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THE CENTENARY OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

THE result of the Quarterly Court of the Girls' School, on Saturday last, fully justified our anticipations as to the probable course likely to be adopted by the intelligent body of Masons collected together. The Report of the Special Committee was unanimously approved of, and partly ordered to be carried into execution at once. We congratulate the Executive of the School on this active approval of their sagacious and seasonable policy, as thus publicly manifested by their "Supreme Court of Appeal." Brother Fenn, in a speech of great force, and ably seconded by Bro. F. Richardson, pointed out the necessities of the case, the reasonableness of the changes and alterations suggested, and also demonstrated that much of the new work was absolutely demanded by the sanitary requirements of the School.

Thus it will be seen that some alterations will be commenced at once. When all is carried out, with such modifications which after due consideration may be deemed desirable by the Quarterly Court in April next, the School will undoubtedly be in a remarkable position of educational, sanitary and domestic efficiency, a condition of things which will rank it among the foremost of similar institutions, if not render it the foremost in this country.

We think it well, however, "for information" once again, to recapitulate some certain sterling advantages to the Girls' School which the adoption of the Committee's report will undoubtedly introduce and develope.

1. In the first place, we shall note contentedly that by schemes A and B additional accommodation will be provided for 75 girls, besides giving additional dormitory space, which, as the Medical Report testifies, it is absolutely incumbent on the Committee to provide, as necessary for the present inmates.

2. In the next place, proper domestic offices will now be provided for the Institution, the present being, with little or no improvement, such as they were built, for main building alone.

3. In the third place, a large hall, 105 feet by 42, will be provided for the School, and not provided, we beg to remark, a moment too soon. Once in possession of this Executive will be able to hold therein a full Stewards' meeting, instead of as now being obliged often to refuse able to pack in all who do go. It will also enable all the girls to be drilled together, which at present it is impossible to do. By this means the Alexandra Hall can be utilized as a dining hall, as is greatly needed; at present the children dine in two rooms.

4. Verily the name of the new hall will serve to commemorate the event, and fitly and becomingly to celebrate

beneficial work.

5. One fact we ought we think to notice here, it is this, that the system of corridors and cloisters will redeem our Girls' School from the complaints arising necessarily out of piece-meal buildings and adaptation, and give the means of access to each room without the necessity of passing through another.

6. The inducements to Stewards to come forward are very great, and we think liberal, and, to put it into plain English, constitute an honourable commission to the Stewards, alike for their services and the amount they bring in. At the same time the perpetuity of the Centenary Jewel of Stewardship will be a decoration, both of duty and charity, which it will distinguish any one to wear.

There is very little fear, we anticipate again, that Stewards will simply content themselves with the normal ten guineas; but though of course lists will vary much and greatly, we believe that a healthy competition will set in, while the special claims of the Institution, as really one of the most remarkable existing, will serve to commend it, as of old, to the sympathies and energies of its zealous and

loyal Stewards.

7. The Committee have been very provident, we think, in endeavouring, through the attraction of the Stewards' List and the Centenary Celebration, to make a fresh start in annual subscriptions, by the privileges accorded to new annual subscribers, by which means, it is hoped, some permanent annual provision may be made for the largelyincreased number of girls which will be ultimately admitted to the School.

We confess we are very much struck with the Albert Hall idea, as not only will the scenic effect be "unique," very striking, imposing and memorable, but we feel convinced there are really no insurmountable obstacles in the

Not only will the gathering be a very commemorative one, but it cannot occur again for another hundred years.

It is certain, we are assured, to be large, and it will be very important to make due provision for that vastly increased number of our good sisters who are likely to wish to be present on the very interesting occasion. We shall hope to hear, ere long, that this great meeting will be held at the Royal Albert Hall, on the larger and greater scale contemplated, and under some very distinguished Presidency, so that the Centenary of our Girls' School will long remain, to many now living, an "Alba Dies" in its intense reality, a striking Landmark to be dwelt upon by 68 children, there being at the present moment 206 in the those who come after us, in the useful and pleasant annals of the Girls' School.

The Special Committee and Executive having done their

rt, it now remains for the Craft to do theirs.

We trust shortly to hear that the number of Stewards is most desirable and needful addition to the building, the increasing rapidly, so rapidly in fact as to be unprecedented in the history of English Freemasonry.

This is a great effort, made in the most praiseworthy half the applications for tickets, and even then not being manner, by the authorities of the School, and it deserves to be rendered great in the realization of the present, and the tradition handed down to them who come after, of being worthy in every way of the cause it is sought to aid, and the efforts it is desired to extend.

As we shall often have to refer to the subject again, we

pause here to-day.

We think it right to add, that we congratulate the the happy result of one hundred years' scholastic and Executive, on the reception afforded to these reasonable and sensible proposals, and we trust Bro. Hedges will receive from his friends and supporters, and from our Craft at home and abroad, the material aid and the practical sympathy he may with confidence look for, and which he so deserves to obtain.

No. 79.

By Bro. R. F. Gould.

CO much has been written on the familiar subject dealt with by Bro. Lane in the CHRONICLE of last week, that I was in great doubt whether he would accept the challenge thrown down by Bro. Jacob Norton, and give us his reason for believing that the No. 79, on the Engraved List, was filled by some Lodge now unknown, before its assignment to that one recorded in the Register of the Grand Lodge as meeting at the Castle of Highgate in 1731 or 1732. This challenge, however, he has taken up, and though it is always a pleasure to read any observations by Bro. Lane on a subject which he has studied more minutely and with greater diligence than any other man, living or deceased, the freshness which he contrives to impart to a topic so much worn, combined with the vigour of his style, cannot fail to render the article more than ordinarily attractive, and there will be many, I apprehend, who, like myself, will regret the determination of the writer to make it his final essay of the series.

Bro. Lane argues with great power, but I think has confined himself within too narrow limits. Thus, to students of even a very few years standing, the No. 79 of 1731 is so much associated in the mind with the No. 79 of 1735, that it is quite impossible to think of one without the other.

Bro. Hughan, as we all know, discovered a singular entry in the Pocket Companion (Dublin) 1735, and casting about for an explanation, thought he had found it in the existence of a Philadelphia Lodge, at a date corresponding with that of the No. 79, on the roll of the Grand Lodge of England. With this of course most students are familiar, but the circumstance cannot be ignored when we leave, as it were, one end of the story, and take up the other. The microscopic examination of the early No. 79 only took place owing to the exigencies of the situation, and I put it to Bro. Lane himself, how many or how few Lodges of those (almost) pre-historic times does he believe could resist the be directed against what I may venture to term their external defences.

The inquiry, in short, cannot well, at least in my judgment, be restricted to the decision of a single issue. To all of us, the way Bro. Lane has of putting things will have a great attraction; but to some the limitations he prescribes to himself will recall, as it were, the features of a familiar play with certain of the leading rôles omitted; while to others—and here I speak of those to whom the subject is entirely new—it will seem that the value of the inquiry is wholly incommensurate to the labour bestowed upon it by Bro. Lane.

The case, as originally presented, rested on the supposition that a Lodge at Philadelphia obtained a footing in the English roll as No. 79 in 1730 or 1731; and against it there were a variety of objections,* to which, however, I shall only incidentally allude, because my object is not to gainsay what has been so ably and fairly stated by Bro. Lane, but to contend that he must widen the scope of the discussion, or, in other words, continue or resume it on the old lines if it is to have any practical effect.

Thus, for example, Bro. Lane's argument against the Lodge at the Castle, Highgate, being the original No. 79, seems to me to operate with even greater force in the case of the suppositious Lodge which he believes to have preceded it, as the latter was neither represented in Grand Lodge or paid for a constitution at any time. True, it may have been a foreign Lodge, but here we miss the other portion of the evidence, without which it is quite impossible to proceed with the inquiry.

An anecdote, which I have somewhere read, here occurs to my mind, and I shall conclude by relating it.

A game was being played, at which each player asked a question in turn, those persons who could not answer it paying a forfeit, and also the questioner himself if he failed to solve his own riddle. One of these questions was the following:-" How does the little ground squirrel make his nest in the ground, without leaving any dirt on the outside of the hole, at which he goes in "? Forfeits were paid all round, and the person who had put the riddle then gave the answer—"Because he begins at the other end." "But how does he get there"? burst forth an astonished hearer. To which the reply was made—" That is your own question, answer it for yourself."

Now, as it seems to me, the first question (with some slight variation of terms) might be asked in connection with the appearance of a Philadelphia Lodge in the Dublin Pocket Companion of 1735. The first answer corresponds pretty closely with the ingenious hypothesis of Bro. Hughan, as propounded several years ago, and which we again meet with, though in a mulitated form, in the article by Bro. Lane; while the final question of all suggests, what must occur to many minds when viewing the circumstances as a whole, and endeavouring to identify an earlier Lodge as the No. 79, than is shewn in the existing Register of the Grand Lodge of England.

BRO. BRENNAN'S ATTACK.

By Bro. Chas. E. MEYER.

Y attention has been called to an article appearing in the Freemason's Chronicle of 10th September 1887, for which you gave the use of your space, and which through nearly five columns of your issue pretends to be a history of a crime, yet it contains not a single word in support of the claim made by Bro. Brennan (except his ipse divit) that the Henry Bell letter was forged, and which is full of personal and libellous abuse of myself. Those who know me, know that I never have given anything to the Masonic world that I did not believe to be the truth, and throughout the various items I have furnished, particularly in relation to the "Henry Bell" letter, I have been more than careful not to present any matter except that which after the strictest examination and scrutiny I was satisfied was worthy of and entitled to belief. It seems strange that from 1873, when the "Henry Bell" letter was first made public by R.W. Bro. Robert A. Lamberton, in his oration delivered at the dedication of the new Masonic formidable battery of criticism, which in like manner might | Temple in Philadelphia, up to the time of this abusive article of Brennan's, no one discovered this letter to be a forgery. It seems strange that until my article of 12th of March 1887, in the Keystone, giving the history of the "Bell letter," as far as I knew it, that it was not until nearly five months thereafter that Brennan was the first to cry "forgery," and to brand the one who told its history as its maker.

It seems strange that Brennan was the only person in this wild world to discover the "forgery," and that he should rush in all haste as soon as he had discovered it, something over four thousand miles, over land and sea, to find a Masonic paper that would publish his article.

It is not my intention to discuss Brennan's charge, nor even reply to the same, because in so doing I should have to lower myself to his level; but I desire to say, as plainly and distinctly as possible, that what I have written in regard to the "Henry Bell" letter I do not recall, but reiterate it, in every particular. I believe now, as I did then, that Bro. Francis Blackburn copied the extract from the original letter. Bro. Blackburn was a gentleman whose word was ever to be relied upon. R.W. Bro. Robert A. Lamberton used the extract as made by Bro. Blackburn in all confidence. When so published to the world, in his oration, I used it in the Early History of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, in the Dedication Memorial Volume, but before using it every means was taken to ascertain if the facts contained therein were true. As the result of my investigation, in which I was assisted by the Library Committee, especially by Bro. William H. Egle, M.D., now the Librarian of the State of Pennsylvania, and one of our leading historians—as the result of our investigations, we found:

1st. There was a Henry Bell who lived and paid taxes in Lancaster county, Pa., 1750-1755.

2nd. That there was a Doctor Thomas Cadwallader residing in Philadelphia at that time.

3rd. That Dr. Thomas Cadwallader was a Mason, and was one of the Officers of Grand Lodge.

4th. That there was a Tun Tavern in Philadelphia at that time.

5th. That there were several Lodges reported to be in existence in Philadelphia in 1730, and later (see Pennsylvania Gazette, No. 108, 3rd December 1730) and that there were Lodges still in existence in Philadelphia on 24th June 1754 (see Smith's sermon, published by Franklin, a copy of which is in Library of Grand

^{*} See the Freemason's Chronicle, 6th, 13th, 20th Nov., 18th and 25th Dec. 1880; and 1st Jan. 1881, in which the pros and cons are argued at great length By Bro. Hughan and myself.

Lodge of Pennsylvania). This sermon says, that when it was preached there were present three Lodges and 130 brethren.

For these reasons, and in the absence of the original, the copy was given for what it is worth, and so far as it might be substantiated by other and contemporaneous testimony. Brennan cannot prove aught to the contrary. It was never claimed that the Lodge referred to by Bell had any connection with the St. John's Lodge of Franklin.

In conclusion, I desire to say, that the charges as made by Brennan are false, prompted by motives known only to himself, and will fail in their intentions, as other attempts made by him to tear down the landmarks and ancient customs of Freemasonry have failed. There is only one part of his article worth repeating, and that I find so applicable, that it is a fitting epitaph to him. It is the concluding clause.—"Can there ever be a reader of it so lacking in common sense, as not to fully appreciate its every part, and, as a whole, as having no parallel within the present century in the history of English Freemasonry in America, or any other country. I think not."

ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND.

