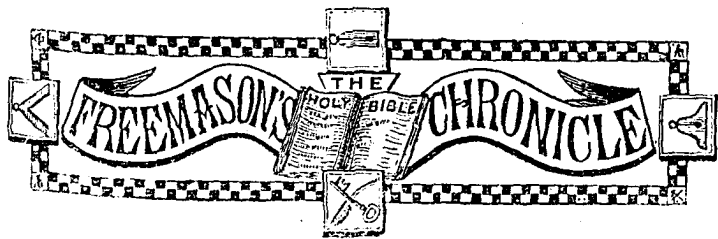
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**INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c.**

PRINCE EDWARD OF SAXE-WEIMAR LODGE,  
No. 1903.

THE installation of the W.M. of this Lodge (Bro. W. Latham Cox) took place on the 14th inst., in the handsome Lodge-room at the Masonic Hall, Portsmouth, under very auspicious circumstances, and in the presence of a large number of members of the Craft, including Bros Broadley, Barrister-at-law, P.D.G.M. of Malta (known to fame as the senior counsel of Arabi Pasha at the historic trial, which ended in his expatriation to Ceylon, the learned gentleman having been retained by Bro. R. Eve, solicitor, of Aldershot), General the Hon. Somerset G. Calthorpe P.P.G.W. England P.P.G.M. Hauts and

Isle of Wight, Frost P.M. Prov. S. Warden, Rastrick P.M. Prov. G. Treas., Le Feuvre Prov. G. Sec., Binckes P.G.S. England Secretary of the Royal Masonic Boys' School, Emanuel P.M. Prov. G. Reg., Hickley P.M. Prov. S.D., Robertson P.M. Prov. G.S., Saunders W.M. Prov. G.S., Rev. Dr. Ring W.M., Rev. A. L'Argent Bell Prov. G. Chaplain, Rev. G. Pickering W.M. Prov. G. Chaplain, Woodhouse P.M. P.G.S.B., Patstone Prov. G.S., Wood P.M., Major Haldane P.M. Prov. P.G.S.D. Monmouthshire, Hyne P.M., Elverston P.M., Wallingford P. Prov. G.W., Rev. A. C. Hervey W.M., Holley W.M., Williams P.M., Consans W.M., Swan W.M., Edgeler P.M., Willson P.M., Gordon Miller W.M., Travess W.M., Gay P.M. P. Prov. G.S., Long W.M., Buck W.M., Godfrey P.M., Gieve P.M. P. Prov. G.S.B., Page the retiring P.M. of the Saxe-Weimar Lodge, Townsend I.P.M. do., Emanuel P.P.G.D. Secretary of the Lodge, Quinn P.M., Johns P.M., &c. The ceremony of installation was ably and impressively performed by Bro. T. Page, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded, on the motion of the W.M., who received hearty good wishes from a number of visiting brethren, including Bro. Broadley, who in a few telling and congratulatory sentences mentioned that he had initiated Bro. Cox five years since at Malta. The Secretary announced the receipt of letters acknowledging the votes of condolence passed by the Lodge to H.R.H. the Duchess of Albany on the death of her husband, and to Admiral Montessoro on the death of his son Lieutenant Montessoro, late a member of the Lodge, who was killed in the recent campaign in the Soudan. A satisfactory balance sheet was presented, and a vote of thanks accorded to Bro. Casey, public accountant, for professional services rendered as one of the auditors. The W.M. appointed his Officers as under: I.P.M. Bro. Page, S.W. Bro. Long, J.W. Bro. Lieut. Knowles R.N., Chaplain Bro. Rev. P. H. Good, Treas. Bro. Threadingham, Sec. Bro. Emanuel, S.D. Bro. Dr. Royston Pike, J.D. Bro. Stevenson, I.G. Bro. Livesay, Org. Bro. Sylvester, Director of Ceremonies Bro. Sam Knight, Stewards Bros. Capt. Pigott and Reader, Tyler Bro. Mansell, Assistant-Tyler Bro. Carter. A telegram, expressing regret at being detained by Parliamentary duties, was received during the sitting of the Lodge from the Prov. G.M. (Bro. Beach, M.P.), and a letter of apology was announced from Sir H. Drummond Wolff, M.P., who is a member of the Lodge. At the installation banquet which followed the W.M. presided, and there was a good attendance. The catering of Bro. Maybourn, of Butcher-street, Portsea, was very satisfactory. At the conclusion of the repast the W.M., in appropriate terms, gave in succession, "The Queen and the Craft," and "The Most Worshipful Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales," reminding the company that His Royal Highness was not only a member of the Lodge, but that not very long since he had visited the Lodge. The W.M., in submitting "The Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Lathom D.P.G.M., and the Officers of the Grand Lodge," said they were specially honoured in having present a Past Warden of England (General the Hon. Somerset Calthorpe), and it was indeed an honour, because since the constitution of the Lodge, some three years since, they had not had a Grand Officer among them. Earl Lathom had very kindly expressed a wish to be present and accepted an invitation, but at the last moment had been kept away by Yeomanry Cavalry duties in Lancashire. General the Hon. S. G. Calthorpe in reply said it was customary at all Masonic gatherings to drink the health of the Grand Officers, and although he was one of them he thought that upon the whole they deserved it, because they did not attain that position without having gone through a certain amount of toil and borne the heat and burden of the day. In days gone by he had worked tolerably hard at Masonry, not only with personal pleasure, but feeling that he was not only doing good to others but to himself. Every one who had studied Masonry must feel that it was an elevating science, and the higher they got in the Order the more must they appreciate its very admirable characteristics. The W.M., in giving "The R.W. Provincial Grand Master Bro. Beach, M.P." described him as a wonderfully enthusiastic Mason, and thought the Province ought to be proud of having such a Master. All regretted exceedingly that the P.G.M. was not able to be there, but he worked so hard for Masonry that they would be glad if his absence that night gained for him a little rest. Bro. Frost, in responding, congratulated Bro. Page upon the admirable manner in which he had performed the ceremony of installation. Bro. Lieut. Bourke, R.N., proposed "The R.W. Deputy P.G. Master Bro. Hickman, and Officers of P.G. Lodge." He thought they might safely say that their P.G. Lodge was equalled by few and second to none. There was a very strong Province indeed, owing to their unanimity and the excellent working qualities of their P.G.M., ably and adequately assisted by his Officers. He thought the roll of Lodges would compare favourably with any other Province in England, and this was due to the good Masonic feeling which had distinguished the Province of Hauts and the Isle of Wight, which had resulted in their having in office brethren who understood their work and who took an interest in Masonry. The brother who was mainly responsible for the hard work of the Province—Bro. Le Feuvre—was present, and he assured him that he had a hearty welcome from the Lodge, and that the more they saw him the more they liked him. Bro. Le Feuvre, in responding, referred to the fact that he attended three years since at the constitution of the Lodge, when the chair was filled by Lord Charles Beresford, the Duke of Connaught being present, and said that since then they had seen it flourish. He had met their W.M. in London, he being among the brethren anxious to impress their mark upon the laws of the Craft, which, as they had been settled, let them hope would so remain for more than a generation. They were perfectly satisfied that in the W.M. they had a brother who was likely to be worthy of the Saxe-Weimar Lodge. It had been the W.M.'s pleasure, when serving as S.W., to come from Lincoln monthly to perform the duties of the Lodge, and this proved to him, if proof were necessary, that the Lodge had a W.M. who would not allow time, distance, or trouble to interfere with the discharge of his duties. He congratulated the brethren upon the result of their efforts in connection with the Charities, saying that they had been very fortunate indeed, under the guidance of the Provincial Grand Lodge Committee, to have secured the election of no less than

