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THE CANDIDATES FOR THE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

WE have already referred to the approaching Election for the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, the number of candidates who will go to the poll, and the number who will be elected; but so far we have not followed our usual course of singling out a few of the cases which appear to be especially worthy of consideration, and we therefore recur to the subject on the present occasion. The election will take place on Saturday, the 27th inst., when sixty-three candidates will compete for nine vacancies. This very wide disproportion of vacancies to the number of candidates, following so closely on the grand result of the Centenary Festival, has called forth strong expressions of disappointment in many quarters, and it would certainly be hard to justify the action of the Committee in not declaring extra vacancies were we not convinced that such a course will be adopted at no very distant date. We can well understand that it is next to impossible suddenly to extend the scope of such a charity as the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and on this account we would ask those who are strongest in their expressions of disapproval to wait a little longer, when we think they will experience the full benefit of the Centenary success. No doubt there are many who will say they paid their money months ago, and are anxious to see some good done with it, and in answer we refer them to the enlargements and alterations at the Institution, which were particularly set out as the object of the Centenary appeal. As soon as the various works which were then decided upon have been completed we shall find that steps will be taken to extend the work of the Charity. Until then it will be wise to wait patiently. In advising our readers to await the course of events it must not be understood that we depart from the line we took up a fortnight since, when we urged the desirability of spending some of the Centenary surplus in the creation of a limited number of "assistance" grants. We still think it would be better to set aside a portion of the funds of the Institution, for the purpose of helping a large number of candidates at their own homes, than to vote more money for the enlargement and extension of the existing School, with the object of there maintaining a much smaller number of children than could be "assisted" outside.

It would appear that the Craft is quite unable to keep up a supply of money sufficient to help all who are considered worthy of being helped, and the question is, whether it is best to help a few lavishly, or to assist the many sparingly. We are of opinion that the Craft already does enough in the way of total maintenance, so far as the Educational Institutions are concerned, and it is about time that steps were taken to find out how much of the benevolence which is wrung from the Craft is backed up

by similar generosity on the part of those who are helped. We are quite sure that very many who are now reaping the full benefits of the Masonic Institutions are quite as capable of assisting in the maintenance of their children as are those who at present find all the money for that purpose, but of course if the friends are not asked to help they can hardly be expected to offer so to do; besides which the laws do not make any provision for such outbursts of, we were going to say generosity, but the correct term to apply is honesty. Is it possible to believe that of the hundreds who are helped by the two Educational Institutions there is never one to whom a stroke of good luck comes? And yet we seldom hear of a child being withdrawn from the Schools from such a cause; neither do we think either of the Secretaries is often called upon to give a receipt for a donation from those whose children are being maintained in the Schools, and there must be many whose circumstances so far improve as to allow of their giving something. But it may be asked, how does all this affect the subject touched upon at the commencement of our present remarks? In this way,—there are sixty-three candidates, and only nine vacancies. Now, our argument is, that that there would be more vacancies if only the really necessitous children were retained in the Schools, or if some plan were adopted of enforcing help from those parents whose position has so far improved as to enable them to pay a part of the expense of educating and maintaining their own children.

On the present list of sixty-three candidates there are four last applicants. No. 3, Nora Geach, has already made two attempts, and goes to the poll with 470 votes recorded on her behalf. She is one of two children dependent on her mother, the widow of a Brother made in the Devon Lodge, No. 1138, Devonshire, and to which he subscribed for 14½ years. No. 4, Sarah Bissett, has also stood two previous elections, and her brought forward total is 394. She is one of five children left to the care of a widowed mother. Her father was initiated in the Temperance in the East Lodge, No. 898, London, in August 1876, and subscribed thereto until the time of his death, which occurred between the years 1881 and 1882, the exact time not being known, as our deceased brother was "lost at sea." This is a case which calls for more than passing notice. It is one we venture to think no subscriber to the Institution would desire to see passed over, and yet what are the ultimate chances of success? The girls' friends will have to work hard—how hard only those who have managed an election can say—to secure one of the nine vacancies, and if they fail, what is the result? Nothing more can be done. Surely it must cause a pang to many of those who subscribe liberally to learn that there is even the possibility of ultimate failure for such a case. We fervently hope good luck is in store for the family. No. 11, Ethel Lilian Julia Wells, comes forward for the second time, with only 77 votes