THE Provincial Grand Lodge for the Royal Order of Scotland, the subordinate of a Masonic body instituted nearly six hundred years ago by the King of Scotland, to show his appreciation of the services of Knights Templars who in the wars against the enemies of his country had assisted him, has been holding its annual sessions in Providence, R.I., the past month. On Monday, the 19th ultimo, a business session was held, during which nine new members were admitted, and Tuesday forenoon another session was held, at which seven were admitted. A special session is soon to be held in Washington, for the accommodation of candidates residing South, and to clear up any antinished business. The membership of the Prov. G. Lodge of the Order in the United States is limited to 150, the present membership numbering 141. It was instituted in 1878, and holds its annual meetings every alternate year in Washington, D.C., and the other alternate year in the city where the Supreme Council, A. and A. S. Rite, N.M.J., may meet. The Grand Master of the Royal Order is the King of Scotland. There being no King of Scotland, the honour of the position falls to the King of England if he be a The mantle of the Grand Master is now worn by the Earl of Rosslyn. All the diplomas are issued from the Grand Lodge at Edinburgh, Scotland. The head of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the United States is Sir Albert Pike of Washington, D.C., but in his enforced absence, through illness, Sir Josiah H. Drummond, of Portland, Me., Deputy Provincial Grand Master, presided over the deliberations of the session. The remaining Officers on the roster of this Provincial Grand Lodge are Sir John L. Stettinius Junior Grand Warden, William Oscar Roome Grand Secretary, Robert M. C. Graham Grand Treasurer, John Christie Sword Bearer, Vincent L. Harlbut Grand Standard Bearer, John Wilson Grand Marischal, Henry L. Palmer Deputy Grand Marischal, Charles Roome, James C. Batchelor, Charles E. Meyer and William S. Roose Grand Stewards, and John L. Roper Guarder. The office of Senior Grand Warden is vacant through the death of Sir Henry Buist.

On Wednesday evening, the 21st September, the annual banque was served, under the direction of the Stewards, by mine host, L. H. Humphreys, in the Narragansett Hotel. Plates were laid for ninety around tables well spread with the choicest glass and china. Each of the four tables bore along the centre several large mounds of cut flowers, and the damask between the dishes was literally concealed by a profusion of long-stemmed roses and trailing smilax. At the head of the hall, in rear of the chair of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Sir Josiah H. Drummond, was suspended the handsome banner of the Royal Order. It was nearly ten o'clock when the procession of members and their ladies and other guests costumed in full evening dress, took their places at the tables and commenced to discuss the viands set forth on the tasty menu arranged in the shape of a scroll of two leaves, one exhibiting the roster of Officers and the second the menu, and inclosed in a neat Japanese Winn, Miss Mary Belval, Bros. Lester, G. T. Carter, C. A leather cover tied with a silken cord. The several courses having White, Edward Dalzell, Messrs, James Budd, T. S. Taylor been deftly served, Deputy Grand Master Drummond opened the post prandial exercises with a pleasing speech, and proposed as the first toast the Health and Happiness of Provincial Grand Master Sir Albert Pike, who, on account of sickness, was absent. The toast was drank standing. Bros. Sir and Rev. Frederick S. Fisher responded to the Royal Order of Scotland, and Bro. Sir Hugh McCurdy to the sentiment to the Ladies. Bro. Nicholas Van Slyk, a guest of the evening, responded for the City of Providence, briefly, but eloquently. Among other guests there were present Bros. Newton D. Arnold, George M. Carpenter, Joseph O. Earle and J. Heathcote and wife, of Providence.

It was past midnight when the company arose and dispersed, each bearing from the table one of the unique bowls in which was served the Roman Punch and a supply of flowers as pleasant mementoes of a most delightful occasion. The dinner itself and its service was proclaimed by all to surpass anything of the kind ever served to this Provincial Grand Lodge, and reflected great credit upon the Narragansett Hotel, its courteous landlord and attachés.—Boston Herald.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked in the Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction, meeting at the Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, on Friday, the 28th October inst. Bro. T. Cull will preside.

As previously mentioned in our columns, the brethren of Northampton will have a busy time on Monday and Tuesday next, the former day being set apart for the installation of their new Provincial Grand Master, the Earl of Euston, and the latter for the holding of an Especial Provincial Grand Lodge, for the purpose of assisting H.R.H. Prince Albert Victor of Wales, Grand Senior Warden, in laying the foundation stone of the New Wing of the Infirmary, while in the afternoon the members of the Eleanor Cross Lodge will hold their annual meeting. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has entrusted Rt. Wor. Brother General J. Studholme Brownrigg, C.B., with the duty of installing Lord Euston, and it is anticipated that many Masons of the Province of Surrey will attend and support their chief on the occasion. Undoubtedly the Freemasons of Northampton will be fully prepared to carry out their part in the entertainment of their royal and distinguished visitors, and we are assured the inhabitants of the town and district will be equally enthusiastic. Altogether a very large gathering may be anticipated on both days. The Midland Railway Company announce cheap excursions from various points on their line, a fact which will tend still further to increase the number of visitors, and will afford many an opportunity of exhibiting their loyalty to the member of the Royal Family of England who will preside on the occasion. We may add that the London and North Western Railway Company are equally alive to the importance that will attach to each of these gatherings. They will run excursion trains and issue privilege tickets to Northampton from most of their principal stations, and we recommend any of our readers who purpose being present to avail themselves of the advantages offered.

The monthly meeting of the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution was held at Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday, Bro. Edgar Bowyer, Past Grand Standard Bearer, presiding. There were also present Bros. James Brett, Thomas Cubitt, C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P.'s, Dr. Jabez Hogg P.G.D., J. E. Dawson P.G.S.B., Alex. Forsyth, M.D., Hugh Cotter, C. E. Driver, John Newton, Charles Lacey, C. F. Hogard, F. West, C. J. Perceval, J. M. Stedwell, Perryman G.P., Daniell, Albert Fish, L. Stean, C. H. Webb, W. J. Murlis, S. Brooks, Tattersshall, W. Bellchambers, J. Terry P.G.S.B. (Secretary), &c. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the death of a male annuitant was announced. The Warden's report for the past month was submitted, and that of the Finance Committee adopted and ordered to be entered on the minutes. An application from a widow for half her late husband's annuity was granted, and the Committee proceeded to discuss the new petitions (6 males and 6 widows); they were ordered to be entered on the list for the Election in May next, with the exception of one of the widows, whose case was deferred for further particulars. The customary vote of thanks was passed to the Chairman.

Bro. Seymour Smith's annual concert will take place at the South Place Institute, South Place, Moorgate Street, E.C., on Saturday evening, 22nd inst. The following talented vocalists have promised their services :- Miss Annie Matthews, Miss Meta Russell, Madame Florence White, Edward Dalzell, Messrs. James Budd, T. S. Taylor (pupil of Bro. Seymour Smith), W. G. Hazelgrove, and Bro. Chaplin Henry. Amongst the instrumentalists are Madame Brett and Miss Evelyn Seymour Smith (pianoforte), Mr. Richard Blagrove (concertina), Mr. Walter Morrow (cornet). Conductors — Bros. Michael Watson and Seymour Smith. Tickets, reserved seats 3s, gallery 2s, unreserved seats 1s, may be obtained of either of the Stewards, or of Bro. Seymour Smith, 24 Carden Road, Nunhead Lane, S.E. Doors open at seven o'clock, commence at half past seven.

The installation meeting of the St. John's Lodge, No. 167, was held at the Jack Straw's Castle Hotel, Hamp. stead, on Tuesday, 11th inst., when Bro. C. H. Fry was installed as Worshipful Master. A report of the meeting will be given in our next.

We must crave indulgence from our friends; several other interesting reports are reluctantly held over.

INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c.

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KENNINGTON LODGE, No. 1381.

THIS good old Lodge, having been banished from its head quarters the Horns, Kennington, during the rebuilding of that famous hostelry, returned to it on Tuesday, the 4th inst., when the first re-assembling was attended by a goodly muster of members and visitors. In the interval which has elapsed since their last meeting here special accommodation has been provided for Masonic gatherings; and, although not of a very elaborate or pretentious character, the facilities for carrying on the work have been very materially improved. Ascending the main staircase, to the first floor, the visitor enters the ante-room, the walls of which are painted in terra cotta, with chocolate dado, and string-courses and cornice in stencil work. The doors are painted in two shades of green, and the room is fitted with book-case, mirrors, and all the requisite receptacles for keeping books, regalia, &c. On the tables were a collection of choice flowers, and from the window an extensive view of the Park is commanded. The Lodge-room adjoining is lofty and well ventilated with walls and dado coloured in keeping with those of the ante-room, but the cornice is embellished with medallions containing the monogram "V.R." surrounded by a garter with the motto, "Honi soit qui mal y pense." The pilasters are painted in dark green, and ornamented with Masonic emblems, whilst ample light is afforded by a chandelier with seven burners dependent from the centre, and two gas brackets at either end of the room. The seats, kneeling stools, and chairs are covered with crimson velvet, those of the Masters and Wardens having backs of antique carved oak. The floor is laid with a rich Brussels carpet, and on the mantelshelf is a bust of Shakspeare. The ceiling is divided into three panels painted in light cream colour, with eresbestue border; and the furniture also includes an excellent American organ. On the "re-opening" night the Worshipful Master, Bro. R. La Feuillade, presided, supported by Bros. R. Lingley S.W., H. F. Foalé J.W., W. Stuart Secretary, W. W. Westley S.D., G. W. Ruffle J.D., G. F. Grover Organist, J. La Feuillade I.G., J. Plowman I.P.M.; P.M's H. G. Stanger, W. P. Webb, H. Higgins, J. Cockburn, C. H. Köhler, W. Cope, T. C. Walls, and others. The Visitors included Bros. the Hon. Jacob H. Webb D.G.M. Bahamas, Harry Nelson Price I.P.M. 177, J. Sadler Wood P.M. 2005, H. W. Kedgley P.M. 1614, W. Williams W.M. 2005, J. A. McCarthy 21, J. Hampton 145, G. Horton 72, R. Harvey W.M. 2012, J. H. Stant W.M. 1641, J. Morris 100, W. Grummett 15, J. Hattersley 1607, and W. W. Lee 1897. Lodge was opened in form, and the usual preliminary business having been disposed of, was advanced to the third degree, when Bro. G. Milson was raised, the ceremony being performed in highly creditable manner by the Worshipful Master, assisted by his Officers. Resuming in the first the ballot was opened for Messrs. A. C. Thorsley and W. W. Elisdon, who having been unanimously accepted, were initiated into the mysteries and privileges of the Craft, the working in this degree being also of the most meritorious description. A letter having been received from Bro. Crase, tendering his resignation, in consequence of ill health, the Secretary was requested to forward him a letter accepting his resignation, with regret, and expressing a hope that the brother's health might at no distant date be sufficiently restored as to enable him to resume his place in the Lodge. With an interchange of fraternal greetings Lodge was closed, and the brethren subsequently partook of a banquet at which the Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. In proposing the Queen and the Craft, the Worshipful Master referred, in a few well-chosen sentences, to the prosperity which the country had enjoyed during the fifty years of Her Mijesty's benign sway, and spoke of the rejoicings with which the artainment of the Jubilee had this year been celebrated. The Queen ever evinced a deep interest in the Craft, and the fact that so many members of the Royal Family were members of it was a proof that she desired prosperity to the Order. He then gave the most Worshipful Grand Master, observing that His Royal Highness was an able, active, and zealous Mason, performing all the duties that were required of him with geniality, exactitude, and efficiency. He was not merely an ornamental member of Grand Lodge, but practically governed the illustrious body of which he was the elected head. deserved tribute was paid to the Grand Officers for their zeal and ability in administering the affairs of the Craft, and the Worshipful Master congratulated the brethren present upon the circumstance that one Grand Officer had honoured them with his company on that occasion. It was gratifying to be able to associate with that toast the name of Bro. the Hon. Jacob H. Webb, District Grand Master of Bahamas, and brother of one of their respected Past Masters. The toast was cordially received, and Bro. the Hon. J. H. Webb, in the course of his response, thanked the brethren of the Kennington Lodge for the very warm and hearty welcome they had extended to him. There was an old adage which taught them there was a time to speak and a time to keep silent, and he should be very glad when his time for silence had arrived, for there were doubtless many around that table who could do more justice to the toast than he felt it in his power to do. They all knew, and were deeply sensible of, the excellencies of the Pro Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the other Grand Officers, with the names of many of whom he was unacquainted; indeed, their qualifications for office, and the manner in which they performed their arduous duties, were better known to those who he was now addressing than to himself. It would, therefore, be only superfluous if he were to attempt to enlarge npon that subject. It had been said that Freemasonry was as old as Abraham, but, whether such was the case or not, it now held a high place in the estimation of the civilised world, and His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales could fill no nobler or more exalted office than that which he held as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the great Fraternity of English Freemasons. The other Grand Officers shared

