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THE WEARING OF THE BLUE.

UP till within the last few days, we should have had no hesitation in saying that whatever was decided upon in Grand Lodge would be cheerfully accepted by the members of the English Craft, who have at all times displayed the greatest willingness to bow to the opinions of their rulers in all matters associated with the Order. Events, however, have recently occurred which, if not exactly shaking our faith in the genuineness of such belief, at least afford ample grounds for putting it to the severest test. We may summarise the cause which has led to this uncertainty on our part in a few words, but from the brief record given in our last issue of the division which took place at the December Communication of Grand Lodge, our readers will no doubt surmise that the subject to which we refer is that connected with the decoration of Past Masters outside their own Lodges. Brethren who have passed the chair are to be deprived of the right to wear their insignia of honour when visiting any private Lodge but that in which they won such decoration. We say they are to be deprived of their right advisedly, for it has certainly been the custom among Past Masters to wear their collars whenever they chose, but now they are to be officially forbidden to do so, but by so narrow a majority in a large assemblage of Grand Lodge as to leave little doubt but that the question is one on which a strong difference of opinion exists.

The subject has been under discussion for some time past, and the attempt made at the beginning of the present month to settle it is, we think, likely to leave matters in a far more unsettled state than they were before, for we can hardly believe that a resolution carried by 211 votes against 210 will be accepted by Past Masters as a definite settlement of a question which so materially affects them as does this one.

The vote taken on the first of the present month was the result of a recommendation from the Board of General Purposes, whose attention had been called to the wording of Articles 304, 307 and 308 of the Book of Constitutions, the two former of which Articles refer to the collars to be worn by members of the Craft, and the latter to the occasions when those collars may be worn. The Board deemed it advisable, in order to avoid any misunderstanding, that Article 308 should be amended, and accordingly proposed it should read as follows:—

"The collars of the Officers and Past Masters of Private Lodges are to be worn only in their own Lodges, or when attending the Grand Lodge or their Provincial or District Grand Lodges, as Masters, Past Masters, or Wardens."

And, as we have said, those present in Grand Lodge have approved of the amended rule by a majority of one, in an assemblage of 421 voters.

To Bro. Fenn, the President of the Board of General Purposes, fell the duty of formally moving the adoption of the amended rule, and in doing so he called the attention of Grand Lodge to three notices of motion which had been submitted by Bro. William Nicholl, a Past Master of the Lodge of Affability, No. 317, Manchester, and which had for their object an exactly opposite effect to that proposed by the Board of General Purposes. After endeavouring for some time to satisfy himself and those who listened to him as to what Bro. Nicholl's proposals meant, and what they did not mean, Bro. Fenn condescended to suggest that the third recommendation of Bro. Nicholl should be taken and discussed with the third recommendation of the Board.

(We may refer our readers to the agenda paper for the meeting of Grand Lodge, a copy of which was given in our issue of the 27th ult., for full details of the respective recommendations.) Bro. Fenn argued that Bro. Nicholl considered that a Past Master was not an Officer of a Lodge, and therefore did not come under the operation of Article 308. He was certainly not an officer, said Bro. Fenn, but he was so much like one that it was almost impossible to discover the difference; the nicety of distinction had probably been overlooked by those who framed the laws, it being thought that the word officer covered the Past Officers, as the Past Masters undoubtedly were. It seemed incredible to Bro. Fenn that any other interpretation could have been placed upon the law as it stood in the Constitutions than the version he recognized; but, as we all know, differences of opinion have arisen on much more carefully arranged codes than that framed for the governance of the Masonic Order, and with all the facts before us we are not surprised that a difference of opinion has arisen in regard to Article 308. It seemed a very strange anomaly to Bro. Fenn that a past officer should have greater privileges or rights than a present one—that a Past Master, for instance, should have permission to wear his collar wherever and whenever he chose, when the Master of his Lodge, who was for the time being a greater man, had not that privilege. The proposal of the Board of General Purposes was not, he explained, an alteration of any existing law, but was suggested so as to make one already framed unmistakable and indisputable. He then related how the Craft had been invited to suggest alterations in the rules before they were submitted to Grand Lodge, and said there were only two suggestions sent in by the whole of the Lodges in regard to the matter then under consideration. The proposal of the Board of General Purposes was seconded by Bro. Philbrick, and then Bro. Nicholl brought forward his counter proposition. He argued that a brother who was entitled to wear his collar when attending Grand Lodge ought not to be shorn of his right when visiting a private one, which was really like a man appearing in full dress in his own house and wearing a smock frock when he went visiting. He wished the Board to put the rule in a more permissive tone, as if a brother was allowed and compelled to wear his insignia in Grand Lodge, it was an insult to strip him of his adornments when he visited sister Lodges.

We were sorry to see that Bro. Nicholl was not more strongly supported at this point, although we suppose it was simply that the Grand Officers were sharper in catching the eye of the Grand Master in the chair than the representatives of Blue Masonry; however it may be, it is certain that the Grand Officers did most of the talking, whether it was in support of the view adopted by the Board of General Purposes, or in opposition to that propounded by Bro. Nicholl, whose proposed counter amendment was not seconded or otherwise endorsed until the Rev. Thomas Cochrane P.G. Chaplain, and Bro. Samuel Pope, Q.C., G.D., had spoken strongly against it. The former attempted to explain the use of collars:—in Grand and Provincial Grand Lodge ordinary members wore blue collars to distinguish them from the officers, who wore purple; while in private Lodges the ordinary members should wear none, in order to contrast with the Officers, who wore blue. If it was permitted, argued our rev. brother, for Past Masters to wear their blue collars at every Masonic assembly and private Lodge they visited it

would at once remove this distinction, and it could not be discovered who were the actual Officers of the private Lodge which they visited. Truly, love is blind! Did it never strike our brother that the same argument used in another quarter would deprive him of the much prized collar which he wears as a Past Grand Officer. No doubt there are many brethren who could with equal reason to that displayed by Bro. Cochrane relate how they had been misled in Grand and other Lodges by the number of Past Officers who wear almost the same insignia as that which denotes the Officers of the year. His view of the question appeared to him the practical way of looking at it. Will he please apply his view to the case of Past Grand Officers, and then let us know if it appears as practical as it did when he was simply considering Past Worshipful Masters? Bro. Samuel Pope argued in much the same strain. The collar of an Officer was not an indication of rank, he said, but of office, and it was worn only in those places and on those occasions when he attended by virtue of his office. Later on, he argued that Provincial office conferred the right to wear the purple in perpetuity, and he has similar views in regard to Grand Lodge Office, for he argues that it is the chain he now wears which is the indication of his office as a Grand Deacon, while the purple—collar and apron—conferred on him, represent his rank. He probably overlooked the fact that it is the jewel of a Worshipful Master which is the indication of his office, while the blue conferred on him represents his rank, otherwise he would not have said it was quite right, logical, true, and consistent to limit the wearing of the official collars to when brethren attended officially. Bro. Canon Portal proposed an alteration in the motion of Bro. Nicholl, suggesting it should read as follows:—"That the Master, the Past Masters, and the Officers of a Lodge shall be at liberty to wear their collars and jewels upon all Masonic occasions." This form of amendment was seconded by Bro. Eastes, Deputy Provincial Grand Master Kent, accepted by Bro. Nicholl, and then put to the vote, with the result already recorded—211 in favour of the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes and 210 against it.

It is, perhaps, bad taste to question the motives of those who disagree with us, and we should be the last to advocate anything like retaliation, except under the most exceptional circumstances, but we argue those circumstances do now exist, and we cannot refrain from using the arguments adopted by the opposition to support our own case. We have shown that the main objection urged against Past Masters wearing collars on all occasions is that it leads to confusion, but on the principle that what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander, the same may be said in regard to the collars worn by Past Grand, and Prov. Grand Officers. Why are they to be permitted to wear the insignia of their office on all occasions while brethren who have done as much, and in many cases infinitely more, to entitle them to distinction are debarred from doing so? Bad as may be the sentiments by which we are actuated we fear we shall not consider the Grand Officers are consistent until we see them appearing without the collar to which they consider themselves entitled by reason of their rank as Past Grand Officers. When they do that we will believe it is time for Past Masters to accept cheerfully the dictum which deprives them of the coveted strip of blue, but until they do we hope Past Masters, and all who aspire to that distinction, will use every lawful means in their power to secure the restitution of their rights.

As we have said above, it is the jewel which an Officer wears which distinguishes him from those wearing blue collars who are not Officers, just as the chain of Grand Lodge office distinguishes acting from Past Grand Officers, and we hope this view of the case may ultimately be adopted as the correct one, for although the motion has been carried against the Past Masters, we are far from believing it is finally settled that they are to be debarred from the wearing of the blue.

MASONIC LIBRARIES.

A LIBRARY is an evidence of civilization. In no age of the world have large collections of books existed when the arts and sciences have not flourished. It is the main function of literature to spread information of the

achievements of the human mind and the human hand, to diffuse knowledge. Those were the darkest ages of the world when tyrants wrought their vengeance upon the accumulated thought of the centuries—upon the libraries which were the results of the most skilful thought and careful acquisition. Happy are we in living in this nineteenth century, in being the literary heirs of the ages, in breathing an atmosphere of books, in having the printed page always before us, either in the morning or evening or weekly paper, in the monthly magazine, in pamphlets and books almost innumerable, or in encyclopædias which have taken all knowledge for their province.

Masonic libraries are of recent creation. This was to have been expected of a secret society, and had Masonry continued to be as secret as it was for the major period of its history, there would even now be no Masonic libraries. Originally the only matter that was written concerning Masonry was the MS. copy of the ancient Constitutions and Charges. This embodied a sketch of the origin of the Craft, of the architectural achievements of its members, and of the regulations governing the Fraternity. Each of the old Lodges, in the pre-historic period of the Grand Lodge of England, possessed a written copy of these Constitutions and Charges, which was carefully kept in the archives of the Lodge from public scrutiny, and was read at each making of a Mason. In the course of time our Brotherhood developed from its Operative into its Speculative stage. Contemporaneous with this development came the invention of the art of printing, and the easy and rapid diffusion of knowledge by means of the printed page. The history of the Craft came to be regarded as no longer a secret, and as a result information concerning it began to appear, both in books of general literature and in distinctively Masonic works. The Ancient Constitutions were the Corner-stone of Masonic literature, and the edifice already erected on this foundation is a massive one, which time, year by year, is adding to, and the end no one can foresee. The Masonic newspaper and the Masonic magazine have followed in the train of Masonic books, until now there is no lack of proper information available for the right comprehension of the origin of the Fraternity, its surprising history, and the great underlying principles which actuate the Brotherhood. None of these are any longer secrets. We need not now consider whether the Craft has been advantaged by the change, but it is unmistakably a change that has come to stay. Knowledge once imparted can never be recalled; but we are of the number of those who think it is time that a halt should be called. We may not recal the past, but we can protect the present and the future. Just as a Masonic Lodge has no proper place in a profane procession, so when a Masonic Lodge is convened in a Lodge room the profane have no business to be present, and whoever invites them to be present is recreant to his duty as an obligated member of the Fraternity.

Among the Grand Lodges of this continent which have succeeded in assembling large numbers of valuable Masonic books and manuscripts, the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Iowa, Massachusetts and New York merit special mention. Their Grand Lodge Libraries are of the most valuable character. They represent years of enlightened research, and thousands of dollars in money. The Library of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania had its origin in 1787, when "It was ordered that the Treasurer buy every book for the use of this Lodge which may appear interesting on Masonry." In 1816 it was further resolved, "That a committee be appointed to devise the best means of establishing a Masonic Library, for the use of the members of this Grand Lodge, and to report thereon." The great work culminated in 1871, under the lead of Bro. Chas. E. Meyer, when our present magnificent Library was inaugurated. Its catalogue of Masonic books, issued in 1880, covers sixty-six pages, and since then there have been many valuable additions to its literary treasures. The Library Committee have not been content with gathering the best books, but they have also published them as well. The "Dedication Memorial Volume of the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia," and the "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania from 1730," are Masonic works of the rarest merit, and deserve the widest reading by the Brethren of this jurisdiction.

If a book be in truth "a ship of thought," and, as Shakespeare said,

"My library
Was dukedom large enough,"

what is the office of a Masonic library? Is it to be merely

a piece of furniture, a substitute for wall-paper? Forbid the thought! Undoubtedly a library of books is most grateful to the physical eye, but it was made for the eye of the mind. And here we would remark, that a library that is under lock and key, with the librarian habitually absent, might almost as well not exist. A Masonic Library is intended for reference, not as a lending library, and the facilities for consulting it should be restricted only by such regulations as are necessary to preserve its integrity. Brethren should be encouraged to consult it, not deterred therefrom. Wherever these noble Masonic foundations exist, such rules should be enacted as may induce indifferent Freemasons to seek literary light, and may satisfy those who have a desire for knowledge by placing it easily within their reach. Let our Masonic Libraries everywhere continue to increase in their wealth of literature, and let the bars be let down so that every lover of learning in the Craft may browse at pleasure on their literary meads.

