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THE FESTIVAL OF THE BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THE first Masonic Charity Festival of the year 1887 was celebrated on Tuesday, under the presidency of R.W. Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, the result being a splendid success on behalf of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution; no less a sum than £18,700 being announced as actually subscribed, with special matters outstanding which will, in all probability, raise the total of the year to the grand amount of £21,000. This may be accepted as a fitting tribute from the brethren of England to the cause of Charity, in answer to the Special Appeal which was made to them to use extra efforts on this occasion, to mark their rejoicings at the long reign of Her Majesty the Queen. Moreover, it may justify the subscribers of the Institution in making a yet further addition to the number of vacancies to be filled at the Election in May.

The total announced on Tuesday was raised by three hundred and seventy-eight Stewards, the largest number but one ever working on behalf of an Annual Festival of this Institution. Of this number one hundred and seventy-eight represented London Lodges, who contributed £9,554 18s to the result; and two hundred the Provinces, the donations from which were announced as £9,146, thus showing a tolerably fair division of the total between the two great sections of English Freemasonry. There have already been additions to these totals, and no doubt many others will be received ere the Festival returns are finally closed, the number of outstanding lists at the time of the announcement being given as twenty-seven, while, as we shall record later on, strenuous efforts are being made in at least two of the great Provinces to raise a further sum on behalf of this Institution, in order that true jubilee offerings may be forthcoming from the brethren of these respective districts.

London, which sent up a total of £9,554 18s to the Festival, at the hands of one hundred and seventy-eight Stewards, and has since the Festival increased the amount to £9,747 19s 6d, contributed some splendid lists, there being no less than twenty-five which shew a three figure total. Foremost among these is the Temperance Lodge, No. 169, which was represented by Bro. George Skudder; the amount of his list being £350. The next highest is the Sincerity Lodge, No. 174, concerning which the Secretary of the Institution, in announcing the amount, said this Lodge had been one of the most consistent supporters of the Institution in the past, it having been regularly represented at each of the Festivals for upwards of twenty-five years; the amount of its contribution on this occasion was £330. The Fitzroy Lodge, No. 569, is next in order, the contributions secured by its representative, Bro. Major A. Durrant, being £210. The St. John Lodge, No. 1306, represented by Bro. J. G. Twinn, contributed £201 1s 6d, and occupies the fourth place on the roll of honour. We next have a total of £196 7s, that being the sum secured by Brother W. M. Stiles, as representative of the Royal Savoy Lodge, No. 1744, and the Henry Levander Chapter, No. 2048. He is closely followed by Brother Charles N. Carrell, with a total of £192 0s 6d from the Victoria Park Lodge, No. 1816; he in turn finds a successor in Brother Vivian Orchard, of the Pythagorean

Lodge, No. 79, whose total was £178 10s. Brother James Terry, the popular Secretary of the Institution, as Steward for the Clerkenwell Lodge, No. 1964, placed that Lodge next on the roll, the result of his Stewardship being £176 15s. After him comes Bro. R. K. Bull of the Merchant Navy Lodge, No. 781, with a total of £170 7s, while the tenth on the list is but a few shillings short of that amount, the actual figures being £170, contributed at the hands of Brother S. G. Bonner, who represented the Corinthian Lodge, No. 1382. There is now a drop to £162 5s, which is the total from the Mizpah Lodge, No. 1671, brought up at the hands of Bro. Henry White, and then follows Brother James Willing jun., who, as representative of the Strand Lodge, No. 1987, of which he is a Past Master, was so far successful in his Stewardship as to contribute a total of £157 10s to the day's record. Brother Daniel Hughes, of the City of London Lodge, No. 901, is the Steward next in order, with a list of £154 1s, after which the amounts collected range in the following order, £138 1s 6d from the Prosperity Lodge, No. 65, at the hands of Bro. R. Dyson; £135 9s from the Felicity Lodge, No. 58, Bro. Thomas Reynolds acting as Steward; £117 15s 6d from the Highgate Lodge, No. 1366, per Brother R. W. Galer; £115 10s from the London Rifle Brigade Lodge, No. 1962, per Brother W. McDougall; £112 12s 6d jointly from Old King's Arms Lodge, No. 28, and the Victoria Lodge, No. 1056, which were represented by Bro. James Boulton; £110 10s from the United Mariners' Lodge, No. 30, per Brother Joseph Driscoll; £109 17s from the Great Northern Lodge, No. 1287, per Bro. Richard Cane; £108 13s 6d from both the Manchester Lodge, No. 179, and the Unity Lodge, No. 183, per Bros. E. C. Mulvey and G. R. Langley respectively; £103 8s 6d from the Wellington Lodge, No. 548, per Bro. James Pain; £103 7s from the Fidelity Lodge, No. 3, per Bro. John Larkin; and £101 7s from the Burdett Coutts, No. 1278, per Bro. Basil Stewart. This brings our summary of the three figure London lists to a conclusion, but it does not in any degree close the roll of honour so far as the Metropolis is concerned. If the remainder of the Stewards from The Great City have not been as successful as their coadjutors in regard to amounts secured it is not from any fault of their own; no doubt they have done the best with the means at their disposal.

We do not intend to make any lengthened remarks in regard to the Provincial totals. The details of what each district has done are given in another column, and to attempt anything like a minute survey of the figures is unnecessary at the present time, in view of the numerous other calls on our space. We shall, however, refer to a few of the principal items in the list, and may perhaps on some future occasion review more minutely the several minor sums, which form no inconsiderable part of the handsome total subscribed from the Provinces.

Hampshire and the Isle of Wight—the district over which the Chairman of the day presides—has the honour of heading the totals from the Provinces, the aggregate of its contributions being £1,760 14s 6d. Of this sum Bro. J. E. Le Feuvre, the representative Steward of the Province, brought up £414 3s. Companion Richard Eve, the accepted champion of the Provincial Grand Chapter, also took a prominent part in raising the large total of the district, his list being £157 10s; while three other brethren were successful to the extent of getting three figure totals.

Kent occupies the second place among the Provinces, with a total of £1,227 17s 6d, raised by seventeen Stewards, the premier place among them being secured by Bro. J. O. Eve, who represented the Royal Navy Lodge, No. 429, and secured a total of £171 9s. Six other members of this Province each collected upwards of £100, while those who figure for less than that sum took a prominent part in raising the gratifying total contributed by the Province.

West Yorkshire was represented by thirty-three Stewards, who secured £750 on behalf of the Festival; but it is hoped that this sum will prove to be but a small moiety of what will eventually be raised from West Yorkshire for this Institution during the current year. We believe the brethren are there making arrangements to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee by a special donation to the funds of the Benevolent Institution. The same is the case in East Lancashire, from which Province it is hoped something like £1,500 will eventually be forthcoming; at present all that has been announced is £89 5s.

The next highest total is that of Essex, which is represented by 12 Stewards, with a total of £500 13s, two of its members securing three-figure totals.

The following is a summary of the whole of the Provincial donations:—

Province.	No. of Stewards.	Amount.
Hampshire and the Isle of Wight	28	1760 14 6
Kent	17	1227 17 6
West Yorkshire	33	750 0 0
Essex	12	500 13 0
Middlesex	13	431 17 0
Derbyshire	8	429 14 0
Suffolk	3	418 19 0
Hertfordshire	11	396 19 0
West Lancashire	11	396 8 0
Cornwall	1	368 11 0
Surrey	9	351 1 6
Leicestershire and Rutland	1	250 0 0
Berks and Bucks	6	216 4 6
Cambridgeshire	1	200 0 0
North Wales	4	152 1 0
Norfolk	1	151 5 0
Somersetshire	1	132 8 0
Staffordshire	1	132 6 0
Bristol	1	115 10 0
Dorsetshire	1	113 3 0
Sussex	2	112 7 0
North and East Yorkshire	3	93 7 0
East Lancashire	17	89 5 0
Gloucestershire	2	84 0 0
Warwickshire	4	75 12 0
Oxfordshire	3	72 18 6
Cumberland and Westmoreland	1	55 13 0
Durham	—	52 10 0
Devonshire	1	50 0 0
South Wales (East Division)	—	36 15 0
Worcestershire	1	31 10 0
Cheshire	2	30 5 0
Nottinghamshire	1	27 0 6

A SCHEME UTOPIAN.

GRAND Lodge will have yet another proposition submitted to it, at its next meeting, in connection with the Royal Jubilee celebration, and it is one which might well excite feelings of curiosity and surprise. The Jubilee year has called into being all sorts of new-fangled ideas, some of which are of an astoundingly novel and erratic character. But that which stands on the agenda for next Grand Lodge, in the name of Bro. C. W. Meiter, Worshipful Master of the Mizpah Lodge, No. 1671, is certainly one of the most unique and original that has yet come under our observation. No doubt this worthy Brother, in his desire to perpetuate the memory of the Jubilee of her Majesty's glorious reign, has been prompted by the most sincere and genuine sentiments, but the erection of a "House of Prayer for all Nations," "upon the ground in or near the original site of King Solomon's Temple, at Jerusalem" is rather calculated to upset one's gravity at the first blush. The rebuilding of King Solomon's Temple is a suggestion having a peculiarly strange ring in Masonic ears, though when we consider the time and circumstances under which the original edifice was erected, and the changes which have occurred since that time, it is difficult to realise how Brother Meiter's dream can be fulfilled. Of course, we are not so obtuse as to imagine the prime mover of this "castle in the air" aims at such high game as the resuscitation of the Temple in all its

pristine splendour, with its gold and cedar, and the magnificent embellishments of which we read so much. His idea is more modest, and seeks merely to provide a resting-place and nook for devotion for all those pilgrims "of every nation and kindred, and tribe," who pass that way in the direction of the Holy City. No suggestion is proffered as to what shall be the cost of such an edifice, but the "plan of campaign" for raising subscriptions towards the object in view is decidedly interesting. Let us presume for an instant that the motion of which Bro. Meiter has given notice is passed at the next meeting of Grand Lodge, and that an architectural competition be invited for designs for this universal "House of Prayer." Then, according to the originator of the scheme, the question of ways and means is easily solved. The first step to be taken is for the Grand Lodge of England to "prepare forthwith a foundation stone," which shall be consecrated by "our present Most Worshipful Grand Master," or his nominee, in London. This is somewhat vague, but we can just imagine the quiet smile of amusement which will steal over the features of his Royal Highness when he first reads the strange, though doubtless well intentioned proposal of the Master of the Mizpah Lodge. But Bro. Meiter, as a man of business, is to be baulked by no procrastination or delay; the scheme is to be carried out on the principle of Macbeth, "If it were done, when 'tis done, then 'twere well it were done quickly." Thus, as soon as the sacred block of stone has received the unction of our Most Worshipful Master, it is to be put on exhibition, and all loyal and religiously disposed Freemasons will be afforded the privilege of kneeling at the shrine and pouring forth their offerings into the coffers of the idol which Bro. Meiter has set up. All present at the consecration ceremony are to be allowed to place contributions on the stone, and an important feature in that respect is that the same shall be "publicly acknowledged." It needs a little stretch of imagination to picture the host of Masons flocking up to London, where the stone is to "remain for a given time," and depositing their guineas upon the slab of Portland stone which is to stand at the north-east corner of the "House of Prayer for all Nations," at Jerusalem. Nor is this all, for the general public are to "enjoy the some privilege of subscribing and placing their subscriptions on the stone as those present at the consecration." Is there not something immensely funny in this fanciful vision, of raising a Masonic Ebenezer on the historic site of Hiram's great achievement? The sublimity of the conception is only eclipsed by its grotesque absurdity. But we are digressing. After the consecrated stone has been deluged by the gold and silver—the frankincense and myrrh of pilgrims to the metropolis, for the purpose—it is to be carried, like the Ark of old, through the "principal cities of the United Kingdom and other countries," there to attract Masonic and "general" worshippers, who will fall down before this nucleus of a cosmopolitan system of devotion and piety which is to be inaugurated in honour of the Jubilee reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, and Empress of India. The custodians of the stone are to be "composed entirely of Free and Accepted Masons, to be nominated by the Grand Lodge of England," who shall be responsible for its safe custody, and the amounts placed thereon, or otherwise subscribed for this object at each resting station. The money thus collected is to be forwarded to the Treasurer, or as may be directed by order of the Grand Lodge of England. How this extraordinary proposition will be received by Grand Lodge is an event to which we shall look forward with no little degree of curiosity. We have no doubt that somebody will be found to second it, for any "fancy" movement is sure to find a following of some kind or other. But if we can bring ourselves to believe that Bro. Meiter is really serious in this affair, our regret is that his nearest and dearest advisers should not have counselled him to withdraw himself as speedily as possible from a web of his own construction, and which will inevitably involve him in the position of a laughing-stock amongst all staid and rationally-minded Masons. We have no desire to poke fun at men who imbibe "up in a balloon" ideas, and dream of impossible things; but what with Imperial Institutes, Jubilee banquets, feasts, jewels, and the legion of other celebrations, this far-fetched idea seems rather like a snatch of the Arabian Nights' Entertainments than anything that has yet been submitted to the Craft. From a utility point of view it is difficult to see of what advantage this "House