members of that body quite as much as they did to the illustrious men who filled them. Freemasonry was universal, and like the seas that wash the shore was the great ocean of Masonic Charity. He again thanked them for the cordiality of their reception, and hoped at some future time to meet them again. He had been in few English Lodges, although he had been forty years a Mason, and had efficiated in the Bahamas for twelve years. Bro. Plowman I.P.M. next proposed the Worshipful Master, and characterised the toast as one that needed no words of commendation from him to induce the brethren to drink to it with all sincerity and heartiness. He spoke in enlogistic terms of the manner in which Bro. Feuillade had dis. charged the functions of his office up to the present time, and said he had performed the ceremonies of that evening in a manner unsur. passed by those who had preceded him in the chair. The uniform excellence of the work done in the Kennington Lodge reflected credit, not only upon their W.M., but also on the Lodge in possessing such a Master. Bro. R. La Feuillade W.M. tendered his sincere thanks to his Immediate Past Master for the flattering terms in which the toast had been couched, and the brethren for the cordial reception they had given to it. It was a source of much gratification to him to witness so large an assembly at the first meeting of their Lodge on its return to the old quarters, or, perhaps he should say, to its new habitation. There could be little doubt that, in time to come, that meeting would be set down as an important historical event in connection with the history of the Kennington Lodge, and of the parish in which "The Horns" had so long existed. He trusted they might be comfortable in their new quarters, and that the prosperity and prestige of the Lodge might be well sustained. The Immediate Past Master had been pleased to speak of his (the W.M.'s) working, and although it did not come quite up to his own ideas of perfection, yet, if the brethren were satisfied, that was his best reward, and it was most gratifying to hear the remarks that had fallen from Bro. Plowman in regard to that part of the toast. Since, by the kindness of the brethren, he had filled the important position of Worshipful Master, he had striven, to the utmost of his ability, to uphold the prestige of the Lodge, and it should ever be his endeavour to see that the office lost none of its lustre or dignity during his term, so that he might transmit it to his successor in as good a position as he had received it. The next toast upon the list was always regarded as an important one in the Kennington Lodge, as indeed it was in all Masonic circles. He called upon them to drink with all sincerity to the Initiates. He had been very fortunate in having a goodly number of initiates, for up to the present period he had been so far successful as to have admitted six new members into the Lodge. On the present occasion they had two, and he had no doubt they would shine out some day, as other initiates of the Kennington Lodge had done. He felt sure the initiates were highly gratified at having joined the Order, and he assured them they would never regret the step they had taken that evening. In all probability they felt a little strange, as was only natural, at their first meeting with Freemasons, but they would become perfectly at ease and quite au fait when they had progressed through the requisite degrees. The toast was acknowledged by Bro. A. C. Thorsley, who thanked the brethren for having admitted him into their ranks, and expressed the hope that he might so make the Masonic art a study as to be a credit to himself and to the Lodge. The Worshipful Master extended a hearty and fraternal welcome to the Visitors, of whom he was pleased to see so goodly a muster on this occasion. He trusted they had been pleased with the working of the Lodge, and with the entertainment that had been provided for them. Suitable replies were made by Bros. W. Williams W.M. 2005, J. H. Stunt W.M. 1641, R. Harvey W.M. 2012, and J. McCarthy 21, all of whom expressed the gratification they had derived from the work done in the Lodge, and their appreciation of the hospitality which had been shown them. The W.M., in proposing the Past Masters, expressed his sincere regret, which he felt sure was shared by all the brethren, that Bro. George Everett had been prevented, by indisposition, from coming amongst them on that occasion. They earnestly hoped their esteemed brother and Past Master, who was held in such deservedly high esteem amongst them, might be speedily restored to health, and be enabled to take his place amongst them again at their next meeting. Bro. W. Cope responded on behalf of the Past Masters, who, he said, were actuated by one common motive for the welfare and prosperity of the Lodge and of its members. The remaining toasts were those of the Treasurer and Secretary, and the Officers of the Lodge, of whom the Worshipful Master spoke in the most complimentary terms, and thanked each and all of them for the assistance they had rendered him during his term of office. Bros. W. Stuart P.M. and Secretary, and R. Lingley S.W. responded, and the list was closed in the usual manner by the Tyler. The proceedings of a very agreeable evening were varied by some excellent music and singing, Bro. Grover, Organist of the Lodge, officiating as accompanyist at the pianoforte.

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around that table who could do more justice to the toast than he felt it in his power to do. They all knew, and were deeply sensible of, the excellencies of the Pro Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the other Grand Officers, with the names of many of whom he was unacquainted; indeed, their qualifications for office, and the manner in which they performed their arduous duties, were better known to those who he was now addressing than to himself. It would, therefore, be only superfluous if he were to attempt to enlarge upon that subject. It had been said that Freemasonry was as old as Abraham, but, whether such was the case or not, it now held a high place in the estimation of the civilised world, and His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales could fill no nobler or more exalted office than that which he held as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the great the reflection of that honour; they did credit to the offices held by following Officers:—H. J. Bertram S.W., W. Cook P.M. J.W.,

W. Baber P.M. Sec., Rev. R. J. Simpson P.G.C. Chaplain, H. J. Frost S.D., W. F. Bertram J.D., L. B. Mozley I.G., D. T. Keene D.C., E. Wesley Organist, G. W. Robson and Gwinn Stewards, Robert Potter P.M. Tyler. The ceremony of installation having been completed and various items of business disposed of, the brethren Master Bro. Greening proceeded with the customary toasts. In submitting that of the Queen and the Craft, he expressed a hope that the reign of Her Majesty might extend over as long a period as did that of George III., while he also hoped that the Masonic Order would continue to prosper. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Master, he considered was a good man and a good Mason, worthy of respect and esteem at the hands of those he ruled over. The Grand Officers were next toasted; they had done well in the past and deserved the good wishes of every Craftsman. He hoped they would enjoy long life and happiness. With the toast was coapled the name of Bro. Rev. R. J. Simpson, who replied in a most interesting speech. The Worshipful Master, he said, had spoken briefly, but to the point, in submitting the leading toast that evening, while the brethren had toasted, with enthusiasm, the ruler of the country as well as their Masonic ruler, they had paid a similar compliment to what he might term the Masonic Ministers and understrappers, and to this toast he was called upon to reply; he did so with gratification. He considered it a pleasing feature of the Jubilee year that the Grand Lodge had been materially enlarged, and he hoped that in years to come there might be found some good and sufficient reason or cause for the yet further extension of the purple, so that the great and growing Lodges of Masonry might be adequately represented on the dais, thereby properly representing the rapid growth of Masonry. He remembered with gratification the many years during which he had had the happiness of holding the office of Chaplain in The Great City Lodge, and was proud of his association with it. He was pleased to see so many of the older members present. They must expect that death, trial and misfortune would cause changes in the respective Lodges, and for this reason he considered the attendance of eight Past Masters of the Lodge, to wish a prosperous year of office to the new Master, was something to be proud of. all true brethren would agree with him when he said the older they grew the more they would feel the blessings which underlie the quaint beauties of the Masonic ceremonies and ritual. There were deep truths underlying the ceremonies of Freemasonry, which, as old age or trouble came upon them, they could more fully appreciate. Bro. Potter I.P.M. proposed the health of the Worshipful Master, wishing him a prosperous year of office, and referring to his past career in the Lodge, from the time of his initiation until that day, when they had seen him installed as their ruler for the year. Bro. Greening tendered his sincere thanks. The Immediate Past Master had forgotten to say how rapid had been his advancement in the Lodge, for although he had been a member of it for the past ten years, it was only very recently he had acted as one of its Officers; indeed, he felt he had not had sufficient experience to qualify him for the important position he now filled. When he was elected to the chair he was taken by surprise, still he hoped to make himself perfect in his duties, although family matters had recently prevented his doing all he could have wished in preparation for that day's gathering. The toast of the initiate was next given, the Worshipful Master explaining how he, and doubtless every other brother present, could sympathise with the initiate, from the fact that they had each had similar experience in years gone by to what their new brother had that evening gone through. The Worshipful Muster hoped he might live to see the initiate of that day rise to the highest position in the Lodge. The initiate, in reply, expressed his pleasure in being present. He felt proud that he had been permitted to join them that day, and hoped he should be among them on many future occasions. The toast of the Visitors was next given. The Worshipful Master said the guests were not so numerous as usual, but there were sufficient among them to show that The Great City Lodge had not forgotten the claims of hospitality. Bro. Gibson was the first to reply, introducing some personal experiences, and cleverly applying them to the teachings of Freemasonry. He related, in proof of the universality of Free. masonry, how that, in a little town on the Hudson, in which he some time resided, a man arrived footsore, out of money, and sick. By chance he made himself known to a brother Mason, and at once he received every attention and all the skill that kindness could bestow. In spite of all this, he shortly after passed away, and then the Masons of the place afforded him the last rights of humanity. The physicians who attended him could hardly understand how that he, a stranger, and in such circumstances, could receive such treatment; they evinced so much respect for the Order which afforded it as to seek admission to its ranks. The lesson they learned at that time had borne good fruit, they being to-day amongst the best and truest members of the Order. Bro. Flack followed, relating his experiences as an Australian Mason. That day was the first occasion on which he had visited an English Lodge, but his experience had been sufficient to convince him he did not know all in connection with the ritual of Freemasonry. In Australia they pursued Freemasonry with all the ardour shown in England, and while he was prepared to concede they had something to learn in regard to working, he would not allow they were second to any on the point of hospitality. He wished all success and prosperity to the Lodge. Bros. Ockenden, Mendelssohn, Hudson and Rosting also replied, after which the W.M. gave the health of the I.P.M. The toasts, he said, appeared to increase in importance as they went on. What he was about to submit was certainly in advance of its predecessors. He considered the work of the evening had been gone through as well as it had ever been done since his association with the Lodge, and on this account he considered Bro. Potter well deserved the compliment which had been paid him in voting him the l'ast Master's jewel of the Lodge. He had great pleasure in presenting this, and York, when addressing the Brethren of the North and

come amongst them. Bro. Potter tendered his thanks for the reception accorded him. He had striven to emulate the example set him by his predecessors in the chair of The Great City Lodge, and hoped the expressions of approval accorded lin were deserved. He heartily thanked them for the jewel they had repaired to banquet. At the conclusion of the repast, the Worshipful been pleased to present to him. The Past Masters were next toasted, the first to reply being Bro. James Stevens, who was greatly satisfied at what he had witnessed that day. No doubt they were all desirous of upholding the prestige of the Lodge, that each succeeding Master should be able to instal his successor, and that the incoming Master should at least be able to introduce himself in a way satisfactory to those present. This had certainly been the case that night. Brother Blackie followed. He was much obliged for the toast. The brethren knew the interest he had taken in The Great City Lodge in years gone by. He might say that he had a hand in welding nearly every link in their chain. He expressed himself as perfectly satisfied at the way in which the work was being carried on. Bros. Baber and Fendick also responded, and then the Worshipful Master proposed the health of the Treasurer and Secretary. they had not got their Treasurer with them that night, but they had their Secretary, who was a host in himself. Bro. Greening referred to the absence of Bro. Headon, the Treasurer, who he described as a living member of the Lodge, one they all hoped would soon be with them again. Bro. Baber replied, regretting that a double duty devolved on him, in the absence of the Treasurer. The good Brother Headon had done, and the hearty devotion he showed to everything connected with the Lodge, was in the minds of all; there was therefore no need to refer further to him, except to express regret at his absence that night; the first time, he believed, in the history of the Lodge; at least, at its installation meeting. Personally, he thanked them for the reception they had given him as Secretary. He hoped to start on his second year of office with the benefit of the experience he had gained during the past twelve months, and to carry out the duties required of him better than he had previously done. The toast of the Officers of the Lodge was next given, and to this Bros. Bertram, Cook, and others responded. The Tyler then gave the concluding toast, and the proceedings were brought to a conclusion. Among the Visitors were Bros W. A. Gibson P.M. 450, New York, H. Maunder Williams P.M. 1986, W. T. Whittington 1984, W. H. Tomson 794, H. Rosling P.M. 807, W. S. Tipson I.G. 206, J. Baston P.M. 1861, J. Flack 768 (Melbourne), H. S. Mendelssohn 488, H. E. Mendelssohn 1626, F. W. Ockenden W.M. 1656, James Chubb 1706, C. Smith 1445, A. J. Hudson W.M. 1627, &c.