—Keystone.

GRAND LODGE OF M.M.M. OF ENGLAND AND WALES, &c.

THE half-yearly Communication of this Grand Lodge was held on Tuesday, 30th ult., at the Holborn Restaurant, under the presidency of Lord Egerton of Tatton, Deputy Grand Master, who was supported by Rev. Canon Portal, M.A., Past Grand Master, Rev. W. Mortimer Heath as D.G.M., Col. Lord John H. Taylour as S.W., Captain N. G. Philips as J.W., A. F. Godson, M.P., P.G.M. Worcestershire, Major J. W. Woodall P.G.M. North and East Yorks, R. C. Else P.G.M. Somersetshire, Col. H. S. Somerville Burney M.O., J. S. Eastes S.O., Geo. Keuning J.O., Rev. Dr. Cartwright Smyth G. Chap., Jas. Moon Treas., Fredk. Binckes Secretary, H. Ward and F. Crouch J.D.'s, R. W. Edis I. of W., G. P. Festa and A. McDowell A.D.C., W. J. Thomson and Thomas Taylor Std. Bearers, Henry Rose Organist, W. Vincent I.G., J. Pinder Assist. I.G. The Grand Lodge having been opened and the Grand Master in the chair saluted, the minutes of the last half-yearly Communication, of the Special Grand Lodge of the 1st July, and of the moveable Grand Lodge of 14th July, were read and confirmed, after which the report of the General Board was received and adopted.

The Report of the General Board showed that during the six months ending 30th September last 570 Mark certificates were issued, making the total number of registrations 22,227; while three warrants for new Lodges had been granted, increasing the roll to 369. These Lodges will meet at Barnet, Herts; Jamaica, and Rangoon respectively. The number of registered Royal Ark Mariners had been increased to 2,076, by the issue of 118 certificates during the six months, while warrants for two new Lodges had been issued, one to be attached to Lodge No. 230, London, and the other to No. 203, Meerut. Reference was made to irregularities committed by the Brunswick Lodge, No. 48; the Worshipful Master of which had been installed at a Lodge of Emergency; it was recommended that the W.M. be confirmed in the rank of Past Master on payment of a fine of one guinea; the Lodge having already been fined two guineas. Particulars were given of the relief granted by the Board to distressed Masons, as also the Eighteenth Annual Festival in aid of the Mark Benevolent Fund, held on the 28th July, under the presidency of Bro. A. F. Godson, M.P., when subscriptions to the amount of £1,535 were announced. With a view of rendering these Annual Festivals on behalf of the Benevolent Fund even more successful in the future, a sub-committee was appointed, to consider and report as to improved management. This sub-committee advised the appointment of a permanent Secretary of the Mark Benevolent Fund, with authority to attend the various Mark Lodges, with a view to securing Stewards, soliciting subscriptions, and generally advocating the cause of the Charity. Acting on this suggestion the Board have appointed Bro. C. F. Matier as Secretary, with an annual remuneration of £20. The Board recommended that a sum of £5 be annually paid on behalf of each recipient of the benefits of the Educational Fund for clothing, and then gave details of the distribution of the various prizes awarded to the pupils on the Educational Fund.

Canon Portal moved the resolution arising out of the

report, it being agreed that the Worshipful Master of No. 48, who had been irregularly installed, should be confirmed as a Past Master on payment of the suggested fine of one guinea. The proposal to grant a sum of £5 every year to each pupil on the Educational Fund was also carried. Bro. A. M. Broadley P.D.G.M.M. of the Mediterranean nominated H.R.H. the Prince of Wales as Grand Master for the ensuing year. Bro. J. Moon G. Treasurer nominated Bro. J. L. Mather to succeed him in his office, and Bro. J. E. Dawson Deputy P.G.M. Herts nominated Bro. Edgar Bowyer for the same appointment. Jewels and bars were then presented to the brethren who had supported the Benevolent Fund of the Degree, and Grand Lodge was closed.

A banquet followed, at the earlier part of which the Deputy Grand Master presided, Major Woodall taking his place towards the close of the proceedings.

The monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys took place at Freemasons' Hall, on Saturday last. Bro. J. Moon, V.-Pat., presided, and among those present were Bros. Alfred Williams, J. L. Mather, G. Motion, S. Richardson, W. Ballard, R. W. Stewart P.G.D., S. H. Parkhouse, C. F. Hogard, G. Bolton, J. S. Cumberland, F. Adlard, C. Belton, F. W. Ramsay, A. E. Gladwell, G. P. Gillard, W. H. Saunders, N. B. Headon, E. Baxter, G. Read, G. W. B. Fletcher, J. H. Gwyn, W. Maple, W. A. Scurrah, W. Harding, F. T. C. Keeble, G. Cooper, H. W. Hunt, R. Eve, H. Young, and Frederick Binckes (Secretary). The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, and those of the House Committee read for information, nine petitions were considered and accepted, and the names of the children ordered to be entered on the list of candidates for the April election. Two applications by ex-pupils for grants towards outfit were favourably entertained. The day for holding the Quarterly Court in April 1887, which will fall on Easter Monday, was postponed till the Monday following (18th April 1887). Other business having been disposed of, a vote of thanks was passed to the Chairman.

The Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution held its usual monthly meeting at Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday. The chair was occupied by Bro. Raynham W. Stewart P.G.D., and amongst the members present were Bros. Edgar Bowyer, P.G. Std. B., Samuel Brooks, Hugh Cotter, A. Forsyth, Charles J. Perceval, Joseph Freeman, Thos. Griffith, W. J. Murlis, W. Belchamber, John Bulman, J. A. Farnfield, Thomas Cubitt P.G.P., A. H. Tattershall, C. H. Driver, Albert Fish, C. F. Matier, Fred. Davison P.G.D., C. H. Webb, W. H. Perryman A.G.P., Chas. Belton, and James Terry Secretary. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and verified, the Secretary reported the death of one male annuitant, who had received £230. The Warden's report for the past month was read. The receipt of a legacy to the Male Fund, amounting to £25, free of duty, from the executors of the late Rev. Samuel Gauntlett, of Midway Manor, Wilts, was announced. The Committee voted the sum of £20 towards the entertainment of the inmates of the Institution at Croydon, on 5th January proximo. An application made by the widow of a late annuitant, for half her husband's annuity, was granted. Nine petitions (6 male and 3 female) were taken into consideration, with the result that seven were accepted, and the names ordered to be placed on the list of candidates for the election in May next; two were deferred for further information. A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the meeting.

We are in receipt of a copy of Bro. Lane's work, "Masonic Records, 1717-1886," which is undoubtedly a valuable addition to Masonic literature. We shall refer to it in an early issue.

The installation meeting of the St. Ambrose Lodge, No. 1891, was held on Tuesday, when Bro. Ludwig Lichtwitz was installed as Worshipful Master. A report of the proceedings will appear in our next.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

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LODGE OF UNION, No. 414.

A REGULAR meeting of this Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Greyfriars-road, Reading, on Tuesday, the 17th ult., under the presidency of Bro. Michael John Withers Prov. G. Junior Deacon, the Worshipful Master, on which occasion Bro. James Stevens P.M. P.Z. attended, on the invite of the Lodge, for the purpose of delivering his popular lecture on the ritual and ceremonial of the first degree. The attendance was unfortunately not nearly so large as had been anticipated, an important political meeting having been appointed for the same evening, and regrets and apologies for absence were very numerous. The Chaplain of the Lodge, Bro. the Rev. Canon Garry, desired special mention of his disappointment in not being able to occupy his position. Among those present were Bros. D. H. Witherington S.W., F. Blackwell J.W., Chas. Stephens P.M. Prov. G. Treasurer Berks and Bucks, Robert Bradley Prov. G. Secretary, Charles Oades P.M., Albert W. Parry Secretary, John W. Martin S.D., C. G. Hawkes J.D., J. R. Hayward Organist, C. J. R. Steward I.G., H. P. Knill, Bernard Ruddock, F. J. Wellman, G. S. Galt, W. G. Millar, Henry Higgs, W. J. Maurice, and others. Visitors:—Bros. James Stevens P.M. P.Z., Alexander Sellar P.M. 414, T. P. Stevens, C. Slaughter, W. G. Flanagan P.M. 1101; H. G. Sherwin, Walter Blackwell 1024; R. H. Reilly, F. J. Lawes 2043; the Rev. J. D. Dunlap, Cambridge University Lodge; John Miller 723, and others. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the previous minutes having been read, and a report from the Permanent Committee received, the Worshipful Master formally introduced Bro. Stevens to the meeting for the delivery of his lecture. After a few introductory remarks on the nature and objects of his address, the lecturer proceeded to explain his views in relation to the form of ritual and ceremonial which had been adopted for the general observance of the Craft at the formation of the United Grand Lodge in 1813, and in regular order, through the ceremonies of opening and initiation, pointed out the many divergences from such original form which had arisen, more particularly during the past quarter of a century. For two hours, without intermission, Bro. Stevens rivetted the attention of his audience, whilst giving most lucid explanations of, and reasons for, the numerous points in working in respect of which a perfect understanding is necessary for a full appreciation of the "connection of the whole system of Freemasonry, and the relative dependency of its several parts." Most instructive in every respect, the lecturer could not fail to leave many important points for future consideration by his hearers, although it may be said that perfect agreement on all may not follow. Being purely such an address as can only be given when "close tyled," it should be heard by Freemasons wherever opportunity for its delivery may arise, and, judging from its reception on this occasion, and, as we are informed, on many former occasions, it should be the desire of every good working Lodge to learn from Bro. Stevens "the reason why" for much that they do and say in Masonic ceremonial. At the close of the lecture on the proposition of the Worshipful Master, seconded by Bro. Chas. Stephens P.M. Prov. G. Treasurer, a cordial vote of thanks, with complimentary remarks on the address he had given, was unanimously accorded to Bro. Stevens, who acknowledged the same in suitable terms. Propositions for initiation having been made, and greetings exchanged, the Lodge was closed in due form, with harmony, and the brethren adjourned to the Great Western Hotel, where supper had been prepared. A pleasant hour or two was passed in social converse, enlivened by song and recitation, before the brethren separated, well pleased with the Masonic work of the evening.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT LODGE, No. 1524.

THE members of this Lodge met at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Thursday, 25th ult., when the brethren appeared in mourning, for Bro. Chapman P.M. The Lodge having been opened in due form, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. A ballot was taken for Mr. John Henry Ellis—after being proposed by Bro. Caperee, and seconded by Bro. East—and it was carried without a dissentient. The Lodge then opened in the second degree, when Bros. Potter and Goddard were instructed to retire, and, upon their withdrawal, the Lodge resolved itself into the third degree, and the aforesaid gentlemen were raised to the degree of Master Mason. The Lodge being resumed in the first degree, two candidates were proposed for initiation at the next meeting. The Worshipful Master rising for the second time, the Immediate Past Master proposed that the usual Past Master's jewel—value ten guineas—be presented to Bro. Ferrar on his leaving the chair, and this proposition was carried unanimously. Bro. P.M. Payne proposed, and Bro. P.M. Dignam seconded, that the sum of five guineas should be given to the widow of their late P.M. Chapman, from the Charity box; this was agreed to. At the election for Worshipful Master for the ensuing year Bro. Polak was unanimously chosen. Bro. P.M. Brand was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. Marsh Tyler. The Audit Committee was re-appointed. The Lodge closed in the usual manner, and the convivial gathering took place afterwards.

EBORACUM LODGE, No. 1611.

AT the installation meeting of this Lodge, held on the 8th ult., at York, a valuable presentation was made by Bro. Frank Smith P.M. 837, in the shape of an engraving, somewhat rare, in a perfect state, representing a view of the city of York, taken in 1740, by Nathan Drake, from the New Walk on the side of the river Ouse.

The chief Masonic interest of this engraving, which was executed by Grigium, is found in the fact that the "New Walk" was laid out and planted in 1830 by Bro. John Marsden, a member of the Grand Lodge of All England at York, who was an apothecary and a member of the Corporation. The engraving is emblematically framed in oak, and is inscribed: "Presented to the Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611, on the occasion of the installation of Bro. Wm. Brown as W.M., 8th Nov. 1886, by Bro. F. Smith, P.M. De Grey and Ripon Lodge, 837, West Yorkshire."