of Prayer" would be. The idea is, to our way of thinking, altogether too Utopian to be seriously entertained; and it would be just as well if the proposer would leave to the other Jubilee-mongers the perpetuation of their various projects rather than persevere in a will o' the wisp such as the planting of a sanctum for cosmopolitan devotion on the site of Solomon's Temple. It would be a pathetic spectacle to see the members of Grand Lodge, after the consecrated stone had "gone the round" of the principal cities in this and other countries, embarking, like Pilgrim Fathers, with the treasure on board, and accompanied by a host of privileged followers, Present and Past Grands, to assist at the dedication of this King Solomon's Temple number two. While, however, the matter is *sub judice* it is perhaps unfair to criticise in detail the wonderful scheme which Bro. Meiter will endeavour to launch at the next meeting of Grand Lodge, but if it is received with more than a whimsical shrug of the shoulders—even by ardent loyalists in support of Jubilee celebrations—we shall indeed be surprised.

THE BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION FESTIVAL.

THE Anniversary Festival of this Institution was celebrated on Tuesday, at the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, London, under the presidency of Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. The result, as we say elsewhere, was of the most gratifying character, while in point of numbers the Festival was more numerously attended than any of its predecessors, the Large Hall of the Tavern proving too small to accommodate the many brethren who were present, an "overflow" meeting being thus rendered necessary, for the first time, we believe, in the history of the Masonic Charity Festivals. The banquet, considering the exceptionally large number who had to be provided for, was very well served, Messrs. Spiers and Pond fully maintaining their own reputation, as well as that of Freemasons' Tavern, in their provision for this part of the evening's programme. At the conclusion of the banquet, and after grace had been sung, the Chairman proceeded with the customary toasts. In proposing that of the Queen he said, the feeling which promoted loyalty in the breasts of Englishmen arose from the firm belief that under a Constitutional monarchy we enjoyed greater liberty than under any other Constitution on earth, while the feeling was intensified by the attachment Englishmen felt towards their Queen. During her long reign she had so discharged her high duties as to win the respect and esteem of her people. The toast of the Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and the other members of the Royal Family was next given. The Prince of Wales, said Bro. Beach, has proved himself ready to promote every useful institution that could conduce to the welfare of the people, and support every charity of the country so far as lay in his power. In these days, when in some countries Freemasons were found to be connected with certain nefarious projects, English Freemasons might well congratulate themselves that the Prince of Wales had placed himself at their head. The way in which Freemasonry had increased during the period he had presided over them was the best testimony they could have of the power of his influence. His eldest son, who it was well known had also been received into Freemasonry, had since undertaken office in a Private Lodge, in order to qualify himself for further advancement in the Craft. The Duke of Connaught had also taken considerable interest in the Craft, while it was only necessary to mention the name of the Princess of Wales to ensure a hearty reception to the toast. The toast of the Pro Grand Master followed. It was impossible for the Prince of Wales to be present on every occasion his presence was desired, and it was therefore necessary he should have some able coadjutor to occasionally take his place. The Earl of Carnarvon well filled the vacancy, and faithfully discharged any duties required of him. He (Bro. Beach) had watched Lord Carnarvon's career with a considerable amount of interest, because he had been instrumental in introducing that brother into the Masonic Order. He was pleased to see he had acted up to his earliest lessons in Freemasonry. The Deputy Grand Master and the Present and Past Grand Officers were next toasted, Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall Past G. Treasurer responding. The Chairman now gave "Success to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution; giving a brief outline of the work it had accomplished in the past, its present bounty and its annual requirements. He then made a forcible appeal for exertions on its behalf in view of the exceptionally large number of applicants, and concluded by commending the Institution to the thought, zeal, and liberality of his audience. Bro. Rev. C. J. Martyn, one of the Trustees, acknowledged the toast in brief terms, feeling the brethren were anxious to hear the announcement which would follow, from the Secretary, of the various sums contributed. He felt he must, however, express the thanks of those connected with the Institution to the brother who had that day occupied the chair—who was really his Masonic father, having initiated him (Bro. Martyn), as well as Lord Carnarvon and many others. He also desired to thank the many who had contributed to the very handsome total which was about to be announced. Bro. Terry then read a summary of the subscriptions, of which full details will be found elsewhere. Bro. T. W. Tew, Prov. Grand Master West Yorkshire, gave the toast of the Chairman, who, he believed, had been initiated into Freemasonry as far back as 1848. Bro. Beach had twice before acted as Chairman on behalf of the Charities, once

for the Girls' School, and once for the Boys'. He had that day completed the trio, by presiding on behalf of the Benevolent Institution. The magnificent sum contributed by the Chairman's Province was evidence of the energy he had displayed, while the acknowledgments of them all were due to him for having come forward and filled the onerous duty of Chairman. Bro. Beach having acknowledged the compliment and expressed his indebtedness to the Stewards and others who had contributed to the success of the Festival, said he felt considerably flattered that such a very handsome list should have been collected under his presidency. The Baron de Ferrieres proposed the other Masonic Charities, to which Bro. F. R. W. Hedges, the Secretary of the Girls' School, replied. Bro. Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke then gave the toast of the Stewards, which was acknowledged by Brother Berridge, Hon. Treasurer to the Board. Bro. Dr. Strong, Hon. Surgeon to the Institution, gave the Ladies, and Bro. Capt. Geo. Lambert having replied, the proceedings were brought to a conclusion, the brethren repairing to the Temple, where an excellent concert was given under the direction of Bro. E. M. Lott, Past Grand Organist, who was assisted by a number of distinguished artistes.

ROYAL ARCH.

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CARNARVON CHAPTER, No. 804.

THE installation meeting of the above Chapter took place on Tuesday, the 15th instant, at the Freemasons' Hall, Landport, under dispensation of the Provincial Grand Superintendent, the usual place of meeting, the Masonic Hall, Havant, being in the hands of the builder, for extensive alterations. There was a good attendance of members, and all the Officers were in their places. Two candidates from the mother Lodge were elected, and the retiring First Principal Companion Dart, Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer, proceeded with the ceremony of installing the Principals elect, Comps. T. D. Askew as Z., T. W. Price as J., and J. Collings as H., the ceremonies being performed in a very impressive manner. The following Companions were then invested with the collars of their respective offices:—H. W. Smith Parsons S.E., C. V. Buck S.N., F. V. Paxton P. Soj., E. Boorman First Assistant, A. Marsh 2nd Assistant, J. W. Hillman P.Z. P.P.G.P.S. Treasurer, J. A. Elverston P.Z. P.P.G. Standard Bearer D.C., J. Prior Organist, S. E. Springings Steward. Amongst the other members and Visitors present were Comps. E. E. Street P.Z. P.P.G. Standard Bearer, T. Francis P.Z. P.P.G. Assistant Sojourner, H. P. Emanuel, C. Courtien, C. Hopkins, W. Smith, E. S. Main P.Z. 342 P.P.G.S.N., J. Westaway J. 342, J. Lind P.Z. 1428 P.P.G.D.C., J. Jackson Tyler 1428, and T. H. Woodrow 1428. A vote of thanks was tendered to Companion Dart; three candidates were proposed; the sum of ten guineas was voted from the Chapter funds to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and the same placed on Comp. Dart's list. Chapter then closed. The Companions adjourned to an excellent repast, provided by the Club Steward, when the usual toasts were given and responded to.

The form of installation of principals will be rehearsed on Tuesday, the 1st March, at the Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, held at the "White Hart," corner of Abchurch Lane and Cannon Street, London, E.C., to commence at half past five o'clock. This will not interfere with the usual exaltation ceremony at half past six o'clock. As a rule business is completed by eight o'clock each evening, with a view of enabling those residing out of London to catch an early train.

Bro. Joseph Cox, proprietor of the *Hackney Express*, and member of the Shoreditch Vestry and Board of Guardians, was presented, at the last meeting of the Saint Leonard Lodge, No. 1766, with a handsome Secretary's jewel, in acknowledgment of services rendered in that capacity since the consecration of the Lodge in 1878. Bro. Cox was initiated in the New Concord Lodge, No. 813 (of which he is still a member), in 1872, and was one of the founders of the Saint Leonard Lodge on its formation at the Shoreditch Town Hall. He was appointed J.W. at the installation meeting in December last.

We have been requested to state that the Finsbury Park Lodge of Instruction, No. 1288, now meets at the Cock Tavern, Highbury, on Saturday evenings, at eight o'clock, instead of Wednesday, as hitherto.

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

The following is a List of the Stewards, with the respective amounts collected by each, corrected up to the time of our going to Press:—

LONDON.

UNATTACHED.