PRUDENCE LODGE, No. 2069.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge took place on Saturday last, at the Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds. There was a large gathering, the occasion being a special one from the fact that the W.M., Bro. C. L. Mason, had announced that he would read a paper. The W.M. was surrounded by the following Officers and Brethren of the Lodge:-Bros. Tudor Trevor P.M. S.W., William Watson P.M. J.W., Robert Craig P.M. P.P.G.D. I.P.M., Robert Abbott Treasurer, C. Middleton Secretary, Rev. J. Rosser Chaplain, Scott Young S.D., J. J. Fretwell J.D., T. Atkinson I.G., Lewis Howarth Organist, Butterworth Steward, Hayter, Bailey, H. B. Abbott, J. Wilton Jones, Smithson, Crossley, Cryer, Walter Strey. All the other Leeds Lodges were fully represented, the brethren including Bros. Bradford W.M. 1211, Flockton W.M. 1042, Crossley W.M. 289, Brownfoot W.M. 304, Scriven P.M., R. Wilson P.M., D. Elliott P.M., Glover P.M., Williamson P.M., H. Crossley J.W. 61, G. F. Carr 1542, Marshall 304, J. Bailey 304, Rev. A. B. Coombe 304, R. Jackson J.W. 289, and many others. The first business was the selection of W.M. for the coming year, and the honour was by the unanimous voice of the brethren bestowed upon Bro. Trevor, one of the Founders of the Lodge, under whose genial sway a happy and a prosperous year of office may be expected. The gratifying announcement was received with hearty applause, and was suitably acknowledged by Bro Trevor. Bro. Abbott was, by the unanimous votes of the brethren, again designated for the onerous but honourable position of Treasurer. Brother Barraud was re-appointed Tyler. These necessary appointments having been made, the W.M. elect conveyed to Bro. Mason the hearty thanks of the brethren of Prudence Lodge for the kindness and courtesy which had marked his rule of the Lodge. In very graceful language Bro. Trevor paid a high but well-deserved tribute to Bro. Mason, who possesses to the full the admiration and esteem, not only of the brethren of his own Lodge, but of every Mason in the Province. Bro. Fretwell moved a vote, expressive of the sympathy of the brethren to Bro. Pendleton, who has been compelled by ill health to leave Leeds, and earnestly hoping that he would be speedily restored to health. This was seconded by Bro. Trevor and adopted. A telegram was next read from London, from Bro. Jameson, wishing the W.M. elect happiness in his new duties. It was also unanimously decided on, at the next Lodge, to present to Bro. Mason a P.M.'s jewel, of the Pradence pattern. Bro. Mason then proceeded to read his paper, which was received with continued marks of approval from all who heard it, and at its conclusion the earnest hope was expressed that he would have it printed for private circuation, and the announcement from Bro. Mason that this was his intention was received with loud applause. The first part of the paper consisted of a record of the work done in the Lodge during the past year, and as this is a matter of interest only to a limited circle, we shall content ourselves by remarking that it is a record of good work, of which any Lodge might be proud. Passing to the second part of his subject, "What is Free-masonry?" Brother Mason spoke as follows:—The Dean of he hoped Brother Potter might be spared for many years to East and West Ridings of Yorkshire, in the Cathedral, at York, on

the 14th July 1887, stated: -"I believe that Freemasonry represents an almost primeval craving for relief from that which human selfishness had made intolerable—a craving to draw together, man to man, and heart to heart, for mutual sympathy, mutual friendship; in a word—Brotherhood. That each should look at his fellow, not as his enemy, his rival, his tool, but his Brother. One with him in common interests and common aims, in mutual protection and advancement, of which the individual welfare of each was the best promoted and secured." Were I to attempt to answer fully and categorically this question-"What is Freemasonry?"-it would take more time than we have at our disposal this afternoon, and I must therefore only attempt to do it in part, in outline that is to say. If I asked any Brother in this room, "What is Freemasonry?" I should have the prompt reply, "A beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols." True, but it is evident that this condensed description of Freemasoury, though suitable enough for a short examination, does not profess to give (nor does it in effect give) a full solution of the query, "What is Freemasonry?" Freemasonry is best and most fitly described as a world-wide Guild, Fraternity or Brotherhood-hound together by certain leading principles, and fixed on an immutable basis, so that it is able to outlive the passing away of kingdoms and dynasties, "to survive the wreck of mighty empires, and resist the destroying hand of Time.' Its abstract or foundation principles may be said to be - Fraternity, Human Sympathy, Love of Truth; while its concrete or active development is to be found in its respect for Law and Order, its toleration, its reverence for religion, its illimitable charity or Brotherly Love. In its Fraternity, it seeks to enrol a phalanx of persons of different countries, sect, opinions and colours, in one firm bond of living union and concord, for the great aim of "being happy and communicating happiness to others;" all permeated and influenced by good-will one to another, kindness and humanity for the children of dust, mutual respect, mutual confidence, mutual support, practical Brotherhood. Such a confederation has been objected to on various grounds. The Roman Catholic Church has formally excommunicated, not only Roman Catholic Freemasons, but all Freemasons, on the ground that by thus obliterating the limits of different denominations and ignoring sectional distinctions, a sort of natural religion is set Such is the idea and scope of the famous Ball of Clement in 1738, and such is the teaching of the Church of Rome to-day. There are others, of various bodies, who see in the non-use of Christian prayers, as in England, what they term a mere Theistic avowal. But such is not the case. In Scotland and Ireland Christian prayers are used. There is no law to prevent a Chaplain using a Christian prayer. But since 1730, and notably since 1813, universal prayers have been und-unbedly used, which, as we use them, are perfectly sound, enlightened, rational, reverential and charitable. There is, therefore, no valid objection to the basis on which Freemasonry rests; a band of good men and true, of different countries and denominations, all acknowledging, however, a Divine Creator; united in the noble cause of increasing the happiness, "relieving the distresses, soothing the afflictions," and succouring the necessities of one another. In its expressions of haman sympathy, it would enforce what is really the great aim of life, as John Wesley put it, "to leave the world better than we found it," by infusing in all around, and extending on every side of us, those kindly and engaging sympathies of the human heart and affection, which always seem to remind us of a Divine Original, and which, when duly cultivated and religiously directed, tend more than anything else to the happiness of society, the welfare of our race, and the civilisation of mankind. In Love of Truth, Freemasonry proclaims the solemn reality—that there is such a thing as Truth; and that whether in its more dogmatic form or in its practical development by us, in a hatred of hypocrisy, of insincerity, and of treachery, it is one of the noblest characteristics of the human mind, and conduct. When we come to the concrete virtues or graces which Freemasonry professes to recommend to its votaries, time fails me, on the present occasion, to enlarge upon them fully. In its respect for Law and Order, Freemasonry in our favoured land declares loyalty to our Sovereign the first duty of every citizen and Freemason; forbids all participation in revolutionary societies (the enemies of true liberty), and while it enjoins obedience to the laws of our own country, enlightened and admirable as they are, also enjoins us to obey the laws of any land "which for a time may become the place of our residence or afford as its protection," as peaceful citizens, travellers or sojourners. In its toleration, it knows nothing of the controversies or the divergencies of the human mind, the often angry utterances of bitter partizans, or those unhappy divisions which seem to separate Brother from Brother. It bids all its members meet as Brethren, work as Brethren, be social as Brethren, part as Brethren, and to forget for a few peaceful hours all those inevitable and inherited severances, which in the world without often seem to divide us into contending hosts. Freemasonry, though not a religion in itself, is ever most reverent in respect of the and subted claims of religion on man's best feelings, and ever ready to assist in all that tends to illuminate the minds, satisfy the needs, extend the benefits of culture and civilizing influences in all directions and among all classes. It may be remembered, to its praise, that it never begins or closes its work without prayer, and that the Bible, the "great light of Freemasonry," is ever open in our midst. All its atterances breathe a spirit of reverential piety and true morality, and are alike beautiful in precept, in purity, and religious feeling. Some of us remember those words spoken by the Marquis of Ripon, when Grand Master, in Grand Lodge, on the 4th March 1874:- "Remember, the strength of our Order lies not in the number of our Lodges, or in the increasing r in firm members, but in the fraternal spirit by which the members

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than £50,000—the interest on a million of money at 5 per cent. whereby it educates, clothes, and feeds 258 boys and 240 girls: succours the aged and infirm, by granting annuities to 405 old men and widows; take again our own local charity in Leeds,-which though so recently established, has been the means of educating 39 orphan children, who otherwise would have been debarred the benefit of a sound education. These and countless other good deeds may truly be considered those distinguishing badges which do honour to its own professions, and best characterise its useful and beneficent existence. "Freemasonry is an Institution founded aponland growing out of the necessities of men, as social, as intellectual, and as religious beings. It has demonstrated its capacity for adapting itself to these wants in all ages of human experience. Amid the rivalries and antagonisms of active life there is a longing of the soul for Union and Brotherly love, and for such relations as will satisfy the necessities of our social nature. It is upon this principle that our Order is founded, hence it cannot fail to exist; it must grow and presper necessarily with the growth and development of man's better sentiments. It is not aggressive, it is not obtrasive. It makes no issues, it sets up no rivalries with other Institutions, but gathering up the ages it recognises the inner cravings of the soul and the universal brotherhood of man, forgetting all else in its devo-tion to his higher and better deeds." The writer of the article on "Freemasonry," in the Encyclopædia Britannica, in his concluding paragraph, uses these words: "As regards the future of Freemasoury, it is impossible, at least for outsiders, to say much. The celebration of the universal Brotherhood of man and the celebration of universal goodwill in the abstract seem rather indefinite objects for any Society in this imaginative age." The Dean of Christ Church. Oxford, when addressing the Mayor and Corporation, and people of Oxford on their Jubilee Festival the other day, used these words: "The great lesson, after all, to lay to beart is, that the future is very much what we individually shall make it, and if we do not play our parts amiss the results we may in faith leave to God." And so may we say of the Future of Freemasonry; if we make that a living reality; if we perform our daties aright, act up to the great principles of our Order, love mercy, do justice, forget self, and devote our whole energies in promoting the weal of our common Brotherhood, by diligently and faithfully performing the duties of our several avocations of life, liberal benevolence and diffusive by constancy and sincerity in our friendships, by a uniform, just, good and virtuous deportment, prove to the world the happy and beneficial effect of our Ancient and truly honourable Society, so that when a man is said to be a Mason" the world may know him to be one to whom the burdened heart may pour forth its sorrows; to whom distress may prefer its suit; whose hand is guided by Justice, and whose heart is expanded by Benevolence." such principles as these guide our lives and actions as men and Masons we need have no fear of the future of our Order, but with all confidence safely leave it in the Hands of Him who is the Great Father, who rules all things both in Heaven and Earth. So, then, let us rejoice to call ourselves English Freemasons, and in this Lodge "Prudence" let us hope that the true and distinguishing principles of Freemasonry will ever accompany its onward career, and that when we, its Founders and earliest members, shall have passed away, other faithful brethren will stand firm to the Banner of English Freemasonry, and to those sacred and elevating principles of thought, duty and action which justify its mission, and render it useful and beneficial to ourselves and to the world in which we

ST. MICHAEL'S LODGE, No. 211.

A MEETING, the first of the new session, was held on Tuesday, the 11th inst., at the Albion, Aldersgate-street, Bro. T. F. Bennett the W.M. presided, and was supported by Past Masters Alfred Green (Treasurer), W. Radcliffe (Secretary), A. Withers (Director of Ceremonies), Usher Back, John Laver, Dr. Waters, F. J. Hentsch, W. W. Morgan, T. H. Peirce, &c., &c. There were present as Visitors Bros. Pocock W.M. 265, C. Coombs W.M. 780, Jennings and Collings. Lodge was opened, and the minutes of last meeting, with those of three emergency meetings held during the recess, were read and confirmed. The Bye-laws were read. Bro. Harrison, whose name appeared on the agenda as a candidate for the second degree, was unable to be present. Some routine work was considered, and with hearty good wishes from the Visitors, Lodge was closed. An elegant banquet followed, and the after proceedings were enlivened by some capital singing, Bros. Horscroft, Green, Hunt, Challen, Withers and others exerting themselves most successfully.

Royal Commemoration Lodge of Instruction, No. 1585.—On Monday, 10th instant, at the Railway Hotel, Patney, Bros. Bugler W.M., Sapsworth S.W., Langley J.W., Bond Treas., Grundy Sec., Radelyffe J.D., Radford P.M. D.C., Vernon I.G.; Past Masters Bros. Featherstone and Collick. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Collick candidate. The auditors' report was received and adopted. Bro. Grundy reported the result of the negotiations with the host regarding the further tenancy of the room, and several brethren residing in Putney promised to seek for a suitable room, and to report at next meeting. Bro. Sapsworth was elected W.M. for ensuing week.

Holloway's Other and Pills.—Pror to the discovery of these remedies, an easy, ready and reliable remedy for outward disfigurations and inward complications was, practically speaking unknown. No one need now be at a loss if they should unfortunately suffer from piles, ulcers, sores, tumours, boils, bruises, sprains, &c. Enveloping Holloway's medicines are very intelligible pinted directions for using them, which should be attentively studied and immediately followed by all who resort to his treatment. Somer or later the sufferer will assuredly triumph over the worst diseases. This searching Outment dispenses all those malignant humours which a gravate diseases of the skin, prevent the cicatrization of ulcers, and excite inflammatory tendencies in the system.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Gaiety.—An enthusiastic audience was present last Saturday to witness the production of the new burlesque, "Miss Esmeralda," by Messrs. A. C. Torr and Horace Mills. If ever success was fairly secured it was on Saturday, for not only had the piece been thoroughly rehearsed and magnificently staged, but the "business" so essential to burlesque bad been "worked up" for the first perform. ance, not left to be "developed" later on, when half London might have been disappointed. Mr. Charles Harris's handiwork was everywhere to be seen; the stage management was perfect; the groupings picturesque, while the whole production reflected infinite praise. Another feature that helped to the success of the piece was the tuneful and bright music, composed by Meyer Lutz and Robert Martin. It is above the average of burlesque music, and is invariably pretty. The costumes, supplied by Auguste et Cie and Miss Fisher, designed by Mr. Percy Anderson, were beautiful mixtures of colour. Of the burlesque itself the authors have written an amusing story, hardly new, however, owing to so many changes that have already been rung on Victor Hugo's work. The puns and smart sayings were given with plenty of spirit, seldom, if ever, missing fire. All engaged worked with a will, and it is difficult to pick out who was best. Mr. E. J. Lonnen has plenty of scope for his abilities as the monk, Claude Frollo. This gentleman's song, "Killaloo," in the second act, was greatly appreciated; he was recalled several times. "Killaloo" is on the lines of "Ballyhooley," and is very amusing. Miss Marion Hood made a charming Esmeralda, singing and dancing in her usual excellent style. Miss Fanny Leslie had but few opportunities as Captain Phoebus; her best effort was a song about soldiers, before the final set. Mr. Frank Thornton was amusing as the Hunchback of Notre Dame, while Mr. George Stone was equally successful as Gringoire. Mr. Leo Stormont rendered well the one song allotted him, as the Gipsy King. Miss L. Lind's graceful dancing gained for her golden opinions. The Misses Ada and Addie Blanche showed plenty of spirit, and Miss Emily Miller was good as a middle-aged party. At the conclusion, the artistes and authors were called, after which Mr. C. Harris and Mr. George Edwardes were complimented on the success they undoubtedly had obtained. The burlesque was produced by "Woodstock's Little Game;" the "game," however, was a poor

In consequence of having to make room for the Avenue Company, on 15th October, Mr. W. W. Kelly has found another home for Professor Crocker's Educated Horses, at the Japanese Exhibition, Kensington Road, Hyde Park. He has secured the Exhibition for six months from 17th Oct. A large iron fireproof stage is now in course of erection in the centre of the building, wherein the horses will perform their extraordinary and amusing feats every afternoon and evening. Various other entertainments will be given in the side Hall. One shilling paid for admission to the Exhibition we are told covers all charges-including seats to the performances of the day. Fees of all kinds are to be entirely abolished.