ST. LEONARD'S LODGE, No. 1766.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge was held on Wednesday, at the Town Hall, Shoreditch, when Bro. Robert Drysdale was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. Among those present were Bros. A. Walker W.M., F. Matthews S.W., R. Drysdale J.W., W. H. Brand P.M. Treas., Joseph Cox Sec., E. Benjamin P.M., G. T. Barr P.M., L. Stean P.M., C. F. Barham P.M., H. Jones P.M., A. Clement P.M., J. Funston P.M., H. J. Thrower S.D., L. A. Harrison J.D., G. C. Young P.M. Org., W. Beasley I.G., J. W. Griffiths Steward, W. Clarke P.G.P. (Honorary member), and a fair assemblage of lay members, together with the following visitors:—S. A. East 1524, W. H. Lee 1524 Asst. Prov. Grand Sec. Middlesex, W. W. Lee 1897, E. Smith P.M. 1336 P.P.G.J.W. N. Wales and Salop, C. W. Vine 1046, F. Richardson D.C. 860, G. Andrews 1420, W. Walden 49, F. Horner P.M. 31, H. Povey P.M. 22, A. Weston 1929, H. J. Dutton 1706, W. H. Baker W.M. 1446 I.P.M. 2020, R. A. Germains Org. 2033, F. W. Ayres 1816, T. Nettleship 1641, H. R. Baker J.W. 2030, L. V. Walker W.M. elect 22, F. Reid 901, G. Harwood 813, J. Smither S.D. 193, W. Musto P.M. 1349, J. Lobb 228, W. Medcalf 206, W. Knight 860, F. Brien P.M. 1076, A. R. Trew S.W. 959, J. A. Robson P.M. 1445, C. Sims 861, H. Salter S.D. 861, G. Hodges 1310, R. J. Sanders 861, C. W. Cox P.M. 1566, A. Budd 1446, J. Smith P.M. 193, B. Nicholson. Bro. Drysdale having been installed as W.M., appointed the following as Officers for the year:—Bros. Matthews S.W., Cox J.W., Brand P.M. Treas., Barham P.M. Secretary, Thrower S.D., Harrison J.D., Young Organist Beasley I.G., Griffiths D.C., H. J. Scott and S. Batchelor Stewards. Among other business transacted was the balloting for Mr. Albert Goldstein and Mr. Joseph Mordecai, candidates for initiation, the result being in favour of these gentlemen, who will be initiated at a future meeting; the reception of the Audit Committee's report; the presentation of a Past Master's jewel to Bro. E. Walker, the retiring Worshipful Master; and the voting of a jewel to Bro. J. Cox, in recognition of his services as Secretary during the past eight years. Lodge having been closed, the brethren sat down to a banquet, under the presidency of the new Worshipful Master. In due course the customary toasts were given from the chair. The Worshipful Master felt he need only submit the name of Her Majesty to ensure a hearty welcome. All present must wish for the Queen many more years of health and happiness to reign over her people. Speaking to the next toast, the Worshipful Master said that what the Grand Master had done, and was doing, was so well known to brethren of the Craft that they could but honour their ruler. The toast of the Grand Officers was next proposed, and the name of Bro. Clarke P.G.P. was coupled with it. That brother tendered thanks on behalf of the Officers of the Grand Lodge, present and past, for the hearty reception of the toast. He spoke of the kindly manner in which the Pro Grand Master had presided at the last meeting of Grand Lodge, and considered it was evidence of a deep love for the Craft. His kind words to the many brethren who were then present proved how cordial and capable a Mason we have to take the place of our Royal Grand Master whenever His Royal Highness finds it inconvenient to attend the meetings of the Craft. The Earl of Carnarvon and the Grand Officers generally did their best to uphold the prestige of the Craft. Bro. Clarke said his views as to the holding of Grand Office were well known. He considered that no brother should hold office in Grand Lodge for more than one year, and was pleased to see that the Craft in general recognized this principle in regard to the only appointment in their hands—that of Grand Treasurer, which office, since it had become an elective one, had passed out of the hands of its holder at the close of the year for which he was elected. Bro. Clarke thanked the brethren for the reception he personally met with whenever he was present at their Lodge. He could hardly believe it was eight years since he had taken part in the consecration of the Lodge, but such was the case, as he had been reminded that night; he could but congratulate the members on the prosperity which they had attained. Bro. Walker proposed the next toast. He considered the duty which devolved upon him a most honourable and important one to discharge. They were met to greet the ninth Worshipful Master of the Lodge on his installation. The present had been a most successful installation, inasmuch as they had found a brother who could fill the chair with credit to himself and honour to the members. The present ruler was initiated in the Lodge some years since, and had worked through the various offices until he had risen to the highest position it was in the power of this or any other Lodge to confer. Bro. Walker had had some little experience of foreign Lodges, and had found that in those of France, at least, the ruler was designated by the title Venerable. Doubtless there was not much difference between the title Worshipful and Venerable, but in this country at least the use of the latter title would at times appear out of place, for while in many cases those who had age and experience were called upon to direct the affairs of their Lodges, there were also many occasions when the highest office of the Lodge was filled by a young and far from venerable looking brother. But the brethren of the St. Leonard's Lodge that night had a Master eminently qualified to bear the title both of Venerable and Worshipful. He was, in every sense of the word, a venerable Worshipful Master, and if they had among them a painter who was desirous of depicting that worthy Builder to whom frequent reference was made in the

ritual of Freemasonry, he could hardly do better than adopt Bro. Drysdale as his model. The Worshipful Master felt great difficulty in responding in view of the exceptionally kind manner in which the toast had been proposed. He really felt that if his predecessor had not made so much of him he should have thought more of Bro. Walker. His remarks had been very kind in most respects, but it was perhaps unkind to so pointedly remind him of a fact of which he was fully aware—that he was getting old. He knew this well, and he felt that in consequence the brethren would sympathise with him if in the course of his term of office he should not be so perfect as they could wish; his memory was not so good as it was twenty or more years ago, and if he fell short it would be because of that failing. It would be his desire to fulfil his duties to their satisfaction. He next proposed the health of the installing Master. All must agree that the duties of Installing Master could not have been carried out better than they had been by Bro. Walker that night. He (Bro. Drysdale) had been perfectly astonished to find that Bro. Walker had been able to perform the work so creditably, for although he was not quite so old as he was, he was getting well on in years, and the ceremony of installation was a difficult one for any brother to undertake. The Immediate Past Master having tendered his thanks, was pleased that the Worshipful Master had reminded him that they both suffered from the same complaint—they were both getting old, but at the same time he would remind them that he had read somewhere, as no doubt they all had done, that old birds were not to be caught with chaff. He felt the Worshipful Master had tried to catch him with chaff when he had spoken so eulogistically of his efforts that night. He could conscientiously say he had striven to do his best, and he hoped his efforts had deserved the kind reception they had met with. The Past Masters of the Lodge were next toasted, and Bro. Stean replied. It afforded him great pleasure to be again present at the St. Leonard's Lodge. As the first Worshipful Master he looked upon the Lodge as a great success. It had progressed far beyond his expectations in many ways, but had fallen short in others. It had done nobly for the Masonic Institutions, and had also adopted his view that Freemasonry had some object beyond the support of those noble Charities which were associated with the Order. Each and every case of distress which had been brought under their notice had received such attention as was in their power to bestow, the Benevolent Fund connected with the Lodge having been of great service in assisting many deserving cases. He was pleased to be recognised as the Father of the Lodge, a title he was well fitted to bear, from his long association with Freemasonry. He had been a member of the Order some forty-seven years at the time he was installed as first Master of the St. Leonard's Lodge, and could, in consequence, now boast of a Masonic career of fifty-four years. He could only hope that the members having secured a proud position for their Lodge would one and all strive to uphold its reputation. Bro. Barr followed. The Past Masters always had the will, if not the opportunity, of performing any duty for the benefit of the Lodge, which was started as a first-class East-end representative of Freemasonry, and had attained some success in that respect. At the present time there was an amount of stability attached to the Lodge which would not degrade any member who might join it. The toast of the Visitors was one which gave the Worshipful Master much pleasure to propose, more especially as there were so many guests around the board. He considered the presence of so many distinguished guests as proof of the kindly interest taken by the Craft in the welfare of the Lodge. Bro. Lee was the first to respond, and it afforded him great gratification to do so. He was pleased to attend and witness the progress made by the Lodge during the seven or eight years it had been in existence. This was no doubt due to the ability displayed by the brethren who had filled the office of Worshipful Master, prominent among whom was Bro. Stean, one of the oldest Past Masters of the great metropolis. He was also pleased to see the retiring Master, at the close of his year of office, instal his successor. Bro. Smith was also delighted with what he had witnessed that day, and was amply repaid for his long journey of close upon two hundred miles, which he had undertaken in order to be present. Bros. Cox, Musto, and Germain also replied to the toast. The latter considered it was only by visiting and comparing the work done in the several Lodges that a brother could form any idea of the position of an individual Lodge. The Worshipful Master next proposed the health of the Treasurer and Secretary, feeling that much depended on those two Officers as to whether a Lodge was a success or not. If the Treasurer and Secretary of a Lodge attended to their duties, there was nothing to prevent a Lodge from becoming one of the greatest successes in Masonry. He felt that the brethren who filled these offices in the St. Leonard's Lodge would discharge their duties in such a manner as to add to its reputation. Bro. Brand tendered his thanks. Although newly appointed to office, he was not exactly a stranger to the Lodge, having been a joining member of it during the first year of its existence. He felt it a great honour to be elected to the office of Treasurer, of which post he had some experience in his mother Lodge. He was pleased to say that during the time he had acted there as Treasurer he had never seen any difference of opinion in regard to the affairs of the Lodge, and he trusted he might have a similar experience in the St. Leonard's. His aim would be to advance the reputation of the Lodge, and, if possible, to add to its already achieved popularity; maintaining it, in the foremost rank of London Lodges. There were occasions when somewhat disagreeable duties fell to the lot of the Secretary and Treasurer, but he hoped that should the occasion ever arise in their Lodge where he might be thought to act harshly, that the members would believe that what he did was for the good of the cause they were all anxious to advance. He hoped that at the end of the year he should be able to report the Lodge in even a better position than it then occupied. Bro. Barham followed, thanking the members for their kind reception. He should endeavour so to fulfil his duties that the Wor. Master would not regret having appointed him to office. He had held every position but one in the Lodge, had

acted as its W.M., and also as its Tyler. He hoped now that he had been appointed as its Secretary he should not again fall into the error he committed when acting as Tyler, when he omitted to collect the dues. As Secretary he should endeavour to follow in the footsteps of Bro. Cox, who had filled the office since the consecration of the Lodge, and in doing so he felt he should be fulfilling the desires of them all. The toast of the Officers brought the list to a conclusion. This was one of the most pleasing toasts a Master could have to propose, for unless a ruler was well supported by his Officers, the working of a Lodge could not be satisfactorily carried out. Bro. Drysdale felt he could say he was supported by Officers who would do their utmost to assist in carrying on the Lodge in a satisfactory manner, and would render him all the assistance which lay in their power. With great satisfaction then he asked those present to drink to the health of the Officers. Bros. Matthews and Cox, the Wardens, replied. The former felt sure the Officers were brethren who would strive to add to the reputation of their Lodge. Bro. Cox was very pleased to occupy the position of Warden, but there was one drawback to his acceptance of the collar; he felt he was keeping back the other Officers from that step of promotion they might reasonably have expected on an installation night, but this had been lessened if not entirely removed by the kind and hearty way in which each had expressed his willingness to stand aside for the year, and allow him (Bro. Cox) to take a step nearer the Master's chair. The Tyler's toast was then given, and the meeting was brought to a conclusion.

GEORGE PRICE LODGE, No. 2096.

An emergency meeting of this Lodge was held at the Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, on Saturday, the 4th inst., when there were present:—Bros. H. M. Hobbs P.G.S.D. Surrey W.M., F. T. Ridpath S.W., J. S. Fraser Secretary, M. L. Levèy S.D., W. G. Goode J.D., W. G. Oates D.C., and W. Lane Tyler; also Bros. George Price P.G. Treasurer Surrey, H. Saxelby P.G. Registrar Surrey; Drs. A. Matthey and Wilson, Rev. Lennox Harvey, Aston, Guedalla, Herschhorn, and Holden. The Lodge was honoured by the presence of the V.W. Bro. Frederick West P.G. S. Eng., the newly appointed Deputy Prov. Grand Master of Surrey, who was saluted by the brethren according to ancient custom. Visitors:—J. S. Streeter P.P.G. Reg. Surrey, Dr. S. Parsons-Smith P.G.S.D. Surrey, Dr. W. H. M. Smith W.M. 463, C. W. C. Webb I.P.M. 1397, Gordon Smith S.D. 14, F. Carter 14, and J. H. Hughes 404. A letter was read from Bro. C. Greenwood P.G. Sec. Surrey, thanking the Lodge for the expression of their condolence on the death of his father, the late lamented Deputy Prov. G. Master; this was ordered to be entered on the minutes. Bro. F. Herschhorn was passed to the second, and Bros. Rev. Lennox Harvey and H. H. Aston raised to the third degree. The Lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment.

LOYAL BERKSHIRE LODGE OF HOPE, No. 574.

The Officers and brethren of this Lodge held their last meeting for the present year at the Temperance Hall, Newbury, on Friday evening, the 3rd inst., under the presidency of Bro. Montague Palmer W.M. Bro. H. D. Astley, Solicitor of Hungerford, having been passed to the second degree, the members of the Lodge proceeded to ballot for a Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, resulting in the unanimous election of the Senior Warden Bro. H. S. Hanington, who suitably expressed his appreciation of the honour thus conferred upon him. Bro. W. H. Belcher P.M. was unanimously re-elected Treasurer. The Worshipful Master elect brought forward the question of the desirability, or otherwise, of holding a Masonic Ball in the Town Hall, in the early part of the ensuing year. The proposal was favourably received, and the Lodge delegated the matter to a committee.