	£	s	d		£	s	d		£	s	d
Br John Baker	10	10	0	Lodge 704 Br Dr N Goodchild jun	36	15	0	Lodge 2029 } H Tipper	42	13	6
John Barnett jun.	10	10	0	715 F E Upfield Green	13	13	0	2090 } E Dare	26	5	0
Robert Berridge	21	0	0	733 A Arrowsmith	5	5	0	2032 H Bué	18	0	0
Edgar Bowyer	50	0	0	749 G Samuel Elliott	24	1	0	2060 Augustus Harris	38	2	0
Samuel Brooks	31	10	0	753 J J Thomas	48	5	6	2127 J L Cooke	52	10	0
H Carman	10	10	0	781 R K Bull	170	7	0	2128 W Masters	36	15	0
Charles Cheston	10	10	0	813 C H Ockelford	34	2	6	Mark Lodge			
William Clarke	10	10	0	813 William Pierpoint	21	0	0	139 Br Charles Pulman	10	10	0
Joseph Clever	46	14	6	820 R Pye	34	13	0	Red Cross—			
H S Goodall	21	0	0	822 Edwin C P Scott	31	10	0	Premier Conclave—Sir Knight			
F H Gottlieb				860 Geo Stockwin	35	0	6	George Mickley,			
George Graveley	21	0	0	861 W G Hallows	58	16	0	M.A., M.B.	20	18	6
Frederick Green	26	5	0	862 David Jas Ross	43	6	6				
Harry Farnell Hay	10	10	0	871 Jas Geo Thomas	48	4	6				
Henry John				890 J B Cumming	39	18	0				
Maj. G. Lambert, F.S.A.				898 Wm Butcher	77	11	6				
A Le Grand	15	15	0	901 Daniel Hughes	154	1	0				
J L Mather				907 John K Coleman	60	7	6				
C F Matier	52	10	0	933 John West	81	17	6				
H B Marshall sen.	26	5	0	975 H O Hinton	70	7	0				
H B Marshall jun.	10	10	0	1076 John Dorton	63	0	0				
Æ J McIntyre, Q.C.	94	10	0	1158 W Belchamber	22	11	6				
James Moon	10	10	0	1185 Francis Knight	89	5	0				
W J Murlis	31	10	0	1185 Rev R Morris, M.A.,							
Henry F Nash	10	10	0	LL.D.	21	0	0				
John Henry Roach	20	0	0	1196 Geo E Fairchild	50	0	0				
Major Henry Stephens	60	12	0	1259 Charles Wakefield	40	19	0				
E L P Valeriani	26	5	0	1260 Frank Taylor	76	13	0				
N L Western	21	0	0	1269 J H Lane	51	7	0				
Alfred Williams	10	10	0	1278 Basil Stewart	101	7	0				
Alfred Woolveridge				1287 Richard Cane	109	17	0				
Lodge 1 Charles Belton	52	10	0	1298 Ernest Edward Streat	59	17	0				
3 John Larkin	103	7	0	1306 Jas Geo Twinn	201	1	6				
4 Gerald Sturt	26	5	0	1320 Alex John Martin	31	10	0				
5 Fred. Pattison	29	8	0	1321 R A Kirkaldy	65	12	6				
8 S G Glanville	23	1	0	1329 G W Marsden jun.	71	18	6				
11 C H McQueen	21	10	6	1351 Arthur Betts	29	8	0				
14 Alfred Williams	16	16	0	1365 H Oldham	50	8	0				
15 Charles James	68	0	0	1366 R W Galer	117	15	6				
18 Capt. Clifford Probyn	33	12	0	1381 R C F La Feuillade	92	13	0				
19 W M Bywater	50	18	6	1382 Sam Geo Bonner	170	0	0				
21 W Grellier				1383 W de Manby Sergison	84	0	0				
22 L V Walker	50	0	0	1441 B Cooper	64	1	0				
23 Richard Clowser	10	10	0	1471 J H Thompson	73	18	6				
26 Daniel B Ledsam	21	10	6	1472 C Jolly	31	10	0				
28 } James Boulton	112	12	6	1507 G W Knight	92	17	6				
1056 } Edward Terry	28	15	0	Chapter							
30 Joseph Driscoll	110	10	0	1507 Comp Benj Fullwood	10	10	0				
33 R C Hallows	39	18	0	Lodge 1540 Br A J Bailey	36	15	0				
55 Edward H Brown	40	19	0	Chapter							
58 Thomas Reynolds	135	9	0	1540 Comp Henry Faija	21	0	0				
60 Henry Hacker	15	15	0	Lodge 1541 Br R J Ward	52	10	0				
65 R Dyson	138	1	6	1571 T Duffield	49	7	0				
79 Vivian Orchard	178	10	0	1604 H Folsom	63	2	6				
87 Thomas Minstrell	58	0	0	1607 J R Large	86	16	6				
95 John M Knight	27	6	0	1615 Samuel T Fisher	35	14	0				
99 H Trueman Wood	78	15	0	1622 William Hamlyn	48	6	0				
101 T A Bullock				Chapter							
140 Henry W Roberts	51	2	0	1624 Comp Charles Tayler	12	12	0				
141 George Coop	36	15	0	Lodge 1656 Br H Sapsworth	32	4	6				
144 O D Ward	80	1	0	Chapter							
145 Geo C Banks				1657 Comp George Kenning	59	17	0				
169 George Skudder	350	0	0	Lodge 1671 Br Henry White	162	5	0				
172 Thomas Whaley	60	16	0	1681 J Rayner	37	12	0				
173 James Millier	90	6	0	1687 F V Green	69	6	0				
Chapter				1693 Harry Cecil Turner	74	12	0				
173 Comp Edward Ayling	26	5	0	1693 R P Forge							
Lodge 174 Bro John Bulmer	330	0	0	1707 A Money	18	17	0				
Chapter				1716 Edwin J Witherstone	53	11	0				
176 Comp Mihil Slaughter	42	0	0	1719 James Randall							
Lodge 179 Br E C Mulvey	108	13	6	1731 Rev H R Cooper Smith	52	10	0				
183 G R Langley	108	13	6	1732 W Bailey	37	5	6				
197 R Fuge Grantham	31	10	0	1744 } W M Stiles	196	7	0				
205 A J Henochsberg	60	5	0	Chapter							
228 G H Edis	81	15	0	Lodge 1767 Jas W Barker							
235 Ernest L Marshall	15	15	0	1790 W H Ranson	63	0	0				
255 N D Fracis	18	18	0	1791 Danl Ferguson	64	4	6				
256 H J Bertram	35	14	0	1804 Alfred Souch	41	14	0				
259 Rudolph G Glover	31	10	0	1805 Henry B Forbes	33	5	6				
435 August Ross	27	16	6	1816 Charles N Carrell	192	0	6				
511 J H Look	20	17	6	1922 A J Clarke							
534 J G Tongue	57	15	0	1922 Chas R J Evans	70	1	6				
538 John Skinner	10	10	0	1962 Wm McDougall	115	10	0				
548 James Pain	103	8	6	1962 James C Tilt							
554 } John J Berry	57	14	0	1963 Vincent T Murché	36	15	0				
{ Hugh Cotter	52	18	6	1964 James Terry	176	15	0				
569 Major A Durrant	210	0	0	1987 James Willing jun	157	10	0				
Chapter				1996 C E Botley	51	2	6				
619 Comp H Bond	35	3	6	1998 F Botley							
				2021 Capt H C Lambert	58	16	0				

PROVINCES.

BERKS AND BUCKS.

Lodge 574 Br Reginald Maples	16	16	0
795 William Fenton	27	16	6
Chapter 840 Comp Rev. F W Harnett	21	5	0
Lodge 1101 Br William Ferguson	36	15	0
1410 Thomas Taylor	21	0	0
1566 Henry Warden	92	12	0

BRISTOL.

Br Pierrepont Harris	115	10	0
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CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

The Prov., Br Andrew H Moyes	200	0	0
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CHESHIRE.

Lodge 537 Br Geo H Brown	19	15	0
758 Thos Kirkham	10	10	0

CORNWALL.

450 Gilbert B Pearce	368	11	0
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CUMBERLAND AND WEST-MORELAND.

129 Dr Charles E Paget	55	13	0
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DERBYSHIRE.

253 W H Marsden	16	16	0
731 Edgar Horne	85	6	0
731 G T Wright	110	5	0
731 Abraham Woodiwiss	15	15	0
850 Geo Fletcher	52	10	0
1179 Wm Fletcher	52	10	0
1235 Geo B Smedley	54	12	0
Percy Wallis	42	0	0

DEVONSHIRE.

1402 John Lane	50	0	0
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DORSETSHIRE.

William James	113	3	0
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DURHAM.

The Province	52	10	0
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ESSEX.

51 G. Harrison	100	5	0
51 W. Sowman			
160 George Wood	15	5	0
453 A J Dixie	75	5	6
1000 W Downs Merritt	116	16	0
1343 Charles C Potter	40	7	0
1437 F A White	10	10	0
1457 James E Horn	50	18	6
2005 G H Finch	31	10	0
2006 A Manning	16	16	0
Richard Clowes			

Chapter 276 Comp. Andrew C Durrant	43	0	0
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GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

246 Baron de Ferrieres	21	0	0
592 Rev. S J G Fraser	63	0	0

HANTS AND ISLE OF WIGHT.

The Chairman	10	10	0
The Province—Br J E Le Feuvre	414	3	0
Per Br E Goble	26	5	0
Prov. Grand Chapter—Comp Richard Eve	157	10	0

Lodge	£	s	d
35 Br Asher Barfield .	26	5	0
151 Geo Wyatt .	42	0	0
175 Francis Newman .	89	5	0
195 Major Rebback .	110	5	0
309 John B Goldsmith .	42	0	0
342 Dr Charles Knott .	84	0	0
694 Rev A G Barker .	68	5	0
698 R Loveland Loveland .	10	10	0
723 J B Harrison .	5	5	0
723 George Frost .	17	17	0
723 Henry Stone .	5	5	0
Chapter			
723 Comp Col J Mead .	5	5	0
Lodge			
903 Br William Smith .	26	5	0
1331 James Taylor .	63	15	0
1428 Edwin Pratt .	32	11	0
1869 R Dampier Child .	10	15	0
1883 Wm Henry Jacob .	47	5	0
1903 Capt the Hon A G Curzon Howe .	123	5	6
1971 A Knight Prescott .	45	12	0
1971 W E Foster .			
1990 John W Gieve .	49	16	0
2016 Henry Harbor .	26	5	0
2068 Geo T Bevis .	42	0	0
2074 Wm Dart .	63	0	0
Richard Glasspool .	10	10	0
John Mason .	105	5	0

HERTFORDSHIRE.

Lodge	£	s	d
403 Br Joseph Hunt .	53	2	6
Chapter			
404 Comp F Sumner Knyvett .	21	0	0
Lodge			
409 Br Percy W Taylor .	54	12	0
869 Harry A Johnson .	32	0	6
1385 D Schmidt .	56	1	6
1479 John Purrott .	15	15	0
1580 W J Crutch .	41	9	6
1580 J S Webb .	11	11	0
1984 R Townsend .	42	0	0
2086 Rev Geo Litting .	37	17	0
J E Dawson .	31	10	0

KENT.

77 Br G T King .	76	6	0
127 W Jones Lane .	108	3	0
429 J O Eve .	171	9	0
615 G W Mitchell .	26	0	0
709 } S W Shaw .	100	13	0
1656 } H Mason .	115	10	0
913 R Joynes Emmerson .	50	8	0
1206 Wm Sparrowhawk } .	21	0	0
1223 W Burfoot .			
1273 W Roots .	105	0	0
1314 G R Bolton .	114	9	0
1414 Charles Holcroft .	40	10	0
1436 Richard White .	52	10	6
1531 W Hollis .	64	16	6
1692 J W Baldwin .	26	5	0
1692 R V Harman .	48	16	6
1965 G Lewis Kennaby .	106	1	0

EAST LANCASHIRE.

37 Johnson Mills .			
317 J Robinson .	36	15	0
348 R H Phillips .	10	10	0
381 John Seddon .			
645 Fred Millo .			
645 Harry L Lilley .			

Lodge	£	s	d
645 Charles Heywood .			
1055 Robert Williamson .			
1161 A H Jefferis .	10	10	0
1170 Frank A Huét .			
1335 R B Seddon .			
1723 Matthew Fielding .	10	10	0
1723 H Middleton Stavelly .			
1723 Miles Settle .			
1723 N Nicholson .	5	5	0
1723 T M Whewell .	5	5	0
1723 Thos Barlow Tong .	10	10	0

WEST LANCASHIRE.

155 W Goodacre .	126	0	0
155 Edwd Pierpoint .	10	10	0
673 W Leonard Marsden .	12	10	0
730 Thos Forrester .	10	10	0
1313 W Platt .	90	13	0
1335 J D Murray .	26	5	0
1476 W B Richardson .			
Robert Wylie .	26	5	0
1505 John G Hallwood .	52	10	0
1505 Robert Foot .	26	5	0
1730 John Slyman .	15	0	0

LEICESTER AND RUTLAND.

The Province, Bro John Metcalfe	250	0	0
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MIDDLESEX.