three children—one to the Girls' School, and two to the Boys' School. Considering the number of vacancies in the schools at the last April elections, there was no Province in the Kingdom—and there were ten or a dozen larger than theirs—that had achieved such a measure of success, which was owing to good management and unanimity. He asked them to bear this in mind for the future, and to remember that whilst as single Lodges or individual subscribers their votes were almost valueless, united they had very great strength. The W.M., in giving "Bro. Broadley R.W. P.D.G.M. of Malta," said he fancied that only a few present had seen him at home in the Masonic world. He was most at home in the small Lodge of St. John and St. Paul at Malta, where he had seen him working the degrees in his shirt sleeves. He had also seen him very happy afterwards at the banquet of bread and cheese and lager beer, which, with the thermometer at 110 in the shade, they were uncommonly glad to get. He was his Masonic father, having initiated him, and any one who had seen Bro. Broadley in his Masonic home could not but bring away a lifelong remembrance of him. He asked them to give him a hearty welcome, to show that they thoroughly appreciated his kindness and consideration in having, at great personal inconvenience, been present that day. Bro. Broadley ably responded, remarking that after the lapse of five years he was present at the installation of one of his initiates. He mentioned that seven years ago, at Tunis, the site of ancient Carthage, he had helped to plant an English Lodge, which had borne and would bear in future, most remarkable fruit, and that five years ago he was installed for the second time as W.M. of the Lodge, No. 1835, by the first W.M. of the Saxe-Weimar Lodge—Lord Charles Beresford. He referred in eulogistic terms to the W.M., spoke in warm terms of approval of the manner in which the ceremony of installation had been performed by Bro. Page, and concluded a vigorous speech by proposing the health of the W.M. The W.M., who had a most enthusiastic greeting, said he was proud of being Master of the Lodge. It was a grand position that they had placed him in, and one reason for being proud of it was that Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar, who kindly gave his name to the Lodge, although he was not a Mason, was the full Colonel of his Regiment, and he was the only Officer of it who was a member of the Lodge. He explained that Lord Charles Beresford intended to have been present, but on the date being altered found that an important engagement would keep him away. He next proposed the Immediate Past Master, mentioning that Lord Charles had said of him, "What a Mason he is." He had a very pleasing and gratifying duty to perform, on behalf of the members, headed by their first W.M., Lord Charles Beresford—to present to Bro. Page a small token of the esteem in which he was held by the Officers and members of the Lodge. For two years he had filled the chair, and no man (he did not care where he came from) could have been a better Master than Bro. Page. The W.M. then presented the I.P.M. with a silver salver, bearing the crest of the Lodge and the following inscription: "Presented to Worshipful Bro. Thomas Page by the Officers and Members of the Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar Lodge, No. 1,903, on his leaving the W.M.'s chair, after his second year of office, as a mark of esteem and regard, 14th May 1884." Bro. Page, who had a most cordial greeting, appropriately responded. Last year they presented him with a beautiful jewel for services rendered. He did not think himself worthy of that jewel, and he thought himself much less worthy of this mark of goodwill. They could not expect him to talk like the gallant defender of Arabi, but if the tongue could speak what the heart felt it would say a great deal more than he had. He thanked them for this kind appreciation of his services, and said that to have installed his successor was a labour of love. He warmly acknowledged the instruction he had received from the Father of the Lodge, Bro. Townsend. Bro. Major Haldane proposed "The W.M.'s and Representatives of Neighbouring Lodges," who severally responded. Bro. Quinn P.M. gave "The Visitors," and Bros. Binckes and Cousins (Lincoln) returned thanks. The last toast was "The Officers of the Lodge," introduced by the W.M. and acknowledged by the Wardens. The speeches were interspersed with harmony, by Bros. Sylvester, Emanuel, &c.—*Portsmouth Times*.