Fidelity Lodge of Instruction, No. 3.—Notwithstanding the fog, a considerable number of brethren assembled on Wednesday, the 24th ult., at the Alfred, Roman-road, Barnsbury, to hear the ceremony of installation rehearsed by Bro. E. Storr P.M. 187. On taking the chair, Bro. Storr was supported by Bros. Gregory and Ament as Wardens, Ferguson Preceptor, Coste and Wright as Deacons, Seammell I.G., Dimsdale Secretary, and some twenty other brethren. Bro. Putland was duly installed as Worshipful Master, and appointed his Officers; after which Bro. Storr delivered the charges in very impressive style. Lodge was resumed to the second degree, and Bro. Preceptor worked the first section of the lecture. Bro. Hutchinson having been unanimously elected a member, Lodge was closed, after a most successful evening.

Creaton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1791.—At the meeting held on Thursday, 2nd inst., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk Road, Shepherd's Bush, there were present—Bros. Craggs W.M. Austin S.W., Cross J.W., Spiegel P.M. Sec., Wood S.D., Marsh J.D., Jennings I.G. Past Masters Bros. Sims, Foreman, Chauffourier, Stroud, Head, Lindfield. Business—The Lodge opened in due form, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Foreman candidate. The first section of the second lecture was worked by Bro. Davies, assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Chauffourier candidate. Bros. Foreman and Chauffourier were elected members, and Bro. Austin appointed W.M. for next Thursday.

LODGE OF JOPPA, No. 188.

THE members held their regular meeting on Monday, the 6th inst., at the Freemasons' Tavern, Bro. Dewsnap W.M. presiding; Bros. Walls S.W., J. Lion J.W., Botibol S.D., Gardener J.D., Lenzberg I.G., Dobson P.M. D.C., James Lyon Treasurer, L. Lazarus P.M. Secretary; also Bros. Martin I.P.M., P.M.'s L. Alexander, M. Spiegel, M. Alexander, O. Roberts, L. Meyer. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes read and confirmed. Bro. McDuell, a candidate for passing, answered the usual questions, and then retired. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and Bro. McDuell was readmitted and duly passed. Lodge resumed, and the election of the Worshipful Master was proceeded with, the choice of the brethren being unanimous in favour of the S.W. On this being announced, Bro. Walls replied, courteously thanking the brethren. The Treasurer and Tyler were re-elected. Then came the election of five brethren to serve on the Committee, two Auditors, and eight brethren to serve on the Board of the Joppa Benevolent Fund. Bro. Martin I.P.M. proposed that the sum of five guineas be granted towards presenting the Worshipful Master with a Past Master's jewel; this was unanimously agreed to. Bro. Martin, according to arrangement at the last meeting, moved that the sum of ten guineas be voted towards presenting a testimonial for services rendered by Bro. J. Lyon, as Treasurer; Bro. Spiegel seconded, and the resolution was carried amidst acclamation. Bro. M. Alexander P.M. moved that the joining fee be reduced from eight guineas to two guineas; this was carried. The consideration of the bye-laws of the Benevolent Fund was adjourned. The brethren then retired to the refreshment room. Amongst the visitors were Bros. Bromley P.M. 957, A. H. Stuart P.M. 1320, S. T. Carter 767, C. Lister 1320, W. P. Hart 1248, C. Massared 1839, and H. J. Lyons 185.

SOUTHERN STAR LODGE, No. 1158.

A REGULAR meeting of this Lodge was held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., under the presidency of the Worshipful Master, Bro. J. L. W. Bertolle, who was supported by Bros. J. Bunker S.W., A. Wills J.W., A. W. Wright P.M. Treas., R. Smith P.M. Sec., James Austin P.M., C. H. Wilkes P.M., W. Holloway P.M., J. Walter P.M., C. Wise P.M., W. W. Block S.D., W. Beecroft D.C., J. F. Tarrant I.G., C. G. Daulop Steward, several members of the Lodge, and the following visitors:—Bros. E. W. Raffe D.C. 1381, W. Longman 860, A. Moore 173, J. Hartley S.W. 1986, E. G. Johnson J.W. 1804, J. F. Duperay 1275, T. Grumman P.M. 1559, E. W. Bayley 2012, J. Douglas Dick 2030, G. Sadler 172, &c. The business consisted of the initiation of Mr. J. C. Floate, and the raising of Bros. Roske and Scott, after which some matters of interest to the Lodge were disposed of, and the Lodge being closed the brethren sat down to banquet. At the conclusion thereof the usual toasts were given. Brother P.M. Austin proposed the health of the Worshipful Master, feeling assured that all present would respond to the toast in a most hearty manner. Those who had had the opportunity of witnessing the ability displayed by Bro. Bertolle during his occupancy of the chair could but recognize in him a most painstaking Master, one who was fully entitled to the heartiest of receptions at the hands of the members. The toast was heartily received, and Bro. Bertolle tendered his sincere thanks in acknowledgment. It was a source of great gratification to him that he was plodding through his year of office without encountering any very serious difficulty. He hoped that during the remaining months of his year he might have as large an amount of work to perform as he had had in the past. His next duty was a pleasing one—to present to Bro. Holloway, on behalf of the members of the Southern Star Lodge, a Charity jewel, as a mark of the brethren's appreciation of his services when acting as Steward to the three Masonic Charities. It was the sincere wish of each of the members that Bro. Holloway might be spared for many years to wear the jewel which he had won by his advocacy on behalf of those in misfortune. Bro. Holloway, in reply, said he was most gratified to receive the jewel, especially as it was in recognition of his services as Steward for the Masonic Institutions. He had first represented the Benevolent Institution, in 1881, and then took up a total of £70. In 1885 he had supported the Girls' School, and although his list showed a falling off as compared with that of the previous year, it yet represented a goodly contribution—£11 13s 6d. This year, on behalf of the Boys', he had been able to secure £51 13s 6d, so that altogether it could be said that the Lodge had done well during the last three years—it showed above the average of the contributing Lodges, and that was sufficient for the members to congratulate themselves upon. He was well content with the results of his pleadings, and hoped he had not worried the brethren too much when seeking their assistance. If he had gone too far he could only ask to be forgiven, at the same time assuring the members that what he had done was for the benefit of the Lodge. They had had an instance of the amount of good which was being done by the Charities, for they had been fortunate enough to secure the election of a child of one of their old members to the Boys' School on the first application. The jewel bore the following inscription:—

Presented by the Southern Star Lodge, No. 1158,
To Bro. WM. HOLLOWAY,
In appreciation of his services as Steward to three of the
Masonic Institutions.
October 1886.

The toast of the Initiate followed, and to this the newly admitted brother responded. The toast of the Past Masters was next given, and this Bro. Austin responded. Bro. Sadler replied for the Visitors, and was followed by Bro. Grumman and others, after which the Worshipful Master proposed the Treasurer and Secretary, and, later on, the Officers of the Lodge. A very pleasant evening's meeting was brought to a close with the Tyler's toast.

ROYAL COMMEMORATION LODGE, No. 1585.

A MEETING was held at the Fox and Hounds Hotel, Putney, on Wednesday, the 1st inst. Present—Bros. Collick W.M., Williams S.W., Strong J.W., Watkins Treasurer, Williams P.M. Sec., Collins P.M. Dir. of Cers., Wing S.D., Harling J.D., Sandalls I.G., Oliver Steward, Bowler Tyler, Pardoe I.P.M.; also P.M.'s Whiteley and Mansell. Visitor—Bro. Wood of the Dalhousie Lodge; with 13 members. The Lodge was opened in due form and with solemn prayer. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Bros. Elden and Moore, who had been initiated at the last meeting, as candidates for the second degree were examined, entrusted, and retired. Lodge was opened in the second degree, when the brethren named were duly passed. Lodge was closed to the first degree, and a ballot having been taken for Bros. Davies and Keene, both of the Dalhousie Lodge, No. 865, proposed by Bro. Williams, seconded by Brother Collins P.M., as joining members, and the ballot being unanimously in their favour, they were declared duly elected; they suitably thanked the Lodge. Three gentlemen were nominated as candidates for initiation at the next meeting. The Secretary announced the receipt of a letter from Bro. Stacey P.M. Organist, excusing himself from attendance on account of indisposition. A resignation was also announced, and accepted with regret. Lodge was then closed in accordance with ancient custom, and the brethren adjourned to the dining-room, where a plain, but substantial, repast awaited them. The table being cleared, the W.M. gave the health of the Queen, which was drunk with true Commemoration fire, as also were the following toasts:—The Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Grand Officers Present and Past; the Visitors, Bro. Wood 865 responding; the Past Masters, Bro. Pardoe responding; the Joining Members, Bros. Davies and Keene responding. The I.P.M. then took the gavel, and proposed the health of the W.M., which was enthusiastically drunk. The W.M. proposed the Officers, thanking them one and all for their zeal and ability, and for the assistance they had rendered him in the ceremony of the evening. The Officers having responded, the Tyler's toast closed one of the happiest evenings imaginable, at an early hour, enabling the brethren from London to catch the 10.8 p.m. train home. The next meeting will be on the first Wednesday in February, when the work is expected to consist of two raisings and three initiations. The following programme was gone through during the evening:—Pianoforte Selection, "Patience"—Bro. Windsor; Song, "I'm a Friar of Orders Grey"—Bro. Wing; Song, "Hearts of Oak"—Bro. Williams; Recitation, "Christmas Day in the Workhouse"—Bro. Price; Irish Ditty, "The Ladies' Darling"—Bro. Whiteley; Song, "The Anchor's Weighed"—Bro. Windsor; Song, "The Tempest of the Heart"—Bro. Collick; Song, "Speed on, my bark, speed on"—Bro. Wing; Song, "We'll all go a hunting to-day"—Bro. Colborn; "Farewell, Leonora"—Bro. Collick.

Royal Commemoration Lodge of Instruction, No. 1585.—At the meeting held on Monday, 29th ult., at the Railway Hotel, Putney. Present:—Bros. Catbill W.M., Whitehead S.W., Radcliffe J.W., Grady Sec., Harling S.D., Slinn J.D., P.M. Taylor Preceptor Sapsworth I.G. Past Masters Bros. J. G. Carter, W. Carter, and Williams; also Bros. Collick and Grand. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Carter candidate. The third section of the first lecture was worked. Bro. P.M. Williams answered the usual questions leading to the second degree. Bro. Whitehead S.W. was elected W.M. for next week. A vote of thanks to the W.M., and hearty good wishes, closed the business.

On 6th inst., Bros. Bond W.M., Radcliffe S.W., Grant J.W., Grady Sec., Sapsworth S.D., Featherstone J.D., P.M. Taylor D.C., Gentle I.G.; Past Masters Bros. Webb and W. Carter; Bros. Catbill, Hurling, Alexander, Bigler, Langley, Bishop, and Gampertz. The work comprised the rehearsal of the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Alexander candidate. The formula of saluting the W.M. on entering Lodge in the three degrees was next practised. The first section of the first lecture was worked by the Preceptor, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Radcliffe was elected W.M. for next meeting, and after hearty good wishes, Lodge was closed in due form, and adjourned to Monday 13th inst., at 8 p.m.

Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, No. 1693.—At the Cock Tavern, Highbury Corner, on Monday, 29th November, Brothers Forge W.M., Snook S.W., Fluck J.W., Turner S.D., Weedon J.D., Clark I.G., Collingridge Secretary, Feuner acting Preceptor. After preliminaries, the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Ball candidate. This brother answered the questions leading to the third degree, as also did Bro. Hutton. The third section of the second lecture was worked, and soon afterwards Lodge was closed in due form.

Fidelity Lodge of Instruction, No. 3.—At the meeting on Wednesday, the 1st inst., held at Bro. Silvester's, The Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury. There were present Bros. Hooke W.M., Gregory S.W., Bargess J.W., Bleakley S.D., Surridge J.D., Silvester (Treasurer) I.G., Ferguson Preceptor, Dimsdale Secretary, and a number of other Brethren. Lodge having been opened and the minutes confirmed, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, with Bro. Soffe as candidate. This was followed by the first and second sections of the first lecture, worked by Bro. Ferguson. Bro. Gregory was elected W.M. for the ensuing meeting, and Bros. Soffe 1732, and Thwaites members, after which the Lodge was regularly closed.

FUNERALS properly carried out and personally attended in London or Country by Bro. G. A. HUTTON, 17 Newcastle Street, Strand, W.C. Monuments erected. Valuations made.

THE THEATRES, &c.