Miss Grace Hawthorn will make her first appearance at the Princess's Theatre at a matinée performance on Saturday afternoon, 22nd inst., as "Zanetto" in the "Stroller," an adaptation from the French of "Le Passant," a one-act play made famous several years ago by Mme. Sarah Bernhardt. Miss Hawthorn will on this occasion be supported by Miss Mary Rooke, as Sylvia.

The one-hundredth performance of "Shadows of a Great City," at the Princess's Theatre, will be celebrated on Friday, 28th instant. The success of this piece continues unabated.

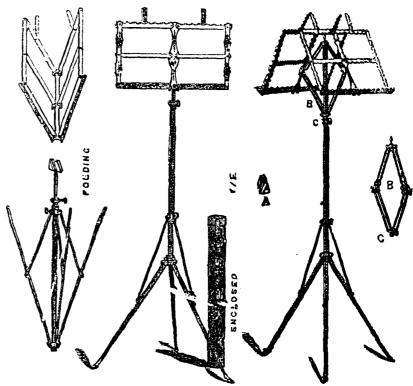
A NEW ART UNION .- With the objects of advancing water-colour art and of placing the institute on such a solid basis as to make it the permanent home of that art in this country, the Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours have determined to establish an Art Union on a system similar to that followed for many years with such signal success by the Art Union of London. Already more than four hundred artists have promised to contribute pictures, the works exceeding one thousand in number and £11,000 in value. As many of the pictures promised have not yet reached the galleries of the institute, and as there will be in addition valuable works in sculpture and a large number of etchings, it is believed that the total value of the prizes will amount to upwards of £15,000, which is many thousands of pounds in excess of the prizes ever offered in any previous Art Union. Every subscriber will obtain a copy of a presentation plate, ar production by photogravure of the picture by Sir James D. Linton, P.R.I., entitled "The Declaration of War." Specimen copies of the plate may be seen at the chief booksellers of the United Kiugdom and the Colonies, as well as at the Secretary's office, Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours; and at the offices of Messrs. Cassell and Company, Limited. The plate is now ready for delivery to subscribers, and will be distributed in the order of subscription. The terms of subscription are one, two, and three guineas, with one, two, and three chances in the ballot, and a copy, proof copy, and signed artist's proof of the plate respectively. Messrs. Cassell have undertaken the sale of the tickets and the distribution of the presentation plates.—Daily News.

Bro. James Stevens P.M. P.Z. will deliver his Lecture on "Ritual and Ceremonial of the Symbolic Degrees in Freemasonry," to the members of the Ravensbourne Lodge of Instruction, at the George Inn, Catford, S.E., on Wednesday evening, the 19th inst., at 8 p.m.

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Bro. James Stevens has also arranged to deliver his lecture "Knobs and Excrescences," explanatory of the Ritual and Ceremonial of the First Degree in Freemasonry, in the Stour Valley Lodge, No. 1224, at Sudbury, Suffolk, on Friday, the 28th instant.

The meetings of the West Middlesex Lodge of Instruction, No. 1612, have been adjourned to 3rd November next.

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THE Special Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge for the Installation of

BRO. the EARL OF EUSTON as Rt. Wor. Prov. Grand Master, Will take place at the Town Hall, Northampton,

ON MONDAY, 17TH OCTOBER 1887.

The ceremony will be performed by Bro. the Right Worshipful General J. S. BROWNRIGG, C.B., Prov. Grand Master of Surrey; assisted by several Grand Lodge Officers. Provincial Grand Lodge will be opened at Two o'Clock.

On the following day, Tuesday, 18th October, THE CHIEF CORNER STONE

OF THE

NEW JUBILEE WING OF THE GENERAL INFIRMARY, NORTHAMPTON,

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has been pleased to signify his intention of Presiding.

PRETHREN are earnestly invited to accept the office of Stewards upon this occasion, and they will greatly oblige by forwarding their names and Masonic rank, as soon as convenient, to the Secretary, who will gladly give any information required, and supply them with the necessary

It is fraternally hoped that upon this occasion, owing to the large number of applicants and the few vacancies. Brethren will use their influence to obtain donations towards the funds of the Institution, which were never more needed than at the present time. Expenditure in Annuities alone £15,000. Permanent income only £3,600.

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T A QUARTERLY GENERAL COURT of this Institution, held at Freemasons' Tavern, Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, London, W.C., on Saturday, 8th October 1837,

Bro. H. B. MARSHALL, J.P., Treasurer, in the chair.

After the general business was disposed of, the Governors and Subscribers proceeded to the Election by ballot, of 16 Girls into the Institution from a list of 30 APPROVED CANDIDATES, when the following were declared duly ELECTED:

o. on List			Votes	No. on Poll
28	Mathews, Elsie Caroline		1958	1
29	Bexfield, Florence Eleanor		1940	2
3	Turnell, Amy Harriet		1939	3
22	Smith, Amy Henrietta		1918	4
1	Rowe, Mary Elizabeth		1895	5
7	Edmunds, Jane		1847	6
19	James, Elsie Maudslay	•••	1839	7
9	Spalding, Sybil		1826	8
3	Woodbridge, Emma Edith	•••	1816	9
27	Chinneck, Winifred Emily	•••	1781	10
10	Ace, Francis Ann		1761	11
-1	Jolliffe. Ethel Clara		1738	12
12	Luke, Kathleen Mabel		1736	13
21	Baverstock, Mary	•••	1725	14
30	Walker, Maude Alice	•••	1651	15
29	Wilkinson, Ida	•••	1637	16

The number of votes recorded for the unsuccessful candidates can be obtained on application at the Secretary's office, and will be duly carried forward at the next election, if eligible.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

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Brethren willing to act as Stewards on the above important occasion will greatly oblige by sending in their names as early as convenient.

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T A QUARTERLY GENERAL COURT OF THE GOVERNORS And Subscribers, held at Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Monday, the 10th day of October 1887,

V.W. Bro. RICHARD EVE, Patron (Grand Treasurer), in the Chair. A Ballot took place for the ELECTION of TWELVE BOYS from an approved Lt of Forty-four Candidates, when the following were declared to be

SUCCESSFUL. No. on Poll No. on List Morgan, William Henry 3368 Boulter, Frederick Charles Mason, Reginald Herbert Hird, William Herbert 36 2981 42 Tolson, Joe Ingram 2916 Payne, Alfred Ernest 47 30 2856 Barker, William Ernest 2626 Albery, Irving James Broad, Frederic John Sinkler Pitt, Edward John ... 2607 20 ... 10 14 2:97 11 Kelly, Frederick Francis 12 16 Edwards, Reginald 2229

Lists of Candidates (successful and unsuccessful), with full particulars of polling, &c., may be had on application at the Office. Votes of unsuccessful Canng, &c., may be had on application at the Office. didates will be carried to the credit of those qualified for election in April

FREDERICK BINCKES (P.G.S.B., P.G. Std.), Vice Patron,

Office-6 Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C. 10th October 1887.

THE NINETIETTH ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL

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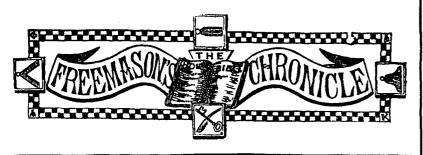
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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WEST YORKSHIRE.

T a meeting of this Provincial Grand Lodge, holden in the George Street Chapel Schools, Heckmondwike. on Wednesday, the 5th inst., at 2.30 p.m., under the banner of Amphibious Lodge, No. 258, there were present the following Prov. Grand Officers:—

Bros. Thomas William Tew, J.P., Past Grand Deacon of England, Master; Henry Smith Past Grand Deacon of England Deputy Master, John Booth as S.W., John Ambler J.W., Rev. J. J. Needham as Chaplain, Rev. Thomas Greenbury Chaplain, John William Fourness Treasurer, J. Kitson Ibbetson Registrar, Herbert G. E. Green Secretary, C. E. Rhodes and John Foster S.D.'s, G. E. Bennett J.D., B. P. Parker as Deacon, Reuben Castle Superintendent of Works, Joseph Dobson Director of Ceremonies, Thomas Denby Assistant Director of Ceremonies, William Stott Sword Bearer, Thomas M. Holmes and Edwin Lee Standard Bearers, William Ash Organist, Job Harling Parsuivant, Francis Smith, Lewis B. Brierley, John W. Turner, John Hobson and Edmund Lord Stewards, Samuel Barrand Tyler, Thomas Leighton Assistant Tyler, with many Past Provincial Grand Officers, and Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Acting Wardens and Brethren from Lodges in the Province. Several letters of apology for absence were announced. The following were present as Visitors:—Bros. John E. Le Feuvre D.P.G.M. Hants and Isle of Wight, M. C. Peck Provincial Grand Secretary North and East Yorkshire, John Chadwick P.G.S.B. Provincial Grand Secretary East Lancashire, James Terry P.G.S.B., Secretary Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, London; James Etchells P.P.G.R. Norths and Hunts; John Petch and J. G. Cobb 1471, London, and - Schofield 967 Chester.

Bro. Thomas Wm. Tew, J.P., Prov. G.M., Bro. Henry Smith D.P.G.M., and the Prov. Grand Officers entered at 2.30, and Prov. Grand Lodge was opened in due form. The R.W. Prov. G.M. and the W. D.P.G.M. were saluted according to ancient custom. The distinguished Visitors were separately saluted; the Roll of Lodges was called; the Roll of Present and Past Prov. Grand Officers was called. The minutes of the meeting held at Huddersfield. on the 30th March 1887, were presented for confirmation. when it was moved, seconded, and resolved that they be taken as read and confirmed. The R.W. Prov. G.M. then delivered the following address:—

BRETHREN,-Recent events of an important character to this Empire, and to Freemasonry, in connection with the celebration of the 50th year of the reign of our beloved Queen, have received their consummation in the metropolis and in every part of Her Most Gracious Majesty's dominions since this Provincial Grand Lodge assembled at Huddersfield in March. If any outward sign were wanting amongst Freemasons of the loyal appreciation in which Her Majesty and the W.M. the Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, are held, I have only to refer to the marvellous gatherings of the Craft at the Albert Hall, on Monday, the 13th day of June; at St. Peter's, Westminster Abbey, on the 21st June; and at the Exhibition Building at York, on the 14th July, of representatives of the Order from English Provinces and many diverse parts of the World. These Jubilee commemoration gatherings were magnificent and brilliant successes, eclipsing in their grandeur and heartfelt onthusiasm any. all who were fortunate enough to be present; and the circumstances (Yorkshire met on the 2nd May 1803, to conscente and dedicate this