#### HONOR OAK LODGE, No. 1986.

A HIGHLY interesting ceremony in connection with the regular meeting of the Honor Oak Lodge, No. 1986, on Wednesday, the 14th inst., at the Moore Park Hotel, Honor Oak, gave considerable éclat to the general business of the evening, more particularly that a majority of members and the numerous visitors alike had no prior knowledge of what was to take place. The W.M. Bro. Charles Henry Phillips, opened the Lodge at 6 o'clock, supported by the following Officers, viz., W. Bro. Walter Hopekirk I.P.M., H. Maunders Williams S.W., Henry Stokes J.W., W. Bro. John Hammond P.M. P.P.G.D. Middlesex Secretary, Rev. J. Wilson Haffenden Chaplain, J. W. Hartley S.D., H. Hooper J.D., and G. W. Knight I.G. Amongst the members present were Bros. J. Fuller, F. Wootton, W. H. O'Reilly, N. R. Mackinnon, D. Baird, C. Longhurst, W. Moodey, R. Neilans, G. R. Langley, S. S. Young, J. Foster, and others. The visitors were the M.W. Bro. George Davies P.M. P.D.G. Sec. Panjab, W. Bro. R. A. Matthews P.M. Prov. G.J.D. Gloucester, James Stevens P.M. 720, 1216, 1426, &c., W. H. Williams P.M. 101, A. J. Bellis I.P.M. 1901, James Harling P.M. and Treasurer 30, W. E. Davey S.W. 1512, S. Richardson J.W. 183, J. A. Danks 1669, F. Baxter 1216, G. H. W. Tear 72, W. Vilven 1056. The R.W. Bro. Colonel Ramsay, who is a member of this Lodge, occupied a position of honour on the left of the W.M. The minutes of the previous meeting and of a Lodge of Emergency held for the passing of five brethren were read and confirmed. Bro. C. Longhurst was raised to the third degree; and Messrs. Saml. Scott Young and Benjamin Foster were initiated into the Order. The highly impressive manner in which the W.M. Bro. Phillips conducted the respective ceremonies, with a most unusual correctness of ritual and perfection of detail, was worthy of and received expressions of

praise from all present, and his Wardens and Deacons also performed their part of the work in a most satisfactory manner. The Honor Oak is but a young Lodge, but there appears to be an amount of earnestness amongst its Members which bids fair to make it a most honourable addition to the Craft. If so much is done so well in the "green leaf," what may not be fairly expected from it in the "dry?" We could wish, however, that the practice of "resuming" the Lodge from higher to lower degrees, without closing the M.M. and F.C. Lodges during the evening, was avoided, for it certainly is not correct Masonry. With this remark alone we do not hesitate to say that "work" on this occasion was worthy of imitation by all our Lodges. A notice of motion to raise the joining fee was not in order, and the consideration of the subject was deferred. The Audit Committee's Report was received. A sum of ten guineas was voted to the list of Bro. Ramsay, who was about to represent the Lodge as Steward at the ensuing Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. Reference was made to the intention of the Lodge to form a Masonic Benevolent Association; and announcement was given of the intended opening of the Honor Oak Lodge of Instruction, on the 19th inst., under the auspices of W. Bro. James Terry, who had undertaken to perform the ceremonies of Consecration and Installation on that occasion. With this the ordinary business of the Lodge terminated and the W.M. then in brief terms introduced formally to the Lodge the V.W. Bro. George Davies P.D.G. Secretary Panjab, for whom he claimed their attention. Bro. Davies, who was cordially received by the brethren, said: Permit me first, Worshipful Master, to tender to you fraternal greetings from the District Grand Lodge of the Panjab, by whom I am deputed to present the following address to the Right Worshipful Bro. Colonel Ramsay, now a member of your Lodge.

#### DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF THE PUNJAB.

To the Right Worshipful Bro. Colonel MARMADUKE RAMSAY,  
Past R.W.D.G.M.

R.W. Sir and Brother,—We, Col. A. S. Stewart R.W. D.G.M., Col. G. B. Wolseley Wor. D.D.G.M., Col. T. T. Boswell, C.B., Wor. S.G. Warden, Henry Whympier Wor. J.G. Warden, with the other Worshipful brethren in District Grand Lodge assembled, with fraternal and hearty greeting, do hereby tender you our great regret that the state of your health necessitates your removal from India, and the resignation of the high office as head of the Ancient Order of Freemasons in this important Province of India, entrusted to you by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of the Order.

We beg hereby to express our sense of the great service you rendered to the cause of Freemasonry during the ten years you ruled this District, from 1872 to 1882, during which time the number of Lodges was increased from 11 to 19, and the membership from 296 to over 600, and the financial position of the D.G. Lodge established on a sound basis. During those years the beautiful Freemasons' Hall was made over to D.G. Lodge, suitably furnished and adorned, and the Panjab Masonic Institution attained a degree of prosperity never contemplated by its most ardent supporters. Its annual income increased from less than 2000 rupees to over 8000 rupees. And in addition to all this, you generated by your zeal and fraternal spirit the true principles of Masonry—the "Fatherhood of God" and the "Brotherhood of Man."

In congratulating you on what you were able to do for Masonry in promoting the best interests of men, you will be pleased to learn that the same spirit still prevails throughout the district, and that in truth it can be said we have peace within our walls and prosperity within our borders.

Signed on behalf of the R.W. D.G.M., the Wor. D.G.M., the Wor. Grand Wardens, and the other Wor. Brethren in District Grand Lodge assembled,

C. H. PHILLIPS W.M. 1986 for District Grand Lodge.  
GEORGE DAVIES Past District Grand Secretary.

London, 14th May 1884.

W. Bro. Davies then proceeded to the following effect:—

"W. Sir, Masonry being universal, I am persuaded that a succinct synopsis of the labours of R.W. Bro. Colonel Ramsay during the ten years he ruled the district of the Panjab will prove interesting and instructive to you all. When Bro. Ramsay was called to the charge of the Panjab, the prospect of Masonry there was gloomy in the extreme, and the late W. Bro. Col. Baseri, whom he succeeded, seriously contemplated returning his warrant to England, and working under the rule of the District Grand Lodge of Bengal. There were at that time only eleven Lodges in the district, with 290 subscribing members, and two of the Lodges were in abeyance. Grand Lodge was heavily in debt: had used up every penny of the Fund of Benevolence money; and although it had been in existence upwards of four years not a penny had been dispensed in Charity, nor a single child brought on the Educational Fund. When Bro. Ramsay made over the charge of the District, after ruling it nearly ten years, there existed nineteen strong Lodges with over six hundred subscribing members, the District Grand Lodge being in possession of a magnificent hall of its own, beautifully furnished, having no debts of any kind, and a considerable sum to the good; in addition, the Fund of Benevolence had £100 to its credit, and had expended £1500 in Charity. The Panjab Masonic Educational Fund, after educating thirty children, had a balance of £3,000 invested in Government Securities, its income having increased from about £90 per annum to £1000 per annum, this income being derived from purely voluntary subscriptions from members of the Order during his tenure of office. No ballot had ever been taken for children, as room was made for every applicant and no child was ever refused, nor was any application for relief made to the District Grand Lodge Fund of Benevolence ever left unattended to. If you will permit me, I will give one case to illustrate the many. A brother with a wife and large family was struck down by sunstroke; the doctor said that unless he was removed to the Hills at once he must sink; his wife was absolutely without means; by that evening a sum of £120 had been raised and made over to the wife, a furnished house at