Criterion.—Following on the line of business that Mr. T. G. Warren has hitherto been so successful with, this gentleman has once more exerted himself, and has written an original farcical comedy in three acts, produced at this theatre last Thursday week, entitled "My Bonny Boy." Like "Nita's First," this is founded entirely on misrepresentations, the result creating laughter from beginning to end of the play. Such a piece as "My Bonny Boy" it is seldom the lot of a matinee to witness, and those present seemed to catch at the opportunity for enjoyment. In fact, the piece only wants a little alteration, and it then ought to "catch on" in some evening bill. A short outline of the piece will suffice to show how the interest is sustained. Benjamin Boulter, Esq., is expecting a man down to tune his pianoforte, and on the arrival of his son—who has been away from home for fifteen years—that gentleman is taken for the tuner, while the latter is taken for the son. It happens that both these gentlemen's names are George, and so readily does the tuner appreciate the mistake that no suspicion is aroused. During the time George Boulter has been absent from home, he has married, unknown to his father, but being under previous engagement to his cousin Hetty, is doubtful as to the reception his wife will receive. He therefore employs the tuner, who he takes for Hetty's lover, to break the news; but on arrival he is abused by his father; this he takes as an indication that he is not forgiven. During the two succeeding acts the misunderstandings are well kept up, but at the end of the third the mistake is found out, with the result that all ends happily. The acting throughout the piece was capital, the part of the tuner being admirably portrayed by Mr. George Giddens. This gentleman was exceedingly funny throughout the piece, and with the help of Mr. William Blakeley as Benjamin Boulter caused roars of laughter. These two worked well together, and certainly a great amount of the success of the piece was due to their admirable acting. Mr. J. H. Darnley, as the son, gave a capital rendering of his part, while Miss F. Paget was excellent as Mrs. Boulter jun. Miss Annie Hughes was bright and winning as Hetty, but Mr. J. C. Backstone as Harry Hoppleton, who afterwards marries Hetty, was rather dull in the love scenes. The other characters were well sustained by Messrs. W. Staveley, J. R. Sherman, Mrs. Bickerstaff, and Miss Scotti. At the conclusion Mr. Warren received an enthusiastic call before the curtain; this he richly deserved.

Gaiety.—The Comic opera "Dorothy," first brought out here, still maintains its success. Considerable additions have been made to the musical and comical features since its production. The chief parts strengthened are those of Miss Florence Dysart, Mr. Haydn Coffin, and Mr. A. Williams. Mr. Coffin sings with even more than his usual freshness and vigour; his additional song is well received, and merits the encores given it. Mr. Williams' comic business has been considerably and advantageously increased. His bye-play is loudly applauded. Altogether, of this pretty opera it may be said, "all goes merry as a marriage bell."

Grand.—Miss Nelly Farren and Mr. Fred Leslie have paid a return visit to this theatre during the week, and have once more treated the North Londoners to the amusing burlesque "Little Jack Sheppard." So much has already been written about this piece that it only remains for us to say all the old business is retained, while in some parts the piece has been considerably strengthened. Miss Nelly Farren is as funny as ever, while Mr. Fred Leslie is never at a loss to find enjoyment for his audience. The songs, "Jonathan Wild," "Jack's Alive 'O," "You musn't believe all you hear," "Dear Heart," "The Farewell," and the "Polyglot," are still given with considerable success, and in fact nothing is lacking to cause amusement throughout the piece. Mr. George Stone (Blueskin), Mr. George Honey (Sir Roland Trenchard), Mr. Edward W. Colman (Kneebone), Mr. W. Guise (Abraham Mendez), Miss Delaporte (Thames Darrell), Miss Birdie Irving (Winifred Wood), Miss Laura Clynda (Edgeworth Bees), and Miss Sylvia Grey (Polly Stanmore) all work with a will, and we can only advise our readers to see "Little Jack Sheppard" before it is too late. After to-night (Saturday), the Grand will remain closed until Christmas Eve, when Mr. Charles Wilnot will present his fourth grand pantomime—the subject of which will be "Robinson Crusoe."

The London Conservatoire announces its annual benefit concert by the students, professors, and artistes, to take place in St. James's Great Hall, on Saturday evening, the 18th instant. Amongst the vocalists who will assist are Mdle. Lorenzi, Mdle. Lucille Saunders, Misses N. Mowis and Alice James, Madame Richards, Misses Mina Rees and F. Prideaux, Messrs Edward T. Walford, T. W. Page, H. Lowe, and Walter Bolton. Pianists: Signor Tito Mattei, Miss Ethel Savery, Miss J. Greenbank, and Mons. Flamant; Harp: Mr. Charles Oberthur; Violins: Messrs. Herbert Mæder, Seymour Toller, Walter Petty, and Basil Althaus; with a choir of 70 voices. Conductors—Messrs. Sydney Shaw, F. R. Kinke, Walter Wesche, Geo. J. Sumpter, Lausdowne Cottell. Accompanyist: Mr. F. Kinke. Tickets at Austin's; Alfred Hayes, 4 Royal Exchange Buildings; and at the Institution.

The 600th performance of Mr. Charles Duval's entertainment in Piccadilly will be given at his new quarters in the St. James's Hall, on Tuesday next, 13th inst. Mr. and Miss Morrill continue to appear at each of Mr. Duval's performances in their thought transferences, and Mr. Sol Stone, the American calculator, is also in the programme.

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Bro. the Rev. Wm. Whittley, Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden and Past Provincial Grand Chaplain of Devon, will preach a Sermon, on "The Pillars of the Temple," on Sunday evening next, the 12th instant, at 6.30 p.m., at Claremont Congregational Church, Pentonville-road, N., near the Angel.

The usual weekly convocation of the North London Chapter of Improvement was held at the Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's Road, N., on Thursday. Comps. Edmonds Z., Brasted H., Barnet J., Sheffield S.E., Fraser S.N., Dean P.S. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed in a very praiseworthy manner. There was a fair attendance.

We are informed that the Euphrates Lodge of Instruction, No. 212, will meet in future on Tuesday evenings, at eight o'clock, at Bro. Hickman's, the Mother Red Cap, Camden Town. All brethren who can make it convenient to attend will receive a hearty welcome. Bros. R. W. Galer W.M. 1366 Preceptor, C. Shepherd P.M. 1366 Secretary, P. Recknell P.M. 212 Treasurer.

A MASONIC ALPHABET.

VII.—GENTLENESS.

A grain of sand within the human eye,
Would mar the sight if suffer'd to remain;
'Tis reason, then, which bids the owner try
To shift the substance and allay the pain.
A furious treatment will not gain that end,
But only irritate the organ more;
The gentle measures to relieving tend,
Remove the evil and the pain is o'er.
How human 'tis, our foibles to disclaim,
And still take note of slips our friends have made;
Each one has faults which spot the fairest fame,
And put the virtues even into shade.
Reproof is good if well and wisely given,
With conscious Gentleness of voice and heart;
But soon, alas! the firmest ties are riven
If Harshness arrogate the Mentor's part.

VIII.—HONOUR.

A single scratch upon the silver'd side
Destroys the purpose of reflecting glass;
Before which, Beauty, blushing soft with pride,
Notes every phase of look and gesture pass
The Mason's Honour, should be fair and clear,
Reflecting noblest attributes of soul.
But should one stain upon its front appear,
Its sad effect w'd desecrate the whole.
Look to it, then! That every thought may tend
To keep in purity, and gleaming bright,
The soul's fair mirror. Then, when time shall end,
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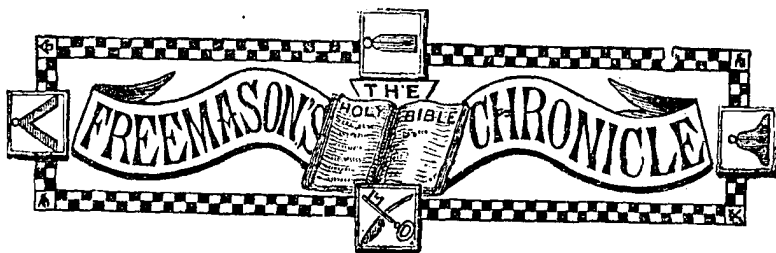
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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WILTSHIRE.

THE Annual Meeting took place at the Masonic Hall,
Devizes, on Tuesday, the 30th ult.; Provincial
Grand Lodge being received by the Wiltshire Lodge of
Fidelity, No. 663. The Provincial Grand Master Lord
Methuen was unavoidably prevented by illness from being
present; in his absence the chair was filled by the Deputy
Provincial Grand Master Sir Gabriel Goldney, Bart., who
was supported by the following Provincial Grand Officers,
viz.:—Bros. William Nott S.W., T. H. Chandler as J.W.,
Rev. T. J. Heard Chaplain, F. H. Goldney Treasurer,
Harry Bevir Secretary, A. J. Beaven S.D., Thos. Reeves
J.D., John Chandler Dir. of Cers., Henry I. Ward Assist.
Dir. of Cers., John Green Sword Bearer, Henry Millington
Organist, William Pullin Asst. Pursuivant, Harry Howse
Steward. There were also present the following Past
Provincial G. Officers:—Bros. Rev. G. E. Gardiner Chap-
lain, J. C. Maclean S.D., T. S. Fletcher J.D., W. H. Burt
Sword Bearer, H. E. Bishop Sword Bearer, Dr. Ringer
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Organist, W. H. Brinkworth Organist, C. Gauntlett Asst.
Dir. of Cers., &c., &c. The roll of the various Lodges was
called, and in every case duly responded to. The Prov.
Grand Secretary Bro. Harry Bevir read the minutes of the
last Provincial Grand Lodge, held at Warminster, which
being duly confirmed, he then read the minutes of the
Charity Committee, held that morning, when the Treasu-

rer's accounts, so far as regarded the Charity Fund, had been duly passed, shewing a balance in hand of £149 11s 6d, of which the sum of thirty guineas the Committee recommended should be granted to the Boys' School, and placed on the list of Bro. T. S. Fletcher, whose Stewardship for that Institution, as representing the Province of Wiltshire, had been approved by the Committee. The Committee also recorded its opinion that the Province should support only one Institution each year, and the name of Bro. Mann was mentioned as willing to accept a Stewardship for the Girls' School for the year 1888. The recommendations of the Committee were adopted. The Prov. Grand Treasurer Bro. F. H. Goldney then produced his account, which had been duly audited, and of which an abstract was read and duly approved. The Prov. Grand Registrar Bro. Henry Merrick also presented his report, shewing the position of Masonry in the Province. This report exhibited a steady increase in the number of members, the ten Lodges constituting the Province now numbering amongst them nearly 500 members. The report also called special attention to the number of votes held for the Masonic Charities by the various Lodges. It was resolved that the report be approved and printed for circulation, with thanks to the Prov. Grand Registrar for the trouble he had taken in compiling it. Bro. William Nott, the Provincial Charity Secretary produced his report on behalf of the Benevolent Fund and Charity Organization Committee, as follows:—

The Secretary, on behalf of the Committee, has the honour to make the following report:—

BENEVOLENT FUND.—There having been no claim upon the income of this Fund the whole of it has been added to the capital, which now amounts to £335 1s 2d consols. The Fund is now assuming such a position that in a few years it will have reached an amount sufficient to enable the Committee, from its annual income and the Lodge Subscriptions, to give substantial assistance to any case requiring it.

CHARITY ORGANIZATION.—During the present year your Committee partially supported the case of Meyrick George Bruton Good, son of a deceased member of 586, as a candidate for the Boys' School, and he was successful at the election held last month.

Your Charity Secretary has attended the elections during the current year, the result of such elections, so far as the associated Provinces are concerned, being that all the candidates put forward—eleven in all—have been successful, i.e., Bristol 1 Boy, Gloucestershire 2 Boys, Leicester and Rutland 1 Girl, Somersetshire 2 Widows, South Wales (East Division) 1 Boy, Wiltshire 1 Boy (Good), and Worcestershire 2 Girls and 1 Boy.

The Wiltshire recipients of the Masonic Charities are now 11 in number, viz.:—4 Widows receiving annuities of £32 each, from the Benevolent Institution, 5 children in the Girls' School, and 2 in the Boys' School. It will, therefore, be seen that Wiltshire derives a large benefit—certainly not less than £500 a-year in value—from the great Masonic Charities.

The contributions from Wiltshire to these Charities during the year, made through the medium of Bro. J. Campbell Maclean, as Steward, amounted in the aggregate to £261 14s, viz.:—£61 3s for the Boys' School, and £200 11s for the Girls' School.

The votes placed at the disposal of the Committee during the past three years have been as follows:—

	1884	1885	1886
Royal Masonic Institution for Boys	509	513	560
" " " Girls	417	384	467
Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged			
Freemasons	233	244	223
Ditto, Widows	338	279	212
	1497	1420	1462

WM. NORT P.G.S.W., Prov. Charity Sec.

Devizes, 19th November 1886.

