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THE INCREASE OF LODGES.

FREEMASONRY is extending on every side of us, under our genial English jurisdiction, and the question may fairly be asked, and as properly answered—is it for good? In reply to such a query, we feel very sanguine and certain that the increase of Lodges amongst us is both reasonable and advantageous, and even necessary for the Craft at large. There are those, we know, who take a comparatively contrary view of the matter. There are some good brethren of ours, (fault-finders, cavillers and cynics always exist), who deem the extension of our Lodge Roll, striking and rapid as it has been of late years, as matter for doubt and discussion. Indeed, we have heard such a policy openly questioned, and even blamed. We confess that we entirely dissent from any such views or conclusions, arguments we can hardly term them, as all such objectors base their criticism on most airy and impalpable reasons, and which, when tested or analysed, are found at once to be the veriest gossamer, both in texture, force and reality. Indeed, the objections to such Lodge increase are purely sentimental, and are met and confuted at once by numberless considerations, which demonstrate forcibly how safe, on the contrary, and how seasonable are such concessions to the wishes and wants of our Brotherhood, and how rational and salutary is that well-ordered increase of our Lodges which is going on in our English jurisdiction, as we think for the benefit of Freemasonry, and the welfare of the Craft.

We have heard, for instance, from time to time, such asseverations as the following, hastily made, but weakly urged, which have always appeared to us to be, (we say it in all deference to those who differ from us,) the quintessence of sciolism, as regards the facts and conditions of the case, in respect of the needs and wishes of the Craft on the one hand, and the exigencies and position of Freemasonry generally on the other.

Some of our readers, like ourselves, may have heard it said: "Some of our Lodges are weak; it is better to prop up old and weakly Lodges than create new ones."

It has been contended: "We are yielding to a special tendency, a vicious eagerness, to create new Lodges, to make office for particular and favoured personalities."

We have listened to grave assertions, "that we are undermining existing Lodges by the competition of younger bodies."

We have even heard it put forward, "that our Grand Lodge system is becoming cumbrous and far too large, and that we are giving too great an extension to an already unmanageable jurisdiction."

These averments appear to us, when we carefully consider them, to be after all nothing more, and nothing less, than hopeless platitudes. We have heard them over and over again, and the results have proved them to be one and all utterly pointless and groundless, while facts and figures have shown them to be unreasonable in themselves, and to rest on no solid foundation at all.

Indeed they come before us once and again as airy shadows, constituting that universal "output" of "circumlocution" and "red tape," all the world over; that good old manly resistance to advance, improvement and development which is so familiar to us all as to be almost "stereotyped" in form and substance, and which, out of place in all things mundane, is essentially "bad form" in Freemasonry.

These often cherished fallacies, "familiar" on some lips "as household words," "slain, twice slain," by the honest advance of right and civilization, still crop up again and again as fresh as ever, and as the warfare is ever going on between crass ignorance and elevating education, between error and truth, between darkness and light, between barbarism and civilization, so we, in Freemasonry, often have to meet the same resistant influence, to what the changes of time, and the requirements of the hour, imperatively demand. Yes, when we take all such objections as it were, one by one; pull them to pieces, dissect them with logic's unfaltering and unfailing "scapula," we find out at once how nebulous and flimsy they really are, hardly worth the labour of thought, certainly not deserving the vivacity of discussion, but simply demanding tranquil dismissal and happy forgetfulness.

Because a Lodge is weak, through some inherent fault of its own, we are *therefore* to refuse to form a new, strong, active energetic body, is a representation of sophistry so transparent as not to deserve a moment of mental toil in its confutation. When Lodges are so weak that they cannot keep up their income, or do the work of the Masonic Fraternity, we may assume, as an undoubted "factor" in the respect of the actual realities of the case, that if Lodges pass out of active life and interested work because the Brethren are indifferent to their support, and care not to belong to them, there is something very wrong somewhere, something very faulty and inefficient in their administration, their organisation and their outcome. Weak Lodges, failing Lodges, faltering Lodges, must, in the way of nature and Freemasonry, give place to hardier plants, to real sappy offshoots from the Parent Tree. The supposition of Masonic nepotism is, we feel sure, unfounded and unfair; cases no doubt there are, where from local circumstances, or special reasons, brethren desire a certain Brother, be he who he may, to be placed at the head of some "new" venture. Has any one a right to blame them for so thinking and acting? Surely they are the best judges of the matter! If not they, who can better be?

In all cases, as a general and safe rule, the Lodge has a good reason for its selection of Bro. A, B, or C, to rule over them; and whether it strikes an outsider or not, the choice is not the question at all; it is simply whether the selection so made, is for the harmony of the brethren and the welfare of the Lodge.

There is often, we beg to observe, from long experience, a great and seasonable necessity for a "swarm," or emigration, from an old and numerous Lodge, to a new and promising body, especially when, owing to prosperity and numbers, all hopes of reasonable preferment are very distant, and for years, to many young, active, zealous and well instructed Masons.

As regards the competition between new and old Lodges, we hold it in the nature of things to be both healthy and reasonable in Freemasonry as in due proportion in other matters. Brethren who do not get on in one Lodge may and probably do get on in another, and this wholesome and often absolutely necessary increase of Lodges prevents anything like a Lodge "monopoly," and that one danger the formation of a "ring" or "caucus" within a Lodge, which mostly acts as a deterrent unavoidably to many candidates calculated in every way to make excellent Masons.

We do not think we need have any fear now as to the question of the possible comfortable management of the

English jurisdiction, however widely its "stakes" are extended, however lengthened its roll call appear. Never certainly at any time has our Executive been in a greater state of efficiency and energy; never has the now abnormal correspondence at headquarters been more carefully attended to, more speedily answered and dealt with. Some of us who can still recall the complaints of "other days," the formidable "lâches" of older officials, the animadversions of the "Masonic Observer," or the din of somewhat angry controversies, rejoice to observe the peace and unity existing in our Order to-day, and the entire absence of any ground for complaint, in smallest measure; rather the uncontroverted prevalence of full-voiced and unanimous and hearty commendation.

In no language of adulation, as that would be unfitting and unwelcome here, we say the transaction of our Masonic business to-day reflects the highest credit on the Grand Secretary and his obliging and attentive staff. Thus it will be noted that we are entirely in favour of that striking, yet reasonable increase of Lodges which our present Masonic generation has witnessed. Believing in Freemasonry, holding its teaching to be sound, valuable and beneficial; observing how it speeds on its beneficent career in peace and Charity, toleration and goodwill to all, we hail every new Lodge as another little link in the great electric chain of Freemasonry, which will one day encompass the world with a loving message of Charity and Loyalty for the Brotherhood, and of sympathy and goodwill for mankind.

PHœNICIAN INFLUENCE UPON FREEMASONRY.

BRO. Sir Charles Warren and the Rev. Bro. A. F. A. Woodford, M.A., recently intimated that traces of ancient Phœnician influence might be discerned in Freemasonry. We think the suggestion can be abundantly proved to be well-founded, and we invite our readers' attention to what we conceive to be evidence in support of this belief.

The traditions and lectures of the Craft allege the existence of Freemasonry since the earliest ages of the world, but expressly refer to the building of King Solomon's Temple as a remarkable event in fraternal achievement. We have never been of the number of those who attribute the origin of Masonry to Solomon, much less to any other personage at a later day. We credit too highly the Biblical statements and our Masonic traditions in this regard. Solomon said to Hiram, King of Tyre (1 Kings v. 6) "thou knowest that there is not among us any that have skill to hew timber like unto the Sidonians." This was true, and the Jews, who were also unskilled in the working of metals and stone, without the aid of the Sidonians or Tyrians could never have built Solomon's Temple. Now who were these foreign Craftsmen? They were Phœnicians. And who were the Phœnicians? They were, according to Sir William Betham and other scholars, "the shrewdest and most acute of mankind, skilled in science, literature, and art," the inventors of the alphabet, of the art of navigation and of the science of astronomy. Pomponius relates that Phœnician navigators sailed the fleets of Solomon to Ophir (Arabia) and Tarshish (Spain). Italy was their first great colony, their monuments being found to-day in Etruria, and they sailed the seas over, settled Cyprus, Sicily and Sardinia, penetrated to all the coasts of the Mediterranean, founded Utica and Carthage in Africa, and Cadiz, in Spain, passed beyond the Pillars of Hercules, at Gibraltar, and colonised Great Britain and Ireland. As builders they were famous for their Cyclopean architecture, of which there are remains in Etruria and elsewhere. This was the character of the foundations of Solomon's Temple: "The foundation was of costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits (fifteen feet) and eight cubits" (twelve feet). (1 Kings vii. 10). King Hiram's Cyclopean builders laid those foundations.

Among the Phœnicians were two classes of men gathered into secret societies akin to Freemasonry, viz., the Dionysian Architects, and the Cabiri. The former were a fraternity of builders in Asia Minor, linked by the secret ties of the Dionysian Mysteries. The latter were sometimes styled "Sons of Vulcan," from their proficiency in

the art of metallurgy. The Phœnicians or Tyrians were not idolaters. Mr. George Rawlinson says, "they did not worship images. In the temple of Melkarth, at Gades (Cadiz) there was no material emblem of the God at all, with the exception of an ever-burning fire." So Betham tells us, concerning the Cabiri, that they taught in their Mysteries "the unity of the godhead," and they had "certain symbols and signs by which they were known to each other and held together." The Cabiri were philosophers, builders, miners and navigators, and "speculatives as well as operatives." "The account given of their Mysteries of Samothrace, by Diodorus Siculus, is what the Freemasons still say of themselves, and have always asserted." The literary fragment known as "Sanchonathion," compiled by Philo in the second century, informs us that the Phœnician priests of the Mysteries allegorized all the discoveries of learning, and taught alphabetical writing, which the initiated contemplated with wonder and awe, and also the use of the mariner's compass. An Etruscan compass, with eight points is now in the Museum at Florence. On it is this inscription, in Etruscan characters: "In the night voyage, protection, out and home."

Count Di Cesnola, in his excavations on the island of Cyprus, unearthed a number of Phœnician tombs, "the Phœnician tombs being several feet below the Grecian, the Phœnician city having perished, and a Greek one sprung up, which in time silently entered its dark home, without suspecting that it reposed upon another and an older city of the dead." Di Cesnola opened over eight thousand tombs, and many of the Phœnician treasures he discovered are now preserved in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in the Central Park of New York.

We will mention two leading Masonic symbols and usages of to-day which the Craft derived from the Phœnicians:—

Herodotus wrote, B.C. 513, that he was told the Temple of Hercules at Tyre was built two thousand three hundred years before his era. So much for its antiquity. From the Phœnicians Freemasonry appears to have derived (1) its two famous Pillars, that stood at the entrance to the outer porch of King Solomon's Temple; and (2) its observance of the days now known as those of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist.

(1) As to the two Pillars. Herodotus says of the Temple of Hercules at Tyre:—

"Being anxious to know as much as possible with certainty of these things, I sailed to Tyre in Phœnicia, because I had heard that in that city was a Temple dedicated to Hercules. I saw that Temple: it was enriched with many magnificent donations, and among others with two pillars, one of fine gold, the other of emerald."

Sir William Betham, in his "Etruria Celtica," says: "The existence of two pillars in the Temple of Hercules at Tyre, and the introduction of two into that of Solomon by Hiram the Tyrian, is striking, and could not have been accidental."

(2) As to the two St. John's Days. The two great feasts of the Phœnician Hercules were observed at the periods of the summer and winter solstices, when the days are longest and shortest. We, to-day, observe the same seasons, but style them St. John the Baptist's and St. John the Evangelist's Days. These observances link the nineteenth century Freemasons with the initiates of the Mysteries of Cabiri, of three thousand years and more ago.

Another thought in this connection. Even in King Solomon's time Freemasonry was cosmopolitan, and not simply Jewish, since it bound together the Jews and Tyrians. Here again we must quote Betham: "The catholicity of Masonry is totally at variance with Jewish feelings and prejudices. * * * A system like Masonry which embraces all mankind as Brethren, could not have been formed (alone) by a people so exclusive and opposed to all contact with Gentile strangers. * * * In their dispersion they did not preserve the Craft among themselves. There is not even a tradition to that effect."

Still another thought. Even at so remote a period as the Solomonic era, Freemasonry evidently included in its membership both Speculative and Operative Masters—our two traditional Grand Masters, King Solomon and King Hiram, having been Speculative Masons, and Hiram the builder an operative Mason.

It is worthy of remark, in passing, that according to the legend upon which the Egyptian Mysteries of Osiris were founded, after the murder of Osiris his body was enclosed in a chest and thrown into the Nile, which con-

veyed it to the sea, and it was cast on the coast of Phœnicia, where it was mutilated by Typhon. Again it is said, that the rites connected with the Mysteries of Osiris closely resembled those of the Mysteries of Adonis, celebrated at Byblos in Phœnicia, where according to one account the body of Osiris was found, and where a temple for the worship of Baal (the sun) was erected.

It is also fairly inferable that the Tyrian nation, at some earlier and purer stage of its history, was blessed with the favour of God. The prophet Ezekiel says (xxviii. 12, 15, 17): "Son of Man, take up a lamentation upon the King of Tyrus, and say unto him, * * * Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. * * * Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness." The Rev. Canon Trevor, in his "Ancient Egypt," informs us, that "The Tyrians, being Cushites, were nearly allied to the children of Mizraim; and it is remarkable that the ark and cherub with outstretched wings are found depicted among the early religious symbols of Egypt."

We trust we have written sufficient to establish the fact of a powerful early Phœnician influence upon Freemasonry, the cosmopolitan characteristics of the Craft even three thousand years ago, the union then of Speculative and Operative Masons, and of the Fraternity's possession at that early era of symbols and usages which have been exactly preserved in the Craft through millenniums of history, notwithstanding the rise and fall of nations, and changes in the locality, nationality and constitutions of the Masonic Fraternity.—*Keystone.*

FREEMASONS AT THE MANSION HOUSE.