778 E W Stanton .	57	15	0
1194 Edwd Clark .	26	5	0
1237 Carter Millbourn .	10	10	0
1309 H. Woods .	21	0	0
1326 W R Vassila .	10	10	0
J A Wilson .	21	0	0
1460 Edward Y Jolliffe .	37	16	0
1567 Isaac Dixon .	75	4	0
1637 Charles Webster .	57	9	0
1793 J Piller .	10	10	0
2105 Dr Ruston H Cama .	10	10	0
2105 W R Palmer .	28	6	0
J Tickle .	65	2	0

NORFOLK.

93 John Bridgman .	151	5	0
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NORTH WALES.

Samuel Pope, Q.C. .	42	0	0
597 John Lloyd Griffith .	24	11	0
Chapter			
606 Comp Richard J Davids .	70	0	0
Lodge			
1849 Br Sydney Platt .	15	10	0

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

1661 Rev F V Bussell .	27	0	6
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OXFORDSHIRE.

340 Capt G P Airey .	56	2	6
340 W H Seary .			
1515 Jos Richardson .	16	16	0

SOMERSETSHIRE.

261 William Adams .	132	8	0
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SOUTH WALES (EASTERN DIVISION).

Provincial Grand Lodge .	26	5	0
Bute Lodge, No. 960 .	10	10	0

STAFFORDSHIRE.

1792 Br J R Lee .	132	6	0
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SUFFOLK.

555 George Jones, M.D. .	52	10	0
1224 W. Inglis Mason .	193	4	0
1592 J W Shepherd .	173	5	0

SURREY.

416 G H Sprules .	51	18	0
463 Walter J Nicholls .	39	0	6
889 James Edgell .	23	2	0
1638 Harry Curtis .	47	10	6
1714 T J Pulley .	15	15	0
1981 R E Catterson .	10	10	0
2096 F T Ridpath .	152	15	6
Frederick West .			
Joseph D Langton .	10	10	0

SUSSEX.

40 T W Markwick .	100	0	0
1726 W H Causton .	12	7	0

WARWICKSHIRE.

502 A J Lawrence .	28	7	0
502 J H Simpson, M.D. .			
587 Per Members of Lodge .	15	15	0
739 James Taylor .	31	10	0
739 A F Warrillow .			

WORCESTERSHIRE.

A F Godson, M.P. .	31	10	0
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YORKSHIRE (N. & E.)

312 John Stevenson .	67	2	0
566 W N Cheeseman .	10	10	0
1611 William Brown .	15	15	0

YORKSHIRE (WEST).

Br T W Tew P.G.M. .			
139 W Daniel Allen .			
139 John H Burrows .			
139 Simeon Hayes .			
139 John Hunt .			
304 James Bedford .			
304 Robert Craig .			
304 C L Mason .			
387 J T Last .			
448 John T Simpson .			
750 Rawson Kelly .			
974 W C Lupton .			
974 I Mossop, M.D. .			
974 J R Oddy .			
974 John Ambler .			
974 Fdk Beanland .			
974 Robt N Rhodes .	750	0	0
974 W H Benn .			
974 Herbert R Foster .			
974 Thos Ibbetson .			
974 John White .			
1001 W F Smithson .			
1211 John W Fourness .			
1211 G F Crowe .			
1311 Thos Crossley .			
1513 T W Embleton .			
1542 Job Harling .			
1736 William Nicholl .			
2069 Robert Abbott .			
2069 Alf Cooke .			
2069 John Redmayne .			
2069 Rev T Cartwright .			
Smyth, D.D. .			
2069 Will Watson .			

MARK MASONRY.

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CONSECRATION OF ST. CHAD'S LODGE, No. 374.

THE Consecration of this new Mark Lodge took place on Wednesday, 16th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Great George Street, Leeds. There was a large gathering of brethren, including the Prov. Grand Mark Master, Bro. C. L. Mason, Bro. Rev. W. C. Lukis D.P.G.M.M., Bros. George Althorpe Prov. G.S.W., J. H. Gratton 137 Prov. G.J.W., Rev. W. Dunn 111 P.G.Chaplain, George Norminton 58 P.G.Treasurer, W. Cooke 58 G.P.S.O. of England Prov. G. Sec., W. F. Tomlinson 111 Prov. G.M.C., W. Finken 137 P.G.Org., J. W. Monckman P.P.G.W., H. France 110 P.P.S.W., Chas. Woollons 110 P.P.G.D. of Cers., F. Smith 352 P.G.D.C., Jno. Barker 59 P.G. Steward of England, Henry Smith 110 Prov. G.St.B., J. W. Bailey 111 P.P.G.J.D., Geo. Hill 111 Prov. G.J.D., G. H. Radclyff 58 P.P.G.S.O., Geo. Chapman 324 P.P.G.J.D. Notts., Thos. Howden 110 Prov. G. Steward, G. H. Locking 111 Prov. G.Steward, A. Lotriez Org. Bradford, S. Gott Young 24, R. Hodgson 58, Jno. Green 58, W. J. Beck 58, Wm. Ackroyd 58, J. G. Lee P.M. 58, H. Oxley 110, J. A. Connor 110, W. Furze 111, C. Middleton 111, R. Craig 111,

T. Myers 111, S. Barrand 111, E. Billington 127, S. Evans 352, and the Founders of the Lodge, with the Rev. T. C. Smyth, M.A., D.D., LL.D., Grand Chaplain of England, J. M. Hollingsworth, A. F. McGill, W. S. Blackburn and J. W. Fournes. The Prov. Grand Master, assisted by his Officers, opened the Lodge at 4.30. A successful ballot was taken for four brethren for advancement, namely Bros. Clayton, Clements, H. G. Blackburn and Scattergood; they being duly accepted were advanced to the degree of Mark Master Mason by the Prov. G.Master, after which the ceremony of consecration was proceeded with. The Prov. Grand Secretary having stated the wishes of the brethren, handed the warrant of constitution to the Prov. G.M., who directed him to read the same, which was duly accepted by all present. The Provincial Grand Master (Bro. C. L. Mason) then addressed the brethren, as follows: It is not my intention to keep you many minutes to-day, but I deem it well on this occasion, of the inauguration of a new Mark Lodge, that some few words should be said in reference to our Order, and also as an encouragement to those who have undertaken the task of promoting its foundation. I shon'd, however, in the first place like to say a few words of congratulation to my old friend Bro. Dr. Smyth, a Mark Mason of 35 years' standing, on the choice made in selecting him as the first Master; an honour not sought by him, and only accepted after mature consideration and

consultation with his friends, and also that the name the new Lodge bears will for ever perpetuate, not only his sacred calling, but also the place were his ministerial work more particularly lies. We have seen in the ceremony we have this evening witnessed the peculiar teachings of the Mark Degree; the candidate going forth in the enthusiasm of his work, exercising his skill and ingenuity, carefully preparing his work and presenting it; when, to his sorrow and confusion, he finds it rejected and thrown over among the rubbish, as useless. Mark Masonry has existed for years, its friends have worked and toiled hard in its behalf; but ever it has been rejected, cast aside as useless, or as being no integral part of Masonry; yet when the time came it was found to contain, as it were, the connecting link to compress and cement the whole fabric of Masonry in one firm and solid whole. Again, we find in our daily intercourse in life that there are some men who are steadily walking on, pursuing their way quietly, inoffensively; the world watches them, pities them, and even holds them up to ridicule; yet the time comes when some more important work is required to be done, when some true philanthropist is needed to take the lead, and he is found amongst those who previously have been held up as spending useless lives, although they may have been gradually training for the special work required of them. Mark Masonry teaches us not to be discouraged by want of success. We have all our allotted tasks to fulfil, and whatever may be our lot, whether great or insignificant, whether in the front or in the rear, we have our special work to do. Our works, words and actions may be all misunderstood, improper motives may be attributed to us, yet in steadily pursuing our way, and though we may in the moment of disappointment exclaim, "my labour is lost," yet it is not so, and in due time if we faint not we shall reap our reward, and exclaim, with the Craftsmen of old, "Thanks be to God, I have my reward." In the degree the advantages of education and refinement are forcibly impressed upon our minds, and it has not been inaptly termed the degree of uprightness. The upright man; what a flood of thought those words bring to our recollection; who can properly estimate the upright man; a man who always acts upon the square; one who always thinks of the wants of others before his own? wherever sorrow or suffering is to be found there we find him doing to others as he would have others do to him, dealing fairly with all men. In the words so well known to us, he is "one to whom the burdened heart may pour forth its sorrows, to whom distress may prefer its suit, whose head is guided by justice, and his heart expanded by benevolence." As in the Craft the square teaches us morality and justice, the level equality, and the plumb line integrity, so in Mark Masonry do the various symbols used convey to us moral lessons. The hour glass reminds us that life is quickly passing away, and teaches us to improve the remaining portions of our lives. The rope and anchor remind us of a well-spent life, and teach us to look forward to that time when we shall be safely anchored in the peaceful Haven—

"Where the wicked cease from troubling,
And the weary are at rest."

The axe teaches us to avoid the danger of indulging in deception and of attempting fraud, to act openly with our fellow men, so that, with minds conscious of right, we can walk forward void of offence toward God and man. The all-seeing eye reminds us of the vigilance and unceasing watchfulness of the G.O.O.T.W., which teaches us to take heed of our steps, to be cautious in our demeanour, to avoid offending with the tongue, and so to direct our conduct in every relation of life as to give evidence that we are conscious of the care of the G.O.O.T.W. The Lodge was then solemnly consecrated in ancient form. The P.G.M. then installed the W.M. nominate, Bro. Rev. Thomas Cartwright Smyth, Vicar of St. Chad's, Headingley, into the chair of A., there being 17 installed Masters present. He afterwards invested Bros. Dr. Hollingsworth S.W., Dr. McGill J.W. The others officers having been appointed and invested the Lodge was duly closed.

ENAMELLED IRON.—At the present time, when American competition is so severely felt that we are fairly undersold in many of our own markets, as well as upon the Continent, it is interesting to learn that, notwithstanding their undoubted technical and mechanical skill, our cousins on the other side of the Atlantic have not succeeded in producing the famous iron tablets manufactured in this country, which are now universally used in England, and in most parts of France, Belgium, Germany and India. Under the direction of Mr. James Willing, the well-known London advertising contractor, these enamelled plates have been brought to an extraordinary degree of artistic perfection of colour and style. Even when exposed to our trying climate they are apparently of everlasting wear, and can be made at a price which completely rivals in cheapness that of wood or other perishing material. For many years past Mr. Willing has supplied these easily read signs and tablets to the chief government departments, the International and Colonial Exhibitions, Scotland-yard, for all kinds of public announcements in London, the great railway companies and our Provincial houses of business for every variety of out-door advertising. In compliance with a request from some of the managers of some of the railway companies and leading firms in New York and other large towns in America, Mr. Willing will shortly proceed to New York for the purpose of establishing works at Philadelphia or other manufacturing centre for the production of these enamelled plates. It is probable that he will arrange for a number of our best workmen to go to America. Owing to the promise of support already given there is little doubt that a large establishment will soon be in full work. In consequence of the heavy duties these enamelled plates can be made in America at a far less cost than if sent from England. Mr. Willing will only remain in the United States for the completion of the preliminary business arrangements.

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.

BRO. EDWARD DEAN DAVIS.