This having been printed and circulated with the summons, was taken as read, and was, on the motion of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, unanimously approved, the thanks of the Provincial Grand Lodge being at the same time voted to Bro. Nott as Charity Secretary. Bro. J. Campbell Maclean, who had served two Stewardships during the year, viz. for the Boys' and the Girls' Schools, was then on behalf of the P.G. Lodge presented by the D.P.G.M. with the Charity jewel, in recognition of his services. The D.P.G.M., Sir Gabriel Goldney, addressing the meeting, said that Lord Methuen wished him to convey to the meeting his great regret that illness prevented him from being present that day. Sir Gabriel Goldney further went on to express his own gratification at the present position of Masonry in Wiltshire, as testified by the reports which they had that day had before them. He considered the year on which they had now entered was a most important one to Freemasons, being as it was the Jubilee Year of Her Majesty, the Patroness of the Craft. He felt sure that every Mason in Wiltshire would be desirous of testifying his loyalty on the occasion, and he

suggested that a resolution should be drawn up and signed by the Master and Wardens of each Lodge, and be presented by a deputation in such way as might hereafter be considered desirable. He begged therefore, to propose that such a course be adopted, and that a Committee be appointed to draw up such a resolution and submit it to the Provincial Grand Master for his approval. Bro. William Nott P.S.G.W. said he believed that such a course would meet with general approval—whatever other course might be decided upon—after the subject had been more fully dealt with in Grand Lodge and elsewhere, when possibly the Provincial Grand Master might think it desirable to call a special Provincial Grand Lodge meeting for Wiltshire. He (Bro. Nott) had therefore great pleasure in seconding the resolution, and naming the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, the Provincial Grand Treasurer, and the Provincial Grand Secretary, as the Committee to draw up the resolution. The proposition was carried unanimously. Bro. F. H. Goldney was unanimously re-elected Treasurer, with thanks for his valuable services in the past, whilst Bro. J. Savory was unanimously re-elected Tyler. The Deputy Grand Master having declared all offices vacant, then proceeded to invest the new Officers for the ensuing year, as follows:—

Bro. Earl Cowley 626	Senior Warden
J. C. Maclean 355	Junior Warden
Rev. J. A. Lloyd 1533	Chaplain
F. H. Goldney 626 (re-elected)	Treasurer
James Sparks 1271	Registrar
Harry Bevir 355 (re-appointed)	Secretary
F. S. Hancock 663	Senior Deacon
Edward Noke 335	Junior Deacon
J. A. Randell 663	Superintendent of Works
J. Chandler 355 (re-appointed)	Director of Ceremonies
S. J. Haden 1478	Asst. do.
G. S. A. Waylen 663	Sword Bearer
H. Howse 663	Organist
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G. R. Shemilt 1295	Asst. do.
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W. C. White 1533	Steward
J. Savory 355 (re-elected)	Tyler

This ended the business of the Provincial Grand Lodge, which was then closed, and the brethren afterwards adjourned to the annual banquet, at the Town Hall, which was presided over by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF NORTHERN CHINA.

A REGULAR Communication of the above Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Shanghai, on Wednesday, 22nd September 1886, when there were present:—

Right Worshipful Bros. J. I. Miller District Grand Master, C. Thorne Past District Grand Master, C. H. Dallas Past District Grand Master of Japan; Worshipful Bros. T. W. Kingsmill Deputy District Grand Master, J. M. Cory District Senior Grand Warden, A. Johnsford District Junior Grand Warden, Lewis Moore Past District Grand Warden, E. P. Lalcaca Past District Junior Grand Warden, acting as District Grand Deacon; W. H. Short District Grand Treasurer, acting as District Grand Pursuivant; O. Middleton President of the District Board of General Purposes, R. D. Starkey District Grand Secretary, G. A. Allcot District Senior Grand Deacon; Bro. G. R. Wingrove District Grand Director of Ceremonies, Worshipful Bros. A. M. A. Evans Assistant District Grand Director of Ceremonies, A. P. Macgregor District Grand Sword Bearer, T. F. Hough District Grand Standard Bearer, F. M. Gratton District Grand Steward, C. Morrill District Grand Tyler; Worshipful Bro. A. M. A. Evans P.M. as Representative of Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 501, and Representatives from Northern Lodge of China, No. 570, Tnsan Lodge, No. 1037, and Doric Lodge, No. 1433, with several visitors. The brethren having assembled in their respective places in the Lodge, Right Worshipful Bro. J. I. Miller District Grand Master, accompanied by Right Worshipful Bro. C. Thorne P.D.G.M. Northern China, and Right Worshipful Bro. C. H. Dallas P.D.G.M. Japan, and by the District Grand Officers, entered, and was received in due form. The District Grand Lodge was opened in due form with prayer at 9.25. The circular convening the meeting was read. On the motion of the Right Worshipful District Grand Master the minutes of the last regular and special Communications, held respectively on the 17th January and 28th April, which had been printed and circulated, were confirmed. The Right Worshipful District Grand Master said the next business was to receive the Report of the District Board of General Purposes, and Worshipful Bro. O. Middleton, the President, read the Report. On the motion of the District Grand Master, seconded by Bro. Thorne, the Report was adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. The Right Worshipful District Grand Master, addressing the brethren, congratulated them on the brevity of the Report, and then said:—The absence of any complaints or appeals may appear at first sight as showing a want of interest in Masonry amongst us. Such, however,

I am happy to say, is not the case; and we may therefore fairly congratulate ourselves on having had a harmonious period since our last regular Communication. No appeals or questions have been brought before me or the District Board of General Purposes; but, brethren, I can assure you that during that period Masonry has not been inactive amongst us. Indeed I can scarcely recal a time in which we have had more to attend to in connection with one of our first principles, namely, Charity; and in almost every case the applicants have been worthy of sympathy and fraternal relief. During the period under review the Shanghai Public School has been opened under the auspices of the Masonic Fraternity. This is a thing we had long laboured for, and I am happy to say it has now resulted in what we may consider a decided success. In April last the School opened with forty-one pupils; on the 17th July it closed for the summer recess with fifty-eight pupils; it was re-opened on the 3rd of this month, and it now numbers on the roll very nearly eighty-five. This, brethren, I think you will all see, has justified the exertions that have been made to supply what has long been felt to be a want amongst us; and I am sure the School will go on prospering under the very able management under which it now exists. After referring to other matters that had exercised the consideration of the brethren, and explained the rules that should be observed according to the Constitutions for the arrangement of the pedestals with the greater and lesser lights, the District Grand Master referred to the services of Worshipful Bro. Fentum, who had acted as District Grand Organist from the foundation of the District Grand Lodge. The services of Bro. Fentum had been duly appreciated by every brother, and a valedictory letter, wishing him health and prosperity in his new sphere was readily signed by every member who could be found. Bro. Miller then formally moved, "That a jewel be presented to Worshipful Brother Fentum as a token of esteem from this District Grand Lodge, and that it be ordered in England, the cost not to exceed £15." Right Worshipful Bro. Thorne seconded the proposition, and the resolution was then put from the chair and carried unanimously. After other business had been transacted the District Grand Secretary read letters of apology for non-attendance, and reported the receipts of the minutes of proceedings from the United Grand Lodge of England, District Grand Lodge of Bengal, District Grand Lodge of the Punjab, District Grand Lodge of Queensland, and District Grand Lodge of Canterbury, New Zealand. It was directed that the receipt of these communications should be recorded on the minutes, and there being no further business, the District Grand Lodge was closed in due form, after solemn prayer, at 10.20 p.m., the brethren separating in peace, harmony and brotherly love.

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PAST MASTERS AND THEIR COLLARS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Our worthy Bro. Nicholl in his arguments re collars to be worn by P.M.'s when visiting has been well coached, but I regret to see his notice of motion in Grand Lodge on the 1st inst. was lost; still it is scarce worth calling a defeat,—one vote only for his opponents. But there are other matters that exercise my mind more than collars; I allude to the innovations that have crept into our Lodges, by some means, since 1813. Why cannot we have under our Constitution, one rite, one ritual, &c., as was agreed upon by our worthy brethren on St. John the Evangelist's day 1813, where all were agreed—

1st.—There shall be, from and after the day of the Festival of St. John the Evangelist next ensuing, a full, perfect, and perpetual Union of and between the two Fraternities of Free and Accepted Masons of England, so that in all time hereafter they shall form and constitute but one brotherhood: and that the said community shall be represented in one Grand Lodge, to be solemnly formed, constituted, and held on the said day of the Festival of St. John the Evangelist next ensuing, and from thenceforward for ever.

2nd.—The Book of Constitutions quotes this one:

3rd.—There shall be the most perfect unity of obligation, of discipline, of working the Lodges, of making, passing, raising, instructing, and clothing brothers; so that but one pure unsullied system, according to the genuine landmarks, laws, and traditions of the Craft, shall be maintained, upheld, and practised throughout the Masonic World, from the day and date of the said Union until time shall be no more.

4th.—To prevent all controversy or dispute as to the genuine and pure obligations, forms, rules, and ancient traditions of Masonry, and further to unite and bind the whole Fraternity of Masonry in one indissoluble bond, it is agreed that the obligations and forms that have from time immemorial been established, used and practised in the Craft shall be recognised, accepted, and taken by the members of both Fraternities as the pure and genuine obligations and forms by which the incorporated Grand Lodge of England and its dependent Lodges in every part of the world shall be bound; and for the purpose of receiving and communicating due light and settling this uniformity of regulation and instruction, it is further agreed that brotherly application be made to the Grand Lodges of Scotland and Ireland to authorise, delegate, and appoint any two or more of their enlightened members to be present at the Grand Assembly on the solemn occasion of uniting the said Fraternities; and that the

respective Grand Masters, Grand Officers, Masters, Past Masters Wardens, and Brothers then and there present, shall solemnly engage to abide by the true forms and obligations in the presence of the said Members of the Grand Lodge of Scotland and Ireland: that it may be declared, recognised, and known that they are all bound by the same pledge and work under the same law.

Before proceeding further, there are many anxious to know how far these solemn vows have been kept by the Grand Lodge of England and the Craft in general.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

GEORGE HUNT.

8 Chatham-street, Manchester, 4th Dec. 1886.

FRUIT OF MASONIC HIGH DEGREEDOM.

To the Editor of the Freemason's Chronicle.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I sent you, some time since, a so-called history of the "Noble Order of the Mystic Shrine," I believe I also sent you an account of the public exhibition in a Boston Theatre of their *modus operandi* of a "Lodge of Sorrow." The last was for the purpose of puffing their concern. Last week the Nobles resorted to another advertising dodge, as the enclosed slip from the *Boston Herald* of 19th November will show. There is an old adage, "By their fruits ye shall know them." The Mystic Shriners are composed exclusively of Knights Templars and of A. and A. Rites, and if high degreedom may be judged by its fruit?—Well!—You may guess the rest.

Fraternally yours,

JACOB NORTON.

Boston, U.S., 23rd Nov. 1886.

Mr. Henry E. Dixey will read no page in the history of his remarkable and brilliant theatrical career with greater interest and pleasure than that which contains the record of the proceedings at the Hollis Street Theatre last evening. Every seat in the house was purchased by the nobles of the Mystic Shrine and Masons of this city and elsewhere, and at 8 o'clock the theatre was crowded in every part by such an audience as is seldom assembled in any city. The Mystic Shriners wore the fez, and these odd head coverings, with the jewel of the Order emblazoned on them, added to the attractive appearance of the audience. The Mystic Shrine is not a Masonic Institution, having neither parentage, authority from or affiliation with Masonic bodies, but its members are all high grade Masons, being either of the grade of the 32nd degree or Knights Templars. Among the more noted persons in the audience were the following Officers of Aleppo Temple. Mystic Shrine: Henry E. Hosley Grand Potentate, Thomas Waterman Chief Rabban, James A. Fox Assistant Rabban, Leonard M. Averill High Priest, Joseph W. Work Oriental Guide, Albert Edgcomb Treasurer, Ezra G. Robinson Recorder, George A. Gillette first Cer. Master, W. H. Lothrop second Cer. Master, George S. Carpenter Marshal, William Tyner Captain of Guard, J. Q. A. Holbrook Outer Guard, and Frank Locke Director; Col. C. H. Porter, Messrs. Joseph L. White, James T. Sargent of Cleveland O., Charles J. Noyes, William Harris, Fred E. Atto, Mark Simmons, Frederick Alford, G. H. Allen of Lynn, John W. Blaney of Lynn, Elbridge Blaney of Lynn, George C. Bates, A. F. Chapman, Erastus H. Doolittle, George W. Frye of Fall River, Sidney M. Hedges, George F. Hewett, Colonel Hugesley, Edward Kakis, Judge S. A. Bolster, W. H. Le Point, William S. Potter of Fall River, E. H. Richards, B. W. Rowell of Lynn, Harvey N. Sheppard, Thomas F. Temple, George H. Towle, F. G. Walbridge, M. S. P. Pollard, Alexander W. Wood, Lieut. E. B. Wadsworth, M. Everett Silsbee of Lynn, L. Merton White, Amasa W. Bailey, Andrew Benton of Manchester N.H., J. Francis Webster of Concord N.H., C. C. Danforth of Concord N.H., Samuel Hodgson of Meredith Village N.H., and F. C. Batchelder of Concord N.H. Special souvenir programmes were printed for the occasion, containing a fine portrait of Mr. Dixey on the front page, and a cut of the jewel of the Mystic Shrine on the last page. The audience was in a receptive mood, and it did not require much forcing to arouse it to enthusiasm. When Mr. Dixey, as the statue, was wheeled down to the footlights, a member of the Mystic Shrine walked to the orchestra rail and called on the nobles of the Mystic Shrine to salute their brother, and the nobles all rose in their places and made the grand salaam. At the end of this scene the drop was raised in answer to the continued applause, and Mr. Dixey and the ladies on the stage surprised the nobles by returning the salaam. During the action of "Adonis" Mr. Dixey introduced many happy allusions to the organizations represented in the audience, and they were appreciated and loudly applauded. Between the first and second acts Mr. Henry Sator gave up his baton to Bro. T. M. Carter, who led the orchestra while it played his original Aleppo march, dedicated to the illustrious Grand Potentate, Henry E. Hosley. In the barber's shop scene, a burlesque Masonic initiation, written and arranged for the occasion by Mr. John J. McNally, was introduced, and as it had especial reference to the gentlemen present in the audience, it was received with much favour. As the audience was passing from the theatre, the "Adonis" Quickstep, composed by Mr. E. E. Rice, and dedicated to Mr. Dixey, was played by the orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. Rice. Not a member of the company who appeared on the stage was slighted by the audience, and baskets of flowers were handed over the footlights with a frequency which tried the muscle of Mr. Sator, the leader of the orchestra. The entertainment was often pleasantly interrupted by some one in the audience asking the question, "What's the matter with Mr. Dixey (or some one else as the case might be)?" and the reply, spoken in concert, "Why, he's all right." Just as Mr. Dixey was about to speak his last speech, Manager Harris of the Howard stepped upon the stage, and advancing, addressed Mr. Dixey, and held out to him a book. At that moment, Mr. Gus Williams, dressed as Capt. Mishler,