THE Lord Mayor (Past Grand Warden of England) entertained a large company of Freemasons at dinner at the Mansion House on Tuesday, to meet the Earl of Lathom (Deputy Grand Master) and the Grand Officers of the year. There were present, amongst others, Bros. the Earl of Jersey Provincial Grand Master of Oxfordshire, Colonel E. C. Malet de Carteret Provincial Grand Master of Jersey, W. W. Beach, M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Hampshire; Colonel Sir F. Bardett Provincial Grand Master Middlesex, T. F. Halsey, M.P., Provincial Grand Master Herts, Sir H. Williamson Provincial Grand Master Durham, T. W. Tew, J.P., Provincial Grand Master West Riding Yorks, H. D. Sandeman Past Grand Master Calcutta, Col. C. Lyne Provincial Grand Master Monmouthshire, Sir G. Elliott, M.P., Provincial Grand Master South Wales, Sir O. Wakeman Provincial Grand Master Shropshire, General the Hon. Somerset Calthorpe P.G.W., Sir G. Goldney P.G.W., Rev. G. W. Weldon Grand Chaplain, Rev. Dr. T. C. Smyth Grand Chaplain, Sir H. E. Knight, Colonel Shadwell Clerke Grand Secretary, Alderman Whitehead, Sir H. Isaacs, R. Eve Grand Treasurer, Sheriff Davies, Sheriff Higgs, Sir J. Monckton P.G.W., Dixon-Hartland, M.P., Dr. W. H. Russell, Edmund Yates, Colonel Edis, J. Aird, &c., &c. The brethren present wore Masonic clothing. The Lord Mayor gave the toast The Queen and the Craft, which was received with enthusiasm. In proposing the toast the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, the Lord Mayor said that he had in his possession a letter expressing the sympathy of the Prince of Wales with their gathering that evening. It was too much to look for the presence of His Royal Highness among them after the hard work which he had had to go through during the past year, but he was sure that all the Brethren wished him health, and especially renewed health to those members of his family who were suffering from a usual, but still a somewhat unpleasant, ailment. The toast was most cordially received, as was also that of The Most Worshipful the Pro Grand Master (the Earl of Carnarvon), the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, and the rest of the Grand Officers. The Lord Mayor expressed the opinion that the interests of Masonry were perfectly safe in the hands of the Grand Officers, who would fulfil the duties of their offices for the good of Masonry and for the good of the whole world. Lord Lathom, Deputy Grand Master, replied, and expressed regret at the absence of the Pro Grand Master Lord Carnarvon. The Lord Mayor next proposed the toast of the Brethren below the Dais. He referred especially to the members of the Lodges with which he was connected, among them being the Bard of Avon Lodge. Bro. Edmund Yates, the Worshipful Master of the Bard of Avon Lodge, responded, and, referring to the ceremony at Stratford-on-Avon, on Monday last, said that the good feeling which existed between the people of America and the people of this country might be traced in a certain sense to Masonry. The concluding toast, the Health of the Lord Mayor, was proposed by the Earl of Jersey, who spoke of the strength and influence of Masonry in this country. The Lord Mayor responded, and the company then separated.

The Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of North and East Yorkshire will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Duncombe Street, York, on Friday, the 28th inst., at the invitation of the York Mark Lodge, T.I. The Lodge will be opened at 2 p.m., and at 4:30 there will be a dinner. The election of Prov. Grand Mark Master Mason for the ensuing three years will take place.

Obituary.

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RIGHT WOR. BRO. LORD DE TABLEY, PAST PROV. G. MASTER CHESHIRE.

THIS eminent and distinguished brother, who during a Masonic career extending over half a century rendered valuable service to the Craft, not only in his own Province, but generally, expired on Wednesday last, at his seat, Tabley House, Knutsford, in the 76th year of his age. His Lordship was initiated into Freemasonry in the Apollo University Lodge, No. 357, at Oxford, in the year 1831, and subsequently filled the chair of W.M. or of M.E.Z. in various Lodges and Chapters in his native county. Of Provincial Grand Lodge he was a Past Senior Grand Warden; the late Earl of Zetland, then Grand Master, in 1859 conferring upon him the collar of S.G.W. of England; and six years later, on the death of Viscount Combermere, he was appointed Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire. So great was his Lordship's popularity, and so assiduous his labours for the advancement of the Craft, that one-fourth of the Lodges now existing in the Province were constituted during the period of his presidency. In 1868 he was appointed Grand Superintendent of Royal Arch Masons in Cheshire; and on the installation of the Prince of Wales as M.E. Grand Z. of Supreme Grand Chapter in 1875, his Lordship was chosen to fill the chair of Third Grand Principal. Lord De Tabley's unceasing exertions in the cause of charity are too well known to need recapitulation. He was one of the main supporters of the Cheshire Masonic Educational Association, one of the best institutions of its kind in the Provinces; he twice occupied the chair at the Festivals of the Girls' School; he presided at the Boys' Festival in 1867, and that of the Benevolent Institution in 1866. Last year, in consequence of failing health, he resigned the position of Provincial Grand Master, which he had filled so nobly for 21 years; and carried with him into his retirement the respect and affection of all over whom he had ruled so wisely and so well. He was Life Governor of all our Institutions, and a Past President of the Cheshire Masonic Educational Association. The loss of one who had rendered such signal service to the Craft in all its branches, and more especially in the cause of benevolence, is one that cannot be regarded other than as an irreparable misfortune.

Further particulars of Lord De Tabley's Masonic career will be found in our "Masonic Portraits."

We tender our condolence to Bro. George Gardner I.P.M. 2012, on the death of his wife, which mournful event took place on Monday last. The deceased lady had been, for some months past, in a critical state, and all hope of her recovery had been abandoned.

ROYAL ARCH.

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GEORGE PRICE CHAPTER, No. 2096.

THE first regular meeting of this Chapter was held at the Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, on Saturday, the 15th instant. Comps. H. M. Hobbs P.P.G.A.D.C. Surrey Z., J. D. Langton P.G.A.S. Surrey H., J. S. Fraser P.P.G.A.S. Essex J., A. S. Brown Scribe E., Arthur Adams Treasurer, M. L. Levèy P.S., F. Cambridge P.G. Organist Surrey, and Gordon Smith A.S.; F. West P.G.S. P.G.H. Surrey, George Price P.G. Treasurer Surrey, and C. Holden. Visitors—Comps. J. Hooke Z. 463 P.G.S. Surrey, and Lewis Baker. No. 1. The Chapter having been opened, and the minutes of last Convocation read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for several candidates; two of them, Bros. D. Guedalla and F. W. Leaver, of the George Price Lodge, were duly exalted. The bye-laws, drawn up by the Committee appointed for that purpose, were approved. Comp. Price P.G. Treasurer Surrey, after whom the Chapter is named, was unanimously elected an honorary member. The M.E.Z., having expressed his wish to act as Steward next year at the Centenary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, was appointed to represent the Chapter on that occasion. After other business had been disposed of, the Chapter was closed, and the Companions adjourned to the banquet table, where the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given, interspersed by some excellent songs by Comps. West, Leaver, and Gordon Smith.

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

INSTALLATION MEETINGS, &c.

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ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 167.

THE Installation Meeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, 11th October at the Jack Straw's Castle Hotel, Hampstead Heath, under the presidency of Bro. H. E. Coffin W.M., who was supported by Bros. John Potter I.P.M., C. H. Fry S.W., F. Freeman J.W., J. T. Rowe P.M. Treas., Edwin Storr P.M. Sec., J. Ware P.M., J. G. Humphreys P.M., H. Hollis P.M., W. Wilkinson P.M., W. A. Scurrah P.M. S.D., A. Goodchild P.M. J.D., J. R. Thompson P.M. D.C., J. Hearsam I.G., A. W. Lane Steward, T. Bowler Tyler, and a numerous array of Visitors, among whom were Thomas Oakes 164, G. P. Nightingale S.W. 193, M. Lincoln I.G. 534, John Dale 1613, C. J. Coles, A. Clark S.W. 2191, W. M. Stiles P.M. 1507, Henry Reid S.W. 142, W. Bellamy S.D. 1627, J. Bellamy 1614, W. J. Coplestone J.W. 834, A. H. Scurrah Sec. 2206, R. W. Honey 809, G. Pritchard P.M. 167, J. Kew P.M. and Sec. 179, H. G. Hildreth W.M. 1185. The business of the day comprised the ceremonies of raising, passing and installation, there being one candidate for the third degree, and one for the second. Bro. C. H. Fry was installed as Worshipful Master, Bro. Edwin Storr performing the ceremony. At the conclusion of the work the brethren sat down to banquet, presided over by the Worshipful Master, who in due course gave the customary toasts. Bro. Coffin I.P.M. proposed the health of the Worshipful Master. He trusted the brethren would find Bro. Fry a worthy occupant of the chair of the Lodge, and that he would fulfil the duties of his office with the same ability as had been displayed by his predecessors. He felt sure Bro. Fry would do his best to carry on the Lodge as it should be done, and that he would strive to merit the approval of its members. In reply, the Worshipful Master tendered his sincere thanks. He felt deeply the honour which had been bestowed upon him in electing him as Worshipful Master of the Lodge, and appreciated the kind reception which had been accorded him. He felt he might not prove a first rate Master in the matter of ritual, but as having Masonry at heart, and for the desire of upholding the interests of that Lodge, he would yield to no one. He hoped his actions would be such as to ensure the success he desired. The toast of the Visitors was then given, Bro. Hildreth being the first to respond. He had experienced very great pleasure in attending that night, as he had seen two of his old friends appointed to office in the Lodge. He hoped they would go on until they reached the chair, and that the Lodge would also continue to progress. Bro. W. M. Stiles followed. He felt an especial pleasure to attend, as it had afforded him the opportunity of seeing one dear old friend installed as Worshipful Master, the ceremony being performed by an even older friend. He was a frequent visitor at the St. John's Lodge, where visitors were always so heartily received as to make it an especial pleasure to attend. Brother Reid added a few words, complimenting the members on their thorough Masonic spirit—a great amount of discipline in the Lodge and a great amount of hilarity in the after proceedings. Bro. Kew spoke as a frequent Visitor during the past year, and also referred to the Centenary Meeting of the Lodge, an occasion which no doubt many of those then present could well remember. He felt the interest the Worshipful Master had displayed during the day was such as to convince them that the duties of his office would be satisfactorily carried out. Bros. Bellamy, Pritchard, Copestone, and others also responded, and then the Worshipful Master submitted the toast of the Installing Master, Bro. Storr, who replied in the briefest manner possible. The toast of the Past Masters of the Lodge was next given. Brother Coffin tendered his thanks. He felt the brethren seemed to think almost as much of their Past Masters as they did of their Worshipful Master, judging from the hearty reception just accorded the toast. The jewel they had that night been good enough to make him a present of led him to believe he had done something to the satisfaction of the Lodge during the past year; he trusted such was really the case. He felt the present Master could not fail to get through his term of office satisfactorily, as he was sure of equal support to that which he had received during the past twelvemonths. Brothers Humphreys, Ware and Storr also replied. The latter brother expressed his gratification at the hearty thanks which had been accorded him that night for what he had done as Installing Master. He always felt it was impossible to do too much for Freemasonry, the members of which should work for the general good of the Order, whether their position was Installing Master or simply an ordinary member of a Lodge. The toast of the Officers was next given, and to this Bro. Scurrah replied, after which the Tyler gave the closing toast, and the meeting was brought to a conclusion.

CONFIDENCE LODGE, No. 193.

EVIDENTLY, from the spirit of cordiality with which the Brethren of this good old Lodge entered upon their duties, after the recess, on Monday, 10th inst., there is not the slightest intention of relaxing those exertions for the welfare of Masonry for which its members have so long been proverbial. Not only was there a very respectable muster of the brethren present, but some good work on the agenda, which the Worshipful Master, Brother F. Silvester, performed in a manner which bore favourable comparison with that done by a long line of efficient predecessors. There seemed to be a unity and earnestness of purpose throughout the whole of the proceedings, and thus the evening was pervaded with profitable edification as well as enjoyment. Lodge was opened in due form, under the presidency of Bro. Silvester W.M., who was supported by Bros. G. P. Nightingale S.W., Samuel Smither J.W., R. D. Kershaw P.M. Treasurer, J. G. Shackell P.M. Secretary, E. J. Davey S.D., W. A. Colyer I.G., H. Clare W.S., W. Saint I.P.M.; Past Masters