to her credit. She also is one of five children left to a mother's care. Her father was initiated in the Prince of Wales' Lodge, No. 959, Suffolk, and subscribed there until death. During his membership he qualified as a Life Subscriber of the Institution for which his daughter is now a candidate, and on this account he stands out conspicuously as one of the few on the present ballot paper who did anything for the Charities beyond what they contributed through their Lodges. No. 52, Ada Lilian Smith, is a first application case. Both her parents are living, and they have seven children dependent on them, one only being partially provided for. The father is an old member of the Whittington Lodge, No. 862, to which he subscribed eleven years.

It will thus be seen that the last application cases are remarkably few on the present occasion, but it must not be forgotten that to elect them all it would monopolise nearly one-half of the vacancies. Still, as we said last week, it would be better to strain a point on their behalf rather than run the risk of excluding them for ever from benefits for which all the remaining candidates have other chances of competing.

There are several cases still unnoticed, for which we should like to say a word, but with so many to choose from it is really impossible to guess as to the most deserving. All we can do is to express a hope that the four last applications may be among the successful at the end of the present month, and that the remaining candidates may one and all in their turn secure a home in the Institution.

TRADITIONS OF FREEMASONRY.

THE traditions of Freemasonry form a precious heritage. Rightly interpreted they are as beneficent as they are authoritative. One of them floating down the stream of time, through so many centuries that antiquity obscures its source, is that when the ancient society here represented appears in public to perform ceremonies such as now calls us together, an eulogy upon the institution of Masonry itself shall invariably be included. This venerable Order performs its ceremonials, ordinarily, removed from the public eye; but when invited by the authorities in charge of the erection of public buildings to lay the corner stone of such edifices, it comes forth from its seclusion, and throwing off its habitual reticence and reserve, enacts its allotted part in no spirit of misery, but boldly avows its aims and purposes, and indeed requires an exposition of its principles.

Freemasonry rests on a foundation of broad human sympathies. Its objects are, by precept and practice, to foster virtue, to inculcate charity, and to bind its members together in enduring bonds of brotherly love. He is the best exponent of the Order whose life is most luminous with good works; who can most tenderly feel for his fellow man in trial and affliction; who never breaks the laws of the land, but most loyally upholds constituted authority; and who loves virtue and frowns on vice. Indeed, he only can be an ideal Mason who is also an ideal citizen. If the members of our Order in their daily lives do not attain to this lofty standard, it must be borne in mind that precept is easier than practice, and theory than example; and that even the Christian Church whose divine founder points to heaven and led the way, is filled with those who strive to adequately exemplify its exalted doctrines, but strive in vain, because poor, weak erring humanity can never fully realize its ideals, and all terrestrial things must be imperfect so long as mankind exists under its present limitations. The institution of Masonry had its foundations deeply and securely laid in the hopes, aspirations and affections of men, or it never could have come down to us through the ages, evolving and developing with the lapse of time, adapting itself through revolving centuries to the changes of religion, civilisation and enlightenment, and ever retaining its hold upon the human heart.

Man is a sympathetic creature by nature and is prone to look to his fellow man for aid and counsel and for sympathy and companionship. The earliest associations or societies

of which we have knowledge were occasioned by the community of interests existing among those engaged in the great building operations of the past—the artisans employed in erecting the temples whose ruins, like monuments to departed greatness, strew the lands of Asia, Africa and Southern Europe. Famous among these relics of antiquity was the Temple at Jerusalem, though no trace of it is known to exist in our day. The craft of those remote periods are supposed to have been the earliest societies in existence, and as the structures of those days were uniformly built of stone, it is believed that the Masons formed the most powerful of those organisations, and thus is explained the name and the adoption of many of the forms that characterise our present Order. When and how Masonry began—that august institution that has developed into what is now termed speculative Freemasonry—no man can tell; and it matters not, for the tree is known by its fruit whatever may have been its germ.