Dalhousie provided for their reception, secured, and arrangements made to remit £15 a month for their subsistence, until it was possible for him to return to the Plains, which he did some six months afterwards, perfectly recovered. In this single instance will be found illustrated the spirit which characterised Bro. Ramsay's administration of the District. One more instance; a W. Brother in the prime of life dying, left a widow and children quite unprovided for from no fault of his own, she, having the ability, was assisted to the extent of £100 in establishing a school in the Hills of India, the result being that she is now at the head of a flourishing institution. Bro. Ramsay's purpose was to help all needing help to help themselves. What I have stated refers to the Grand Lodge only, but this by no means represents the benefits which followed his administration, as each of the nineteen Lodges caught the spirit of the District Grand Master, and vied with one another in promoting the best interests of their fellows. It was indeed ten years of noble work, and what was accomplished proves "how good a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Addressing Bro. Ramsay, Bro. Davies said:—"And now, Right Worshipful Sir, I present you, in the name of the District Grand Lodge of the Punjab, their best and heartiest greetings and this Address, which will indicate to you the feelings of respect and reverence which is entertained by them towards you; and may the G.A.O.T.U. prosper and bless you all the days of your life." Bro. Davies' earnest and forcible speech was listened to with deep attention, and on the presentation of the beautifully illuminated parchment to its honoured recipient, a burst of well-merited applause betokened the satisfaction afforded to all present. The R.W. Bro. Col. Ramsay, with evident emotion, which for a few moments could scarcely be controlled, said:—"W. Bro. Davies and W.M., I trust you will convey to the R.W.G.M., the D.G.M., and the brethren of the Punjab, my heartfelt thanks for the Address which they have so kindly forwarded to me. The ten years that I ruled the District are ten years full of pleasant memories, fruitful beyond expectation; but I have no desire to take the whole credit to myself, as no one is more sensible than I am how impossible it would be for any single man to bring about such results unaided. From the moment I assumed charge of the District, brethren from all quarters tendered me their loyal support, and it is to me a delightful retrospect that I have never made an appeal for help in cases of need but that I received double what I asked for. With such a District to govern, the attainment of such results was easy; however skilfully the head may devise, the hands are needed for its successful carrying out, and not only the hands, but each joint of the body must perform its allotted task, and this was done by the brethren of the District, one and all; and by no one was I more cordially assisted than by yourself, W. Sir, who was throughout all those years my D.G. Secretary. To me the pleasing memories of those ten years will ever be dear, and I shall always reflect with satisfaction that I was the directing head of a District that educated, maintained, clothed, and started in life, in positions far above those occupied by their parents, 30 boys and girls, and that the claims of all "poor and distressed" were fully and cordially met. I trust I shall be permitted still to render some assistance to the cause of Masonry, which is dear to my heart. In conclusion, W. Sir, let me assure you it is an additional pleasure to me to receive this Address in a body of a Lodge which received me in so cordial and fraternal a manner as the Honor Oak has done, and I thank you for your kindness in allowing the presentation to take place within its walls. Bro. Ramsay then resumed his seat. Bro. W. Hopekirk P.M. having expressed to Bro. Davies, on behalf of the Lodge, the pleasure his address had afforded them, and congratulating its members that so highly honoured a brother as Col. Ramsay was enrolled amongst them, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the V.W. Bro. Davies, and that honorary membership of the Lodge be offered for his acceptance. This was carried by acclamation, and Bro. Davies, evidently taken by surprise, returned his warmest thanks for the compliment paid to him, taking occasion, at the same time, to extol the work of the Lodge as he had seen and heard it carried out by the W.M. and his Officers. Bro. Hopekirk referred to the recent decease of Bro. Ambrose, one of the earliest initiates in the Lodge, and a vote of condolence was passed, to be conveyed to the widow, and this was supplemented by other practical and substantial assistance. All business being ended, and the business was such as all earnest Masons could but thoroughly enjoy, the Lodge was closed. Time was pressing on visitors from a distance, and the speeches after supper were laudably condensed. Several of the brethren assisted to keep up the harmony which had prevailed throughout the evening, and at last the brethren separated, gratified to the fullest extent with all that had transpired, and with music in their hearts vibrating to the chords of "Loyalty and Charity," which had been so frequently struck during the unique and interesting proceedings.