S. J. Webb, Walter Wood, J. Thomas, and W. A. Cnibitt; Bros. W. Bellchamber, W. Rickell, Grundy, E. Pennock, A. Mignot, C. H. Doughty Kiddell, Joseph Collins, G. Masters, F. J. Barton, S. H. Clark, W. J. Parker, J. H. Bayley, H. Westoby, A. W. Barham, A. W. South, H. D. Alston, W. G. Fernley, H. King, Hart, J. D. Cotten, L. G. Reinhardt Tyler, &c. The Visitors included Bros. G. Clark 1679, H. Friedlander 1446, and H. J. Amphlett. After disposing of the usual preliminaries, Lodge was advanced to the third degree, when Bro. E. Pennock was raised, the impressive ceremony being admirably rendered by the Worshipful Master, assisted by his Officers. Resuming in the first degree, the ballot was opened for Mr. George Barlow, resident engineer at the British Museum, who had been nominated by Bro. W. Rickell, and seconded by the Secretary. The voting was unanimously in favour, and Mr. Barlow was duly initiated into the mysteries and privileges of Freemasonry, this ceremony being likewise performed in perfect manner. After the transaction of some business of minor importance, Lodge was closed in harmony, amidst a hearty interchange of goodfellowship and congratulation upon a "resumption of work." The repast was served in Bro. Clemow's invariably excellent form, and at its conclusion the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were submitted. The Worshipful Master, in proposing the Queen and the Craft, observed that since their last meeting the Jubilee of Her Majesty's reign had been celebrated in a variety of ways throughout the British Empire, and by none of Her Majesty's subjects had that event been more loyally marked than by the Masonic Craft, of which she was the illustrious Patroness. However, the rule of this evening was not to indulge in long speeches, and, therefore, without further preface, he asked them to drink Loyalty to the Throne and Devotion to the Craft. The toast of the Most Worshipful Grand Master was always received amongst Masons with a great deal of pleasure. Many of them had the privilege of seeing his Royal Highness at the Jubilee Commemoration Meeting at the Albert Hall, and they hoped to have the pleasure of seeing more of him in the future. The Worshipful Master said the next toast he should submit to them was one that was welcomed in every Lodge—namely, that of the Initiate. Lodges could not exist without a constant infusion of new blood, and he was pleased to say they had a good addition to the Confidence Lodge in the person of Bro. Barlow. He was sure that the ceremony through which he had passed would have produced a deep and lasting impression on his mind, which impression would be strengthened and solidified as he proceeded further in his Masonic experience. The E.A. song was given by Bro. S. J. Webb P.M., and the initiate received a "surprise" characteristic of the brethren of the Confidence Lodge. Bro. Barlow, in acknowledging the warmth of his reception, thanked the brethren for the kindly way in which they had admitted him into the Lodge. He should always endeavour to act as a good brother and true Mason; but on this occasion he pleaded obvious reasons for not detaining them with a long speech. Bro. W. Saint I.P.M., then in fraternal terms proposed the Worshipful Master, and in doing so said, during the time that Bro. Silvester had occupied the chair, he had upheld the position and performed the duties to the entire satisfaction of every member of the Lodge. It afforded them all very great pleasure to see the way in which he conducted the proceedings on all occasions, and to-day he had given them fresh proof of his ability and proficiency. The Worshipful Master, in responding, thanked the I.P.M. very sincerely for the flattering terms in which he had spoken, and the brethren for the reception they had given to the toast. He did not know that he deserved all the kind things that had been said of him, but supposed he must accept them as sincerely meant. He need hardly say he should endeavour to do all he possibly could for the welfare of this Lodge and the good of Freemasonry generally. The next toast was that of the Visitors, of whom there were not so many present as they were accustomed to meet at the Confidence Lodge. A good many of the brethren were still out of town, on their holidays, and probably the wet weather had prevented many who were in London from attending. However, he assured those Visitors whom he saw at the table that they were most heartily welcome. He wished them to see the working of the Lodge, and to give him and his Officers a bit of advice as to whether they were working well or not. On the other hand, the brethren of this Lodge liked to visit other Lodges, so that they might pick up a few useful hints. These interchanges of visits showed the brotherly unity of Freemasonry, and should be encouraged in every possible way. Bro. Clark expressed the gratification he felt at witnessing the admirable way in which the work had been carried out in Lodge under the presidency of Bro. Silvester. The ceremony in the first degree must have left a deep impression upon the mind of the Initiate. There was much that was beautiful in the Masonic Ritual, but it lost much of its significance unless it was delivered in an impressive manner. In some cases it was delivered as though read from a book, and had little or no effect upon the Initiate. He had the honour of being initiated by Henry Muggeridge, more familiarly known as "Old Mug." His was the Stability working, so he (the speaker) would have to go on with it, although it was different to what he had seen that day. Bro. Friedlander also briefly replied, saying he had always been very kindly received by the members of this Lodge. The working that day had been carried out with the utmost perfection, and he was delighted to have been present to witness it. The Worshipful Master then proposed the Past Masters, merely observing that there was not such an array of them that evening as usual, many having been prevented from attending by business engagements. Brother W. A. Cnibitt P.M. could not divine why he had been called upon to respond to this toast, unless it was that their I.P.M. Bro. Saint was rather too bashful, having made one very eloquent speech already. They had up to the present had a very profitable and enjoyable time, and the work of the Lodge had been carried on most satisfactorily; for which they must thank their Worshipful Master. He hoped the brethren who had favoured him with their presence that evening would not go away with the idea that this frugal supper was what they usually provided at the Confidence Lodge. This was an "off-night," so that the hospitality was comparatively limited; but

he hoped the Visitors had felt themselves repaid by what they had seen in the working of the Lodge. They had a good many Past Masters, some of whom were brilliant Masons, to whom he (the speaker), as a junior, was glad to look up for support and guidance. He must say that during his own Mastership he received the greatest kindness and assistance from the Past Masters. Although his star was waning, he hoped to be able to render what assistance he could to the future occupants of the chair, and this he should only be too proud and happy to do at any time. The health of the Treasurer and Secretary came next, and the W.M., in proposing the toast, expressed regret that Brother Kershaw, their esteemed Treasurer, had been obliged to leave early. In their excellent Secretary, Bro. Shackell, they had one of the oldest Past Masters of the Lodge; always kind and genial towards the brethren, and therefore held very high in their esteem and affection. Bro. Shackell, in a brief response, expressed his gratitude for the very kindly manner in which the toast had been received, and promised that, as long as he was able, he would do all in his power to promote the prosperity of the Lodge and harmony amongst the brethren. The Worshipful Master then proposed the Officers of the Lodge, paying a high compliment to each and all of them for the way in which they had assisted him in carrying out the work. Brother G. P. Nightingale Senior Warden after thanking the brethren for their hearty reception of the toast, said the Worshipful Master had spoken of the way in which the Officers had assisted him in the working of the Lodge. Individually, it gave him very great pleasure to do so, as far as he possibly could, and he hoped eventually to be called to that position now so worthily filled by Bro. Silvester. Should he be so fortunate as to be elected to that position, he assured them he should always do his best to please the brethren, and to promote the welfare of the Lodge generally. Bro. S. Smither J.W. also returned thanks for the kindly mention made of his Officers by the W.M. It had been his ambition, ever since he became a member of this Lodge, to aspire to the chair, and with that aim before him he had worked assiduously. He had been a regular attendant at the Lodge for some years; indeed, he had been absent from only one of its meetings, and that was when he was many miles away from town. If the Officers had been of any assistance in the work, he assured the W.M. they had received more than satisfaction from the kind and genial manner in which he had always treated them. He felt sure that when Bro. Silvester left the chair he would do so with honour to himself and credit to the Lodge. Bros. E. J. Davey S.D., W. A. Colyer I.G., and H. Clare Steward, severally responded, the latter in a characteristically humorous speech. Some excellent songs enhanced the pleasure of a very enjoyable réunion.

ROYAL MILITARY LODGE, No. 1449.

THIS flourishing Lodge held its installation meeting at the Masonic Temple, Canterbury, on Monday, 10th October 1887. The W.M., Bro. Cockersell, was supported by the following brethren:—Bros. T. Blamiers I.P.M., A. Develin S.W., D. Waller W.M. 125 J.W., H. Mangham Chaplain, E. Plume P.M. Treasurer, W. Carter P.G.Sd.B. Sec., A. Abbs S.D., T. Beckett J.D., D. Hall D. of C., R. Simms I.G., J. Plant P.G.O. Org., W. Claydon and J. Naylor Stewards, R. Blake Tyler; H. T. Naylor P.P.G.S.B., J. E. Wilshier P.P.G.S. of W., D. Laing, J. Fernor, T. Wordley, G. Robinson, R. Geddes, H. Herbert, F. Clarke, A. Anderson, G. Jones, Major H. Maclean, T. Leech, G. Rupert, C. Nix, H. Barrett, F. Smith, W. Checkley, F. Kenning, J. Thorne, J. Ward, G. H. De Lasaux, G. Anderson, and the following Visitors—W. Price P.M. 972, H. Pringuer J.W. 972, R. Morley W.M. 429, H. Letts 31, S. Newman W.M. 972, S. Lound 31, T. Rossiter P.M. 972, W. Ladd I.G. 972, G. Young 31 P.M. 268, G. Potter 1437, G. Stratford 127, W. Mound 972, C. Igglesden P.M. 1208. The Lodge was opened, and minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The Lodge was opened in the second and third degrees, and the W.M. elect, Bro. A. Develin, was installed in the chair by Bro. H. T. Naylor P.P.G.S.B., Bro. E. Plume P.M. acting as D. of C. The Lodge having resumed, the W.M. invested the following Brethren as his Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. Major H. W. Maclean S.W., A. Abbs J.W., Rev. H. Mangham Chaplain, E. Plume P.M. Treasurer, W. Carter P.G.Sd.B. Secretary, T. Beckett S.D., W. Claydon J.D., J. Plant P.G.O. Organist, D. Laing I.G., J. Naylor D. of C., G. Rupert A.D.C., Anderson and Leech Stewards, R. Blake P.M. Tyler. J. Blamiers was elected Charity Delegate, and E. Beer P.P.G.S.B. a member of the Building Committee. Bro. Cockersell was then presented with a P.M.'s jewel, which had been previously voted him by the Lodge. Bro. Cockersell P.M. thanked the Lodge in suitable terms. The Installing Officer Bro. H. T. Naylor was accorded a vote of thanks for the able and satisfactory manner in which he had performed the ceremony. Letters of regret at inability to attend were read from Earl Amherst P.G.M., Bros. Eastes D.P.G.M., Thorpe P.G. Treasurer, Spencer P.G. Secretary, Curteis P.G. Chaplain, the Mayor of Canterbury, and many others. The Lodge having been closed in ancient form, the Brethren adjourned to the Royal Fountain Hotel, where the partook of a banquet, served by the host, Bro. H. Ward, in his usual *récherché* style. Bro. Develin presided, and the musical arrangements were admirably carried out by Bro. P.M. Plant, Kennett, Igglesden and Rhodes. After grace (*non nobis*), the W.M. proposed the Queen and Craft, and the Brethren responded by heartily joining in singing "God Save the Queen." The health of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales M.W.G.M. was proposed by the W.M., as also that of Officers of Grand Lodge Present and Past. Brother Colonel Lawrie proposed the health of the Prov. G.M. the Earl Amherst, which was received with the greatest applause; Brother Blamiers P.M. proposed that of the D.P.G.M., Bro. Eastes, and the rest of the Prov. G. Officers, which was responded to by Bros. Carter P.G.S.B. and Naylor P.P.G.S.B. The health of the W.M., Brother Develin, was proposed by Bro. Cockersell I.P.M.; that of the Installing Master by Bro. the Rev. H. Mangham; the I.P.M. was

proposed by the W.M.; the Visitors by Bro. Carter Secretary; Officers of the Lodge by Bro. Naylor P.P.G.S.B., and Bro. Major Maclean J.W. replied for the Officers of the Lodge; the Masonic Charities, proposed by Bro. Plant, and replied to by Bro. Blamiers P.M.; Bro. Plume P.M. proposed the W.M.'s of the local Lodges 31 and 972, and Bros. Plant P.M. 31 and Newman W.M. 972 replied. The Tyler's toast brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

ROYAL COMMEMORATION LODGE, No. 1585.

THE first meeting of the season was held at the Fox and Hounds Hotel, Putney, on Wednesday the 5th inst. Present: Brothers A. H. Strong W.M., Williams S.W., Wing J.W., Watkins Treasurer, Robinson P.M. Secretary, Harding S.D., Sandalls J.D., Collings P.M. D.C., Windsor Assist. Organist, Coombes Steward, Oliver I.G., Walkeley Tyler, P.M.'s Pardoe, Whitley and Mansell, and about 20 members. Among the Visitors were Bros. Williams 1767, Godson 1362, Wood 1642, Higham 1011, Bell 1557, Downton 204, Weise 1446, Andrews 177, &c. The Lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Brothers Godwin, Stern, Jamieson, Gordon, Green and Baker were examined and entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the second, and the six brethren named above were passed to the degree of F.C. The Lodge was resumed, and a ballot was taken for the following gentlemen:—Mr. A. W. Kettle, proposed by Brother Murray and seconded by Bro. S. D. Harding; Lieut. J. Monk Croker and Mr. Robert Cunningham, proposed by Bro. Bosworth and seconded by Bro. Stern; also Mr. George Steeden, proposed by P.M. Bro. Litley and seconded by P.M. Bro. Robinson. The ballot proving in their favour, they were duly initiated into the mysteries of Antient Freemasonry, in a most impressive manner by the W.M. During routine work, Bro. S.W. Williams proposed, and Brother J.W. Wing seconded, that a Jubilee Commemoration jewel be presented to the W.M. in acknowledgment of his having represented the Lodge at the Royal Albert Hall. This was carried with acclamation, and, after hearty good wishes, the Lodge was closed and adjourned until the first Wednesday in November. Owing to the amount of work got through, it was eight o'clock before the brethren could assemble round the banquet board, and after the menu (prepared by the worthy host, Bro. P.M. Page, in his usual liberal and excellent style) had been duly discussed, the W.M. rose to propose the Queen; "as example teaches more than precept," he wished to set the example of short speeches, owing to the lateness of the hour. This toast, as well as the other Loyal and Masonic ones, was heartily received. Bro. P.M. Collings, in the unavoidable absence of the I.P.M., Bro. Collick, expressed his own and the Lodge's sympathy with that brother in his sufferings. After proposing the health of the W.M., he invested him with the jewel presented by the Lodge, wishing him many years of happiness and usefulness. The W.M. suitably responded, and then proposed the health of his initiates, expressing his pleasure at having had so grand a commencement for the season. The Tyler sang the E.A. song, and Brothers Kettle, Croker, Cunningham and Steeden replied. To the toast of the Visitors, Bros. Godson, Wood, Williams and others responded. The W.M. proposed the P.M.'s, and Bros. Collings, Whitley and Pardoe replied. The Officers; the S.W., J.W., S.D., Steward and Organist replied; and the Tyler's toast closed the proceedings. A capital selection of songs was contributed, Bros. Windsor and Gordon especially distinguishing themselves.

OLD ENGLAND LODGE, No. 1790.