On the 19th instant departed this life one of the most popular and genial Masons of the day, in the person of Bro. Edward Dean Davis. The funeral took place at Jesmond Cemetery, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on the 22nd instant, and it was attended by a very large gathering of the Freemasons of the Provinces of Northumberland and Durham, of both of which, for many years, deceased had been a leading Officer. The time fixed for the assemblage was 2-15, when upwards of three hundred members of the Craft had gathered in Eldon-square, near the residence of the deceased. There was also a large number of the general public, and there were many tokens of the respect in which the deceased was held. Notices had been issued to the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodges of Northumberland and of Durham by Bros. B. J. Thompson and R. Hudson, the Grand Secretaries of the two Provinces, and notices had also been sent out by Bro. W. M. Pybus, the Worshipful Master of Industry Lodge, Gateshead, of which Bro. Davis was Worshipful Master in 1852 and 1853. The brethren generally were also invited by the intimation of Bro. B. J. Thompson P.G.S. Northumberland. The late Bro. E. D. Davis was appointed an Officer of the Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Chapter of England last year, in recognition of his Masonic merit and ability, and the gathering under notice was the largest that has been seen at a Masonic funeral for some years. The *cortège* left the residence of the deceased at twenty minutes to three o'clock. The coffin in which the remains were enclosed was of best polished oak, and the engraved plate bore the following inscription:—

EDWARD DEAN DAVIS,
Died 19th February 1887.
Aged 80 years.

The procession was headed by the Masonic brethren, comprising all the representative men of the district, after which followed the hearse and mourning coaches; there were also a number of private carriages. The visiting brethren of the junior Lodges walked first, then the brethren of the Northumberland Lodges, in rotation, according to their numbers; finally came the Provincial Officers of Northumberland and Durham, arranged according to rank. The procession moved at a slow pace to the cemetery in Jesmond-road. The Freemasons stood at each side of the path, and formed an avenue through which the hearse and mourning coaches passed. Among those present were Mr. Richard Younge, Tyne Theatre; Mr. Richard Fynes, Theatre Royal, Blyth; Mr. Thomas Weatherly, Blyth; Mr. Kirton, and many friends of the deceased. The *cortège* was met at the cemetery by the Rev. T. B. Nichols, of St. Oswald's College, Tynemouth, Past Prov. Grand Chaplain and Past Prov. Grand Senior Warden of Northumberland. The rev. gentleman conducted the service in the chapel and at the grave in a most impressive manner. The private friends and Freemasons gathered round the grave, and at the close of the burial service they joined in singing "Days and moments quickly flying," Brothers Whitehead and Walker, of Durham Cathedral Choir, leading the singing. The relatives of the deceased having taken their last look into the grave, the Masonic brethren passed, and each dropped a sprig of acacia into the grave. There were a number of wreaths sent by friends, which were afterwards deposited upon the grave, among those sending the same being Mr. and Mrs. F. Wyndham, of the Theatre Royal, Newcastle; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joplin (*nee* Miss Emily Cross); a Masonic wreath from the Officers of St. Nicholas Lodge, No. 1676, Newcastle; and Mr. and Mrs. German Reed; Jeanie Pocock; a white floral cross, T. E. Swithinbank; and Miss Mary M. East.

The late Bro. E. D. Davis, who had been connected with the Masonic body for upwards of fifty years, was initiated in a Lodge at Taunton on 15th April 1835. He was exalted in Chapter 312, at Barnstaple, in 1836, and became attached to the Knight Templar Encampment at Tiverton in 1838. Upon his coming to the North he became a joining member of the De Lorraine Lodge, at Newcastle, in 1847, and afterwards joined the Northern Counties, and was one of the founders and acted as I.P.M. of St. Peters Lodge in 1856. He joined the Industry Lodge, Gateshead, the oldest Lodge in the Province of Durham in 1851, and was the same year appointed to the Senior Warden's chair in it, the following year being elected to the chair of Master. In the year 1852 he was appointed Prov. Grand Registrar of the Province of Durham. In 1855 he was appointed Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, and in 1859 Provincial Junior Grand Warden of Durham. In the Provincial Grand Chapter of Durham and Northumberland he was a Past Second Principal. In 1854 he was the First Principal of Chapter No. 97, Sunderland, and in Northumberland he had been a Past Grand Second Principal for several years, and had discharged the duties of First Principal in several Chapters of Newcastle and the Province. In the Provincial Grand Lodge of Northumberland he was appointed Director of Ceremonies in 1851, and was appointed the Prov. Grand Senior Warden in 1857, and from 1866 to the time of his death he had most efficiently officiated as Prov. G. Director of Ceremonies. Up to the last he continued to take the deepest interest in Masonic affairs, and officiated upon the occasion of the installation of Sir Mat. White Ridley, Bart, M.P., as Prov. Grand Master of Northumberland, on the 16th November last. In December he took part in the installation of the Principals of St. John's Chapter at Sunderland, and entertained the brethren on that occasion with one of his characteristic recitations. He had been for some years an hon. member of the Industry Lodge at Gateshead, and the Palatine Lodge of Sunderland, and other Lodges, and was held in the highest estimation by the brethren of these Lodges. As already stated, his great Masonic abilities were recognised by the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of England last year, when his Masonic career was crowned by his appointment as a Grand Officer.

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ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 1723.

The monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, the 23rd instant, at the Commercial Hotel, Bolton. Bros. A. Cosgrave W.M., John Barrett I.P.M., T. B. Tong S.W., W. E. Bardsley J.W., N. Nicholson Secretary, J. W. Taylor Prov. S.G.D. Director of Ceremonies, J. W. Hawsworth I.G., Thomas Higson Tyler, J. W. Naylor J.D.; P.M.'s G. P. Brookbank P.G. Standard Bearer, E. G. Harwood P. Prov. Grand Standard Bearer, J. H. Greenhalgh, W. Court, Thomas Morris; Bros. Fogg, John Mills, J. B. Goulburn, James Lever, J. E. Smith, Thomas Morris, Ashton, W. Altham. Visitors—Bros. C. B. Wingfield S.D. 146, J. J. Bentley 221, W. Siddorn J.W. 221, Henry Firth Past Provincial G.D. West Lancashire. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and then Bro. Altham was examined as to his proficiency as an E.A. This proving satisfactory, he was entrusted. Lodge proceeded to the second degree, when Bro. Altham was passed to the degree of F.C. by the W.M., and the working tools were explained by the S.W. Lodge closed to the first degree, and Messrs. Joshua Orrell and William Townsend, who were proposed at the last regular meeting as candidates, were balloted for and approved. They signed the requisite declaration, and were initiated into Masonry, the former by Bro. Court P.M., and the latter by the W.M. Bro. Cosgrave. The working tools of the degree were explained by Bro. W. E. Bardsley J.W., and the Charge delivered by Bro. G. P. Brookbank P.G. Standard Bearer England. It was agreed, on the motion of Bro. Jno. Barrett, seconded by Bro. E. G. Harwood P. Prov. G. Std. Bearer, that the Pro Grand Master's circular respecting the proposed Jubilee Fund be assented to, and the Grand Secretary informed thereof, as requested in the circular. The ceremonies were conducted with great care and accuracy, each Officer performing his duty in admirable manner. The choir of the Lodge, ably led by Bro. Jno. Taylor Prov. G.S.D., rendered most efficient service and acquitted themselves with great credit. Bro. John Miles presided at the organ. Hearty good wishes were tendered by the visiting brethren. A portion of the ancient rules and charges having been read by the S.W., the Lodge closed in peace and harmony at 8.15 p.m. The usual banquet followed.

The Great City Lodge of Instruction, No. 1426.—

Meeting held at Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, Coleman Street, London, E.C., on Thursday, 17th inst. Present: Bros. F. W. Potter W.M. 1426 W.M., B. Williams S.W., Berry J.W., D. Hills S.D., A. Jardine J.D., J. Barrett I.G., James Stevens P.M. P.Z. Preceptor, W. Paddle P.M. P.Z. Treasurer, W. J. Ball Secretary; J. K. Gwyn, G. W. Robson, E. Pugh, E. Blanc, W. J. Lincoln, W. Alderson, R. F. Tomlin, H. Whitehouse, R. A. Davis, F. C. Rush, L. V. Walker, R. M. Surridge, A. Wells, C. P. McKay, and others. Apologies for non-attendance, in consequence of the severe weather, were numerous on this occasion. The Lodge having been opened in the three degrees, the Preceptor (Bro. Stevens) delivered his Lecture on the Ritual and Ceremonial of the Symbolic Degrees in Freemasonry, which was listened to with earnest attention, and, as opportunity offered, received many expressions of approval. The interest excited by the opening remarks of our worthy brother was maintained without diminution throughout an address which occupied more than two hours in delivery; and the points of working and diversities in connection therewith are so numerous that the lecturer himself admitted the necessity of omitting reference to many of them, from fear of exhausting the attention of his audience. A clear explanation of the ritual was, however, the result of his address, and no brother could be otherwise than instructed and improved by hearing it. A very cordial vote of thanks to Bro. Stevens was recorded at the close of the lecture. The Lodge was then closed to the first degree, and five brethren were accepted as members. Bro. Thomas Poore P.M. P.Z. was appointed to preside at the next meeting, when the Fifteen Sections will be worked. The Worshipful Master of The Great City Lodge, on behalf of his Officers and himself, accepted the invitation of the Lodge of Instruction to occupy their respective official positions on the occasion of the rehearsal of the ceremony of installation by Bro. Stevens, on the 3rd prox. The Lodge was then closed in due form.

Creton Lodge of Instruction, No. 1791.—On Thursday, 10th inst., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-road. Present—Bros. Stroud W.M., Cochrane S.W., Williams P.M. J.W., Spiegel P.M. Secretary, Child P.M. S.D., Davis J.D., Jennings I.G., Spiegel as Preceptor; also Bros. Altman, Stonehill, Barbrook, Gilbert, Lindfield, &c. Lodge was opened in due form and minutes confirmed; the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed; Bro. Cochrane gave the charge. Lodge opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, the W.M. giving the traditional history. After routine work Lodge was closed.

On Thursday, 24th instant. Present—Brothers P. J. Davies W.M., Hardy S.W., Cross J.W., Austin Treasurer, Chalfont P.M. Secretary, Cockrane S.D., Lindfield J.D., Ullman I.G., Davies Preceptor; P.M.'s Bros. Spiegel, R. H. Williams W.M., Wood W.M., Cavers, Whittle, Marsh, Stonehill, Colville, Love, Gilbert, Head, Rogers P.M., Cotton. After preliminaries, the second section of the third lecture was worked by Bro. Davies W.M., assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of raising was rehearsed in a most impressive manner by Bro. Davies, the Preceptor, who gave the charge; Bro. Austin was the candidate. The first section of the second lecture was worked by the W.M., assisted by the brethren. Bro. Cotton was elected a member, and Bro. Hardy was elected W.M. for next Thursday. Lodge was then closed.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Comedy.—The new comic opera "Mynheer Jan" may be described as possessing materials sufficient to win popularity; not only is it amusing, but the music, by Mr. Edward Jakobowski, is both tuneful and catchy, though undoubtedly some of the numbers cannot be described as original. The piece is written in Messrs. Harry Paulton and Mostyn Tedde's humorous style; notwithstanding, the plot is somewhat intricate. Still Mr. Jakobowski's portion of the work is excellently done, while his pretty setting, "Obedience," in the first act, and Miss Camille D'Arville's two solos, "Love's a King," and "Dear Country," are especially worthy of note. Again the choruses at the commencement of each act are both pretty and tuneful. The scene is laid in the Netherlands, time 1550; the characters introduced to the audience are of the usual comic opera class. The Governor of Krootzdam whose daughter Camilla is in love with a student, Karl (who is President of a society called the Daisy Guild), but whose parentage is unknown. Camilla is, however, desired to marry a certain Don Diego. The story is confusing, but much fun is caused by Don Diego being captured by Karl and the members of the Daisy Guild, by whom he is imprisoned. As it is necessary some one should appear at the castle, a friend of Karl named Hans undertakes to assume a disguise. The scene in the garden where Karl instructs Hans how to conduct himself creates great applause. In the last act Hans is again the cause of all the fun; he changes place with a scarecrow. All, however, turns out well in the end, and Karl is recognised as the son of Donna Tralara. The character of Hans is one that contains considerable humour, and this is most successfully brought out by Mr. Harry Paulton, whose peculiar method seems to be thoroughly enjoyed. His song, "Few and far between," is very amusing. The duet with Mr. Frank Wyatt bears a resemblance to that of the robbers in "Erminie." Mr. Wyatt is well fitted in the part of the high spirited Karl. Miss Camille D'Arville and Mr. Joseph Tapley, as Katrine and Francis respectively, sang with excellent judgment and precision, but M. Marins was scarcely so successful as usual. Miss Kate Munroe makes a spirited Gretchen; Miss Violet Melnotte, as Camilla, showed improvement on her previous efforts; and Madame Amadi acquitted herself well as Donna Tralara. One of the greatest successes of the evening was Miss Alice Lethbridge as Paquita; her Salterello dance in the second act was both graceful and well executed. Other parts were adequately filled. The opera is well mounted; new scenery has been painted, by Mr. T. E. Ryan. A prosperous run may be anticipated.