#### EARL OF LATHOM LODGE, No. 1922.

ALTHOUGH somewhat late in reporting the annual meeting of this Lodge, we hope its members will not think us unmindful of its welfare, or unappreciative of the manner in which they have carried on the Lodge in the past. From accounts we have received, we believe the Earl of Lathom Lodge to be in a flourishing condition, reflecting credit on the illustrious name it bears, and generally working for the good of the Masonic Order. This year's installation took place on Thursday, the 17th ult., at the Greyhound Hotel, Streatham Common, on which occasion Bro. J. Wentworth T. Chapman was placed in the chair of K.S. The hour of meeting was 2 p.m., and shortly after that time the Lodge was opened, the minutes of the last Lodge were read and confirmed, and the Report of the Audit Committee was considered. Lodge was then advanced, and Bro. William Deacon was raised. Bro. Charles Andrew Marshall was passed; and, the ballot being in favour, Mr. William Burridge was regularly initiated. The newly appointed Master invested the following as his officers for the year, viz.:—Bros. G. W. Evans S.W., J. Turle Lee J.W.,

A. Runacres P.M. Treasurer, E. Witts P.M. Secretary, C. Evans S.D., A. J. Clarke J.D., W. G. Cannon I.G., C. Sims D.C., J. M. Spencer W.S., A. W. Firkins A.W.S., J. G. Albert Organist. At the conclusion of the Lodge business, the brethren adjourned to the Carlton Hall, Tunstall-road, Brixton, where a most enjoyable banquet was served by Bro. C. G. Slawson, of Old Kent-road. This was followed by the proposition of the usual toasts, and a well-arranged selection of music. The toast of the Visitors was responded to by Bros. Collens and Vincent, both of whom are, at the present time, Masters in their respective Lodges. In proposing the toast of the I.P.M., Bro. Chapman referred to the services Bro. Taylor had rendered to the Lodge, and tendered the thanks of the members to him. He also had the pleasure of presenting him, in the name of the members of the Lodge, a Past Master's jewel, of a similar pattern to that given before from this Lodge (it has a diamond centre, with the Earl of Lathom's crest, and the name of the Lodge embossed on the border). On the back of the jewel was the following inscription:—

Presented to  
Brother R. J. TAYLOR P.M.,  
by the brethren of  
the Earl of Lathom Lodge, No. 1922, in appreciation of his efficient services as W.M. during the year.  
April 1883-84.

There was a numerous assemblage of visitors, the comfort of whom was much enhanced by the admirable arrangements made for them by Bros. Taylor and Chapman. The visitors were Bros. J. Collens W.M. 766, J. Warren W.M. 1348, R. J. Vincent W.M. 1963, T. Taylor I.P.M. 1558, W. G. Dickens P.M. 860, G. Wrigglesworth P.M. 975, T. W. James P.M. 957, M. S. Larham P.M. 1216, C. S. Barker P.M. 1632, J. R. Johnson S.W. 1320, J. S. Stokes J.W. 1558, R. Stokoe J.W. 1963, A. W. Stead S.W. 1997, H. White S.D. 1257, and Bros. Treacher 1475, A. Stead 1622, J. Hyde 1662, H. Collins 141, Low 1587, Turner 144, Ashton, and Bevan 1706.

#### MARK MASONRY.

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#### CONSECRATION OF THE YORK LODGE AT CAMBRIDGE.

THE Province of East Anglia added one more Lodge to its list on Wednesday by the consecration, at Cambridge, of a Lodge named in honour of its first Worshipful Master, Bro. James Neal York, of Newmarket, an ardent Mason in the various degrees of the Craft. Bro. York is Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Freemasons in Cambridge, and a Past Senior Warden of the other Mark Lodge in the University town—the Freeman, No. 105—and now becomes the head of the York Lodge, No. 334, which will hold its meetings at the Lion Hotel. There was a fair attendance of Mark Masons present on Wednesday, including the M.W. Bro. the Right Hon. Lord Henniker, Grand Mark Master of England and Wales and Provincial Grand Mark Master of East Anglia; the V.W. Bro. the Rev. C. J. Martyn, the Deputy Provincial Grand Mark Master of the Province; Bros. Williams P.G.S.D. P.M. 104, York the W.M. designate, Lewin P.G.S.D. W.M. 145, Tracy Provincial Grand Secretary P.M. 70, Matier P.G.W., Chennell S.W. designate, Bays 105, Caldwell P.M. 112, Gelhard W.M. 112, Abbott P.G.A.D.C. 70, Trevor Jones S.W. 112, Shepherd J.O. 105, Elkington, J.O. 70, Bonnett 142, Armitage J.O. 112, Dunsford M.O. 92, Weldon S.D. 112, Browning J.W. 112, Jones S.D. 112, Lucia 105, Annington M.C. 112. The Lodge room at the Lion Hotel had been very tastefully laid out, under the directions of Bro. Papworth, the Secretary, who had been indefatigable in making all arrangements for the consecration. The brethren, who were all in mourning, assembled shortly after two p.m., under the presidency of Bro. Tracy as W.M., when the following were advanced to the M.M. Degree: Bros. A. H. Moyes P.M. 88, Edward Hill P.M. 88, Jennings W.M. 441, Thompson W.M. 88, McCallum S.W. 88, Vinter J.W. 441, Pashler J.W. 88, Papworth S.D. 88, Purchas J.W. 88, Beales 88, Whitehead 441, Hills 88. The Provincial Grand Secretary having read the petition and warrant, the Grand Mark Master, in his charge to the Founders of the Lodge, said that he supposed that the York would be the last Lodge he should consecrate as G.M.M., as his term of office was drawing to a close; but he was glad it had fallen to his lot to consecrate that, as it was also in the Province of East Anglia and in the University town of Cambridge, in which he was educated, and which had such pleasant recollections for him. Bro. Rev. C. J. Martyn congratulated the Province on the auspicious occasion. He hailed the establishment of the new Lodge as a sign that Mark Masonry was making its influence felt. The Lodge having been consecrated, the installation of the W.M. was carried out by the Grand Master, after which Bro. York appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Chennell S.W., Moyes J.W., Hills M.O., Jennings S.O., Thompson J.O., McCallum Registrar, Vinter S.D., Pashler J.D., Papworth Secretary, Purchas Organist, Beales Director of Ceremonies, Whitehead I.G., Wood and Unwin Tylers. On the proposition of the W.M., seconded by Bro. A. H. Moyes, Bro. Edmund J. Mortlock was unanimously elected Treasurer. The Lodge was then dedicated and constituted. The W.M. proposed a vote of thanks to the Grand Master for coming to Cambridge to consecrate the Lodge, while he had many other onerous duties to perform both in connection with Masonry and with the House of Lords. He had conferred a great honour upon the Lodge, for which he (the W.M.) was greatly obliged. The Grand Master, in reply, expressed the great pleasure it had been to him to be present, though his private and public duties made it difficult for him to be with them. He congratulated the W.M., and hoped his year of office would be a prosperous one, and that the Lodge would go on increasing. The proceedings were then brought to a close in due form, and a banquet followed, at which the W.M. presided, when the usual toast list was gone through and duly honoured.—*East Anglian Daily Times.*