THE members of this Lodge met on Thursday, the 6th October, at Thornton Heath, when there were present:—Bros. Hugh M. Hobbs (P.P.G.S.D. Surrey) W.M., F. T. Ridpath S.W., J. Kilvington J.W., W. Foulsham P.M. P.P.G.J.W. (Northumberland) Treasurer, G. S. Horsnail Secretary, R. G. Fleming J.D., C. Tarry Steward, W. H. Ranson I.P.M., H. Baber P.M., F. C. Pascall P.M., J. Buckley, Sherry, Cox, Symmonds, Mortimer, Healey, Gordon, J. Davies, Bolton, Horton, Chamberlain, Best, Griffin, Greenfield, Jas. Clarke, and W. Lane Tyler. Visitors: Bros. W. Fox Hawes S.D. (East Surrey) 463, W. Barn I.G. (South Middlesex) 880, and E. C. Holdsworth Steward (George Price) 2096. The Lodge having been opened and the minutes of last meeting read, Bros. Healey and Buckley were passed. A sincere vote of condolence was proposed by Brother P.M. Foulsham, and ordered to be entered on the minutes, to Brother C. Daniel, P.M. 65, an honorary member of this Lodge, on the sad death of his only son. After other business had been transacted, the Lodge was closed in due form, and the brethren adjourned for refreshments. The supper, which partook more of a dinner (in regard both to quality and quantity, and the manner in which it was served) gave credit to the experience and business ability of Brother Tarry, the Steward of the Lodge. The toast given by the W.M., of the Queen, Loyalty to the Throne, and Fidelity to the Craft, met with cordial reception; it was followed by Bro. Kilvington and Brethren singing "God Save the Queen." The W.M. then spoke of the great pleasure he felt in meeting the Brethren and the Visitors on that as on every other occasion at this his Mother Lodge; he alluded to the telegrams received from Bros. Samuel S.D. and Elverston, who were unable to attend. The W.M. next said that, having obtained the position of their W.M., a position it was the pride of most Freemasons to attain, he hoped those who had been initiated since he was introduced into Masonry in the Old England Lodge would, when called upon, accept the obligations which he had the pleasure of discharging. The Visitors' toast was next given, and responded to by Bros. Fox, Hawes, Barn and Holdsworth. The toast of the Officers was responded to by Bro. Ridpath S.W. and Bro. Kilvington J.W.; both heartily endorsed the kind words of the W.M. respecting the junior brethren, and expressed the satisfaction

they felt in occupying their respective positions in the Lodge. The W.M. then gave the toast of the Treasurer and the Secretary, and remarked that whenever their Treasurer, Bro. Foulsham, was absent, their meetings appeared as though a something were wanting, and a keen feeling of unnatural vacancy existed. He hoped that Brother Foulsham, who was one of the founders and prime movers in the Lodge, would live many years yet to be present with them, and give them the advantage of that extensive and long experience in Freemasonry which he possessed. As regards the Secretary, he was sure Bro. Horsnail would look after the interest and financial transactions of the Lodge, and he was certain that Bro. Foulsham would take necessary care of the funds of their Lodge. Bro. Foulsham, in acknowledging the toast, stated that he felt proud in meeting the brethren, and was delighted to see so many present who had been initiated by him. He referred to the W.M., the I.P.M., and others who had passed the Master's chair as worthy examples to imitate. He then reviewed the benefits which the principles of Freemasonry inculcated, and what vast good to human nature had resulted. He hoped that Freemasonry would continue to progress, and be the fertilizer of true Christianity. Bro. Horsnail, the Secretary, observed that the duties which their W.M. had appointed him to discharge should, to the best of his ability and attention, continue to be carried out. He had but one aim in view—that of meriting the Lodge's approval. He looked upon them more as a pleasure than an obligation, and he trusted that he should be able worthily to follow in the footsteps of the W.M. and of their revered Treasurer; those brothers were his sponsors in Freemasonry. Bros. Ridpath, Kilvington, Griffin, Sherry and Buckley gave some excellent songs; Bro. Bolton a recitation, which met with particular favour. Expressions of approval and thanks were bestowed on Bro. Kilvington for his attention to the musical arrangements. The evening throughout was one of universal accord.

THE RICHMOND LODGE, No. 2032.

THERE was a goodly muster of members and visitors at the last regular meeting of this Lodge, held on Tuesday, the 4th inst., at the Station Hotel, Richmond, under the presidency of the W.M. Bro. John P. Houghton. Although only a young Lodge, its members seem to be imbued with a considerable amount of Masonic vigour, and work together in the most united and harmonious manner. The Lodge possesses all the elements of strength which must lead to continued prosperity. The W.M. was supported by Bros. W. R. Phillips I.P.M., E. Dare S.W., H. Sapsworth J.W., W. F. Reynolds Treasurer, G. C. Rowland Secretary, J. M. Marjason S.D., A. Crew J.D., R. H. Messum D.C., A. Aldin I.G., T. Covell Steward, J. Aldredgo Asst. Steward; Bro. B. E. Blasby (the first Master) and Bro. C. I. Digby P.M. Amongst the Visitors were Bros. J. Nelson P.M. 1294, W. G. Johnson 985, C. Coombs W.M. 710, W. A. Cooper 250 (I.C.), J. E. Shand P.M. 1563, N. Conrlander J.D. 975, F. J. Ruddle 1768, A. A. Richards Grand Stewards Lodge P.P.J.W. Middlesex, W. W. Morgan P.M. 211, W. Hilton P.M. 780, Ernest Smith 1768, H. C. Lansdown 1541. After the usual formalities, Lodge was advanced to the third degree, and Bro. G. R. Wheeler was raised, the ceremony being performed in admirable style by the W.M., assisted by his Officers. Resuming in the first, the ballot was opened for Mr. Ernest Hubert Wilson, who had been nominated by the W.M., seconded by Bro. Crew. The voting was unanimously in favour, and Mr. Wilson was duly initiated into the mysteries and privileges of the Craft. This rite also was thoroughly well carried out. During the evening a charity box was presented to the Lodge by Bro. W. F. Reynolds Treasurer, with the request that the claims of Charity should not be forgotten. Such is not likely to be the case amongst the members of this Lodge; in fact their principles were practically put to the test on the first evening of the use of the box, inasmuch as the case of a distressed brother who, from unforeseen circumstances, had become involved in difficulties, was referred to, and the sum of five guineas was voted from the Lodge funds to assist him. Later in the evening the brethren had a "whip round," and altogether a sum nearly reaching £20 was contributed, including the donation mentioned above. At the banquet which followed, the customary Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, the Worshipful Master referring with gratification to the fact that the Richmond Lodge was represented at the Jubilee Meeting at the Albert Hall by no fewer than thirteen of its members. Brother W. R. Phillips I.P.M., in proposing the health of the Worshipful Master, spoke in modest but forcible terms to the ability displayed by Bro. Houghton in the performance of his duties. Their excellent W.M. had striven to perfect himself in the ritual, and had so far succeeded as to give the utmost satisfaction to the brethren generally. The Worshipful Master thanked the brethren for the cordiality of their reception of the toast. He had looked forward with pleasure to the day when he might take his position as Master of the Lodge, and his anticipations had been more than realised. He trusted that everything might go on smoothly during the remainder of his year of office, and that the prestige of the Lodge might be amply sustained. In extending a hearty welcome to the Visitors, the W.M. said without them a Lodge might be considered as lacking one of the great adjuncts of a well-spread table. He was exceedingly pleased to see so many Visitors present, and hoped their comfort and enjoyment had been well looked after by the Brethren. Bro. Coombs briefly replied, expressing the gratification he had derived from witnessing the work done in the Lodge-room, and the abundant hospitality that had been provided after labour. Bro. Richards expressed himself in similar terms. He was present at the consecration of the Lodge, three years ago, and was exceedingly gratified to see how it had developed both in strength and prosperity. A Lodge, if its members worked together, must prosper, and wherever a Lodge was well worked success was bound to follow. Bro. Hilton was not present during the first stage of the evening's work, but he had been

present in the Lodge on many previous occasions, and could testify that the business was always conducted in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner. It was most gratifying to see the *esprit de corps* that existed amongst the members, and so long as that was the case success was certain. The Worshipful Master, in proposing the Initiate, said that as members dropped out, in the natural sequence of events, an infusion of new blood was necessary. They had in Bro. Wilson a gentleman who came to them well recommended, and he felt quite sure that Brother would prove himself an excellent Mason. Bro. Wilson, after thanking the brethren for their kindness in receiving him into their ranks, said he had been deeply impressed with the ceremony he had witnessed, and trusted that eventually he might rise to the eminent position now filled by the worthy brother who proposed the toast. The next toast was that of the Masonic Press, with which was associated the name of Bro. W. W. Morgan. Bro. Morgan, in the course of his response, referred to it as a gratifying fact that so young a Lodge should have sent as many as thirteen representatives to the Jubilee celebration at the Albert Hall. That practically did a vast amount of good, inasmuch as each of the Masonic Charities had benefited to the tune of £2,000 as the outcome of that magnificent gathering. He knew of only one other Lodge that had exceeded the Richmond in the number of its representatives who attended on that occasion, namely, the St. Michael's, of which he had the honour of being a Past Master, and which was represented by seventeen of its members. Had a few more Lodges been so well to the fore, the result would have been even more satisfactory than it was, so far as the pecuniary benefit to the Charities was concerned. One or two other complimentary toasts followed, and the proceedings of a most agreeable evening were enlivened with some excellent vocal and instrumental music.

Beacontree Lodge of Instruction, No. 1228.—A regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Friday, 14th instant, for the first time in new quarters, the Green Man, Leytonstone, under the Preceptorship of Bro. B. Stewart P.M. 1278. A full attendance of members was present, and among the Visitors were Bros. Wardell P.M. 95, J. West P.M. 933, B. Rawo P.M. 781, and others. It is hoped that the accommodation and convenience of the new quarters will be an inducement for the brethren in the neighbourhood to support this Lodge of Instruction.

The Great City Lodge of Instruction, No. 1426.—The first meeting for the winter season was held at Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, Coleman-street, E.C., on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at 6.30 p.m., when there were present Bros. Joslin W.M., W. Baber P.M. as S.W., D. Hills J.W., J. L. Barrett S.D., Eisenmann J.D., A. Jardine I.G., James Stevens P.M. P.Z. Preceptor, J. K. Kitt Asst. Preceptor, W. Ball Hon. Sec., F. J. Smith, H. Whitehouse, A. H. Gomme, Lazarus, and others. The arrangements made by the Committee on the 22nd ult. were submitted for approval, and unanimously assented to. Bro. A. Jardine worked the first section of the lecture, and the ceremony of initiation was then ably rehearsed by the W.M. Bro. W. Baber P.M. of the Mother Lodge was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Lodge was closed at 8.30, and the first meeting of the second Masonic Benevolent Association in connection with this Lodge of Instruction was then held, Bro. J. L. Barrett presiding. Several brethren were admitted members, and a fair start was given to this meritorious undertaking, the proceedings of the evening terminating at the prescribed hour of ten, when the brethren separated in harmony.

Royal Commemoration Lodge of Instruction, No. 1585.—On Monday, 17th instant, at the Railway Hotel, Putney. Bros. Bond (Treasurer) W.M., P.M. Featherstone S.W., P.M. Radford J.W., Grundy Secretary, Harling S.D., Bugler J.D., P.M. Collick D.C., P.M. Carter I.G., P.M.'s Bros. Webb and Spooner. After preliminaries, the members formed themselves into a Committee of ways and means, to settle the affairs of the Lodge, Bro. Collick in the chair. After some discussion, it was decided to call for a subscription from the brethren. Bro. Webb headed the list with a donation of £1. After settling outstanding accounts, a small balance was handed over to the Treasurer towards next year's account. A hearty vote of thanks to Bro. Webb for his generosity was carried with acclamation. Brother Featherstone was elected W.M. for next week, and after hearty good wishes, Lodge was closed in accordance with ancient custom.

Kingsland Lodge of Instruction, No. 1693.—On Monday, 17th instant, at the Cock Tavern, Highbury. Bros. Stretch W.M., Caseley S.W., Garrud J.W., Collingridge Secretary, Stockhall S.D., Hazel J.D., Spalding I.G., Trewinnard Preceptor. After preliminaries, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Hammond candidate. Bro. Stretch vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Stockhall, who invested the various Officers. Bro. Beaumont, as candidate for passing, answered the questions, and was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Beaumont acting as candidate. Bro. Caseley was elected W.M. for Monday next.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Any dyspeptic sufferer, aware of the purifying, regulating, and gently aperient powers of these Pills, should permit no one to cloud his judgment or to warp his course. With a box of Holloway's Pills, and attention to its accompanying "Directions," he may feel thoroughly satisfied that he can safely and effectually release himself from his miseries without impairing his appetite or weakening his digestion. This most excellent medicine acts as a nerve and bodily tonic, by aiding nutrition, and banishes a thousand annoying forms of nervous complaints. An occasional resort to Holloway's remedy will prove highly salutary to all persons, whether well or ill, whose digestion is slow or imperfect, a condition usually evidenced by weariness, languor, listlessness, and despondency.

NORTHS AND HUNTS.

INSTALLATION OF THE EARL OF EUSTON AS PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER.