Olympic.—Miss Grace Hawthorne announces that only two more matinées of "Heartsease" will be given, namely, on the morning of Wednesday, 2nd March, and that of Wednesday, 9th of March. On Wednesday morning, 16th March, "Frou Frou" will be presented, Miss Hawthorne appearing as Gilberte.

MARRIAGE.

WHITE-COOPER—MARTYN.—On the 17th inst., at the Parish Church, Long Melford, Suffolk, by the father of the bride, assisted by the Rev. Robert Hoigson, Vicar of Walsall, William George Owen White-Cooper, eldest son of the late Sir William White-Cooper, F.R.C.S., to Catherine Clarissa, eldest daughter of the Rev. Charles J. Martyn, R.D., Rector of Long Melford and Hon Chaplain to Her Majesty the Queen.

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APRIL ELECTION, 1887.

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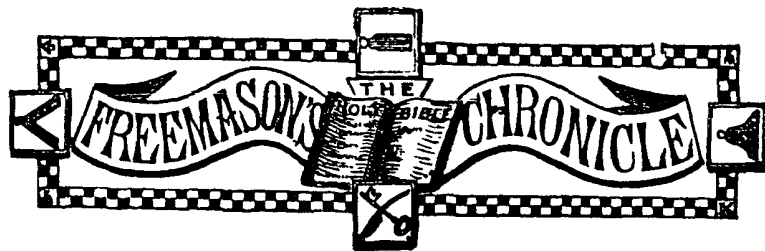
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QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF UNITED GRAND LODGE.

THE following is the business to be transacted in Grand
Lodge on Wednesday, 2nd March 1887, at 6 for
7 p.m.

1. The minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 1st Dec-
ember 1886 will be read and put for confirmation.
2. Election of a M.W. Grand Master.
3. Election of a Grand Treasurer.
4. Report of the Board of Benevolence for the last quarter, in
which are recommendations for the following grants, viz. :—

The Widow of a Brother of the Manchester Lodge, No. 179, London	£50 0 0
The Widow of a Brother of the Samson Lodge, No. 1668, London	50 0 0
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A Brother of the Oriental Lodge, No. 687, Constantinople	50 0 0
A Brother of the Prince Leopold Lodge, No. 1588, Stret- ford	75 0 0
A Brother of the Alexandra Lodge, No. 985, Holbeach	50 0 0
A Brother of the Bangalore Lodge, No. 1043, Bangalore	60 0 0

5. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

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

The Board of General Purposes beg to submit a statement of the
Grand Lodge Accounts, at the meeting of the Finance Com-
mittee, held on Friday, the 11th day of February instant, shewing
a balance in the Bank of England of £4,615 14s 7d, and in the hands
of the Grand Secretary for Petty Cash £100, and for Servants'
Wages £100, and balance of annual allowance for Library, £2 1s 3d.

(Signed) THOMAS FENN,

President.

FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON, W.C.
15th February 1887.

6. Report of Brother John Smith, Auditor of the Grand Lodge
accounts, of receipts and disbursements during the year 1886.

7. NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. By Brother Charles William Meiter, W.M. Mizpah Lodge,
No. 1671, London.

1st. That, in order to perpetuate the memory of the
Jubilee of the glorious reign of Her Most Gracious
Majesty Queen Victoria, and Empress of India, it be
resolved that the Grand Lodge of England do prepare
forthwith a foundation-stone, and the same be con-
secrated by our present M.W. Grand Master His Royal
Highness the Prince of Wales, K.G., &c., &c., or his
nominee in London. The foundation-stone to be ulti-
mately firmly placed, if possible, upon the ground in or
near the original site of King Solomon's Temple in
Jerusalem, and that the rebuilding of the said Temple
as a "House of Prayer for all Nations" shall be pro-
ceeded with as soon as necessary funds be provided.

2nd. That with a view of providing the funds as speedily
as possible for the rebuilding of King Solomon's Temple
as a "House of Prayer for all Nations," it be resolved
that all present at the consecration of the foundation-
stone by the Most Worshipful Grand Master shall be
allowed to place contributions on the stone, the same

to be publicly acknowledged; that the stone shall remain in London for a given time, the general public to enjoy the same privilege of subscribing and placing their subscriptions on the stone as those present at the consecration.

The foundation-stone to be then forwarded to the principal cities of the United Kingdom and other countries, and that the custodians, composed entirely of Free and Accepted Masons, to be nominated by the Grand Lodge of England, shall be responsible for the safe custody of the stone, and the amounts placed thereon or otherwise subscribed for this object at each resting station, and to forward all contributions to the Treasurer, or as may be directed by order of the Grand Lodge of England.

2. By Brother Edwin Thomas Budden P.M. Lodge of St. Cuthberga, No. 622, Wimborne, Dorsetshire.

That the new Rule No. 308 in the Book of Constitutions being at variance with, and contradictory to, the old Rule No. 288 in the same book, the said Rule 308 be forthwith repealed.

3. By Bro. William Nicholl P.M. Lodge of Affability, No. 317, Manchester.

1st. That Past Masters shall be entitled to wear a distinctive collar.

2nd. That the Board of General Purposes be and are hereby authorised and empowered to determine, and they shall so determine whether such distinction shall be silver cord in the centre, or whether it should be cord or braid or lace on the edges, and that they rearrange Article 307 accordingly, and report the same to Grand Lodge in June next.

3rd. That Past Masters, duly qualified as members on Grand Lodge, shall be entitled to wear such collar of all occasions when Craft clothing may be worn.

4th. That Masters and Wardens when visiting officially, as enjoined in Article 149, may wear their collars and jewels of office, and shall wear them in Grand and Provincial and District Grand Lodge.

5th. That, by Dispensation, full Masonic clothing may be worn by all Officers wherever they are permitted to be present.

6th. That the Board of General Purposes be requested to redraft Article 308 accordingly, and report to next Quarterly Communication.

4. By Brother James Stevens P.M. The Macdonald Lodge, No. 1216, Camberwell.

That Article 153 of the General Laws and Regulations for the government of the Craft, which declares that "All Lodges held within ten miles of Freemasons' Hall, London, be London Lodges, and are to pay the London fees and dues," be repealed.

5. By Brother Joseph Clever P.M. Lodge of Amity, No. 171, Greenwich.

That One Thousand Pounds be paid from the Fund of General Purposes of this Grand Lodge to the Funds of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and the Widows of Freemasons, to assist in placing extra annuitants on the Funds, in view of the large number (130 candidates) seeking election in May next.

6. By Brother William Nicholl P.M. Lodge of Affability, No. 317, Manchester.

That the Board of General Purposes be requested to examine into the laws relating to the Elections of all Elective Officers, Boards and Committees in Grand Lodge, and to report to next Quarterly Communication whether it is desirable or practicable to adopt some system of voting by proxy papers, or otherwise, not necessitating personal attendance of brethren from a distance.

That Article 75 Book of Constitutions be referred to Board of General Purposes for the purpose of ascertaining if it is possible to remodel and simplify and render it more workable as to the mode of recording and counting the votes in Grand Lodge.

List of Brethren nominated for the office of Grand Treasurer—

RICHARD EVE, I.P.M. No. 165, London, Provincial S.G.W. Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. Nominated by Brother George Alexander Vennell, W.M. No. 165, London.

AUGUSTUS FREDERICK GODSON, M.A., M.P., P.M. No. 1097, Tenbury, Deputy Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire. Nominated by Brother Robert Berridge, P.M. No. 21, London.

List of Lodges for which warrants have been granted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge.

No. 2183.—The Royal Hampton Court Lodge, Hampton Court, Middlesex.

2184.—The Royal Victorian Jubilee Lodge, Tilbury, Essex.

2185.—The Ardwick Lodge, Ardwick, Lancashire (E.D.)

2186.—The Strignil Lodge, Chepstow, Monmouthshire.

2187.—The Adur Lodge, Henfield, Sussex.

2188.—The Kerala Lodge, Calicut Malabar Coast, Madras.

2189.—The Ashburton Lodge, Ashburton, Devonshire.

2190.—The Savage Club Lodge, London.

2191.—The Anglo-American Lodge, London.

2192.—The Highbury Lodge, Highbury, London.

2193.—The Queen's Jubilee Lodge, Nelson, Lancashire (E.D.)

2194.—The Golden Bay Lodge, Takaka, Nelson, N.Z.

2195.—The Military Jubilee Lodge, Dover, Kent.

The "Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book" for 1887 is now ready, and can be had at the Grand Secretary's Office, Freemasons' Hall, London, price 2s, bound in roan.

N.B.—The Book of Constitutions, edition 1884, can be had at the Grand Secretary's Office, in 8vo, price 1s 6d a copy, bound in cloth.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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THE GREENWOOD MEMORIAL FUND.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—A copy of your valuable journal has been forwarded to me, and I ask to be allowed to thank you for the kindly suggestion you make in reference to our dear lamented friend Bro. Greenwood. All who knew our deceased Brother intimately, and were brought into close contact with him, either in Masonry or in ordinary business, will be ready to pay tribute to his sound friendship, his ability, tact, and unswerving integrity in all matters he undertook. I happen to know somewhat of the deep personal interest he took in the "Albert Institute," of which he was for so many years the Treasurer, and also of the particularly active work he did in the way of advancing education amongst the poorer children of the Southwark district. I feel assured, therefore, that if it were possible to consult his own wishes, they would be that his memorial fund should take the form you suggest, so as to consolidate and perpetuate the laudable undertaking he so largely helped to rear. Speaking to some brethren in the Province who are constant readers of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, I have heard the matter commented on in a spirit favourable to the more immediate connection of Bro. Greenwood's name with the Institution which, under his fostering care, has done such a vast amount of good in the locality. From what I can gauge of the opinions of Surrey Freemasons, they would if polled vote almost to a man that whatever fund may be collected should go to the object most near the heart of him who was universally and sincerely beloved by all who knew him. It is not necessary to allude to the hearty manner in which he devoted himself to the welfare of Freemasonry in Surrey during the many years he filled the office of Provincial Grand Secretary, and in his more recent sphere of Deputy Prov. Grand Master. The steady prosperity of the Province and the harmony which pervades the whole Fraternity was in no small degree due to the energies and urbanity of our Brother, whose memory it is desired to perpetuate; and I sincerely trust that such a response will be made to the appeal of the committee as will reflect the esteem and appreciation which Bro. Greenwood so deservedly enjoyed during his well-spent life. The suggestion to alter the name of the "Albert" Institute is a good one, and I heartily hope it may receive the cordial endorsement of every subscriber to the Fund.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

A WELL WISHER.