in connection with these events have now stamped their impress upon the history of the British Empire, and upon the history of this our County of York, for the year A.L. 5887. For the excellent result in the Albert Hall, we must acknowledge the skilful manipulation of Sir Albert Woods (Garter), Grand Director of Ceremonies; of the Grand Secretary, and V.W. Bro. Fenn, President of the Board of General Purposes. The resolution of Grand Lodge, when your Provincial Grand Master, as Grand Master, had the honour, on the 7th September, of occupying the chair of Grand Lodge, embodying the thanks of the Craft towards these distinguished brethren for their admirable labours, were well and richly merited. I hope also, to-day, that this Provincial Grand Lodge will move an analagous resolution, expressive of our gratitude to Lord Zetland, and the Provincial Grand Lodge of North and East Yorkshire; to the Dean of York, and to the "York" Lodge, No. 236, for the Jubilee Meeting at York, whereby many brethren who could not attend the greater demonstration in London, did avail themselves of this opportunity to attend the Masonic Jubilee Service in York Minster. I awaken your memories to these events to thank every Lodge and every brother in West Yorkshire for the generous manner in which you, one and all, supported your Provincial Grand Master and Officers on these memorable occasions. So far as our West York records tell us, 60 lodges were represented in London, and 268 brethren. At the York Jubilee Meeting, 61 Lodges were present from West Yorkshire, represented by 359 brethren, of whom 72 were Present and Past Prov. Grand Officers of this Province. Then, again, the occurrence of the Boys' Festival, at the Crystal Palace, on the day immediately following the Albert Hall Gathering, you supported me generously as the President of that Festival, at which £11,764 was raised, West Yorkshire contributing the handsome sum of £671, and taking the lead of every other Province in the amount of its contributions, and this, too, when we had raised for the Girls £374, and had further pledged ourselves to £2100 as a special Jubilee Offering to the "Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution," and a further sum of £826 at its regular February Festival. Bro. Terry is here to-day, and we shall listen to him with attention. I may be allowed to say that, if ever a Chairman of a Festival was entitled to support and indulgence, it was myself on the occasion of the Boys' Festival, because I was called upon suddenly and unexpectedly to fill that delicate and onerous office. Truly did the Most Worshipful the Grand Master say, in the Albert Hall, that "Brotherly Love and Charity" are two of the principal tenets of our Order. The former you have exemplified largely towards this office I have held, and the latter to the Charities. Further, I had the honour of transmitting, through the Grand Secretary, towards the Prince of Wales' scheme for the "Imperial and Colonial Institute," the sum of £150, and which, I believe, will be considerably augmented, before the close of the year, from this Province. It affords me much pleasure to announce to you that on the 13th June the M.W. the Grand Master conferred the rank of Past Grand Deacon of England upon V.W. Bro. Henry Smith, Deputy Prov. Grand Master of this Province, and that of Past Grand Sword Bearer upon Bro. William H. Brittain, who had both done so much for Freemasonry and for the Charities in this Province. Following out this precedent, the M.W. the Grand Master submitted a communication on the 7th September to Grand Lodge-"That if it thought proper to suspend the Article 87 of the Book of Constitutions" (which Grand Lodge did) "Provincial and District Grand Masters desirous of commemorating the Jubillee Year of Her Majesty's reign, might confer Past Provincial or District Grand rank on brethren in their respective Provinces or Districts." This most gracious communication was extended and adopted in the following manner, viz.:- "The number of appointments should be one for every six Lodges in the Province or District; where a Province or a District contains more than thirty Lodges, such special appointments shall be one for every four Lodges, with one additional for a broken number." I avail myself to-day of this welcome boon, to recognise the services of most worthy brethren, by conferring Past Prov. Grand rank upon eighteen Past Masters, out of 681 on the Roll of the Past Masters of this Province. I trust, in the accomplishment of this most difficult and delicate duty, no Lodge will accuse the exercise of my prerogative with the slightest bias of partiality of a personal selection. My regret is that I have no power to do more, but there will be next year no Lodge in West Yorkshire without one Acting or Past Provincial Grand Officer. I must now ask you to allow me to allude to this gathering to-day, by the invitation of the Amphibious Lodge, No. 258. Two applications were made at Huddersfield—one from Mirfield Lodge, No. 1102, and the other from 258. Mirfield Lodge is building a new Masonic Hall, a handsome, commodious, and an appropriate building, and will reflect upon its projectors infinite credit. I hope, at an early date, some steps may be taken to inaugurate, in a suitable manner, the opening of the Hall. After grave consideration, the invitation was accepted to come to Heckmondwike. Lodge, whose Warrant was signed by Bro. John Codrington, on 16th June 1786, was opened at the Suttling House Marine Barracks, Devon, 22nd August 1786, when James George Power was elected, sworn, and invested the first Wor. Master. It was established as a Military and Naval Lodge, for the Officers of both services on "land and water." It appears from the minutes to have been of frequent occurrence, if a person were what is called a "transient" man (permanently on active service) to ballot for, initiate, pass, and raise bim on the same evening. Hence the name of the Lodge "Amphibious." As a Yorkshire Lodge, the "Amphibious" dates only from 2nd May 1803. I had hoped to-day to celebrate here the one-hundredth year on the centenary of the working of this old Lodge, but nothing can be done until the year 1903, it being evident from the Lodge Minute Books, and the Grand Lodge Registers, that "Amphibious ceased to exist in 1792, and that previous to, or in 1803, some Yorkshire brethren got hold of the books and Grand Lodge beginning to the end of these days was one unalloyed gratification to entirely new set of members. Provincial Grand Lodge of West

Lodge, at the Lodge Room, at the Shears' Inn, Hightown, when Bro. John Binns was the Worshipful Master. Grand Lodge books go back to about 1740, and show No. 258 from the year 1786 to 1792 only, and from 1803 to 1887 as a new Lodge. "Amphibious finally settled in its present place of meeting on 27th March 1850, and the last time Provincial Grand Lodge visited this place was on the 2nd January 1861. I men-I mention these facts to show the importance and necessity of Lodges carefully preserving their minute books and ancient documentary records. This is the sixth time that "Amphibious" Lodge has received this Provincial Grand Lodge. With sixty-one members, it has twenty-four Worshipful Masters and Past Masters, only two other Lodges in this Province exceeding this number. We cordially acknowledge, therefore, the labours of the W.M. Bro. A. Macauley and his Officers for the preparations they have made for the conduct of the business of this Prov. Grand Lodge to-day. We wish this Lodge a continuation of prosperity and perpetuity, both on "land and water," and fervently trust that in 1903 it may enjoy its centenary from an unbroken continuity of working since 1803, and give proof of its uninterrupted existence for one hundred years, in accordance with the Book of Constitutions. After a reference to the meeting of the Charity Committee at Halifax on the 24th September, to consider a report of this Prov. Grand Lodge, the Prov. G.M. pointed out, from Col. Clerke's statistics, the growth of the Masonic Institutions during the past fifty years, and continued as follows:-With this financial and numerical increase in our Charities, the number of Lodges have also multiplied by 1565, during the same Jubileee period; and since the year 1875, when His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales became Grand Master of the Craft, 682 Lodges have been established, being nearly 40 more than existed altogether at the accession of Her Most Gracious Majesty in 1837. These figures illustrate in some degree the Loyalty, the Brotherly Love, and Charity of Freemasons, and I hope the next 50 years will exhibit, in these respects, a corresponding progression in magnitude of the Freemasons of England, and that of West Yorkshire will be in the van with its sympathies for the Charities, and its generosity and loyalty, as it has shown itself during this past brilliant period of our Gracious Sovereign Queen Victoria's glorious reign. Briefly, Brethren, I have awakened in your memories Masonic progress in this country. It is representative of the Loyalty and Charity of our Order. It is for us to work out the perfection of Masonry, "when wars shall cease, and art shall prosper, and science thrive," and when trade and manufactures and agriculture, represented by personal activity, shall reach their triumphant consummation by turning the "whole human race into one vast Lodge, and make every man a brother." And may this gracious Lady who sits upon the Throne of England-

> "Through all this track of years, Wearing the white flower of a blameless life In that fierce light which beats upon a throne,-

who has witnessed so many changes, without lessening the esteem and affection of her subjects, long continue to govern a united, prosperous, and contented people, is the fervent aspiration to-day of every brother in this large gathering of the Craft, forming the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Province of West Yorkshire, so

> "May each day better others' happiness Until the heavens envying the Earth's good-hap, Add an immortal title to your Crown.'

is the prayer of your Provincial Grand Master.

The D.P.G.M. in replying to his salutation gave the Brethren some very excellent advice. It was moved by Bro. J. K. Ibberson P.M 1102 Prov. G. Registrar, and seconded by Bro. John Booth P.M. 258 D.P.G.W., and resolved:—"That the best thanks of this Prov. Grand Lodge are due, and hereby given, to the Right Hou. the Earl of Zetland R.W. Provincial Grand Master, to Lieut.-Col. The Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett Past Grand Warden W. D.P.G.M. of the Prov. Grand Lodge of North and East Yorkshire; and to the Very Reverend the Dean of York, V.W. Bro. A. Purey-Cust, D.D., Past Grand Chaplain, and the Worshipful Master and Officers of the York Lodge No. 236, for their very able and efficient arrangements at York, on Thursday the 14th July, A.L. 5887, for the Masonic Celebration of the Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen." Bro. M. C. Peck Prov. G. Sec. N. and E. Y., briefly thanked the Brethren for the vote of thanks. The Treasurer to the "Jubilee Presentations Fund," stated that there was £1424 0s 0d in the Bank to the credit of the Court to spend £20,000; the matter must come before Fund, and there were promises amounting to £350, which, together with the donations from Prov. G. Lodge and Chapter, would bring it up within £10 of the amount required. Moved by the Chairman of the Charity Committee, seconded by the Vice-Chairman, and resolved, that authority be given to the Treasurer, to pay the Thousand Guineas when the agreement for the First Presentation is executed, and the Second in like manner on its completion; and that permission be obtained from the Trustees to fix a Brass Memorial Tablet in the Hall of the Institution at Croydon, the cost to be defrayed by Prov. G. Lodge. Bro. James Terry Past G. Sword Bearer, Sec. R.M.B.I., returned thanks for his hearty reception and salutation, and in thanking the Brethren for the gift of the two Presentations, said, he felt sure the Trustees would give permission to have the above-named Tablet fixed in their Institution. The Chairman of the Charity Committee said, that at the Elections in April and May, they had been successful in Electing all their Candidates, viz.: One Girl, Four Boys (including one presented), One Male and Four Widows. The List of Candidates for October Elections showed One Girl and Four Boys. He cordially thanked the Brethren and Charity Members for so punctually sending in their Voting Papers. He asked the R.W. Prov. G. M. to suspend Prov. By-Law No. 27, and he having complied, moved that the following grants for relief be made, viz.: Bro. J. L. 439, £10; Mrs. E. M. 290, £20; and J. L. 458, £25. Bro. Harrop seconded the motions and they were carried. H.R.H. the piece of ground lately purchased by the Institution, and bounded by Prince of Wales K.G., &c., M.W.G.M., having granted the privilege to the public road. It was necessary for him to state that part of the

to a limited number of Brethren, the Prov. G.M. proceeded to make the appointments. An invitation was received from the three Wakefield Lodges to hold the Annual Meeting of Prov. Grand Lodge under their joint Banners in April 1888. The R.W. Prov. Grand Master said he would give it his consideration, and acquaint the Brethren of his decision at an early dute. Prov. Grand Lodge was then closed in due form, and with solemn prayer at 4.30 p.m. Dinner was provided at the Masonic Hall, Market Street, at 4.30 p.m., at which about 80 Brethren sat down, the R.W. Prov. Grand Master presiding.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

HE Quarterly Court of the Subscribers and Governors was held on Saturday in the large hall of Freemasons' Tavern. Brother Horace Brooks Marshall, Past Grand Treasurer, presided. After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, the report of the Committee as to the alteration of the dates of the Quarterly Courts was adopted. A resolution proposed by Bro. J. A. Birch that as the alteration of the dates of election would necessarily involve some alterations in the Laws of the Institution, the Committee already appointed continue their services until the alterations are effected, was carried. The Centenary Committee's report, which we dealt with in detail last week, was taken as read, and on motion by Bro. Thomas Fenn, seconded by Bro. Edgar Bowyer, was ordered to be received. The other motions of which notice had been given by Bro. T. Fenn were also adopted; with the exception of No. 3, almost without question. Bro. Fenn, on rising to move the adoption of No. 2, said, as he was given to understand that there might be some discussion relating to the third proposition, he would propose all the others first and separately, and leave No. 3 for discussion after the others had been disposed of. Bro. Fenn, in calling on the brethren to consider Clause 3, said he would like a letter read which had been written by Brother Tew, Prov. G. M. of West Yorkshire, to their Secretary, Bro. Hedges, in his official capacity. He thought Bro. Tew could have no objection to its being read. His (Bro. Fenn's) name was mentioned in the letter, and as certain imputations were cast upon the Committee, of which he (Bro. Fenn) was Chairman, he thought it should be read and answered. There were misconceptions in that letter, so extraordinary that if other brethren in the Provinces misconstrued them in the same manner the Committee would have to give their scheme up altogether, for they could not carry it out without the assistance of the Provinces. The Chairman said this was a very important letter, and he thought it should be read. Bro. J. A. Birch protested. It would be establishing a very inconvenient practice if leters were to be read at these Courts from brethren who happened to be distant, and who did not attend. If they could not attend they should have sufficient confidence in those who did attend to leave them to settle the question. He believed it would be the initiation of a most inconvenient practice. He moved that the letter be not read. Bro. Foun quite agreed as to the inconvenience of the course proposed, but Bro. Tew represented brethren of one of the largest Provinces in En land, and his remarks were of very great importance. Bro. C. F. Hogard thought the difficulty of Bro. Birch was that Bro. Tew, the Prov. G M. for West Yorkshire, was not present. He would remind him that the D.P.G.M. was present, and he could support the letter of Bro. Tew. Bro Fenn then summarised what he styled the misconceptions of Bro. Tew. Bro. Tew, for whom he had great respect, was an old personal friend. He (Bro. Feun) protested against the assumption that they desired to pash their report through the Court. The Committee, of which he had the honour to be Chairman, had to perform certain duties which they were asked to undertake by the General Committee. They did so, and as quickly as they could, and made their report on the first available opportunity. They could do no more, and in the discharge of their duty they could do no less. It was not the fault of the General Committee or the Quarterly Court that the General Committe met about one week before the Quarterly General Court. The Committee could not publish their report before it was made to the General Committee, and the Secretary had a number of them printed and in the hands of the General Committee, and they were sent out the next day to the Provincial Grand Secretaries. There was no desire on the part of any one to force it through the Court. The proposition he had to bring under their notice meant very little; it did not commit the another Quarterly Court, and therefore the haste of which Brotner Tew complained did not exist, and there was no necessity for haste. Bro. Tew wrote of the great cost of the buildings which were proposed to be pulled down wholesale-£63.000 (with the land). What were they proposing to pull down? The north-west wing, which cost some £1,400. They also proposed to pull down the kitchen and some useless scalleries and store rooms. The kitchen was becoming of very little service, because it was built for sixty-eight children, and it had now to provide for over two hundred and a proportionate staff. That cost perhaps another £1,400, because the kitchen was only of one storey. There was no building over it, and instead of this cost of £63,000, if Bro. Tew knocked off £60,000, £3000 would be found to be much nearer the mark. Then Bro. Tew said the new buildings were to cost £30,000. There was nothing in the Report to justify that assumption. The sum mentioned was £20,000. As he went through the propositions of the Sub-Committee he would mention the various items which made up this £20,000. Bro. Tew said there would be £12,000 extra. He (Bro. Fenn) did not know where Bro. Tew got his £12,000. That was in connection with C scheme, which the Committee did not recommend. The first part of the recommendation of the Sub-Committee was that new kitchen offices, with matron's room, cooking class room, house diving room, and servants' bed rooms be built on the site of the new Provincial Grand Musters of conferring Past Provincial Grand Raul: recommendations was the conversion of the drill-room into a dining-