ON Monday the installation of Brother the Earl of Euston Provincial Senior Grand Warden as Grand Master of the Province of Norths and Hunts took place at the Town Hall, Northampton. Earl Euston has been appointed to the office by the Grand Master His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, in succession to his Grace the Duke of Manchester, who has been nominally the Provincial Grand Master since the year 1863. A special Provincial Grand Lodge meeting was held in the Old Museum room of the Guildhall at two o'clock, where the brethren took their places under the banners of their respective Lodges. A procession of Provincial Grand and Past Provincial Grand Officers was formed, under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, and they then entered the temporary Lodge room, where the ceremony of installation was performed by the Right Worshipful Brother General John Studholme Brownrigg, C.B., Provincial Grand Master of Surrey, who was entrusted with the duty by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. The Installing Officer was assisted by Bro. Sir Reginald Hanson, Bart., P.G.W. (Lord Mayor of London), Thomas Fenn President of the Board of General Purposes, Col. Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary, Robert Grey President of the Board of Benevolence, Edgar Baylis Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies, Major A. B. Cook Past Grand Director of Ceremonies, Butler Wilkins D.P.G.M. P.G. Std. Bearer, &c. The ceremony was admirably carried out, and at its conclusion a banquet was held in the large room of the Guildhall, and was partaken of by a numerous and influential company of Masons from Northamptonshire, Huntingdonshire and the neighbouring counties. The banquet was provided by Bro. J. Franklin. The Provincial Grand Master presided, and on the removal of the cloth a short toast list was gone through. In proposing the health of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of England H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G., the Earl of Euston made a passing reference to the ceremony which was to take place at the Infirmary the next day. Earl Euston also submitted the Most Worshipful the Pro Grand Master of England, the Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon, the D.G.M. the Earl of Lathom, the Officers of Grand Lodge Present and Past. With this he coupled the name of the Lord Mayor of London. He said it was a great honour to have his Lordship with them that evening, and speaking on behalf of the Province all he could say was that they were very pleased to meet him. Sir Reginald Hanson thanked Earl Euston for his kind remarks. This was the first occasion on which he had been called upon to speak as an Officer of Grand Lodge, and he congratulated himself, because it was in the Province of Norths and Hunts that he was called upon to do so. He congratulated Earl Euston upon having been appointed to the proud position of Prov. Grand Master, and the Province on its having such a worthy leader. He referred to the time when Earl Euston was but an initiate, while he himself was a Master; and complimenting him on the admirable manner in which the business of the Province was carried on. The health of the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master, the Earl of Euston, was submitted in a few well-chosen words by General J. Studholme Brownrigg. Being a Mason of over forty years standing, he could speak with some authority upon Masonic matters. He believed Earl Euston would perform his duty as Provincial Master with credit, and would do a great deal to further Freemasonry in the Province. When the Earl rose to reply he was greeted with a storm of applause which prevented him from speaking for some considerable time. He said he should remember their kind and enthusiastic greeting that evening as long as the Great Architect gave him the power to remember anything. How the brethren had come from different parts of the Province to be present there that evening gave him, who had not been much among them, great confidence and encouragement, and a fervent desire to be more among them and to do all he could for them and for Masonry in the Province. It gave him confidence in the thought that wherever he might go in Northamptonshire he should meet friends and brothers. He now wanted to speak about the proceedings of the morrow. If Freemasonry was what they said it was, he was sure they might collect a sum that evening that would entitle the Province to have its name placed upon the permanent subscription list of the General Infirmary. A collection was now made on behalf of that Institution, the result being that £100 can be placed in the hands of the Governors. Earl Euston submitted a toast eulogistic of the Worshipful the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Butler Wilkins P.G. Standard Bearer of England. Bro. Butler Wilkins, in response, said it would be a source of great satisfaction to Earl Euston to find with what perfect harmony the work of the Lodges in the Province was transacted. The next toast was the Installing Master, the R.W. Bro. General J. S. Brownrigg, and this was followed by the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, Present and Past, a pithy response being given by Bro. G. Eliard Prov. S.G.W. Bro. Binckes replied to the toast of the Masonic Institutions. Major Bott Cook and Captain Cox were among the respondents for the Visiting Brethren from Neighbouring Provinces, and Bro. H. Brown, Master of the Pomfret Lodge, and Bro. Coote, Master of the Socrates Lodge, made suitable replies for the Worshipful Masters of the various Lodges in the Province. The proceedings were enlivened by an excellent programme of music, the vocalists including Bros. J. J. Hart P.Prov. G.S.D., W. H. Tarry, C. E. Thorpe Prov. Standard Bearer, A. E. Gravelle P.M., G. Burford Prov. G.J.D. P.M., J. Wood, Ingram P.M., and Stephen Gough. The "Lost Chord" and a selection was played on the organ by Bro. W. Simmonds P. Prov. G.O. P.M.; the songs were accompanied on the pianoforte by Bros. Isidore de Solla, W. Simmonds, and G. T. Edmund.

ROYAL VISIT TO NORTHAMPTON

FOLLOWING closely upon the interesting proceedings above described, Northampton was again *en fête* on Tuesday, the occasion being the visit of Bro. His Royal Highness Prince Victor to lay the memorial stone of the Jubilee wing of the Northampton General Infirmary. His Royal Highness had been the guest of Earl and Countess Spencer at Althorp, which he reached in time for dinner on Monday evening, a large and distinguished party being invited to meet him. On Tuesday the Prince and his suite arrived in Northampton about noon, and met with a cordial reception, crowds of people lining the gaily decorated streets. His Royal Highness was received by the Bishop of Peterborough, the Mayor and Corporation of Northampton, and a Deputation of the Northamptonshire and Huntingdonshire Province of Freemasons, headed by R.W. Brother Lord Euston, the newly appointed Provincial Grand Master. Before leaving for the public ceremony of the day an interesting incident took place; Bro. Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary presenting to His Royal Highness, in the name of the Officers of Grand Lodge, a handsome Jubilee jewel. The Masonic portion of the procession to the site of the Infirmary was especially elaborate in its details. Lord Spencer, as chairman of the Infirmary governors, read an address to His Royal Highness, which spoke of the proposed increase in the size of the Infirmary; an enlargement that will cost about £4,000, and has been undertaken as a county memorial of the Queen's Jubilee. The subscriptions are already sufficient to defray the cost of the building. The Prince, in reply, returned thanks for the hearty reception that had been accorded him, and expressed pleasure at having the opportunity of taking part in so interesting a ceremony. He could conceive no more fitting memorial of the 50 years of Her Majesty's reign than the work they had assembled to inaugurate—a work which he hoped would remain a lasting benefit to the community. His Royal Highness, who wore his insignia as Senior Grand Warden of England, then laid the stone with the customary Masonic ceremonials. Having taken up his position, vessels of corn, wine, and oil were placed upon the pedestal, the upper stone was raised, and the lower one adjusted. The Rev. Dr. Saunders P.G.C. offered prayer, and, at the request of the Prince, the Prov. G. Secretary (Bro. F. W. Buckler) read aloud the inscription upon the stone, as follows:—"The chief corner stone of the Jubilee Wing of the Infirmary was laid by His Royal Highness Prince Albert Victor, K.G., 18th October 1887, assisted by the Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of Northamptonshire and Huntingdonshire. The Wing was erected by voluntary subscriptions in commemoration of the Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria." A phial containing a copy of the inscription and a set of the Jubilee coins having been deposited, the plate was placed on the stone, cement was spread on the lower stone, and the Prince adjusted it with a silver trowel. The stone having been laid, the Prince strewed corn upon it, and observed—"I have scattered corn upon this stone as the emblem of plenty and abundance; may the blessings of morality and virtue flourish within this building, producing fruit a hundredfold." Next the Prince poured wine, with the formula, "I pour wine upon this stone, the emblem of joy and gladness." Finally, oil was poured, "I sprinkle oil upon this stone, the emblem of peace and unanimity. May prosperity, happiness, and goodwill ever prevail among those who will assemble in this Institution to the glory of the Most High until time shall be no more." The Architect (Bro. Hull) having been introduced to the Prince by Earl Spencer, prayer was offered by the Rev. W. Wigg Prov. G.C., a hymn was sung, and the Bishop of Peterborough closed the ceremonial by pronouncing the Benediction. Lord Euston Prov. G.M., presented an address from the Masons, complimenting His Royal Highness on his giving impetus to the work which had been begun in the sacred cause of Charity, and expressing thankfulness at the Jubilee of Her Majesty. A Masonic contribution of one hundred guineas was laid upon the stone. The Prince very briefly replied, expressing his pleasure at being present; and, after inspecting some of the wards in the Infirmary, he was driven to the Guildhall, where another address was presented by the Mayor from the borough. The royal party were subsequently entertained at luncheon by the chief magistrate, the company including many distinguished local personages. Several toasts followed, the Mayor proposing the health of Prince Albert Victor, assuring His Royal Highness, amid loud cheers, that the inhabitants of Northampton were a loyal people. His Royal Highness, in acknowledging the toast, said he wished to thank the Mayor and the residents for the kind and hearty reception he had received from those assembled on his way through the town to the Infirmary. The Bishop of Peterborough subsequently elaborated the same sentiment in his happiest vein. On the conclusion of the Mayoral entertainment Prince Albert Victor and the other distinguished visitors returned to Althorp.

Another interesting feature of the Northampton doings of the week was the installation meeting of the Eleanor Cross Lodge, No. 1764. This also took place on Tuesday, and resulted in a very agreeable evening being spent by the brethren, who were present in large numbers. We hope to be able to give a full report in our next issue.

The Board of Benevolence met on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall, under the presidency of Bro. Robert Grey P.G.D., who was supported by his Vice Presidents Bros. J. Brett and C. A. Cottebrune. The recommendations made at the last meeting of the Board were confirmed, and then the new list, comprising 47 cases, was considered, the time occupied exceeding four hours. Seven cases were deferred, two were dismissed, and the remainder relieved; the grant ranged from £75 to £5, and amounted to a total of £985.

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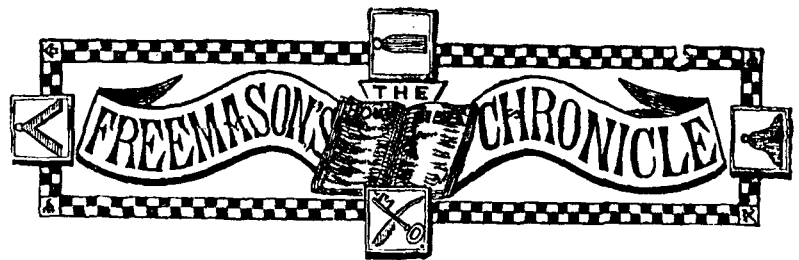
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**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF
CORNWALL.**

THE annual meeting of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Cornwall was held on Thursday the 13th inst., at the Wesleyan School, Bodmin, under the banner of Lodge 330. There was a large attendance. The Prov. Grand Master of Cornwall (the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe) sat on the throne, being supported by the following Prov. Grand Officers:—Bros. Sir Charles B. Graves-Sawle, Bart., D.M., Richard Adams S.W., Gilbert B. Pearce J.W., Rev. M. J. Sutton Chaplain, Richard Carter Registrar, Edward D. Anderton Secretary, King Baker and Alfred Luke S.D.'s, Charles Parsons and Bath Morriss J.D.'s, Joseph Bassett Supt. of Wks., John G. Henwood Dir. of Cers., Walter Giles Assist. D.C., Norman Gray Sword Bearer, George Darke Standard Bearer, John Brewer Assist. G. Secretary, Martin Sampson Organist, James Pearce Pursuivant, John Langdon Assist. Pursuivant, William Andrew, C. de Cressy Treffry, J. C. Burrow, and H. B. Neame Stewards, J. N. Francis Tyler. There was a very large number of brethren present, including several Past Provincial Grand Officers. The minutes of the last Provincial Grand Lodge, held at Falmouth, on 14th September 1886, having been read and confirmed, the Grand Secretary announced that apologies had been received from Bros. Nicholas J. West P.M. 450, the Prov. Grand Treasurer, whom he regretted to say was leaving the Province; Rev. G. L. Church, J. F. Penrose, J. Willey, W. J. Johns, Captain Colville, an old P.M. of the Lodge, Morgan P.G.S.B., W. D. Rogers, C. Bryant, Henry Pole P.P.A.G. Secretary, and Rev. C. Kendall P.P.G. Chaplain. The roll of Lodges was called, and the P.G. Secretary reported every Lodge was represented, and Cornwall, he was pleased to say, stood at the head of the list of Provinces in having all the Lodges invariably represented at the P.G. Lodge meeting. Some alterations in the rules of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund having been confirmed, the Prov. G. Secretary read the Treasurer's report. There was a balance in hand at the commencement of the year of £125 4s 11d, which, with fees of honour amounting to £34, and dues from Lodges £160 16s 9d, made a total of £329 17s 3d. The expenditure included £40 for grants, £84 to Masonic Institutions, leaving a balance in hand of £127 11s 3d. Bro. Anderton said there would be a loss on the sale of the Directories this year. He regretted this, as the Directory was much appreciated by a large number, who were much indebted to Bro. Hughan for the admirable way in which the work was compiled. He reported several Lodges who had never subscribed to the work. The Prov. G. Secretary reported that since the last Prov. Grand Lodge meeting, Lodge Cotehele, No. 2166, was consecrated by the P.G. Master in a manner that he had never seen equalled, and he gave an oration on Masonry, to the delight of all brethren present. He could only express his regret that a larger number was not able to be present. He had attended consecrations in various Provinces, but had never heard so eloquent an address on their duties and responsibilities as the P.G.M. delivered on that occasion. The number of subscribing members in the Province on the 30th December last was 1,476, being an increase of 11 during the year. Lodge Cotehele returned 13 new members, so that they were practically in the same position. The number of initiations during the year was 107, being 30 above the average during the previous year. They lost a number by brethren neglecting to pay their fees, and a few by removals and deaths. He could speak strongly of the good working of the Lodges he was able to visit. Whilst the ritual of the Lodges was very good, many seemed to be not only ignorant of the Constitutions and Prov. Grand By-laws, but even of their own Bye-laws. The ignorance with respect to the Constitutions was alarming, and he mentioned for the information of the brethren generally that no brother had a right to introduce a non-subscribing brother to his Lodge more than once during his lifetime.