advanced and stopped the proceedings. He carried in his hands a huge scymitar which bore the words, "Worcester Nobles to Henry E. Dixey." Mr. Williams then cut the book, and when Manager Harris opened it, Mr. Dixey found that it contained a flask of suspicious-looking liquor, which he promised to analyze later in the evening. The scymitar was also presented, and then Mr. Williams, with a few pleasant words handed to Mr. Dixey a handsome Masonic jewel such as is worn by the 32nd degree Masons—the Teutonic cross with the double-headed eagle and delta, with the number 32 engraved upon it, the eagle grasping a sword in his talons, from which was suspended a ribbon bearing the motto "Spes meo in Deo est." On the reverse were the emblems of the Knights Templars. Mr. Dixey was completely surprised, but he succeeded in thanking his friends in well chosen words, and as the curtain fell the theatre resounded with plaudits. It was a night which will long be remembered by Boston's favourite young comedian. A midnight session of Aleppo Temple was held at Odd Fellows' Hall after the performance, and the nobles assisted at the celebration of the Nozlet el Hajji, or "The Returning of the Pilgrims." A large number of persons were initiated, and, after the work had been performed, the nobles and their friends sat down to a banquet, and the festivities were kept up until a late hour.

Obituary.

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Bro. J. H. SCOTT P.G.D., D.P.G.M. Sussex.

BRETHREN of the South Coast, and indeed of all parts of England, will regret to learn that Bro. John Henderson Scott, the Deputy Grand Master of the Province of Sussex, has passed away; he died on Sunday, the 5th inst., at his residence at Brighton. It will be remembered that our deceased brother had been for a considerable time in bad health, and it was only his indomitable will that enabled him to take part in the installation proceedings when the Duke of Connaught was installed as ruler of the Province of Sussex by the M.W. the Grand Master. Bro. Scott had done excellent service in the cause of Freemasonry, and his death will be regretted by every member of the Province with which he was so intimately associated. We extract the following, in regard to Bro. Scott's career, from a local paper:—

To the general public, Mr. Scott was known as a local artist of great repute. His grandfather, securing the friendship and patronage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, afterwards George IV., established himself at Brighton just before the opening of the present century. His father, too, secured a reputation in Brighton as a water-colour painter of acknowledged merit, and, on his death, his mantle fell worthily on his son, John Henderson, who at once achieved a high position among the artists of the South of England. The metropolitan picture galleries have, from time to time, been favoured with works from his easel, while the local exhibitions have, year after year, been assisted by his choice productions. Mr. John Henderson Scott's leisure time was, however, mainly devoted to the cause of Freemasonry, into which he threw his whole heart and soul, and in which he secured such distinction as to ultimately gain the honourable position of Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Sussex. Bro. Scott was initiated into Freemasonry in the Royal Clarence Lodge, No. 271, 13th February 1853, and it is worthy of notice that for three generations the Scott family has been honourably connected with that Lodge. Bro. Edmund Scott was Master from 1796 to 1805, and during the Grand Mastership of Gen. Lennox, afterwards Duke of Richmond, he was the acting Master. Bro. John Scott has filled every office in the Royal Clarence Lodge, from I.G. upwards, and has been thrice elected W.M., and occupied the chair in the years 1859, 1865 and 1877. In the Provincial Grand Lodge he was appointed Provincial Senior Grand Deacon in 1859, and it was at the September meeting at Hastings that Bro. Scott proposed the appointment of a Steward in every Lodge to collect subscriptions from the members; a system which has worked so well as to place the Province in a very prominent position with respect to the number of votes per Lodge. In 1861 he was appointed Prov. G.J.W., while in 1865-6-7, he held the high position of Prov. G.S.W. In 1873, on the retirement of Bro. G. E. Pocock P.G. Swd. Br. of England from the duties of Prov. Grand Secretary, Bro. J. H. Scott was appointed as his successor. In April 1875, the installation of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales as M.W.G.M. took place, and the two brethren selected to act as Stewards for the Province on that occasion were Bros. J. H. Scott and V. P. Freeman. In the following September, at the Provincial Lodge meeting Bro. Scott and his fellow Steward were presented each with a jewel, struck by command of the M.W.G.M. in commemoration of the installation.

In December 1870, Bro. E. J. Furner sent in his resignation to Lord Pelham, the Prov. Grand Master, of the office of Deputy Provincial Grand Master, the duties of that office encroaching too much on the time his own profession demanded of him. In consequence of Bro. Furner's resignation, Lord Pelham, not feeling equal to resuming the direction of the affairs of the Province, tendered his own resignation, as Prov. Grand Master, to the M.W.G.M., which was accepted. Bro. Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart., M.P., succeeded Lord Pelham, and in June 1877, at a Provincial Grand Lodge meeting held at Brighton, obligated, invested, and installed Bro. Scott as Deputy P.G.M. The Prov. Grand Master, addressing Bro. Scott, said "that he felt it would be useless to say much with regard to the duties of D.P.G.M. to so old a Mason, and one who was so particularly looked up to by

the brethren of the Province. All the brethren would agree that in choosing Bro. Scott to be his Deputy he had selected the right man, and put him in the right place." It was at this meeting that Bro. Vincent P. Freeman P.P.S.G.W. was appointed to succeed Bro. Scott as Prov. Grand Sec. The year 1880 was an eventful one to Bro. Scott. In February, at the Annual Festival of the Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons, he took up the magnificent total of £630 on his list. Such a result must have been highly gratifying to Bro. Scott, as out of twenty-seven Provinces represented Sussex took the second place. At the Annual Festival of the Grand Lodge, held at Freemasons' Hall, in April, Bro. Scott was appointed one of the Grand Junior Deacons of England, which appointment was received with unanimous satisfaction throughout his Province. Bro. Scott worthily carried out the duties of Deputy Provincial Grand Master under the late Sir W. W. Burrell, and it will be remembered that at that imposing gathering of Freemasons at the Brighton Dome last June, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, the recently-installed Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, re-appointed him to the high position in the Sussex Province. His Royal Highness, in investing him, said he was "fully aware of his (Bro. Scott's) long and valued services in the cause of Freemasonry in general, and in the Sussex Province. He knew him to be one who would maintain in all their integrity the distinguishing characteristics of the Order." At the banquet which followed the ceremony, the Duke of Connaught proposed the health of Bro. John Henderson Scott P.G.D., and said he did so with the greatest cordiality, knowing that he had laboured most assiduously in the cause of Freemasonry. In the Sussex Province he had held the post of Provincial Grand Secretary, and for many years that of Deputy Provincial Grand Master. In three generations the name of Scott had been familiarly associated with Freemasonry in Sussex, and in Bro. John Henderson Scott they had a thorough Freemason at heart. It was, therefore, with the greatest satisfaction that he appointed him his Deputy. Before sitting down, he desired to express to him his appreciation of the admirable arrangements for the ceremonies of the day. They had been satisfactory in every respect. Bro. Scott, who was warmly received on rising, thanked the Provincial Grand Master for the kind manner in which the toast had been proposed, and the brethren for the cordial manner in which it had been received. He deeply felt the honour conferred upon him, and trusted, with restored health to prove equal to the duties which would devolve upon him.

In the absence of His Royal Highness the Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, Bro. Scott presided at the Provincial Grand Lodge meeting recently held at the Royal Pavilion, and those present will not readily forget the graceful manner in which he alluded to the late Bro. Sir W. W. Burrell. Though enfeebled by his serious indisposition, Bro. Scott spoke in a truly eloquent and impressive manner, and his short but impressive speech will long be remembered as the last and one of the best he ever delivered to a large body of the brethren of the Craft. A striking and substantial recognition of the value and high estimation of the services of Bro. Scott to Freemasonry was shown in June 1884, when he was presented with a purse of 700 guineas, a silver goblet, and a handsome illuminated address and record of the occasion. During his long life in the Craft, he has installed nearly forty Worshipful Masters, consecrated five Lodges, and assisted at the consecration of 13 new Lodges, and has worked every section of the three lectures. He was a Life Governor of each of the three Masonic Charitable Institutions. In Royal Arch Freemasonry Bro. Scott was equally distinguished and energetic. He was exalted in the Lennox Chapter, No. 271, in 1857, and served the offices of M.E.Z. twice, H. four times, and J. three times. With but few exceptions he installed all the Principals, and exalted the majority of the Companions of that Chapter since 1862. He was father of the Royal Sussex Chapter, No. 732, of which he was M.E.Z. in 1869. He was the founder and the first M.E.Z. of the Cyran Chapter, No. 38. He has assisted at the consecration of three new Chapters, was appointed Grand Standard Bearer of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England in May 1880, and Prov. G.H. at the resuscitation of the Prov. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Sussex, in April 1880. So highly was he appreciated by the brethren of the Province that he was elected an honorary member of almost all the Lodges and Chapters in Sussex. By the death of Bro. Scott—who had entered his 58th year—a valued and beloved Freemason has passed away, whose place it will be difficult to fill. To the younger members of the Craft he was especially affable and courteous, and was, at all times, happy to render them any service which his experience and knowledge of the Order would enable him to afford. His colleagues in the Provincial Grand Lodge will keenly feel his loss. As Bro. Scott so feelingly said of Bro. Sir W. W. Burrell, in his last speech, at the October meeting, so may it be said of himself, "It was impossible to know him without loving him. His happy and cordial nature, his generosity and kindness, his hatred of everything mean, dishonest, or untruthful, his anxiety to anticipate the wants and also the pleasures of those about him, seemed to embody him as the very incarnation of the grand Masonic design—to be happy himself, and to communicate happiness to others." The funeral was arranged to take place yesterday, at the Extra-Mural Cemetery.

BRO. T. W. C. BUSH.

Another Craftsman who has done good service to the cause of Freemasonry has gone to join the great majority, in the person of Bro. T. W. C. Bush, who died on Tuesday. Bro. Bush was a Past Master of the Tranquillity Lodge, No. 185, of which he was for some time Treasurer. He also took a prominent part in the establishment of the Temple Bar Lodge, and in many ways won distinction in the Order.

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.

SATURDAY, 11th DECEMBER.

- 108—London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
173—Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
178—Caveat, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8. (In)
1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross Road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
1361—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction)
1426—The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel
1612—West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing
1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7. (Inst)
1671—Mizpah, Albion Hotel, Aldersgate-street
1839—Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1928—Gallery, Brixton Hall, Acra Lane Brixton
1964—Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel, E.C.
2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In)
Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air Street, Regent Street, W., at 8
R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Improvement)
149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham
2069—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds
R.A. 811—Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton

MONDAY, 13th DECEMBER.