PLUNGING.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—There are many ways of looking at the question raised in your leading columns last week, under the above heading. You are no doubt right in cautioning Lodges against "undue prodigality" in the matter of our Masonic festivities, but I perfectly agree with you in the opinion that "it would be little short of a calamity were this element of social intercourse interdicted in the Craft." To many of us old Masons, though I will not say the "novelty has worn off," the meeting of old friends and acquaintances around the festive board is an important inducement to us to attend the meetings of our Lodges personally, and to ask our friends to accompany us. Thus a larger attendance is secured at the meetings, with the natural result that greater impetus is given to the fraternal spirit which animates the brethren, and to the benevolent impulses which are at all times appealed to. There is no greater pleasure than to ask a friend—especially if he comes up from the country, where necessarily the after proceedings are much more commonplace than in London—to join you on Lodge night. Such brethren invariably go away with a favourable impression of the working of our Lodges in the metropolis, and of the scale of hospitality which is extended to all Visitors; and, on their return home, they endeavour to communicate that impression to their own immediate brethren, with the result that their Lodges are strengthened and stimulated to greater exertion in works of practical utility. On these grounds, therefore, while entirely coinciding with your views as to the undesirability of flinging away money without discrimination, I must contend that the festivities

which follow labour in our Masonic Lodges must be made something superior to a mere ordinary club feast or friendly society dinner, and that their accompaniments must be in accordance with the position which Masonry holds above all other Institutions in which beneficence, mutual help, and conviviality are inseparably connected. Young Masons, in the full glow of their early enthusiasm, may be content (and rightly so) with what you designate the "feast of reason," but the old hands like myself will most assuredly vote for a judicious admixture of the "flow of soul." Permit me to remain,

Dear Sir and Brother,

Very fraternally yours,
QUIZ.

PLUNGING INTO EXTRAVAGANCE.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—The rebuke administered in your leading article last week to certain prodigal sons of the Craft was not more severe perhaps than deserved, though in justice to the general body of Masons it must be said that the instance quoted of extravagance is a rarity. As a rule such plunging into excess is carefully avoided by those who have the administration of the funds of Lodges in their hands; the aim and desire of Masters and Treasurers is to conserve the money subscribed for general purposes, so that as large a proportion as possible shall be thrown into the coffers of our Charitable Institutions. We have before us another splendid example of what the brethren are prepared to do when specially called upon to lend a helping hand to the cause of Charity, and the magnificent total announced at the Annual Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution affords us fresh proof of the truly charitable spirit which pervades the whole bulk of English Freemasonry. There are no doubt many items of expenditure in most of our Lodges that might be judiciously curtailed without seriously interfering with the luxury and comfort of the brethren in the "after labour" degree. But, after all, if our Lodges are to fulfil the objects they have in view, of cementing their members in fraternal amenity and social intercourse, the dry monotony of work must be varied with a due share of entertainment and hospitality, for therein lies the secret of much of the cohesion of Lodges, the happiness of the brethren, and the inducement which is provided for interchange of visits amongst the members of various Lodges. Whilst, therefore, an occasional instance may crop up of unnecessary prodigality in the matter of hotel expenses, it is nevertheless desirable that reasonable care be exercised in providing such accessories to the banquet table as shall attract a fair proportion of members to attend, and to enable them gracefully to invite Visitors to join them in the amenities of the fourth degree. For my own part, I prefer a plain, substantial supper to the heavy dinners of so many courses, embellished with flowers, gilded menus, books of words, and liberally—often too liberally—paid artistes. All these "extras" are unquestionably enjoyable, and add much to the harmony and brilliancy of Masonic banquets, provided the Lodges can afford the expense, and it does not stultify their power of doing good work in the cause of charity. Moreover, it is open to question whether a frugal repast would prove sufficient to tempt all members of Lodges to assemble at the monthly gatherings; for, however unpalatable the truth may be, there are many Masons to whom the pleasantries of the banquet table are preferable to the solid routine of work in the Lodge-room. At any rate, the gentle reminder proffered in your article as to the combination of prudence with comfort and hospitality is well timed, and it may be hoped that it will be taken duly to heart by those who are most nearly concerned in the matter.

I remain, Dear Sir and Brother,
Yours fraternally,
ARGUS.

In view of the meeting of United Grand Lodge on Wednesday next, when it may be expected a large number of Provincial brethren will attend to take part in the election of Grand Treasurer, we note that special arrangements for the comfort and convenience of visitors are being made by the proprietors of the Holborn Restaurant. A special table d'hôte dinner will be provided at four o'clock, instead of half-past five, the usual hour; thus ample time will be afforded the brethren to lay in a substantial basis before proceeding to Freemasons' Hall, to record their votes, and to assist in the other business of the day. This will prevent much of the inconvenience and confusion that has been experienced on some former occasions, and give our Provincial brethren more leisure to inspect many objects of interest in the locality. The Holborn Restaurant is, in itself, a sight worth seeing, with its marble and gilded salons and splendid appointments for satisfying the requirements of the inner man, and as here the luxuries of a first class table are to be secured at so cheap a rate as three shillings and sixpence, brethren cannot do better than dine at this eminently popular establishment. The Holborn Restaurant has of late years become an important head centre for Masonic gatherings, many well-known Lodges and Chapters having taken up their abode there; whilst its close proximity to Freemasons' Hall renders it a most convenient and desirable resort for the brethren who assemble on important occasions, such as that of Wednesday next is certain to prove.

A MASONIC ALPHABET.

XIII.—MERCY.

When a fallen foe,
'Neath a deadly blow,
'Fore his victor helpless lies;
With wild despair,
What a world of prayer,
He looks in his conqueror's eyes?

Then the flashing blade,
In its course is stay'd,
And it seeks a stronger foe;
While the wounded feels,
That his mute appeals,
Brought mercy to check the blow.

We often are apt,
In our goodness wrapt,
To press on the erring one;
To censure and blame,
With indignant flame,
An action our Brother has done.

But the culprit may
Show penitent trait;
Then crush not the struggling beam,
But give it a chance,
Its power to advance;
Our mercy will gain his esteem.

XIV.—NOBILITY.

A fine Newfoundland, trotting down the road,
Shows calm contentment in his peaceful eyes,
When, sudden from his owner's rude abode,
A pigmy, yelping cur, upon him flies.
As if unconscious of the rude assaults,
He jogs along, nor turns his shaggy head;
Until at last he on a sudden halts,
And his assailant runs, and yells with dread.
Onward he goes, and rapid now his stride,
He sees the River water just before,
And, too, an infant struggling in the tide,
He plunges in, and brings it safe to shore.

The thorough Mason, in his conscious worth,
Can well afford all jealous taunts to scorn,
And treat with silence those who give them birth;
Thus, malice dies directly it is born.
We have an aim, which cannot be miscast,
The target is, the good of human kind,
To draw our fellows from misguided past,
And place them where a future they can find.
Heedless of all our enemies may say—
Careless of all their envy bids them do;
We'll still press on our world enlightening way,
And bring a pure nobility to view.

WM. H. ORE, W.M. 10, Grand Bard.

REVIEWS.

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

The Life and Reign of Queen Victoria. London: Cassell and Co., La Belle Sauvage Yard.

THIS work, which opens appropriately with the Jubilee year, will form, when complete, a valuable and elegant addition to our drawing room literature. We have seen the first number, which is got up in the very best style of the typographic art, and neatly bound in blue and gold, whilst the portraits of the Queen and other members of the Royal family—especially that of our Most Worshipful Grand Master the Prince of Wales—are excellent. We are pleased to observe that Bro. T. A. Alcock, who was for over fifteen years associated with the Integrity Industrial Assurance Society, has taken up the publication of this very fine work, the style of which compares favourably with any that have hitherto emanated from the eminent Ludgate-hill firm, and is issued at a price which brings it within the easy reach of all classes of her Majesty's loyal subjects.

MIND MAGIC is the title of a paper that will appear in *Cassell's Magazine* for March, on some of those curious psychological phenomena that have been vexing scientists and amateurs so much lately.

The March number of the *The Quiver* will contain a sermon preached on the accession of Queen Victoria, by the late William Jay, of Bath, a noted preacher of his generation. This is the first of a series of hitherto unpublished sermons by Mr. Jay that has fallen into the editor's hands, and will appear in the course of the Jubilee year.

To the March part of the *Magazine of Art* Sir James Linton will contribute his views on the practical education of an artist. The same number will contain a description, by Mr. Grant Allen, of Wotton House, near Woking, and the surrounding scenery, illustrated by Mr. Biscoombe Gardner; and some notes on London Monuments by Mr. Francis Ford. Mr. Cosmo Monkhouse will continue his disquisition on some of the treasures of the National Gallery; and Mr. Alfred St. Johnston will describe the great progress made by Birmingham of late years in matters artistic. The frontispiece will consist of an etching of Mr. Solomon J. Solomon's picture "Cassandra."

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, 26th FEBRUARY.

- 179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8. (In)
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross Road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction)
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7. (Inst)
 1706—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1871—Gostling-Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow
 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. 176—Caveac, Albion, Aldersgate Street
 1462—Wharnccliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
 2045—Henry Levander, Station Hotel, Harrow
 R.A. 178—Harmony, Royal Hotel, Wigan
 R.C.—Stanhope, Queen Hotel, Chester

MONDAY, 28th FEBRUARY.

- 4—Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 26—Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
 28—Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 45—Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., Finsbury, E.C., at 7 (In)
 79—Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich
 174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street at 7. (In)
 180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 183—Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.
 648—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
 902—Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 976—Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham Road Station, at 7.30. (Inst)
 1425—Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Gardens, at 8 (In)
 1445—Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7 (Inst.)
 1489—Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, at 7.30 (In)
 1607—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
 1685—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (In.)
 1608—Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hotel, Kilburn
 1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 1615—Bayard, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square
 1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.)
 1632—Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
 1707—Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hotel, Page Green, Tottenham. 8. (Inst)
 1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)
 2021—Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, St. Andrew, George Street, Baker Street, W., at 7.45. (Instruction)
 48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead
 62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
 148—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon, at 7. (Inst)
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool at 8. (Instruction)
 999—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 1177—Tenby, Tenby, Pembroke
 1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 1894—Herschell, Masonic Rooms, Slough
 R.A. 219—Justice, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
 R.A. 241—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 321—Faith, Crewe Arms Hotel, Crewe
 R.A. 411—Commercial, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
 R.A. 448—Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
 M.M.—The Old York, Masonic Hall, Bradford

TUESDAY, 1st MARCH.

- Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
 17—Royal York of Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 19—Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 18—Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
 55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst)
 65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 101—Temple, Ship and Turtle Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
 141—Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, S.W., at 8. (Inst)
 166—Union, Criterion, W.
 172—Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 212—Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High Street, Camden Town, at 8. (Inst).
 217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
 753—Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Hill, at 8 (Instruction)
 765—St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pownall-road, Dalston at 8 (Instruction)
 861—Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Alma Road, Wandsworth (Instruction)
 1257—Grosvenor, Freemasons' Hall, Gt. Queen-street, W.C.
 1259—Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial Road
 1261—Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent-street, W
 1298—Royal Standard, Club, Upper-street, Islington
 1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8 (In.)
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1360—Royal Arthur, Rock Tavern, Battersea Park Road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1381—Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington
 1383—Friends in Council, 33 Golden-square
 1397—Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
 1446—Mount Edgumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Road, S.W., at 8 (Inst)
 1471—Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Street, at 7. (Instruction)
 1472—Henley, Three Crowns, Woolwich
 1540—Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High Street, at 8. (Instruction)
 1693—Kingsland, Old Cock Tavern, Highbury-corner, Islington
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8 (Inst)
 1949—Brixton, Prince Regent Dulwich-road, East Brixton, at 8. (Instruction)
 Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, White Hart, Cannon Street, E.C.
 R.A. 704—Camden, The Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 8 (Inst)
 R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
 70—St. John, Hyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
 103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol.
 120—Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford.
 124—Marquis of Granby, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
 158—Adams, Masonic Rooms, Victoria Hall, Trinity-road, Shorness
 209—Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
 226—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough.
 241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Instruction)
 265—Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Hanover-street, Keighley
 364—Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath.
 393—St. David, Masons' Hall, The Parade, Berwick
 463—East Surrey of Concord, King's Arms Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45. (Inst.)