Bro. T. Chirgwin read the report of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund, which stated the subscriptions and donations for 1887 amounted to £146 0s 6d, being a decrease of £12 1s over the corresponding period of last year, which with £192 5s balance in hand at the end of 1886, and £142 15s 5d interest on vested funds, brought the total income up to £481 0s 11d. The grants to male annuitants amounted to £45, to female annuitants £28 10s, educational grants £30, expenses £17, leaving a balance in hand of £360 7s 8d. The capital account amounted to £4,038 4s 2d, being an increase of £133s 4s since the date of the last annual meeting. The report ran:—A vacancy has occurred in the annuities by the death of Mr. Vicary, which took place on 19th August, too late to admit of the vacancy being filled this year. Mrs. Olive has petitioned for an annuity, or, in the alternative, a grant for relief. The latter is all that at present can be given her. An educational grant has also expired, leaving one only of £15, which has two more years to run. Four petitions have been received for educational grants, in two cases subsequent to 31st March last, and in one of them the child's deceased parent was not qualified, by subscribing membership for the full term of five years, as required by the rules in force at the time the petitions were forwarded. As, however, the rules, as amended, would permit the receipt of the petitions up to 30th June, and reduce the qualifying period to three years, it has been considered that if the alterations are duly confirmed before the actual voting takes place the altered rules might be fairly held to apply to the present applications, and as there are vacancies it would be unfortunate to reject candidates on technical grounds if otherwise suitable. The voting on the various applications takes place to-day. From the commencement of the fund in 1864 to this date the receipts have amounted to £6,350 4s 2d, out of which there has been paid to male annuitants £1,240 11s, female annuitants £153 10s, grants for relief £60, educational grants £165, expenses of management £259 15s, leaving £1,171 8s 2d. By the decease of the late Bro. Tweedy the number of trustees of the fund is reduced to three, and under rule VI. additional trustees should be appointed at this meeting. The P.G.M., following up the remarks of Bro. Chirgwin, said he thought it should be an instruction to the Committee to report what steps should be taken with a view of ensuring that the educational grants were devoted to educational purposes and nothing else. The Prov. G. Secretary reported the receipt of £50 2s 6d from the Masons in Cornwall to the Imperial Institute. He mentioned that many brethren had subscribed to local funds. The Prov. Grand Master said he should keep the Masonic subscriptions as far as possible separate, but he should send the total receipts from Cornwall to the Imperial Institute in a lump sum. The total would be nearly £600. He had received a letter from the Prince of Wales on the Imperial Institute, in the course of which he said: "The very satisfactory progress which has been made during the first nine months of organised work towards ensuring the foundation of the Institute upon such a basis as to allow of the extension of its sphere of usefulness in all the contemplated directions warrants the sanguine expectation that the amount which has been estimated as necessary for that purpose will be provided within no very distant period." The report was received and adopted. The Prov. Grand Secretary, on behalf of the Committee of Relief, reported that there were no appeals for relief. They had voted £5 5s to the widow of a Brother in Penryn, and £5 5s to the widow of a Brother in Falmouth. They had received £80 from the Board of Benevolence, in addition to another sum to the widow of a Brother of the Wadebridge Lodge, viz.: £30 to a widow at Falmouth, £28 at Penryn, and £30 to the widow of a Brother of a Carew Lodge. The report was received and adopted. The Brethren then marched in procession to church, headed by the local Volunteer Band. Bro. Rev. Sutton P.G. Chaplain, preached an impressive sermon. On reassembling for business, Bro. G. Pearce read the report of the Cornwall Masonic Charity Association. They had 331 guineas in subscriptions, and with contributions from two Lodges to make their votes in perpetuity brought the total up to 365 guineas. There was a membership of 205, and the Association did not in any way interfere with the Cornwall Annuity and Benevolent Fund. Three Lodges did not subscribe at all, he was sorry to say, and several others only small amounts. Three Chapters and one Mark Lodge subscribed to the funds, and there was room for more to do so. During

the past year they had added 96 votes to the voting strength of the province, 68 of which were life votes, and 28 votes in perpetuity. He impressed upon them the importance of every Lodge, either as a Lodge or as individual members, doing something to support the fund. As Steward for the Province he was able to send up to the Masonic Institution for Aged Masons £368 11s, which was the second largest amount on the list; £141 15s to the Girl's School, and £194 5s to the Boy's School, making a total of £704 11s. He thus secured 197 votes for the Province. Bro. Hughan, in proposing a vote of thanks to Bro. Pearce for his excellent report, said the thanks of the Province were due to him for having by his untiring efforts secured the largest sum ever raised in Cornwall for the Masonic Charities. He mentioned that at the present time £20 per day was spent in Masonic Charities. The Prov. Grand Master seconded the resolution, which was unanimously carried. Owing to the absence of Bro. Bake, through indisposition, the resolutions of which he had given notice were postponed to the next meeting. Bros. Gilbert Pearce and Truscott were elected Stewards for the year ensuing for the great Masonic Charities. The Prov. Grand Secretary presented the report of the Truro Cathedral Fund Committee. They had £350 invested in Consols, £199 in the Bank, which, with the dividends and the only subscription received for the year—£5 5s from Bro. Emra Holmes—brought the total up to £549. Bro. the Hon. and Rev. J. Boscowen promised £5 more. Bro. Hughan said Truro was the first Cathedral laid with Masonic honours, and in recognition of that special event he would move that the sum of £46 be voted from Prov. Grand Lodge funds so as to make the total up to £600. There was a strong feeling in the Province, irrespective of all religious feeling, that they should do something. They would, by carrying the resolution he moved, be expressing their sympathy with their beloved Prov. Grand Master, who, as Chairman of the Building Committee, had had all the work on his hands. Brother W. K. Baker said that, irrespective of religious feeling, as Cornishmen they were proud of the Cathedral, and as Masons proud to contribute something towards it. The Prov. Grand Master said he was jealous of Masonic funds being devoted to any purpose to which it could not be legitimately voted, and he therefore could not accept the resolution unless it was unanimously carried. On being put to the meeting the resolution was carried unanimously amid loud applause. The noble Earl said although the Craft took a large part in the laying of the foundation stones of the Cathedral it was impossible that they could appear on the occasion of the opening of the Cathedral. The building was not completed in its full size, and the accommodation was limited from 1,700 to 2,000, according to the way in which the building was laid out. They could understand the difficulty of the Committee, how they could offer seats to all those who practically expected a right to come into the Cathedral. He learnt that the Committee had issued invitations for 300 tickets more than the building would accommodate, trusting that some would not be able to come. It was thus impossible for the Masons to be represented as a body, but he should be very pleased to give tickets to a few representatives of the Prov. Grand Lodge. He should like to offer a ticket to Bro. Hughan. In answer to Bro. Baker, the Provincial Grand Master said the sum would have to go into the general fund, but it had been decided that one of the central piers of the building should represent the Masonic gift—and that a brass plate should be affixed to the pier notifying the fact. It would be a very permanent and expressive evidence of Masonic work. The Provincial Grand Master then said the brethren he had thought of to whom tickets should be given for the opening ceremony of the Cathedral as representing the Provincial Lodge were Bros. Hughan, Gilbert Pearce, Cock, Gill, Crews, Courtenay and Rowe. On the proposition of Bro. Milford Cox, the sums of twenty-five guineas were voted to the Cornwall Masonic Annuity Fund and £10 10s to each of the three Masonic Charities. Bro. Chirgwin reported that as the result of the voting of the subscribers of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund. The son of a deceased Brother and the daughter of a deceased Brother in Lodge No. 977 were elected on the fund for a grant of £15 each for five years, with 410 and 405 votes respectively; the sons of deceased brethren of Lodges 1829 and 589, £15 each for four years, with 429 and 396 votes respectively; and the daughter of a deceased Brother of Lodge 75, £10 for four years, with 425 votes. Bros. T. Chirgwin, Crews,

S. Tresider, and J. Tonkin were appointed Secretary, Assistant-Secretary, and two Auditors of the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund. Bro. W. Guy was unanimously elected Treasurer, and Bros. Bailey and Walter Giles Auditors. The Provincial Grand Master announced that the collection in church amounted to £8 5s 11d. He had received a cordial invitation to hold Prov. Grand Lodge at Looe, but inasmuch as such a large number attended Grand Lodge, he felt bound to consider the convenience of the greater number and hold Grand Lodge in large central positions, close to the railway. He welcomed Bro. Sir Charles Sawle on his Jubilee appointment as Junior Grand Warden. He mentioned that he received applications from several Lodges to allow processions on Jubilee day, but he thought it inadvisable to allow it. He had the power invested in him of conferring past rank on certain brethren, in commemoration of the Jubilee. He then conferred past rank on the following:—Bros. W. J. Hughan P.G.S.W., Bake P.G.S.W., Richard Carter P.G.J.W., W. Rowe P.G.J.W., and J. H. Holt P.G. Standard Bearer. The Provincial Grand Master expressed his great regret that Bro. Anderton had resigned the duties of Prov. Grand Secretary. He then invested the following brethren as his Officers for the year ensuing:—

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| Edward D. Anderton 771... | Senior Warden |
| W. Nettle P.M. 510 ... | Junior Warden |
| Rev. M. J. Sutton 75 ... | } Chaplains |
| Rev. R. W. Erskine 589 ... | |
| W. Guy P.M. 496 ... | Treasurer |
| W. Andrew P.M. 789 ... | Registrar |
| T. Chingwin P.M. ... | Secretary |
| B. G. Derry P.M. 330 ... | } Senior Deacons |
| J. J. Hawken P.M. ... | |
| J. C. Burrow P.M. 1544 ... | } Junior Deacons |
| Arthur T. Grant P.M. 318 ... | |
| J. H. Cousins P.M. 557 ... | Superintendent of Works |
| J. Sarah P.M. 389 ... | Director of Ceremonies |
| J. Doney P.M. 856 ... | Deputy Director of Cer. |
| J. T. Tillman P.M. 131 ... | Assistant D.C. |
| Major Colman Rashleigh ... | Sword Bearer |
| H. Jones P.M. 1954 ... | } Standard Bearers |
| J. Harris P.M. 510 ... | |
| Thomas Gill P.M. 967 ... | } Assistant Secretaries |
| J. C. Crews P.M. 131 ... | |
| T. C. Mack P.M. 131 ... | |
| H. Searle P.M. 699 ... | Organist |
| J. Langdon P.M. 131 ... | Pursnivant |
| Thomas H. Spear P.M. 330 ... | Assistant Pursnivant |
| Thomas R. Mills P.M. 1006 ... | } Stewards |
| William B. Carne P.M. 893 ... | |
| E. Herring P.M. ... | |
| George Cassoll P.M. 1136 ... | |
| Thomas S. Bailey P.M. 1151 ... | } Tyler |
| J. N. Francis 75 ... | |

The Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and Secretary of the Cornwall Annuity Fund (Bros. Truscott, Pearce, Anderton and Courtney) were elected as a Relief Committee for the ensuing year. Bro. Poor proposed a vote of thanks to Bro. Anderton for his valuable services to the Province as Secretary for many years, and his courtesy to the brethren generally. Bro. Hughan, in seconding, suggested that the Prov. Grand Master should devise some permanent form of commemorating Brother Anderton's services. The Prov. Grand Master said he should be pleased to do as suggested, and eulogised Bro. Anderton's abilities. The resolution having been unanimously carried, Bro. Anderton suitably replied. Grand Lodge was shortly after closed, and the brethren sat down to the annual banquet at the Town Hall.

We would remind our Suffolk brethren of the Lecture on "Knobs and Exercences" to be given by Bro. James Stevens, in the Stour Valley Lodge, No. 122, at Sudbury, on Friday evening next. The Lodge will be opened at 6.30 p.m. Colchester and Cambridge brethren should take note.

The weekly meetings of the Royal Savoy Mark Lodge of Instruction, No. 355, held at the Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., will be resumed on Friday, 21st inst., at 7.30 p.m. Bros. J. L. Mather is the Preceptor, J. Willing Treasurer, W. M. Stiles Secretary.

The Frome Lodge has celebrated the Jubilee year in a very praiseworthy manner: the members have subscribed £147 to the Masonic Charities.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Terry's.—The latest addition to the list of London theatres is one we may be proud of. From appearances, Terry's Theatre, conveniently situated in the Strand, may be pronounced as safe as human hands can make it. Every precaution has been taken; each part of the house has at least two exits. The theatre is constructed of concrete and iron, no wood being used in the auditorium, except for windows and doors, and even these are covered by fire-proof paint. Another precaution is an asbestos curtain, which is declared to be equal to, if not better than, an iron curtain. Moreover, the theatre is lighted by electricity. Both the interior and exterior are decorated in the Flemish style, the inner colouring being a deep brown pink with apple green and gold, while the silk curtains and hangings are of the same tint. In short, we may say that Terry's Theatre is a cosy, safe and most comfortable one. Having given full attention to this part of his business, Mr. Edward Terry, the sole lessee and manager, naturally next looks to what attraction he can put forth for his opening night. Believing that lovers of farcical comedy had not become tired of "The Churchwarden," he chose this piece, and we think this was a happy selection. A play better suited to Mr. Terry's style could not be found, his portrayal of Chuffy—the Churchwarden, on a visit to London—being perfect; his convulsions, wild expedients, and facial contortions are severally brought into play, with a result that you have a strong inclination to laugh whenever he is on the stage. Needless to say, Mr. Terry received a most hearty reception, and at the conclusion was called on for a speech. Capital help was rendered by Mr. Lionel Brough, who gave a good rendering of the part of Bearder. Messrs. T. C. Valentine (Gaddam), J. W. Erskine (Bilton), T. P. Haynes (Alfred), and the Misses M. A. Victor (Mrs. Chuffy), Clara Cowper (Kate), and A. Aubrey (Jane) ably assisted. "The Churchwarden" was preceded by a new comedietta, entitled "Meddle and Muddle," in which Mr. Lionel Brough also did well, while Mr. W. Calvert made a capital military officer. Other parts were taken by Mr. J. W. Erskine, the Misses Florence Sutherland, M. A. Victor, and A. Aubrey. Mr. Terry promises some "good things" for the future. We trust that success will attend him in his new home.

Standard.—A drama that can find scope for the labours of four villains, each of whom is equal to the committal of murder, ought to have plenty of the sensational element about it. That the "Tongue of Slander," the new drama by Messrs. T. G. Warren and John Douglass, can boast of this we readily admit, still the incidents are slightly put together, and moreover they are on the same old lines. Villainy in the ascendant during the first three acts, triumphant virtue rewarded in the last. Such is the latest Standard drama. In it, however, there is a scene which, for realism, we have never seen the like. The heroine has discovered a secret of two of the villains, and to make sure she does not tell this, they try to drown her, one of them struggles with her, all the time working himself along a plank that leads to a ship, and while passing some bales the heroine is thrown into the water. By a quick movement, Miss Beckwith, well known at the Aquarium, takes the place of Miss Amy McNeill, who is playing the heroine, so that before one of the heroes arrives to save her, we are treated to some excellent swimming. This is capitally arranged, the real water scene adds another feather to the cap of Mr. Douglass. As already stated Miss McNeill plays the heroine; and is, as usual, excellent. Mr. Bassett Roe gives a powerful rendering of a drunken scoundrel, while Mr. Richard Purdon is to be complimented on his portrait of a Dutch Skipper. Messrs. Cecil Morton Yorke, George Byrne, G. W. Cockburn, H. Lonsdel, Arthur Brunton, William H. Day, Miss Marie St. John, and Miss Kate Leslie render good service.