## 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, 24th MAY.

- 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)  
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)  
 1297—West Kent, Crystal Palace, Sydenham  
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1541—Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct  
 1624—Eccleston, King's Head, Ebury Bridge, Finsbury, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1679—Henry Muggidge, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.  
 1871—Gostling-Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow  
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8  
 R.A. 176—Caveac, Albion, Aldersgate Street  
 R.A. 1044—Mid-Surrey, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
 1464—Erasmus Wilson, Pier Hotel, Greenhithe  
 1531—Chiselhurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chiselhurst  
 1777—Royal Hanover, Albany Hotel, Twickenham  
 1982—Greenwood, Public Hall, Epsom

## MONDAY, 26th MAY.

- Grand Mark Masters, Masonic Hall, 81 Red Lion Square, W.C.  
 4—Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 22—Loughborough, Cambria Tavern, Cambria Road, near Loughborough Junction, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 26—Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, St. James's  
 45—Strong Man, Excise Tavern, Old Broad Street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)  
 174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street, at 7. (In)  
 180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)  
 183—Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.  
 548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)  
 902—Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street  
 905—De Grey and Ripon, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 1425—Hyde Park, Fountain Abbey Hotel, Præd 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.)  
 1615—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square  
 1623—West Smithfield, Clarence Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C. at 7 (Inst.)  
 1625—Tredgar, Royal Hotel Mile End Road, corner of Burdett Road. (Inst.)  
 1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)  
 1745—Farringdon, Holborn Viaduct Hotel  
 1828—Shepherds Bush, Athenæum, Goldhawk-road, W.  
 1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 188—Joppa, The Albion, Aldersgate Street  
 R.A. 933—Doric, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 7. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 1237—Enfield, Court House, Enfield  
 48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead  
 62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester  
 149—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington  
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)  
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)  
 999—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
 1177—Tenby, Tenby, Pembroke  
 1440—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 219—Justice, Masonic Hall, Todmorden  
 R.A. 241—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
 R.A. 411—Commercial, Masonic Hall, Nottingham  
 R.A. 449—Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax  
 R.A. 1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham  
 M.M. 146—Moore, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

## TUESDAY, 27th MAY.

- 14—Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C.  
 65—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst)  
 65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)  
 141—Faitb, Queen Anne's Restaurant, Queen Anne's Gate, St. James's Park Station, at 8. (Instruction)  
 165—Honour and Generosity, Inns of Court Hotel  
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 259—Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, St. James's  
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)  
 753—Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Hill, at 8 (Instruction)  
 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 890—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)  
 1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Alma Road, Wandsworth (Instruction)  
 1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8 (In.)  
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 1360—Royal Arthur, Rock Tavern, Battersea Park Road, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)  
 1441—Ivy, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New Road  
 1448—Mount Edgumbe, 19 Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8 (Instruction)  
 1471—Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Street, at 7. (Instruction)  
 1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich (Instruction)  
 1540—Chaucer, 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)  
 1719—Evening Star, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 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. 21—Cyrus, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street  
 R.A. 180—St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 R.C. 29—Palatine, 33 Golden Square, W.  
 21—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle, .30 (In)  
 241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Instruction)  
 253—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby  
 299—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford  
 310—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle  
 357—Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford  
 573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen  
 789—Crescent, Island Hotel, Twickenham  
 1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham  
 1358—Torbay, Town Hall, Plimpton  
 1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans  
 1566—Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead  
 1609—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
 1636—St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
 1675—Ancient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
 R.A. 74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn Street, Birmingham  
 R.A. 103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Park Street, Bristol

- R.A. 153—Adam, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Sheerness  
 R.A. 175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John Street, Ryde, Isle of Wight  
 R.A. 815—Blair, Town Hall, Hulme, Manchester  
 R.A. 1091—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.

## WEDNESDAY, 28th MAY.

- 2—Antiquity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 8 (Instruction)  
 30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 73—Mount Lebanon, Windsor Castle, Southwark Bridge Road, at 8. (Inst)  
 174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.  
 186—Industry, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead, at 7. (Instruction)  
 193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 228—United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13 Crowndale-rd., Camden-town, 8 (In)  
 229—La Tolerance, Morland's Hotel, Dean Street, Oxford St. at 8 (Inst)  
 230—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)  
 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood  
 754—High Cross, Seven Sisters' Tavern, Puge Green, Tottenham  
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)  
 813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)  
 861—Finsbury, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 882—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)  
 902—Burgoyne, Victoria Hotel, Farringdon Road, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1017—Montefiore, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.  
 1278—Burdett Coutts, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, E., at 8. (Inst.)  
 1298—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)  
 1476—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst)  
 1604—Wanderers, Adam and Eve Tavern, Palmer St., Westminster, at 7.30 (In)  
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst.)  
 1681—Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Instruct)  
 1768—Progress, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 1791—Creston, Prince Albert Tavern, Portobello-ter., Notting-hill-gate (Inst.)  
 1922—Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, S.E., at 8. (In.)  
 R.A. 12—Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, William Street, Woolwich  
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8 (Instruction)  
 M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, at 8 (Instruction)  
 183—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester  
 220—Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, Lancashire  
 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds  
 439—Scientific, Masonic Room, Bingley  
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)  
 996—Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk  
 1039—St John, George Hotel, Lichfield  
 1083—Townley Parker, Mosley Hotel, Beswick, near Manchester  
 1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby (Instruction)  
 1119—St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow  
 1210—Strangeways, Empire Hotel, Strangeways, Manchester  
 1261—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1293—Ryburn, Central-buildings, Town Hall-street, Sowerby Bridge  
 1298—Egerton, Stanley Arms Hotel, Stanley-street, Bury, Lancashire  
 1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)  
 1633—Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
 1638—Browrigg, Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1723—St. George, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton  
 1953—Prudence and Industry, George Hotel, Chard, Somersetshire  
 1967—Beacon Court, Ghuznee Fort Hotel, New Brompton, Kent  
 R.A. 42—Unanimity, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire  
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 R.A. 328—St. John's, Masonic Hall, Torquay, Devon  
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 R.A. 378—Royal Sussex of Perfect Friendship, Masonic Hall, Ipswich  
 R.A. 503—Belvidere, Star Hotel, Maidstone  
 R.A. 605—De Tabley, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead  
 M.M.—Howe, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham  
 M.M. 19—Fowke, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester  
 M.M. 178—Wiltshire Keystone, Town Hall, Devizes  
 R.C.—Philips, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