It has been objected by some that Masonry is a secret society, and therefore not entitled to public confidence and esteem. In any dangerous or obnoxious sense this charge is utterly groundless. While it is true that the initiation of members, and the proceedings of most of its meetings are removed from the public eye, as are the concerns of a family, a business corporation and an infinite variety of other associations, yet its list of membership is as open as the day; its aims, its motives and its principles are heralded in print, and proclaimed in public places, as they are now being on this occasion. All politics and political agitation are sedulously excluded from its action and consideration. The very character of its membership is a guarantee, not only of its freedom from aught that is harmful, but also of its possession of much that is laudable and desirable. The names of some of the most illustrious citizens of this and other nations illumine its rolls. In America, Presidents, Governors, Senators, Judges, and other high officials have taken pride and pleasure in their connection with it. George Washington, whose name is synonymous with all that is truest, most loyal, and most highly honoured in this republic, officiated as the Grand Master of Masons 95 years ago when the corner stone of our National Capitol was laid with the same ceremonies, save in elaborateness, as those which are being performed on this occasion. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the representative man of the British Empire, counts it as not the least of his honours that he is the Grand Master of British Masons. The late German Emperor, old Kaiser William, whose name will echo through the corridors of time as the founder of one of the most phenomenal Empires of this age, thought it detracted not from his august dignity to preside over the Grand Lodge of United Germany. If such men, who, of all others, would be jealous of aught that would interfere with legally constituted authority, could discern no danger in the harmless privacy surrounding some Masonic observances, surely the most timid conservatism may safely cast aside its apprehensions that the secrets of the Order are in any way a menace to the public weal.

Many ministers of God, likewise, belong to the Masonic Fraternity. Not only is Masonry not antagonist to the precept and example of the meek and lowly Jesus of Nazareth, but no atheist can become a member of the Order. No Masonic meeting can be opened, and no business in a Masonic body can be transacted, unless a copy of the Holy Scriptures is there present; and the more staunch and loyal the citizen, the purer and truer the Christian, the more worthy and acceptable will be the Mason.

But the heat of summer, and the limitations of human endurance, admonish me not to linger too long, even on so grateful a theme as extolling thy virtues, O venerable and august institution of Masonry! During a membership of thirty years, in peace and in war, have I beheld thy beneficence. On the bloody field of Gettysburg have I witnessed Masonic soldiers of our own Rhode Island, clad in loyal blue, tenderly raise the prostrate form of a Masonic Georgia colonel, robed in Confederate gray, and at the peril of their lives bear their inanimate burden to an appropriate place and there inter it and mark the spot, with all the gentleness of brothers; though their conceptions of duty in life had forced the parties to that fraternal burial to engage in deadly strife. I have listened to the recital of exchanged prisoners how Masonry has softened the rigours of their grim experience, though it would not interfere with the performance of duty to the cause espoused by its members.

I can never forget the many valued and delightful friendships, and the abundant sympathy and kindness Masonic association has secured for me; and in no presence, and on no proper occasion, will my gratitude, O venerable and august institution, permit me to fail to bear witness to thy merit and thy worth. Thou hast been to me, as to others, an unfailing source of satisfaction and delight, and thou hast furnished richest illustration of the truth of the Scriptural saying: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"—*General Horatio Rogers.*

A MYSTIC RELIC FROM POMPEII.

THERE is in the National Museum at Naples, Italy, a curious relic (No. 109-988) possibly Masonic, certainly Mystic, which is thus described in S. Russell Forbes's "Rambles in Naples:"