A benefit matinee will be given at the Opera Comique Theatre, on Balalaava Day, Tuesday, the 25th inst., commencing at two o'clock p.m. precisely, in honour of Mr. W. H. Pennington. During the afternoon the "Taming of the Shrew," in which Miss Wallis and Mr. W. H. Pennington will take part, is to be given, followed by one act of "The Blue Bells of Scotland," by the Novelty Company. "The Charge of the Light Brigade" will be recited by Miss Millward. Numerous other artistes have offered their services, so that we may expect a very enjoyable afternoon.

Saturday, the 29th inst., has been appointed for the Private View of the Autumn Exhibition of the 19th Century Art Society, at the Conduit Street Galleries, and the Exhibition will open to the public on Monday, the 31st inst.

Bro. James Stevens has accepted a second invitation to lecture in the Royal Berkshire Lodge of Hope, No. 574, at the Masonic Hall, Newbury, Berks, on Friday, the 4th proximo. The Lecture entitled "The Ritual and Ceremonial of the Symbolic Degrees in Freemasonry" has been selected for this occasion.

A meeting of the Metropolitan Council (T.I.), which works under the authority of the Grand Council of the Allied Masonic Degrees, England and Wales, &c., will be holden at the Masonic Hall, St. Red Lion Square, on Friday, the 28th inst., at four o'clock in the afternoon, under the presidency of Bro. T. C. Walls W.M.

A Grand Council of the Allied Masonic Degrees, England and Wales, &c. will be holden at the Masonic Hall, Red Lion Square, on Thursday, the 3rd November, at 5.30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, PHILADELPHIA, OF 1731,
AND ITS ANTIQUITY.

To the Editor of the KEYSTONE.

London, 19th Sept. 1887.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—In an interesting pamphlet published in 1884, you mention St. John's Lodge, Philadelphia, and state "it is evident that this Lodge was constituted at the close of the year 1730, or beginning of the year 1731, WITH THIRTEEN MEMBERS, for thirteen of the members first mentioned in this Ledger are each charged on June 24, 1731, with five months previous Lodge dues."

The Ledger in question was the famous "Liber B.," discovered by yourself, and of which you say: "it is evidently not the first Lodge Book, for that would be 'Liber A.,' which was probably a previous Ledger, or the Minute Book."

Now the point I wish to submit for your consideration is the following one: Is it not at least as reasonable a conjecture that St. John's Lodge had existed for some time before February 1731 (the date to which five months dues from June in that year would carry it), as that it was originally formed no earlier than is positively attested by actual entries in Liber B.?

First of all, is there evidence *aliunde*, of the existence of Masonic Lodges in Philadelphia before 1731? There is. In the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, No. 108, December 8, 1730, printed by Benjamin Franklin, is the following notice:

"As there are several Lodges [italics mine] of FREEMASONS erected in this Province, and people have lately been much amused with conjectures concerning them, we think the following account of Freemasonry, from London, will not be unacceptable to our readers."

Here, then, the fact of there being, in 1730, not one only, but several Lodges at work in the Province, is satisfactorily established.

At this stage, of course, we must fall back upon conjecture, as there is no earlier evidence to guide us, but the existence of a plurality of Lodges in 1730, will, at least in my judgment, fairly warrant the assumption that the first erection of a Lodge in Philadelphia must have occurred some years previously.

To return to Liber B. What can this be but the continuation of an older record?

Next, do the earliest entries in Liber B. date, as it were, from June 24, 1731, or from a previous period? Or, in other words, was William Allen elected "Grand Master" on St. John's Day (in Harvest), 1733, or earlier?

The existing records, I apprehend, speak from June 24, 1731, and if so, there is no certainty whether Allen was elected to the chair on that or at a previous date.

"William Button, late Master," is charged (in Liber B.) "To four Lodge days, at 6d. per diem, due before you sail'd to Newfoundland."

This appears under the date of June 24, 1731. So that, assuming Button's liabilities to have commenced like the rest, in February of that year, his demission must have occurred after the May meeting.

If, moreover, Button was the actual "Master" (or Grand Master) in May 1731, Allen must have taken his place on the St. John's Day next ensuing.

This would tend to fix the date of Button's election (or last election) to the chair at June 24, 1730; though if Allen was already "Grand Master" in February 1731, the selection of the latter to preside over them by the members of the Lodge (unless the actual entries in Liber B. are held to operate as an *entoppel* upon our backward search) must in such case be also carried back to midsummer 1730, thereby dislodging, as it were, the previous assumption.

Button's tenure of office, if we accept or entertain the latter of these suppositions, would then be pushed back, and extend from June 1729 to June 1730?

But as Masters were eligible for re-election, it is quite as likely as not that Button may have served more than one term of office; also, it is especially within the limits of probability, that even before the period of Lodge activity, of which the missing Liber A. contains the record, there may have been a long series of meetings conducted on no other basis than that of oral communication.

If, indeed, St. John's Lodge, 1731, was a new creation of that year, it would seem to me a little difficult to account for the total disappearance of the several Lodges, known to be in existence in 1730, but of which we hear absolutely nothing at any later date, for "the false and rebel Brethren, being foreigners," to whom Franklin alludes in his well-known letter to Price, were only "about to set up a Lodge" in November 1731.

Surely, the most reasonable assumption is that St. John's Lodge, 1731, formed one of the several Lodges mentioned by Franklin in the previous year?

The Coxe deputation, the Bell letter, and the *Pocket Companion*, 1735, have all been misleading, as tending to the development of what has been happily styled by, I think, Professor Tyndal "scientific imagination," which has led most of us in our respective turns far astray.

Putting aside, therefore, what might have happened under the Patent of Daniel Coxe; the positive statement in the Bell letter (as being inadmissible in evidence); and the entry in the *Pocket Companion* (as reposing upon a series of conjectures), let us consider the actual facts, about which there is no conflict of opinions.

We find, then, the existence of St. John's Lodge in February 1731, attested by its own records, of which, however, so far as any conclusion is permissible, only the second volume has come down to us. What Liber A. may or did contain we cannot tell, but that it lengthened the pedigree of the Lodge, to some extent at least, is an inference that we shall be justified in drawing. This will carry us back to 1730, when we join hands, so to speak, with Benjamin Franklin, before his admission into the Society, and we learn from him that there were then several Lodges in the Province. Thus the existence of St. John's Lodge, in 1730, is shown to be fairly within the limits of probability, by evidence from two distinct quarters. Where the

"several" Lodges at work in that year were respectively located is unknown, and it must be left to local antiquaries to estimate the probability, or the reverse, of all the said Lodges being holden at Philadelphia, the capital. We only learn from Franklin that they existed in the Province, and but a single one—let us say "St. John's" itself—may have been erected at Philadelphia. "St. John's Lodges," as they were called, or Lodges meeting by inherent right, were not uncommon in those days, and it seems to me quite as likely that the Masons of Philadelphia should have assembled in this way, as the Masons of Gibraltar, who undoubtedly did in 1721 (cf. my History of Freemasonry, ii. 384).

Yours fraternally,

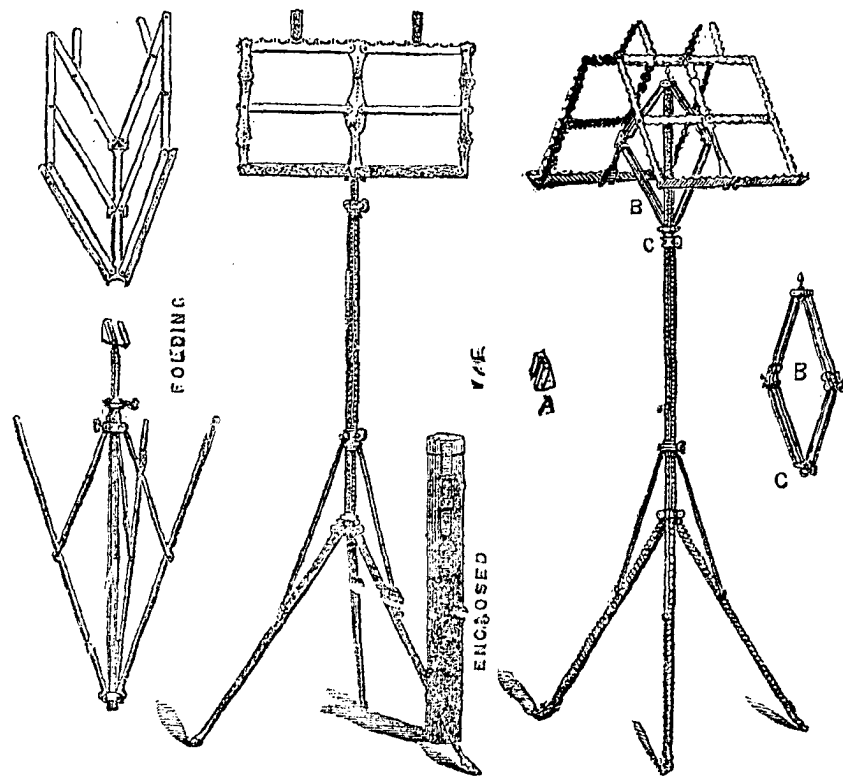
R. F. GOULD.

"GOOD OLD MADEIRA."—There is a prevalent belief amongst connoisseurs that—save, perhaps, in the sacred and innermost recesses of the cellars of some of our ancient City Companies—scarcely a bottle of "good old Madeira" can be obtained, for love or money. Probably there may be some ground for this apprehension, though it is prompted rather by lack of information on the subject than by hard dry fact. It is beyond question that some of our ancient Guilds took care, in years gone by, to lay in a store of this goodly luxury, samples of which are placed proudly before their guests on great civic or other public occasions. But it is by no means to be conceded that they enjoy the monopoly they once possessed in this respect. We have recently had the pleasure of visiting the stores of Messrs. Cossart, Gordon and Co., of Madeira, who are admittedly the oldest and by far the largest shippers of Madeira wines, and we gather from the combined opinions of many competent judges that the specialities now being submitted by this firm are fully equal, if not superior, to any that have hitherto been introduced to wine drinkers in this country. The wines are of a singularly choice character with highly-developed bouquet and exquisite flavour. By the experience of over a century of vine culture in the most favoured district of the Island, Messrs. Cossart, Gordon and Co. have developed wines of most rare and delicate growth, which are eagerly sought after all over the world, and which have made their name famous as shippers of Madeira. If proof of this were needed, it is sufficient to note that in 1885 this firm shipped nearly one-half of the total exports of wine from the Island, and that although the total exports have increased by only 68 per cent. in seven years, the demand for their brands has increased by 200 per cent. We have heard it stated that quite recently Messrs. W. and A. Gilbey ordered from this firm a consignment of 8,000 pipes of Madeira, representing a total bulk of 80,000 gallons. We recommend our readers to procure such quantities as they may desire through their respective wine merchants.

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

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

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SATURDAY, 22nd OCTOBER.

- 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 Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction)
 1541—Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.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 9
 R.A. 1329—Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 1293—Burdett, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
 1777—Royal Hanover, Albany Hotel, Twickenham

MONDAY, 24th OCTOBER.

- 22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 28—Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 45—Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., Finsbury, E.C., at 7 (In)
 174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street at 7. (In)
 180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 183—Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.
 548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
 902—Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 905—De Grey and Ripon, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 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 (In)
 1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
 1585—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (In)
 1608—Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hotel, Kilburn
 1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.)
 1632—Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
 1707—Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hotel, Page Green, Tottenham, 8. (Inst)
 1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)
 2021—Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, Criterion, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 1237—Enfield, Cour House, Enfield
 48—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon, at 7. (Inst)
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool at 8. (Instruction)
 999—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 1440—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 1894—Herschell, Masonic Rooms, Slough
 R.A. 189—Sincerity, St. George's Hall, East Stonehouse
 R.A. 210—Faith, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton.
 R.A. 241—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 331—Loyal Cornubian, Masonic Hall, Truro
 R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax Road, Dewsbury
 R.A. 1222—Inkerman, Masonic Hall, Weston-super-Mare
 M.M.—The Old York, Masonic Hall, Bradford

TUESDAY, 25th OCTOBER.

- Audit Committee Girls' School, at 4.
 14—Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C.
 55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst)
 65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 92—Moira, Albion, Aldersgate-street
 141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
 141—Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, S.W., at 8 (Inst.)
 145—Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 186—Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 205—Israel, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
 212—Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High Street, Camden Town, at 8. (Inst.)
 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, Powndell-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)
 1158—Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
 1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8 (In)
 1348—Ebury, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1360—Royal Arthur, Rock Tavern, Battersea Park Road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1446—Mount Edgecombe, Three Stags, Lambeth Road, S.W., at 8. (Inst.)
 1471—Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Street, at 7. (Instruction)
 1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich. (Instruction)
 1540—Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High Street, at 8. (Instruction)
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8. (Inst)
 1744—Royal Saver, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1839—Duke of Cornwall, Bibra Restaurant, Cannon Street, E.C., at 7. (Inst.)
 1949—Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich Road, East Brixton, at 8 (Instruction)
 Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, White Hart, Canon Street, at 6.30
 R.A. 7—Royal York of Perseverance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 704—Camden, the Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 1269—Stanhope, Thickot Hotel, Anerley
 R.A. 1339—Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 M.M. 3—Keystone, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons Hall, Grainger-st., Newcastle 7.30 (In)
 160—True Friendship, Old Ship Inn, Rochford
 253—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
 290—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
 310—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
 357—Apollo University, Masonic Hall, Oxford
 463—East Surrey of Concord, Kings' Arms Hotel, Croydon, at 7.15. (Inst.)
 573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
 624—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Barton-on-Trent
 897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
 986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
 1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
 1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Calton-road, Bailiff
 1312—St. Mary, White Hart Hotel, Bocking
 1358—Terlay, Town Hall, Paignton

- 1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
 1566—Ellington, Town Hall Maidenhead
 1609—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1636—St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
 1675—Ancient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 2025—St. George, St. George's Hall, Stonehouse, Devon
 R.A. 47—Abbey, George Hotel, Nottingham
 R.A. 94—De Lambton, Freemasons' Hall, Queen Street, Sunderland
 R.A. 103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Park Street, Bristol
 R.A. 199—Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
 R.A. 418—Staffordshire Knot, Freemasons' Hall, Hunley
 R.A. 624—Abbey, Masonic Rooms, Burton-on-Trent
 R.A. 721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
 R.A. 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 M.M. 168—Keystone, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton
 M.M. 262—St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
 K.T. 114—Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Carlton-hill, Leeds

WEDNESDAY, 26th OCTOBER.