room, and observe fore the position of the kitchen near the dining-room was the best place for it. The estimated cost of this would be £7000. This was not only the kitchen, but the Matron's room, cooking classrooms, and bed-rooms for all the servants, which would be a very extensive building. The next proposition was for converting the present large school-room in the Alexandra Wing into a dining hall. That cost nothing. 3. Converting the present dining hall and cooking class-room into one large school-room, by removing the intermediate wall, and thus enlarging the dormitory over, and gaining space for eight more beds. 4. Building a new large school-room about 76 feet by 22 feet adjoining the last, with-5. Large dormitories over, capable of affording sleeping accommodation (with 45 feet superficial area to each) for seventy-six children, with the necessary lavatories, &c., &c. The estimated cost of all that was £5000. Then covering the present asphalte court with wide and airy passages, day lavatories, latrines, and boot-room; that would be a very great advantage, affording a covered connection with all parts of the building; that would cost £1400. The building of the Centenary Hall, under scheme B, would cost £5000. If the Committee had adopted scheme C, it would cost £7000, because the building would stand by itself and there would be certain architectural requirements which would add very considerably to the expense. He would now allude to the Medical Officer's Report, the principal part of which was in the hands of the brethren, and it showed the absolute necessity that something should be done. Now that the Report had been put before the Committee, it threw a vast responsibility upon them. The School was overcrowded; and if an epidemic should break out there, the Committee would be responsible after this notice had been given them. The School was crowded far more than any building under the direction of Government Officers, and of those who had the superintendence of those buildings. The Committee felt it was a great responsibility. It was therefore absolutely necessary to make the alterations, for unless they carried them out they would have to stop any more children coming into the school until they came down to such a number as to be within the requirements of the Medical Officers. These alterations amounted altogether to £19,000, so that they would see that Bro. Tew was far beyond the mark in his apprehensions. Bro. Tew also said the expense of £30,000 was to be incurred for an additional 75 girls; but this was another misleading statement, because it was really for over 100 children, which was reduced to 75 if you took 30 off to give the requisite space to be allowed to each child. Bro. J. A. Birch said it was £19,000, in addition to the £2000 for the Junior School. Ero. Fenn said that was so. He might say that although this scheme proposed the addition of bed-rooms and dormitories, it was not imperative on the Committee that these should be filled directly; it was only necessary that they should be filled as occasion might require. But having the future before them, and judging of it by the past, it seemed requisite to provide for extending the usefulness of the School as Masonry increased. It would be folly, while they were about it and had the means of increasing the dormitory accommodation, that they should neglect that opportunity. Of course they could do without the new dormitories proposed to be built over the school-room and where the kitchen was. But as it stood between the great hall and the other part of the building, the expense was so small that, as he said before, it would be folly in them not to avail themselves of the opportunity of building these two rooms. Just one more remark. He had heard some say that it would be a great deal better to remove the School further out into the country than to go to this expense at once. He hoped that no such suggestion would be made. He had been a member of this House Committee but a short time, but long enough to know how ably it conducted the affairs of the School, how devoted the members of the Committee were to the Institution's interest, running down on all occasions, on weekdays or Sundays; whenever they found a convenient moment they would go down there and see what was going on. The Chairman of the month was almost always there; he was at the beck and call of the matron, and Miss Davis, the head governess. Now it would be impossible to do this if the building were twenty miles away from London. The subscribers had the greatest security for the proper conduct of this School in the constant supervision of the House Committee. Moreover, why should the Institution go to the country? It was at present in the most healthy part of London; they could not have a more healthy place; it could not be enclosed any more than it was now, and there was plenty of room for the School, even in its expanded form. If it would meet the objection which had been made or shadowed forth by Bro. Tew, he and others might possibly feel more assured that the Committee were not rushing the through the Quarterly Court, if he stated he had no objection to add to his motion the rider, "subject to any modification which after due consideration may be deemed desirable by a future Quarterly Court," so that no money might be spent without the consent of a future Quarterly Court, which could make any alteration in this scheme at a future date. It was brought on now because it was necessary at once to come before the Craft with some proposition for celebrating the Centenary of the Institution. Bro. Henry Smith, Deputy Prov. G.M. West Yorks, submitted that it was for want of full information that the misconception which had been alluded to had risen in the provinces. Bro. Tew wrote a letter for information. He (Bro. H. Smith) did not come there to complain; on the contrary, he came to support the Committee in every possible way. The report was practically read because all items were referred to by Bro. Fenn. But it was impossible to understand the plan which was annexed to the report. He knew that the beds in the dormitories for years had been overcrowded, and that at least 30 ought to have come out. Therefore it was a very wise thing at this time when there was a chance of getting extra funds to take advantage of the opportunity to bring the present state of things into a satisfactory condition. The desire of the Committee should be to make the Institution equal if not superior to any other institution in the country. The subscribers did not want them to waste money, but only to see that the Institution was second to none. A plan which could be more easily understood, which would give a proper

distribution of the rooms, and on a larger scale, should be sent out, and the sooner it was sent out the better. There was nothing would disabuse the minds of people who had not been associated with the Committee of any misapprehension so much proper plan, and then making them fully acquainted with the whole circumstances. Eventually, however much money might increase from time to time, at present it was not intended to exceed the amount asked. Bro. Frank Richardson P.G.D. seconded the proposition of Bro. Fenn, and after a few remarks from other brethren, the motion was seconded and carried. The Chairman then stated that there were four last applications on the list, one of which he was told was safe. He should divide his 400 votes among the other three. Scratineers were next appointed, and the election of sixteen girls out of a list of 30 candidates was proceeded with. A list of those successful will be found on another page; we give here the names of those unsuccessful, with the number of votes each polled:-

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ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

THE October Quarterly Court was held on Monday, at Freemasons' Tavern, Bro. Richard Eve, G. Treasurer, presiding. The minutes of the former Quarterly Court having been read and confirmed, summaries of the other Committees since that date were read for information. The report of the Committee on the alteration of the days of elections was also read. This recommended that the Quarterly Courts of the Boys' School should be held on the last Friday in January, April, July, and October, and that the similar Courts of the Girls' Institution should be held the day following. The report was adopted. Bro. J. A. Birch (Manchester) moved that the Committee already appointed be continued till the alterations consequent on the adoption of this report, which must be made in the printed laws of the Institution, are made. The motion was seconded, put, and curried. Bro. Edgar Bowyer P.G. Standard Bearer, for Bro. Joyce Marray Vice-Patron, on behalf of the House Committee, moved :-"That an additional vacancy be declared, to be filled up by the election of an additional candidate, at the Quarterly Court on the 10th October 1887." Bro. McKay seconded the motion, which was carried. Bro. Binckes informed the Court that the reason for bringing this motion forward was that a boy of the name of Whitaker, who was elected two years ago, was taken ill immediately afterwards, and left on account of ill-health. He had been ill ever since, and his death was an occurrence daily expected. Under no circumstances could be return to the School, and therefore it was proposed to elect a boy to occupy his place. The Scrutineers of votes were then appointed, and the election of twelve boys out of a list of fifty-four caudidates was proceeded with. As in the case of the Girls' School, we give the names of those unsuccessful, with the number of votes polled:-

Name:			Forward	l. Po	lled.	I Total.
Mossop, Charles Irwin	• • •	•••			1.45	2145
Cheek, Henry Cecil	•••				129	2129
Cable, David William Ews	ırt		1262	8	327	2089
Brown, Walter Herbert	***				914	1914
Le Gros, Francis			1046	6	334	1680
Davey, Arthur Ernest		•••		16	322	1622
Gallott, George Louis Gra	nville	•••		14	150	1450
Ball, Charles		•••	747	6	370	1417
*McCoy, Ewart Gilbert			208	ę	964	1172
Wood, Joseph			843		85	928
Chinneck, Robert Percy				ę	912	912
Staff, Henry James				8	377	877
Turner, Francis Pater			243	6	307	850
Gray, Harold			505	2	247	752
Lawrence, Harry				7	748	748
Gaches, Vernon Peed		•••		6	669	669
Green, Charles William			150	4	63	614
Baylis, Stanley	•••	•••		. 5	84	582
Crane, Arthur Hughes	•••			5	52	557
Couch, Cyril Courtenay		•••	258	1	.99	450
Carr, Samuel				4	50	454
Murley, Ernest				3	884	382
Busco, Wallace Peter Char	les			3	72	378
Crompton, Arthur Oswald				3	48	349
Kemp, Arthur Howard		•••		3	09	307
Grimsey, Arthur Henry		•••		2	77	276
Fursey, Samuel Henry Reg	ginald	•••	104	1	42	249
Cannon, George	•••		92		87	179
Nankivell, Ernest William		•••		1	.78	178
Burgess, Édgar Holmes			52		90	142
Scott, Frederick William	John		113		5	118
Jeanings, William John				1	.05	105
Elford, Bertram					84	84
Siggers, Clement		•••	20		15	35
The remaining 8 candidat	es polled	between	n them	only 8	83 v o	tes.

^{*} Will be removed from list under law 35, being eleven years of age, and unsuccessful.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

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

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SATURDAY, 15th OCTOBER.
1179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8 (In) 1198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tayern Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction) 1185—Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction) 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tayern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Old Town Hall, Mare-street, Hackney 1364—Farl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction) 1641—Crichton, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor. 79 Ebury Street S.W., at 7 (Instruction) 1732—King's Cross, Anderma's Hotel Street, Fleet, E.C. 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In.) Sinsi Chapter of Improvement Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
R.A. 142—St. Thomes's, Cannon Street Hotel
R.A. 1572—Carnaryon, Albion, Aldersgate Street
R.A. 1706—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M. 251—Tenterden, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
811—Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
2035—Beaumont, Royal Hotel, Kirkburton
2147—Crays Valley, St. Mary Cray, Kent
R.A. 308—Affability, Station House Hotel, Bottoms, nr Todmorden
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MONDAY, 17th OCTOBER.

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21-Emulation, Albion, Aldersgate-street
          21—Emulation, Albion, Aldersgate-street
22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
45—Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., Finsbury, E.C. at 7 (In)
174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street at 7. (I
180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern. Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
185—Tranquillity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
         862—Whittington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
901—City of London, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
907—Royal Albert, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
975—Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham Road Station, at 7.30. (Inst
  975—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 (Inst.) 1489—Metronolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.) 1537—St. Peter Westminster, Criterion, W.

1585—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (Inst.) 1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.) 1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.) 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) 1910—Shadwell Clerke, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill 2021—Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, Criterion, W., at 8. (Inst.) R.A. 1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C. M.M. 173—Temple, Green Dragon Tavern, Stepney 77—Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Grayesend
                77-Freedom, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
         77—Freedom, Charendon Hoor, Catalogue 236—York, Masonic Hall, York 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon 331—Phænix Public Room, Truro
        359—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction) 424—Borough, Half Moom Hotel, Gateshead 466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
        822—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
925—Bedford Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham
     934—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield

985—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Holbeach.