During explorations in Pompeii in 1874, there was found a most beautiful piece of Masonic work, which from its wonderful and unique formation and workmanship has caused much excitement. It is a Mosaic Table, of square shape, and little more than a foot square, fixed in a strong, wooden frame. It served as the top of the Pedestal in the Masonic Lodge at Pompeii. The ground is of a grey-green stone, in the middle of which is a human skull, made of white, grey and black colours. In appearance the skull is quite natural, and the beauty of its execution is such as to render it a model of anatomical precision and truthfulness. Above the skull is seen a Level, of coloured wood, the points being of brass, and from the top point, by a white thread, is suspended a plumb line. Below the skull is a wheel with six spokes, and on the upper rim of the wheel is a butterfly, with wings of a red colour, edged with yellow, the eyes being blue. The outline of the entire piece is symmetrical, so that the skull, wings and wheel, through the protrusion of the plumb line, become halved. Looking sideways, the objects correspond with each other. On the left is an upright spear, the bottom of which is of iron. Resting on the ground from this there hangs, attached to a golden cord, a garment of scarlet, also a purple robe. Evidently this work of art is mystical and symbolical, and it appears to have some reference to the Royal Craft. The antiquity of the Brotherhood, and its fellowship with the Ancient Mysteries, becomes certified by this wondrous piece of Mosaic art."

Bro. Alex. Tocher, of Calcutta, while stopping at Naples, secured a fine photograph of the top of this curious mystic table or pedestal, which he presented to Bro. Randall Clunas, of St. Ninian's Lodge, No. 575, of Nairn, Scotland, but now of the city of Philadelphia, and Bro. Clunas has fraternally given us a view of the photograph, and of the reference to it from which we have quoted above.—*Key-stone.*

PROV. G. LODGE OF SOUTH WALES.

THE annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of South Wales, Eastern Division, was held at the Masonic Hall, Merthyr, on Tuesday, 9th inst., under the presidency of the Right Worshipful Bro. Sir George Elliot, Bart., M.P. Among the other Officers of the Grand Lodge present were:—Bros. M. Tennant Deputy Prov. G.M., J. M. Jones P.S.G.W., J. R. Davies P.J.G.W., Thomas Walters Prov. Chap., Sidney Coleman Treasurer, W. Whittington Secretary, Robert A. Browning Assistant Secretary, Robert Parry and J. Sprague D. of C., J. J. Jones Assistant D. of C., R. C. Roper Sword B., L. Beha G.P. Geo. Bullewell Tyler. After the reading of the minutes of the last Provincial Grand Lodge, the report of the Treasurer, Bro. Sidney Coleman, from August 1887 to 5th July 1888, was presented. The receipt side included £137 19s 3d, balance in the Glamorganshire Bank, Neath; fees of honour £17 6s 6d, Provincial Grand Lodge dues £128 12s, dispensation fees 10s, total £289 17s. The disbursements included £5 9s 3d for local charities, Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution £105 (donation), Victoria Fund (Widows), £52 10s, miscellaneons £44 18s 2d, balance in bank, £81 19s 7d. The accounts were duly passed. The Provincial Grand Lodge Committee, which met at the Masonic Hall, Caer-street, Swansea, on 5th July, reported that steady progress continued to be made by the various Lodges in the Province, and the most harmonious feeling existed. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, as Charity Steward for the Province, had great pleasure in reporting that, at the last Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, held in February last, under the presidency of the Right Worshipful Grand Master Sir George Elliot, he took up the handsome sum of £870, including twenty

guineas subscribed by the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, as Chief Commissioner for the Province, also reported that, for the first time for some years, the account of votes with the Western Provinces Charity Association now showed a considerable balance—399 votes—in favour of the Province. The Officers were invested, as follow:—

Bro. John Rogers 1573	-	-	-	Senior Warden
D. R. Lewis 110	-	-	-	Junior Warden
Dr. Walters 1573	-	-	-	} Chaplains
W. Williams 1807	-	-	-	
D. S. Varzopollo 1992	-	-	-	
J. Morgan 651	-	-	-	Registrar
W. Whittington 364	-	-	-	Secretary
A. Peters 364	-	-	-	Senior Deacon
N. Leich 1573	-	-	-	Junior Deacon
St. Lewis 1573	-	-	-	Supt. of Works
James Radley 960	-	-	-	Dir. of Ceremonies
George F. Harris 110	-	-	-	Asst. Dir. of Cers.
F. G. Hodges 1754	-	-	-	Sword Bearer
W. Pritchard 679	-	-	-	} Standard Bearers
F. A. Miles 1822	-	-	-	
J. C. Vye-Parminster 1323	-	-	-	
Jonah Watkins 1807	-	-	-	Pursuivant
Edward Dawson 36	-	-	-	Assistant Pursuivant
George Bullerwell 237	-	-	-	Tyler
John Williams 237	-	-	-	} Stewards
W. F. Ulawood 960	-	-	-	
James S. Harris 1752	-	-	-	
W. H. Rosser 1573	-	-	-	
Arthur H. Roberts 36	-	-	-	