- 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 30—United Mariners', The Lizard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 72—Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 73—Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High Street, Borough, at 8. (Inst)
 193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street, at 7. (Instruction)
 212—Euphrates, Masonic Hall, Masons' Avenue, Basinghall-street, E.C.
 228—United Strength, The Hope, Stanhope Street, Regent's Park, at 8 (In)
 538—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 8. (Inst)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7. (Instruction)
 754—High Cross, Seven Sisters' Tavern, Page Green, Tottenham
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)
 813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)
 862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's Court, Fleet Street, at 8. (Instruc.)
 898—Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar
 902—Burgoyne, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Instruct)
 1017—Montefiore, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
 1056—Victoria, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent Road, at 8. (Instruc.)
 1524—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare Street, Hackney, at 8. (Inst.)
 1540—Chaucer, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
 1589—St. Dunstan's, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 1601—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1604—Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., S.W., at 7.30 (In)
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 1691—Londeshborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Inst.)
 1768—Progress, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1820—Sir Thomas White, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
 1922—Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, S.E., at 8. (In)
 R.A. 13—Union Waterloo, Masonic Hall, William Street, Woolwich
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air Street, Regent Street, at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 435—Mount Lebanon, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 R.A. 720—Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
 R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond
 R.A. 933—Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 32—St. George, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
 86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancashire
 117—Salopian of Charity, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury
 163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
 220—Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Hockmondwike
 277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-street, Mirey, near Leeds
 439—Scientific, Masonic Room, Bingley
 580—Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
 697—United, George Hotel Colchester.
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 755—St. Tudno, Freemasons' Hall, Llandudno
 910—St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, Pontefract
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
 996—Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
 1039—St. John, George Hotel, Lichfield
 1083—Townley Parker, Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester
 1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower Street, Derby. (Instruction)
 1119—St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
 1218—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Mosley, near Manchester
 1219—Strangeways, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester
 1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
 1283—Ryburn, Central Buildings, Town Hall Street, Soarby Bridge
 1392—Egerton, Stanley Arms Hotel, Stanley Street, Bury, Lancashire
 1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
 1633—Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 1723—St. George, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton
 1953—Prudence and Industry, George Hotel, Church, Somersetshire
 1967—Beacon Court, Gluzee Fort Hotel, New Brompton, Kent
 R.A. 236—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Ducombe Street, York
 R.A. 605—De Tabley, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
 R.A. 1356—De Grey and Ripon, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 M.M.—Howe, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham
 M.M.—Northumberland and Berwick, Masonic Hall, Market-street, Newcastle
 M.M. 24—Roberts, Masonic Rooms, Ann Street, Rochester
 K.T.—Alpass, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 K.T. 16—Prudence, Freemasons' Hall, Ipswich

THURSDAY, 27th OCTOBER.

- General Committee Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
 22—Neptune, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 31—Mount Zion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 65—Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 66—Grenadiers', Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, Colledge-street, Lambeth, 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)
 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 507—United Pilgrims, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
 704—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 395 High Holborn, at 7 (Instruction)
 749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Aldersgate Street, E.C. (Instruction)
 751—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
 858—South Middlesex, Beaufort House, North Earl, Fallow
 861—Finsbury, London Tavern, Fenchurch-street
 871—Royal Oak, White Swan, Deptford
 879—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In)
 1158—Southern Star, Phoenix, Saugate, Westminster-bridge, at 8 (Inst.)
 1278—Burdett, Conitts, Swan Tavern, Bethnal Green Road, E., at 8. (Instruct)
 1306—St. John, Three Crowns Tavern, Mile End Road, E. (Instruction)
 1339—Stockwell, Masons' Tavern, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
 1421—Laughthorne, Swan Hotel, Stratford
 1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30 (Inst)
 1558—D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, at 8 (In.)
 1571—Leopold, Austin's Hotel, 7 London Street, E.C., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1302—Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool Road (corner of Theobert Street) N., at 8. (Instruction)
 1612—West Middlesex, Bell Hotel, Ealing, at 8. (Instruction)
 1614—Covent Garden, Criterion, W., at 8. (Instruction)

- 1622—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)
 1625—Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., at 7.30. (In.)
 1658—Skelmersdale, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S.E.
 1673—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)
 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9 (Inst)
 1744—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 1791—Creaton, Wheatsheaf Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush. (Inst)
 1816—Victoria Park, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park Road
 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1974—St. Mary Abbots, Town Hall, Kensington
 R.A. 29—St. Albans, Albion, Aldersgate Street
 R.A. 177—Domatic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 R.A. 534—Polish National, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8. (In.)
 R.A. 766—William Preston, Cannon-street Hotel, E
 R.A. 1471—North London, Northampton House, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 R.A. 1623—West Smithfield, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 51—Angel, Three Cups, Colchester
 78—Imperial George, Assheton Arms Hotel, Middleton, Lancashire
 111—Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington
 116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel Colne
 203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool. (Instruction)
 208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dawsbury
 214—Hope and Unity, White Hart Hotel, Brentwood, Essex
 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Huddersfield
 276—Good Fellowship, White Hart Hotel, Chelmsford
 283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
 286—Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup
 337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
 341—Wellington, Cinque Ports Hotel, Rye
 344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
 348—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawgate, Bolton
 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 636—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
 651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon
 659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blythe
 784—Wellington, Masonic Rooms, Park Street, Deal
 807—Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Theatre Street, Norwich
 904—Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham
 935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Islington Square, Salford
 966—St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek, Stafford
 1000—Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend on Sea
 1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Cornwall.
 1313—Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southport, Lancashire
 1325—Stanley, 214 Gt. Homer Street, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 1437—Liberty of Havering, Rising Sun, Romford
 1459—Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, Hyde-road, West Gorton, nr Manchester
 1505—Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1576—Dec, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Cheshire
 1580—Cranbourne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1626—Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
 1638—Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Norbiton, at 8. (Instruction)
 1892—Wallington, King's Arms Hotel, Carnialton. (Instruction)
 R.A. 57—Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull
 R.A. 113—Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Church Street, Preston
 R.A. 129—Kendal Castle, 12 Stramondgate, Kendal
 R.A. 216—Sacred Delta, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 266—Naphthali, Masonic Hall, Market-place, Hoywood
 R.A. 279—Fortitude, Freemasons' Hall, Halford Street, Leicester
 R.A. 394—Concord, Freemasons' Hall, Albion Terrace, Southampton
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 R.A. 431—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Norfolk-street, North Shields
 R.A. 1037—Portland, Masonic Hall, Portland, Dorset
 R.A. 1098—Prince of Wales, Private Rooms, Temple Hall, Trodegar
 R.A. 1235—Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton
 R.A. 1503—Francis Burdett, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
 M.M. 21—Howe, George Hotel, Melton Mowbray
 M.M. 34—St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester

FRIDAY, 28th OCTOBER.

- Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7
 25—Robert Burns, Portland Arms Hotel, Great Portland Street, W., at 8. (In)
 60—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
 167—St. John's, York and Albany Hotel, Regent's Park, N.W., at 8. (Inst.)
 507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 569—Fitzroy, Head Quarters, Hon. Artillery Company, E.C.
 765—St. James, Princess Victoria Tavern, Rotherhithe, at 8. (Instruction)
 766—William Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George St., Baker St., at 8. (In)
 780—Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8. (Instruction)
 834—Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith. (Instruction)
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, at 8. (Instruction)
 1036—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1185—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1228—Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone. (Instruction)
 1293—Royal Standard, Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8.
 1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)
 1601—Ravensbourne, Board of Works Office, Catford Bridge, Lewisham
 1642—E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
 1789—Ubique, 79 Ebury Street, Pimlico, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 R.A. —Panmure C. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich. (Inst.)
 R.A. 95—Eastern Star C. of Improvement, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall Street
 R.A. 749—Belgrave, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Improvement)
 R.A. 890—Hornsey, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Square, Paddington, W. (Improvement)
 R.A. 1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultural Hall, N.
 M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)
 M.M. 223—West Smithfield, Cathedral Hotel, St. Paul's Churchyard
 M.M. 355—Royal Savoy, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)
 K.T. 74—Harcourt, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond
 401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
 404—Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford
 453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 460—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
 566—St. Germain, Masonic Hall, The Crescent, Selby
 652—Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmfirth
 810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
 1034—Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
 1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
 1303—Pelham, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes
 1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Barnet
 1391—Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1621—Castle, Crown Hotel, Bridgnorth
 1712—St. John, Freemasons Hall, Grainger Street, Newcastle upon Tyne
 1821—Atlingworth, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
 2039—Londonderry, Y.M.C.A., John Street, Sunderland
 General Lodge of I. instruction, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, at 8
 R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster
 R.A. 355—Wiltshire, Masonic Hall, Victoria Street, Swindon

- R.A. 471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock Street, Newport, Monmouthshire
 R.A. 680—Sefton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool
 K.T. 125—Sussex, Southdown Hotel, Eastbourne
 R.C. 20—Royal Kent, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle

SATURDAY, 29th OCTOBER.

- 179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8 (In)
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1384—Earl of Zeland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7 (Instruction)
 1706—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In.)
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
 149—Peace, Private Rooms, Meltham
 303—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood
 453—Chigwell, Forest Hotel, Chingford
 1462—Wharcliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
 1965—Eastes, Parish Rooms, Bromley, Kent

CONSECRATION OF THE WHITE HORSE LODGE, No. 2227.

THERE was a large assembly of Masons on Thursday, the 13th inst., to take part in the consecration of a new Lodge just formed in Westbury. The formation of the new Lodge was by direction of the R.W. the P.G.M., Bro. Lord Methuen, who was represented on the occasion by Bro. Sir Gabriel Goldney D.P.G.M. of Wilts, P.G.W. of England, and the presiding Officer on the occasion. The brethren having assembled, the Lodge was opened in due form, by Bro. Prior Goldney, after which the Prov. Grand Secretary read the petition and warrant. The ceremony of consecration and dedication was then most ably performed by Bro. Sir G. Goldney, succeeded by a masterly oration by Prov. Grand Chaplain Bro. Lloyd, in which he referred to an old Lodge established at Westbury and afterwards removed therefrom. This portion of the ceremony having been concluded, the installation of the W.M. of the new Lodge was proceeded with by the V.W. Bro. Thomas Fenn, President of the Board of General Purposes, who journeyed from London for the purpose, and who executed the work in a most effective manner. The W.M. Bro. W. H. Reed then took the chair and appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. C. N. P. Phipps S.W., W. H. Laverton J.W., H. Reeves Secretary, J. J. Trask S.D., G. Walker J.D., H. Mead I.G., T. Reeves Treasurer. The exhortation to the W.M. and the Officers was given by Bro. T. Fenn, in a most effective style. Bro. H. Bevir, under whose direction the arrangements have been carried out, acted as Secretary pro tem, and Bro. J. Chandler, 355, made an efficient M.C. The musical portion of the ceremony was carried out by Bro. H. Millington. Before closing the Lodge several names were proposed for initiation and joining members. The brethren then adjourned to a banquet in the Laverton Institute, where a capital repast was laid, to which between 50 and 60 sat down, the chair being occupied by the D.P.G.M. Sir G. Goldney. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given and enthusiastically received, Bro. J.C. N. P. Phipps S.W. proposing the health of the Chairman in eulogistic terms. Success to the new Lodge was felicitously proposed by Bro. P. Goldney, who tendered some good advice to the Officers as to the selection of candidates to join the noble Order. A very pleasant evening was spent in toasts and song, Bros. Mackrell, Lewis, and the newly elected W.M. ably assisting in the harmony, Bro. H. Millington presiding at the pianoforte. The brethren dispersed at an early hour.

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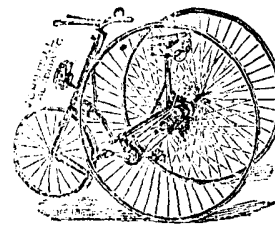
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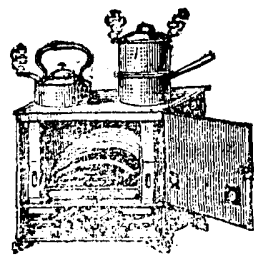
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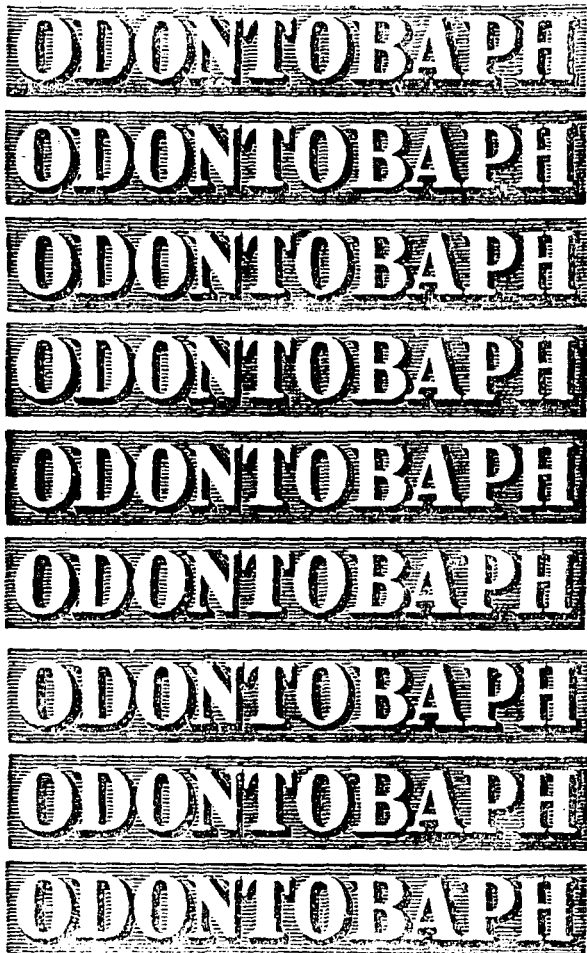
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