## THURSDAY, 29th MAY.

- General Committee, Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4  
 10—Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, Collego-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)  
 147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)  
 435—Salisbury, 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)  
 901—City of London, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, at 6.30. (Instruction)  
 1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Westminster-bridge, at 8 (Inst.)  
 1186—Lewis, Kings Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1339—Stockwell, Cock Tavern, Kennington-road, at 7.30 (Instruction)  
 1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst.)  
 1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In)  
 1614—Covent Garden, Cranbourne, 1 Up. St. Martin's Lane, W.C., at 8. (Inst.)  
 1622—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)  
 1673—Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, E.C. at 6. (Instruction)  
 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst.)  
 1741—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)  
 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 753—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)  
 111—Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Archer-street, Darlington  
 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)  
 236—Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup  
 651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon  
 807—Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich  
 904—Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham  
 966—St. Edward, Literary Institute, Look, Stafford  
 1913—Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southport, Lancashire  
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)  
 R.A. 57—Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull  
 R.A. 360—Northampton, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton  
 R.A. 1395—Weyside, Masonic Hall, Woking  
 M.M. 32—Union, Freemason's Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester

## FRIDAY, 30th MAY.

- Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.  
 25—Robert Burns, The North Pole, 115 Oxford-street, W., at 8 (Instruc.  
 144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 597—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Instruct.)  
 765—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, Flammersmith (Instruction)  
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel-road, at 8. (Instruction)  
 1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)  
 1154—Belgrave, Jermyn-street, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)  
 129—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, at 8. (In.)  
 135—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)  
 1612—E. Carnarvon, Ladbrooke 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. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London-street, Greenwich. (Inst.)  
 R.A. 95—Eastern Star Chapter of Improvement, Hercules Tavern, Leadonhall St.  
 M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)  
 K.T. 74—Harcourt, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond

453—Chigwell, Loughton Tavern, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30 (Inst)  
 810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton  
 1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Barnet  
 1391—Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester  
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham, at 7  
 R.A. 81—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's Place, Halifax  
 R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster  
 R.A. 897—Loyalty, Masonic Buildings, Hall Street, St. Helens

### SATURDAY, 31st MAY.

House Committee, Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, Croydon, at 3  
 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, Pimlico, at 7 (Instruction)  
 1796—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8  
 1462—Wharncliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel Penistone  
 1965—Eastes, Parish Rooms, Bromley, Kent  
 R.A. 178—Harmony, Royal Hotel, Wigan.

## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

**Justice Lodge of Instruction, No. 147.**—On Thursday, 15th inst., at the Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford. Present—Bros. J. Penney W.M., J. Bedford Williams S.W., Thomas J.W., B. R. Banks Treasurer, S. K. Speight P.M. Secretary, Stringer S.D., Smith J.D., Catt I.G.; P.M. Bro. Hutchings (Preceptor); also Bros. W. T. Hunt jun., Penrose and Greener. Lodge opened, and minutes were read and confirmed. Lodge opened in the second and third degrees, and ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Penrose candidate. Lodge was then called off, and on resuming, the chair was occupied by Brother W. T. Hunt jun. Lodge closed to the first degree, after which the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Smith candidate.

On Thursday, Bros Thomas W.M., Stringer S.W., Bedford-Williams J.W., Speight P.M. Sec., Ingram P.M. I.G., P.M.'s Bros. J. J. Hutchings Preceptor, and Penrose. The work comprised the rehearsal of the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Penrose candidate. Lodge was then called off, and on resuming was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed.

**Percy Lodge of Instruction, No. 198.**—Held at the Jolly Farmers', Southgate-road, N., on Saturday, 17th inst. Present—Bros. Cull W.M., Hunter S.W., Strugnell J.W., Eldridge S.D., Kidder J.D., Bleakley I.G., Cohen Preceptor, Galer Secretary; also Bros. Richardson, Lorkin, Fenner, Harding, Cross, Rhodes, Giddens, Smith, Jackson, Airey, Dixie, Gribbell, Weeden, Sutton, Ferguson, Moss, Turner, Powell. Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, when Bro. Cull worked the Fifteen Sections, assisted by Bros. Giddens, Jackson, Eldridge, Bleakley, Hunter, Airey; Kidder, Luton, Weeden, Ferguson, Dixie; Gribbell, Strugnell, and Giddens. Lodge was resumed, and Bro. Jackson, of the Great Northern Lodge, and Bro. Simpson, of the St. Nicholas Lodge, were elected members. A cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Cull for his able working, and also to the brethren who had assisted him. Nothing further having offered for the good of Freemasonry, Lodge was closed in ancient form, and adjourned.

**St. John's Lodge, No. 221.**—The monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, the 21st inst., at the Commercial Hotel, Bolton, at 6.30 p.m. Present—Bros. Edwin Melrose W.M., Peter Bradburn S.W., Compton J.W., Brockbank Treas., Walker S.D., Siddorn I.G., Cuerden and Briscoe Stewards, Ferguson P.M. P. Prov. G.S.W., Morris, Swarbrick, Chirnside, Forrest, Elliston, Sugden, Halliwell. Visitors—Rev J. A. Gibbon Chaplain 37, Fogg 1723, Bolton 1723, Kershaw 1723, Nightingale 146, Melrose W.M. 1144. After preliminaries, Mr. Shaw-Henshaw, proposed as a candidate at the last Lodge, was duly balloted for, elected, and forthwith initiated as an E.A. by the W.M. and Bro. Isherwood, the working tools being explained by the J.W., and the customary charge delivered by Bro. Brockbank Grand Steward Scotland. Three candidates were proposed for initiation, after which the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 8 p.m.