- 493—Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
 558—Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone.
 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
 685—Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Westgate-road, Newcastle
 702—Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud, Gloucestershire
 734—Londesborough, Masonic Hall, Bridlington Quay.
 794—Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
 804—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant.
 847—Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon.
 948—St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard
 960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
 974—Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Darley Street, Bradford
 995—Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston
 1002—Skiddaw, Lodge Room, Market Place, Cockermouth
 1134—Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
 1244—Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar
 1322—Waveley, Caledonian Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
 1336—Square and Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham
 1473—Bootle, 146 Berry-street, Bootle, at 6 (Instruction)
 1488—St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea
 1619—Sackville, Crown Hotel, East Grinstead
 1674—Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Bank Buildings, Sussex Street, Rhyll
 1750—Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon.
 1970—Hadrian, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields
 1993—Wolsley, Masonic Hall, Town Hall Buildings, King Street, Manchester
 2032—Richmond, Station Hotel, Richmond, Surrey
 R.A. 203—St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
 R.A. 600—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
 R.A. 903—Gosport, India Arms Hotel, Gosport
 R.A. 1031—Fletcher, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham
 M.M. 11—Joppa, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead
 M.M. 69—United Service, Assembly Rooms, Brompton, Chatham.

WEDNESDAY, 2nd MARCH.

- Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, Freemasons' Hall
 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 72—Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 73—Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High Street, Borough, at 8. (Inst.)
 193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, at 7. (Instruction)
 228—United Strength, The Hope, Stanhope Street, Regent's Park, 9 (Inst.)
 511—Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 538—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 9 (Inst)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7 (Instruction)
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)
 863—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8 (Instruction)
 902—Burgoyne, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1491—Athenæum, Athenæum, Camden Road, N.
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent-road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8 (Inst)
 1585—Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds Hotel, Up. Richmond-rd. S.W
 1601—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1604—Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria St., S.W., at 7.30 (Inst)
 1610—Northern Bar, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30 (Inst)
 1681—Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Instruc)
 1687—The Rothesay, Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields
 1707—Eleanor, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
 1766—St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch
 1827—Alliance, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
 1922—Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, S.E., at 8. (In.)
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, A-r-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)
 R.A. 1260—John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 M.M.—Grand Masters, 81 Red Lion Square, W.C., at 7 (Instruction)
 M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 74—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham
 86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancashire
 298—Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Ann-street, Rochdale
 326—Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Park-street, Bristol
 327—Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
 406—Northern Counties, Freemasons' Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne
 417—Faith and Unanimity, Masonic Hall, Dorchester
 429—Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
 471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire
 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
 611—Marches, Masonic Hall, Ludlow
 645—Humphrey Chetham, Freemasons' Hall, Copper-street, Manchester
 678—Earl Ellesmere, Church Hotel, Kersley, Farnworth, near Bolton
 838—Franklin, Peacock and Royal Hotel, Boston
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
 992—St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broadgate
 1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship-street, Hall
 1013—Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland. (Instruction)
 1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
 1091—Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
 1167—Alnwick, Masonic Hall, Clayport-street, Alnwick
 1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
 1218—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Moseley, near Manchester
 1274—Earl of Durham, Freemasons' Hall, Caister-on-Sea
 1323—Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind-street, Swansea
 1335—Lindsay, 20 King-street, Wigan
 1354—Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh, Lancashire
 1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 1363—Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Gloucester.
 1431—St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
 1511—Alexandra Hornsea, Hall (Instruction)
 1620—Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, Liverpool
 1692—Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, at 8.30. (Instruction)
 1736—St. John's, St. John's Rooms, King X Street, Halifax
 1842—St. Leonard, Concert Rooms, St. Leonard's-on-Sea
 1903—Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar, Masonic Hall, Portsmouth
 2042—Apollo, Masonic Hall, 22 Hope Street, Liverpool
 R.A. 290—Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
 R.A. 221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton
 R.A. 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George Street, Leeds
 R.A. 369—Limestone Rock, Swan and Royal Hotel, Clitheroe
 R.A. 477—Fidelity, 55 Argyle-street, Birkenhead
 R.A. 625—Devonshire, Norfolk Arms Hotel, Glossop
 M.M. 36—Furness, Hartington Hotel, Duke-street, Bury-on-F. at 7.30
 M.M. 56—Temperance, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
 R.C.—Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester

THURSDAY, 3rd MARCH.

- 10—Westminster and Keystone, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 27—Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 35—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 45—Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, Brixton-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)
 192—Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street
 227—Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 231—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

- 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 538—La Tolerance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 654—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
 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)
 822—Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 879—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In)
 901—City of London, Jamaica Coffee House, Cornhill, at 6.30. (Instruction)
 1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Westminster-bridge, at 8 (Inst.)
 1278—Burdett Coutts, Swan Tavern, Bethnal Green Road, E., 8. (Instruction)
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
 1306—St. John, Three Crowns Tavern, Mile End Road, E. (Instruction)
 1339—Stockwell, Masons' Tavern, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1351—St. Clement Danes, 265 Strand
 1360—Royal Arthur, Village Club Lecture Hall, Wimbledon
 1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst)
 1445—Prince Leopold, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate, E.
 1539—Surrey Masonic Hall, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 1559—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)
 1814—Covent Garden, Criterion, W., at 8. (Instruction)
 1822—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)
 1825—Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., at 7.30. (In.)
 1872—Mornington, London Tavern, Fenchurch-street
 1873—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)
 1877—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst)
 1744—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 1765—Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street
 1790—Old England, Masonic Hall, New Thornton Heath
 1791—Creton, Wheatshaf Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush. (Inst)
 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate
 R.A. 2—St. James's, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 174—Sincerity, Cheshire Cheese Tavern, Crutched Friars
 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)
 R.A. 1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 R.A. 1716—All Saints, Vestry Hall, Fairfield Road, Bow
 M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Haverlock, Albion-rd., Dalston, at 8. (Inst.)

- 24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle.
 31—United Industrious, Masonic Room, Canterbury
 38—Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
 41—Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard-street, Bath
 50—Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hinkley, Leicestershire
 116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel Colne
 123—Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorkshire
 208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 254—Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
 266—Naphthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Heywood
 289—Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
 275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
 276—Good Fellowship, White Hart Hotel, Chelmsford
 283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
 289—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds
 294—Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley, Yorks
 295—Combermere Union, Macclesfield Arms, Macclesfield
 300—Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
 309—Harmony, Red Lion, Farnham
 317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester.
 337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
 341—Wellington, Cinque Ports Hotel, Rye
 344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
 360—Pomfret, Abington Street, Northampton
 419—St. Peter, Star and Garter Hotel Wolverhampton.
 425—Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester
 446—Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire.
 463—East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound, Croydon.
 509—Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham.
 539—St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall.
 636—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
 637—Portland, Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent.
 659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blythe
 792—Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Bullring-lane, Great Grimsby
 913—Pattison, Lord Raglan Tavern, Plumstead
 976—Royal Clarence, Blue Ball, Bruton, Somerset
 1000—Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend on Sea
 1012—Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury, Lancashire
 1074—Underley, Masonic Room, Market-place, Kirkby Lonsdale
 1088—Royal Edward, Commercial Inn, Stalybridge

- 1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1231—Savile, Royal Hotel, Eiland
 1282—Ancholme, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire
 1284—Brent, Globe Hotel, Topsham, Devonshire
 1304—Olive Union, Masonic Hall, Horncastle, Lincolnshire
 1367—Beamister Manor, White Hart Hotel, Beamister
 1379—Marquess of Ripon, Masonic Hall, Darlington
 1384—Equity, Alford Chambers, Widnes
 1473—Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
 1500—Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
 1504—Red Rose of Lancaster, Starkie's Arms Hotel, Palsgrave, near Burnley
 1513—Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Barnsley
 1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1594—Cedewain, Public Rooms, Newtown, Montgomeryshire
 1638—Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Norbiton, at 8. (Instruction)
 1639—Wathing-street, Cock Hotel, Stoney Stratford, Bucks
 1770—Vale of White Horse, Savings Bank, Farington
 1807—Loyal Wye, Bullth, Breconshire
 1829—Burrell, George Hotel, Shoreham
 2043—Kendrick, Masonic Hall, Greyfriars Road, Reading
 2050—St. Trinians, Masonic Hall, Loch Parade, Douglas, Isle of Man
 R.A. 187—Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Park Street, Bristol
 R.A. 302—Charity, New Masonic Hall, Darley-street, Bradford
 R.A. 325—St. John, Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
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 R.A. 429—Thanet, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
 R.A. 758—Bridgwater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
 R.A. 1235—Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton
 R.A. 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 M.M. 53—Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

FRIDAY, 4th MARCH.

- Metropolitan Masonic Benevolent Association, 155 Fleet-street, E.C. at 8.3
 Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7
 25—Robert Burns, Portland Arms Hotel, Great Portland Street, W., at 8. (In)
 507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 706—Florence Nightingale, Masonic Hall, William Street, Woolwich
 765—St. James, Gregorian Arms Tavern, Jamaica Road, Brompton, at 8. (I)
 766—William Freston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George St., Baker St., at 8. (In)
 780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction)
 834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith. (Instruction)
 890—Hornsey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, at 8. (Instruction)

- 1158—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1185—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
 1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (In)
 1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1627—Royal Kensington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1642—E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
 1789—Ubique, 79 Ebury Street, Pimlico, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1815—Penge, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
 R.A.—Panmure C. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Canonbury
 R.A. 3—Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 8—British, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 95—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich. (Inst.)
 R.A. 79—Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Instruction)
 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. 355—Royal Savoy, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)

- 44—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
 81—Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
 127—Union, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
 219—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Todmorden.
 242—St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster.
 306—Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall-street, Leeds
 442—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
 453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield.
 574—Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart Hotel, Newbury
 601—St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Shrop
 680—Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
 709—Invicta, Bank-street Hall, Ashford
 837—De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
 839—Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
 1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
 1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
 1333—Atheletan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick.
 1387—Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton Cam Hardly
 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 1528—Fort, Masonic Hall, Newquay, Cornwall.
 1557—Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham.
 1561—Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Edward-street, Morecambe, Lancashire.
 1648—Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford.
 1664—Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, High-street, Gosforth
 1725—Douglas, College Gateway, Maidstone
 General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, at 8
 R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
 R.A. 61—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, St. John's Place, Halifax
 R.A. 170—All Souls', Masonic Hall, Weymouth
 R.A. 359—Peace, Freemasons' Hall, Albion Terrace, Southampton
 R.A. 1466—Hova, Villa, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton

SATURDAY, 5th MARCH.

- General Committee Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
 142—St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street
 179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8 (In)
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1572—Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
 1622—Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7 (Instruction)
 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. 975—Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge
 303—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood
 1223—Amherst, King's Arms Hotel, Riverhead, near Sevenoaks
 1362—Royal Albert Edward, Market Hall, Redhill
 1458—Truth, Private Rooms, Conservative Club, Newton Heath, Manchester
 1466—Hova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton

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