A collection in behalf of the new hospital realised £6 18s. A banquet was held at the Bush Hotel Assembly Rooms in the afternoon. Sir George Elliot proposed from the chair the toasts of the Queen and the Craft, and the Most Wor. Grand Master. Dr. Walters proposed the Prov. Grand Master and Officers of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Marmaduke Tennant proposed the R.W. Prov. Grand Master. Sir George proposed the W. Dep. Prov. Grand Master, and Bro. Marmaduke Tennant the Visitors, to the latter of which Bro. Pritchard Morgan responded. The catering of Mr. Michael gave every satisfaction.

PROVINCE OF WEST YORKSHIRE.

THE half-yearly meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of West Yorkshire was held at Keighley, on Wednesday, 10th inst., under the banner of the Royal Yorkshire Lodge, No. 265. It is thirty-three years since the meeting was held at Keighley before. The Keighley Lodge, on the 23rd August last, celebrated its 100th year of unbroken existence, the Warrant of Constitution bearing the date 23rd August 1788, and the Provincial Grand Lodge visited the town as a compliment to this very old Lodge. In the afternoon the business meeting was held in the Keighley Technical Institute, when about 200 members of the Order were present, from all parts of West Yorkshire. The Grand Master, Bro. T. W. Tew, of Pontefract, presided at the meeting, and he was supported by the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Henry Smith, of Wakefield. The Centenary Warrant and jewels were presented to the Keighley Lodge, and was accepted by the Worshipful Master, Bro. Edwin Lee. After the business of the Lodge had been concluded, the Brotherhood marched to church in full regalia, where Bro. the Rev. J. Room, Chaplain to the Keighley Lodge, preached a sermon from the words, "He was called the friend of God." Bro. Charles Blagbro sang the solo, "Be thou faithful." The Centenary Warrant presented to the Lodge is signed by the Prince of Wales as Grand Master of the Order. In the evening a banquet was held at the Devonshire Hotel. At the meeting in the afternoon the Provincial Master read the report. A collection was taken at the church for the funds of the Cottage Hospital.

We learn that Sir Archibald Campbell of Blythswood, Bart., M.P., has consented to re-election as Grand Master Mason of Scotland, and that he will accordingly be nominated for his fourth year in that office at the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge in the beginning of November.

The Editor of the *New Zealand Mail* announces that he has re-opened his Masonic column, under the supervision of a Master in the Craft, and that he will be glad to receive from Secretaries of Lodges, and brethren generally, short reports of Lodge meetings and Masonic events of all kinds likely to be of interest to members of the Craft.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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ROYAL YORKSHIRE LODGE, No. 265.

THIS Lodge attained its hundredth birthday in August last, the warrant constituting it bearing date 23rd August 1788. As a compliment to the old Lodge the Provincial Grand Lodge of West Yorkshire will hold its half-yearly meeting at the Technical Institute, Keighley, when the Provincial Grand Master will present to the Local Lodge its Centenary Warrant, signed by the Prince of Wales as Grand Master of the Order. It is thirty-three years since the Provincial Lodge last visited Keighley.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 328.

ON Monday, the 1st inst., a number of important presentations were made at the monthly meeting at the Masonic Hall, Torquay. Past Masters' jewels were presented to the following worshipful brethren:—Bros. C. J. Harland, W. Wakeham, D. J. Allams, W. Taylor, J. Grant, J. Salter, and E. Richards. The presentations were made by Bro. R. L. Muford W.M., and Bro. W. Richards having been made W.M. during the past year received a jubilee medal, the other jewels having a gold bar bearing the inscription "Veteran" in recognition of their services to the Lodge. Bro. the Rev. Elphinstone Rivers, Babbacombe, and Conway Couch were raised, and the brethren afterwards partook of a cold collation, which was served in the banqueting-room of the hall by Bro. Harrison, of the Queen's Hotel.