- 22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
29—St. Albans, Albion, Aldersgate-street
45—Strong Man, Excise Tavern, Old Broad Street, E.C., at 7 (Instruction)
59—Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
90—St. John, Albion, Aldersgate-street, E.C.
136—Good Report, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln Inn Fields
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—Confidence, Anderton's Fleet-street, E.C.
222—St. Andrews, 101 Queen Victoria-street
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
857—Leigh, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
975—Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham Road Station, at 7.30. (Inst)
1237—Enfield, Market-place, Enfield
1305—St. Marylebone, Criterion, W.
1425—Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Gardens, at 8 (In)
1445—Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7 (Inst.)
1439—Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, at 7.30 (In)
1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
1571—Leopold, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
1585—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (In.)
1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.)
1670—Adelphi, 4 Adelphi Terrace, Strand
1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
1805—Bromley St. Leonard, Vestry Hall, Bow-road, Bromley
1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)
2030—Abbey, Westminster Town Hall, Westminster.
R.A. 22—Mount Zion, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
R.A. 58—Felicity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
R.A. 1118—University, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.C. 53—Hozy Sanctuary, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square
40—Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
75—Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
88—Scientific, Red Lion, Petty Cury, Cambridge
104—St. John, Ashton House, Greek-street, Stockport
151—Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
262—Salopian, the Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury
292—Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
296—Royal Brunswick, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
297—Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
302—Hope, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
307—Prince Frederick, White Horse Hotel, Heblen Bridge
382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)
411—Commercial, Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham
481—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
502—Rectitude, Town Hall, Rugby
587—Howe, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
589—Druids of Love and Liberty, Masonic Hall, Redruth
665—Montague, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
721—Independence, Masonic Chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool at 8. (Instruction)
797—Hanley, Hanley Hall, Dartmouth
827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax-road, Dewsbury
893—Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook, Cornwall
919—Williamson, St. Stephen School, Monkwearmouth, Durham
1021—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Custom House Buildings, Barrow-in-Furness
1069—United Brothers, Castle Hotel, Southsea
1112—Shirley, Masonic Hall, Shirley, Hants
1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221—Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
1253—Travellers, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
1350—Fermor Hesketh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436—Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1471—Israel, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
1477—Sir Watkin, Masonic Hall, Mold
1592—Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611—Eboracum, Masonic Hall, St. Saviourgate, York
1618—Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea
1656—Wolsey, White Hart Hotel, Hampton Wick
1966—Fidelity and Sincerity, Wellington, Somerset
1977—Blackwater, Blue Boar Hotel, Malton.
R.A. 156—Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
R.A. 377—Hope and Charity, Masonic Hall, 123 Mill Street, Kidderminster
R.A. 379—Tynte, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard Street, Bath
R.A. 557—Valletort, Masonic Hall, Callington, Cornwall
M.M. 9—Fortescue, Masonic Hall, South Molton, Devon
M.M. 171—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
K.T.—Jerusalem, Queens Hotel, Manchester
K.T. 56—Hugh de Papens, Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn
R.C. 22—Victoria, Ipswich

TUESDAY, 14th DECEMBER.

- 55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Bedford, at 7 (Inst)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
96—Burlington, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate street
141—Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, S.W., at 8. (Inst)
177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Cumberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
180—St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)
198—Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
211—St. Michael, Albion, Aldersgate-street E.C.

- 212—Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High Street, Camden Town, at 8. (Inst).
228—United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, City
235—Nine Muses, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
548—Wellington, White Swan, Deptford
551—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)
860—Dulhouse, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dutton at 8 (Instruction)
881—Finsbury, King's Head, Three Mills Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
933—Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Alma Road, Wandsworth (Instruction)
1196—Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
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)
1446—Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Road, S.W., at 8 (Inst)
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)
1593—Royal Naval College, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
1604—Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1614—Covent Garden, Criterion, Piccadilly
1608—Samson, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst)
1707—Eleanor, Trocadero, Broad-street-buildings, Liverpool-street, 6.30 (Inst)
1949—Brixton, Prince Regent Dulwich-road, East Brixton, at 8. (Instruction)
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, White Hart, Cannon Street, 6.30.
R.A. 145—Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 185—Jerusalem, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
R.A. 704—Camden, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 8 (Inst)
R.A. 1612—Earl of Carnarvon, Lambrook Hall, Notting Hill, W., at 8. (Inst.)
R.C. 71—Bavard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square

- 93—Social, 23 St. Giles Street, Norwich
126—Silent Temple, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
131—Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
184—United Chatham of Benevolence, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton, Kent
241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
272—Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Ridge, Boston
281—Shakespeare, Masonic Rooms, High-street, Warwick
373—Socrates, George Hotel, High-street, Huntingdon
406—Northern Counties, Masonic Hall, Maple Street, Newcastle (Instruct)
448—St. James, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
463—East Surrey of Concord, King's Arms Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45. (Inst.)
473—Faithful, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham
495—Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Zetland Street, Wakefield
503—Belvidere, Star Hotel, Maidenhead
510—St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard
603—Zetland, Royal Hotel, Checkheaton
626—Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham
650—Star in the East, Pier Hotel, Harwich
696—St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Welnesbury
726—Staffordshire Knot, North Western Hotel, Stafford
779—Ferrers and Ivanhoe, Town Hall, Ashby-de-la-Zouch
802—Royal Edward, Royal Oak Hotel, Leominster
903—Gosport, India Arms Hotel, High-street, Gosport
1024—St. Peters, Masonic Hall, Maldon
1120—St. Milburga, Tontine Hotel, Ironbridge
1250—Gilbert, Masonic Rooms, Sankey Greenhall, Street, Warrington
1280—Waldon, Rose and Crown Hotel, Saffron Waldon
1325—Stanley, 214 Great Homer-street, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
1347—Lorne, Greyhound Hotel, Cuckfield, Surrey
1465—Ockenden, Talbot Hotel, Sutton, Sussex
1509—Madoc, Queen's Hotel, Portmadoc
1515—Baildon, Masonic Room, Northgate, Baildon
1678—Tonbridge, Masonic Hall, Tonbridge
1713—Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton, Liverpool
1799—Arnold, Portobello Hotel, Walton on the Naze
1823—Royal Clarence, Masonic Hall, Clare, Suffolk
R.A. 43—Fortitude, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham
R.A. 70—St. John's, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Princess Street, Plymouth
R.A. 163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
R.A. 265—Judea, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
R.A. 289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
R.A. 324—Reason, Wellington Inn, Caroline Street, Snybridge
R.A. 402—Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
R.A. 537—Zion, 9 Hamilton Street, Birkenhead
R.A. 540—Stuart, Bedford
R.A. 991—Tyne, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay, Northumberland
M.M. 15—St. George's, Masonic Hall, Gandy Street, Exeter
M.M. 152—Dover and Cinque Ports, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
R.C.—Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

WEDNESDAY, 15th DECEMBER.

- 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
72—Royal Jubilee, Shakespeare's Head, Wych Street, W.C., at 8. (Inst)
73—Mount Lebanon, Windsor Castle, Southwick Bridge Road, at 8. (Inst)
174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, at 7. (Instruction)
228—United Strength, The Hope, St. Mark's Street, Regent's Park, at 8 (Inst)
518—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 8 (Inst)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)
802—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-square, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
902—Burgoyne, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
969—Maybury, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
1283—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
1349—Friars, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street
1382—Corinthian, George Inn, Gleagall Road, Cubitt Town
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.
1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst)
1601—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 7.30 (Instruction)
1604—Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria St., S.W., at 7.30 (In)
1624—Eccleston, Criterion, Piccadilly
1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Watlington, at 7.30 (Inst.)
1673—Langton, Viaduct Hotel, Holborn
1681—Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Instruction)
1803—Cornhill, King's Head, Fenchurch-street
1922—Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Cumberwell New Road, S.E., at 8. (In.)
2021—Queen's Westminster, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7.45. (Instruction)
R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-st., at 8. (Instruction)
R.A. 720—Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
R.A. 933—Doric, 202 Whitechapel-road, at 7.30. (Instruction)
M.M.—Grand Masters, 84 Red Lion Square, W.C., at 7 (Instruction)
M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
M.M. 144—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Air Street, Regent Street

- 20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance
175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, I.W.
178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan
200—Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
210—Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton
246—Royal Union, Freemasons Hall, Cheltenham.
274—Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch, near Manchester
290—Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield

- 311—South Saxon, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes
 325—St. John's, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
 342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Commercial Road, Llandport
 363—Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth.
 423—Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheshire
 451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
 537—Zetland, 9 Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
 581—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
 591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
 592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester
 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
 625—Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
 633—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 683—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire
 750—Friendship, Freemason's Hall, Railway-street, Clockheaton
 758—Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
 816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle, near Rochdale
 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunbridge Wells
 938—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
 962—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
 1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
 1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
 1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool
 1120—St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
 1161—De Grey and Ripon, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester
 1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
 1246—Holte, Holte Hotel, Aston
 1301—Brighthouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighthouse
 1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenaeum, Lancaster.
 1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 1403—West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
 1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
 1611—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull.
 1636—United Military, Masonic Hall, Plumstead
 1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
 1692—Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, at 8.30. (Instruction)
 1734—Trinity, Golden Lion Hotel, Rayleigh
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THURSDAY, 16th DECEMBER.

- 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 49—Gibson, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
 144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)
 160—Temperance, White Swan, High-street, Deptford
 179—Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 704—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305 High Holborn, at 7 (Instruction)
 749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Aldersgate Street, E.C. (Instruction)
 754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
 913—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
 979—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolsey, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In.)
 901—City of London, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, at 6.30. (Instruction)
 1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwood
 1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Westminster-bridge, at 8 (Inst.)
 1278—Burdett Coutts, Swan Tavern, Betnal Green Road, E.C. (Instruction)
 1287—Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1306—St. John, Three Crowns Tavern, Mile End Road, E. (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.)
 1553—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
 1802—Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool Road (corner of Theberton Street) N., at 8. (Instruction)
 1812—West Middlesex, Bell Hotel, Ealing, at 8. (Instruction)
 1813—Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate-street
 1814—Covent Garden, Criterion, W., at 8. (Instruction)
 1822—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)
 1825—Tredgar, Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., at 7.30. (In.)
 1873—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)
 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst.)
 1681—Londesborough, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
 1744—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 1791—Creuton, Wheatheaf Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush. (Inst.)
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich.
 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
 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)
 M.M.—Bon Accord, 81 Red Lion Square, W.C.
 M.M. 7—Carnarvon, Café Royal, W.
 M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Haverlock, Albion-rd., Dalston, at 8. (Inst.)
 42—Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
 48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead. (Instruction)
 56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
 98—St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
 100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great Yarmouth
 203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 215—Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingden
 268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street, Ashton-under-Lyne
 343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
 345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn
 367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn, Smallbridge
 432—Abbey, Newdegate Arms, Nuneaton
 523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester
 600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salea-street, Bradford
 606—Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
 971—Trafalgar, Private Room, Commercial Street, Batley
 1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
 1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1184—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Battle
 1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
 1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
 1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Darnley House, Northallerton
 1432—Fitzalan, Wynnstay Arms, Oswestry
 1514—Thornhill, Masonic Room, Deara House, Lindley
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1638—Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Northiton, at 8. (Instruction)
 1817—St. Andrew's, Cambridge Hotel, Smeborough
 1872—St. Margaret's, St. Mark's School, Surbiton
 R.A. 38—Cyrus, Council Chambers, North Street, Chichester
 R.A. 317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester
 R.A. 771—Windsor Castle, Masonic Hall, St. Alban Street, Windsor
 R.A. 1145—Equality, Red Lion, Accrington
 M.M.—Canynge, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
 M.M. 17—Orsmouth, Masonic Hall, Portsmouth
 K.T.—William de la More, Masonic Rooms, St. Helens, Liverpool

FRIDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

- Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.
 6—Friendship, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
 25—Robert Burns, Portland Arms Hotel, Great Portland Street, W., at 8. (In)
 201—Jordan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 766—William Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George St., Baker St., at 8. (In)
 780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction)
 831—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith. (Instruction)
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1185—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (In)
 1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1642—E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
 1789—Ubique, 79 Ebury Street, Pimlico, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1862—London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 R.A.—Panmure C. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich. (Inst.)
 R.A. 890—Hornsey, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Square
 Paddington, W. (Improvement)
 M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)
 M.M. 178—Era, 81 Red Lion Square, W.C.
 M.M. 355—Royal Savoy, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)
 K.T. 6—St. George's, The Albion, Aldersgate Street
 R.C. 10—Invicta, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square, W.C.
 127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
 152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 271—Royal Clarence, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
 317—Noah's Ark, Wagen and Horses Hotel, Tipton
 453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 516—Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
 641—De Lorraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
 663—Wiltshire Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Davizes.
 993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
 1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
 1102—Mirfield, Assembly Rooms, Eastthorpe, Mirfield
 1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
 1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Peasleeton
 1993—Wolsley, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester. (Instruction)
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, at 8.30.
 R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
 R.A. 52—Royal George, Norfolk Hotel, Norwich
 R.A. 403—Hertford, Shire Hall, Hertford
 R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Hull
 R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
 R.A. 1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship Street, Hull
 M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

SATURDAY, 18th DECEMBER.

- 179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8 (In)
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hackney
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1621—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7 (Instruction)
 1641—Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1732—King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel Street, Fleet, E.C.
 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In)
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
 R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Instruction)
 M.M. 251—Tenterden, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 811—Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
 2035—Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton
 M.M. 14—Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stansfield, Todmorden

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