1030—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport

1087—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
      1141-Mid Sussex, King's Arms Hotel, Horsham
   1170-St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1199-Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury
1208-Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover
1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover
1238—Gooch, Albar y Hotel, Twickenham
1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1909—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
1973—Saye and Sele, Masonic Hall, Belvedere, Kent
R.A. 32—Jerusalem, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
R.A. 40—Emulation, Castle Hotel, Hastings
R.A. 248—Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton Street, Brixham
R.A. 296—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
R.A. 954—St. Aubyn, Ebrington Masonic Hall, Granby Street, Devonport
R.A. 995—Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston
K.T.—Edmund Plantagenet, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury
K.T.—Prince of Peace, Bull Hotel, Preston
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TUESDAY, 18th OCTOBER.
    Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 1
      30—United Mariners, Guildell Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-plugs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst)
65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., vi 7. (Instruction)
      73—Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
95—Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
     141- Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, F.W., at 8 (Inst).
    177-Domatic, 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).
    435-Salisbury, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
    554-Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
    753-Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Hill, at 8
                               (Instruction)
    820-Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
  860—Dalhousie, Sisters' Tavern, Pewnall-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) 1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8 ( n.)
   1339-Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
   1349—Friars, Liverp of Arms, anning Town, at 7.30. (Instruction) 1360—Royal Arthur, Rock Tavern, Battersea Park Rond, at s. (Instruction) 1420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge
1446—Mount Edgen abe, Three Stags, Lambeth Road, S.W., at 8. (Inst.) 1471—Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Str et, at 7. (Instruction) 1472—Healey, Three crowns, North Woolwich. (Instruction) 1549—Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High Street, at 8. (Instruction)
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1695—New Finsbury Park, Cook Tavern, Highbury
1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 9. (Inst.)
1939—Duke of Cornwall, Bibra Restaurant, Cannon Street, E.C., at 7. (Inst.)
1911—Brixton, Prince Regent Dulwich Road, East Brixton, at 4 Instruction)
2021—Queen's Westminster, 84 Red Lion Square, W.C.
Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, White Hart, Cannon Street, at 6.30
R.A. 11—Enoch, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 196—Mount Sinai, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
   R.A. 186—Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 704—Camden, the Moorga'e, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at q. (Inst.)
R.A. 186—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
R.A. 1862—Earl of Carnarvo 1. Ladbroke Hall, Yotting Hill, W., at 3. (Inst.)
M.M. 238—Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
       213 - Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich 384-St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor.
402-Royal Sussex. George the Fourth, Nottingham 414-Union, Masonic Hall, Reading 418-Menturia, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley
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463—East Surrey of Concord, Kings' Arms Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45. (Inst.)
468—Light, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham
667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
1006—Tregullow, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrier, Coruwall
1052—Callender, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester
1089—De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness.
1113—Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llangefni
1276—Warren, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead, Cheshire
1325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Nawarette
 1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
1470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable
1473—Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, at 6. (Instruction)
1534—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich
1551—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
 1570—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool 1726—Gordon, Assembly Room, Bognor 1761—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton 1941—St. Augustine's, Shrewsbury Arms Hotel, Rugeley
  2045-Wharton, Willesden
  R.A. 41-Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard Street, Bath
 R.A. 315—Royal Pavilion, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
R.A. 792—Oliver, Masonic Hall, Osborne Street, Great Grimsby
R.A. 829—High Cross, Bull Inn. Darttord
R.A. 970—St. Anne's, Masonic Hall, East Looe, Cornwall
 R.A. 1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
M.M. 266—Amherst, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
M.M. 380—Temple, Masonic Hall, Folkestone
R.C. 54—Albion, Concert Hall, St. Leonards-on-Sea
                                                             WEDNESDAY, 19th OCTOBER.
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General Committee Grand Chapter, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
Lodge of Benevolence, Freemasons' Hall, W.C., at 6
3 Fidehty, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 3. (Instruction)
30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckha n, at 7.30. (Instruction)
72—Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Charlery Lane, W.C., at 3. (Instruction)
          73—Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High Street, Byrough, at 8. (Inst) 140—St. George, Trafalgar Tavern, Greenwich 174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
        193-Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leade hall Street, at 7. (Instruction)
      228—United Strength, The Hope, Stanhope Street, Regent's Park, at 8 (In) 538—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 8. (Inst) 619—Beadon, Greyhound, Dulwich 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7. (Instruction)
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$13—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)
$62—Whithirston, Red Lion, Poppin's Court, Fleet Street, at 3. (Instruct)
$65—Dalhousie, Town Hall, Hounslow
$902—Burgoyne, Goose and Gruliron, St. Paul's Courthyard, at 7. (Instruct)
$1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth
$150—Buckingham and Chandos, Freemasons' Hull, W.C.
$1349—Friars, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
  1382—Corinthian, George Inu, Glengall Road, Cubitt Town
1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent Road, at 8. (Instruc.)
1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-streat, E.
   1-24—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare Street, Hackney, at 8. (Inst.)
   16:11—Ravensbourne, Georg: In , Lowis turn, at 7.3) (unstruction)
16:04—Wande ers, Victoria Mansions Restaura it, Victoria-st., S.W., at 7.30 (In)
16:24—Eccleston, Criterion, Piccadilly
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1662—Berconsfield, Chequers, March Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30. (Inst.)
1677—Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Via luct
1631—Londesporough, Ber eie Ann., Joan Scree. Mic Fair, at 8. (Inst.)
1922—Earl of Lathom, Scatton Hotel, Concervelt New Road, S.E., at 8. (Inst.)
R.A. 141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
R.A. 177—Domatic, Un on Tavern Air Screet, degent street, at 8. (Inst.)
R.A. 192—Lion and Lamb, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
R.A. 720—Pannure, Goose and Gridtron, St. Paul's Courchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
R.A. 933—Doric, 202 Whitechape Road, E., at 7.30. (Instruction)
M.M.—Grand Masters, 84 Red Lion Square, W. J., at 7. (Instruction)
M.M.—Thistle, Fermis and Tavern, W.C., at 8. Instruction)
M.M.—Thistle, Fermis and Tavern, W.C., at 8. Instruction
M.M. 144—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Air Street, Regent Street
M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Town Hall, Shoreditch
    20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Chatham
121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance
175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, i.W
178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan
200—Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton
246—Royal Union, Freemasons Hall, Cheltenham.
       311-South Saxon, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes
      325-St. John's Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
     312—Royal Susex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 (b) a moreial Roud, Landport 428—Sincerity. Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheshire
       451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
     537-Zetland, 9 Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
  531—Fait, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
581—Fait, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Circacester
594—Downshire, Masonic Hail, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
633—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Mancaester
673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
653—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Modarouthshire
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795—St. John, Ray Mend Hotel, Maidenhead

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129-St. Chad, Roebuck Hoter, Rocadate

1246-Hotte, Aquarium Assembly Rooms, Aston

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823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Livery of 874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunoridge Wells

938-Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New-street, Barmingham 962—Sun and Sector, Assembly Counts, Worklageon 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hail, Canteroury

1919—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hail, Zonana-street, Wakedeld

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1161—De Grey and Ripon, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Mancaester 1206—Cinque Ports, Bett Hoter, Sandwich

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 1301—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighouse
1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancaster.
1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Inst.)
1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull.
 1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
1692—Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, at 8 30. (Instruction)
1971—Aldersh t Army and Navy, Imperial Hotel, Al lershot
1988—Mawddack, St. Ann's Buildings, Barm uth, N. Wales
 R.A. 76—Economy, Masonic Hall, Parchment Street, Winchester R.A. 240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike R.A. 323—Charity, Florist Hotel, Stockport R.A. 344—Beauty, Bull's Head, Radcliffe R.A. 361—Industry, Norfolk Arms, Hyde
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M.M. 135—Hotspur, Freemasons' Hall, Clayport-street, Alawick
                                                          THURSDAY, 20th OCTOBER.
 Rouse Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Rise, at 4
27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
49—Gihon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
55—Constitutional, Inns of Court Hotel, Fleet-street, W.C.
     87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lembeth, at 8 (Instruction)
44—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)
147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)
    169—Temperance, White Swan, High-street, Deptford
179—Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
181—Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
    181—Universal, Freemanns Hall, W.O.

435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)

704—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305 High Holborn, at 7 (Instruction)

733—Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood

749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Alexander Street, E.C. (Instruction)
749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Aldersgate Street, E.C. (Instruction)
754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
913—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
879—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In)
1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwood
1158—Southern Star, Pheasant, Stangate, Westminster-bridge, at 8 (Inst.)
1278—Burdett Coutts, Swan Tavern, Bethnal Green Road, E., at 8. (Instruct)
1287—Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1306—St. John, Three Crowns Tavern, Mile End Road, E. (Instruction)
 1308—Stockwell, Masons' Tavern, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
1428—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst)
475—Peckham, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
1658—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
  1571—Leopold, Austin's Hotel, 7 London Street, E.C., at 7.30. (Instruction) 1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool Road (corner of Theberton Street) N., at 8. (Instruction)
Theberton Street) N., at 8. (Instruction)

1612—West Middlesex, Bell Hotel, Ealing, at 8. (Instruction)

1613—Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate-screet

1614—Covent Harden, Criterion, W., at 8. (Instruction)

1622—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camperwell. (Instruction)

1625—Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., at 7.30. (In.)

1673—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)

1677—Crueaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst)

1681—Londesborough, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
 1681—Boliucesorough, Regels Massalle Ref., In Subst., W.
1728—Temple Bar, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
1744—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
1791—Creaton, Wheatsheaf Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush. (nst)
1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich.
1960—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)
  R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
R.A. 217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8. (In.)
  R.A. 1471-North London, Northampton House, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury,
  at 8. (Irstruction)

M.M.—Bon Accord, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.

M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Haverlock, Albion-rd., Dalston, at 8. (Inst.)
       42-Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
48-Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead. (Instruction)
56-Howard, High-street, Arundel
98-St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
    100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great Yarmouth
203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street, Ashton-under-I vne
343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
    345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn 367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn. Smallbridge 523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester
 600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
605—Combermere, Queeen's Hotel, Birkenbead
1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
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R.A. 1324—Okeover, Mar Hotel, Ripley, Derby R.A. 1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion Hotel, Barnet, Herts M.M.—Canynges, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol

R.A. 327—St. John's, Li.n and Lamb, Wigton R.A. 339—Regularity, Crown Hotal, King Street, Penrith R.A. 546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Longton, Staffordsnire

R.A. 913-Pattison, Lord Raigan Tavern, Plumstead

1327-King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltnam New Yown

1837—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durnam douse Northallerton 1432—Pitzalan, Woustay Arms, Oswestry

R.A. 317-Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester

R.A. 771-Windsor Castle, Masonic Hall, St. Alban Street, Windsor

1532-Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Davon

1612-Hemming, Red Lion Hotel, Hampton

1692-Wallington, I ublic Hall, Carshalton

FRIDAY, 21st OCTOBER.

House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4
Emulation L age of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7
25—Robert burns, Portland Arms Hotel, Great Portland Street, W., at 8. (In)
167—St. John's, York and Albany Hotel, Regent's Park, N. W., at 3. (Inst.)
507—United Pilgrims. Surrey Masonic Hall, Jamberwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)
765—St. James, Princess Victoria Tavera, Rothernithe, at 3. (Instruction)
766—William Preston, St. Andrew's Tavera, George St., Baker St., at 8. (In)
760—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 3. (Instruction)
834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith. (Instruction)
933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, at 8. (Instruction)
975—Rose of Denmark, Greyhound, Richmond
1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
1185—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instriction)
1298—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (In)

1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction) 1184—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Battle 1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool

1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hattield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction) 1688—Browningg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Norbiton, at 8. (Instruction) 1872—St. Margaret's, St. Mark 8 School, Suroiton 1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)
1642—E. Carnarvon, Lathroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 3. (Instruction)
1704—Anchor, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1749—Ubique. 79 Ebury Street, Pinlier, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
1963—London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Striet
R.A.—Panmure C. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell
R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Port and Hotel, London Street, Green vich. (Inst).
R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Freyhaud, Rochmond, & London Street, Green vich. (Inst).
R.A. 890—Hornsey, Porchestr Hotel, Leinsten Place, Cleveland Square
Paddington, W. (Improvement)
M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cashion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)
M.M. 176—Eta, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.
M.M. 355—Royal Savoy. The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)
K.T. 45—Temple Cressing, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
R.C. 10—Invicta, Masonic Hall, Margate
152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Margate
152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
271—Royal Clarence, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
347—Noah's Ark, Wagen and Horses Hotel Tipton
453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station total, Loughton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
166—Pribenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
541—De Loraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
663—Wiltshire Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Davizes,
993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Davizes,
993—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 3 (Instruction)
1644—Alma Mater, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birningham
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Rick Scropt, Manchester. (Instruction)
General Lodge of Latruction, Masonic Hall, Now Street, Birningham
1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Ripon
1774—R.A. 170—All Souls', Masonic Hall, Weymouth
R.A. 190—Missonic Hall, Greyfriars Road, Reading
R.A. 621—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
R.A. 631—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Huddersfield
R.A. 631—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Worship Street, Hull
M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Ha

1365-Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)

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) 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8. (Instruction) 1297—West Kent, Crystal Palace, Sydenham 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edwar, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction) 1541—Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hotel, Holorn Viaduct 1624—Ecclesion, Crown and Anctor, 79 Ebury Street, 3.W., at 7. (Inst) 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. 1329—Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E. 1293—Burdett, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court 1777—Royal Hanover, Albany Hotel, Twickenham

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