**Finsbury Lodge of Instruction, No. 861.**—Held at the King and Queen, Norton Folgate, E.C., 14th May. Bros. Pinder W.M., Byott S.W., Lambert J.W., Stroud J.D., Gieseke I.G., Millington Secretary; also Bro. Batchelor, &c. Lodge was opened in due form. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Batchelor candidate. Bro. Batchelor answered the questions leading to the second degree, and was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the second degree. The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Batchelor candidate. Bro. Batchelor answered the questions leading to the third degree, and was entrusted. Lodge was closed in the second degree. Bro. Pinder worked the first section of the first lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bros. Byott and Batchelor were elected members. Bro. Byott was elected W.M. for ensuing week, the Officers in rotation. Lodge was then closed.

On the 21st instant, Bros. Byott W.M., Gieseke S.W., Legg J.W., Clark Treas., Mullington Sec., Pitt S.D., Probert J.D., Sergeant I.G., Pinder P.M. Preceptor, also Kramm, Turbeffield, &c. Lodge was opened, and minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Kramm candidate. Bro.

Turbeffield, being a candidate to be passed to the second degree, was examined and entrusted. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed, Bro. Turbeffield candidate. Lodge was closed in the second degree. Bro. Gieseke was elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and Lodge was closed.

**New Concord Lodge of Instruction, No. 813.**—At the Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, on Wednesday, the Fifteen Sections were worked by the members of the Percy Lodge of Instruction in response to an invite. Present—Bros. Cohen P.M. 205, Powell S.W., Galer J.W., Cusworth P.M. Preceptor, Perl Sec., Fenner P.M. S.D., Chubb J.D., Smith I.G.; also Weeden, Dixie, Ashton, Recknell, Harrower, Turner, and others. Lodge was opened in due form, and the usual preliminaries having been observed, the Sections were worked as follows: First Lecture—Bros. Galer, Turner, Powell, Fenner, Galer, Ashton, Powell; Second Lecture—Bros. Cusworth, Ferrar, Weeden, Powell, Dixie; Third Lecture—Cohen, Galer, Dixie. A cordial vote of thanks was ordered to be recorded to the brethren who had assisted to bring the meeting to a successful issue. Lodge was closed, and the brethren afterwards dispersed, having enjoyed a pleasant and instructive evening.

**Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, No. 860.**—At the meeting held on Tuesday, at Bro. Smyth's, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston, there were present—Bros. Watkinson W.M., Wardell S.W., Baker J.W., F. Carr Sec., Smyth S.D., Clark J.D., Jenkins I.G., P.M. Bro. Brasted Acting Preceptor; Visitors—Bros. Rogers, Turnbull, Christian, Robinson. Business—The Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Robinson answered the necessary questions leading to the third degree, was entrusted, and the ceremony was rehearsed, the W.M. giving the traditional history. Bro. Christian worked the third section of the lecture, assisted by the brethren. The Lodge was regularly closed to the first degree, when Bro. Wardell was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Honorary membership was conferred on Bro. Brasted P.M. for his great assistance to the Lodge in acting as its Preceptor, in the enforced absence, through illness, of Bro. Wallington, the esteemed Preceptor.

**Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, No. 1693.**—A meeting was held on Monday, 13th inst., at Bro. Baker's, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N. Bros. Weeden W.M., Kidder S.W., Jones J.W., Collingridge Secretary, Dixie S.D., Rhodes J.D., Goddard I.G., Trewnard Preceptor; P.M.'s Killick sen., Mulford, Cusworth. After preliminaries, the third degree ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Collingridge candidate. The W.M. gave the traditional history. Lodge was closed in the three degrees. Bro. Jones, W.M. of the Campbell Lodge, No. 1415, will rehearse the ceremony of installation on Monday next, the 27th inst.

On Monday last, Bros. Forge W.M., Western S.W., Rhodes J.W., Collingridge Sec., Cusworth S.D., Cook J.D., Ware I.G.; also Hall P.M. The ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Snook candidate. Lodge was closed in due form.

A meeting of the North London Chapter of Improvement was held at the Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, on Thursday. Comp. Gregory filled the chair of Z., Edmonds H., Strugnell J., Sheffield S.N., Wood P.S. A pleasant and profitable evening was spent.

Bro. G. J. Dunkley (better known as G. S. Graham) will be installed W.M. of the Ewell Lodge, No. 1351, on Saturday, 24th inst. The Lodge meets at the Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames.

The following Festival Meetings have been held at Freemasons' Tavern during the week, ending 24th May:—

Monday, 19th—Grand Master's Lodge, British Lodge; Tuesday, 20th—Royal Caledonian Asylum; Wednesday, 21st—Royal Masonic Institution for Girls' Annual Festival; Thursday, 22nd—St. George's Chapter, Mount Moriah Lodge, Bedford Chapter, University of London Lodge; Friday, 23rd—Jerusalem Lodge; Saturday, 24th—Army Pay Department, 79th Cameron Highlanders.

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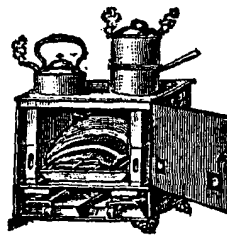
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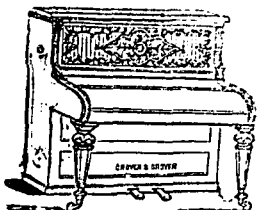
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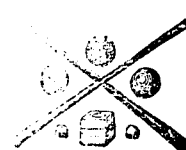
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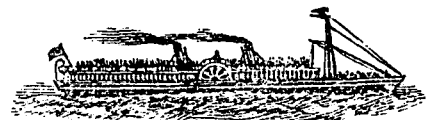
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