ANNESLEY LODGE, No. 1435.

A MEETING was held on Friday, 28th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Nottingham. Present—Bros. W. E. Hartshorn W.M., A. Phelps S.W., E. G. Sackett J.W., W. J. Rogerson P.M. Treasurer, G. T. Alenson P.M. Secretary, S. V. Holgate S.D., W. D. Pratt J.D., J. Levy Dir. of Cers., F. Wharton I.G., H. Kiddier Steward, T. Killingley Tyler. P.M.'s Bros. Lawson, H. W. Rice, W. J. Rogerson, J. Taylor, W. Sibley, T. Mitchell, J. A. Howitt. Visitors—Bros. H. G. Hanson, R. Fitzhugh, E. St. John Morse, T. Roberts, C. A. Bolton, W. F. Sanders, G. W. Dominy, W. Gadsby, E. Griffiths, W. Burrows, C. Guden, I. P. Fearfield, W. H. Blackburn, N. W. Need, W. Hugh, J. White, H. Bickley, H. Clarke, J. T. Farr. Members—N. Ashurst, S. Taylor, S. Brittle, A. Levy, G. Mycroft, S. Cass, J. Herz, J. H. Range W.M. elect 1909, W. Cartledge, C. W. Warriner, and several other brethren. Lodge was duly opened by the W.M. Bro. W. E. Hartshorn, and the minutes of preceding meeting were read and confirmed. The W.M. then vacated the chair in favour of Bro. G. T. Alenson P.M. P.P.G. Std. Br., who in a faultless and most impressive manner installed the W.M. elect Bro. J. Levy in the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom, this being the fifth consecutive occasion in this Lodge that Bro. Alenson has officiated as Installing Master. The W.M. then invested the following brethren:—A. Phelps S.W., S. V. Holgate J.W., W. D. Pratt S.D., F. Wharton J.D., W. Sibley P.M. Treasurer, G. T. Alenson P.M. Secretary, A. Lawson P.M. Dir. of Cers., H. Kiddier I.G., S. Cass, G. Mycroft, A. Levy Stewards, T. Killingley Tyler. A valuable P.M.'s jewel was presented by the I.P.M. Bro. Hartshorn to Bro. W. J. Rogerson P.M., who has recently left the town to take up his residence in London. This gift was suitably acknowledged. The musical portion of the ceremony was most efficiently rendered by several brethren, under the guidance of Bro. Cockrein Organist. Three candidates for initiation were proposed and duly seconded. After hearty good wishes were tendered the W.M. by the visiting brethren the Lodge was closed. After the ceremony a most sumptuous banquet was provided; it was ably served by the Stewardess of the Hall, Mrs. Simpson. The usual toasts were duly given and were fully honoured.

DE LA POLE LODGE, No. 1605.

THE installation of Bro. Henry Hirst as the W.M. took place in the newly consecrated Lodge room, Kingston Square, Hull, on the 4th inst. There was a large attendance of members and visiting brethren. Bro. Hirst was installed by Bro. Lieut.-Col. the Hon. W. T. Orde Powlett P.G.W. Deputy Prov. Grand Master. The new W.M. invested the following brethren as his Officers during the year:—Bros. John Chappell I.P.M., Aaron Peat S.W., Cook J.W., Ansdell Lecture Master, Stratford Chaplain, Jackson Treasurer, Hake Secre-Tiudell S.D., S. Cheesman J.D., Dodgson Director of Ceremonies, C. W. Cheesman Organist, Taylor Steward, Petch, McTurk, White, and Ellis Assistant Stewards, Winter I.G., Hewson Tyler. A banquet followed.

SKELMERSDALE LODGE, No. 1658.

THE brethren met at the Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E., on Thursday, 27th ult., when, notwithstanding the absence of many members who were away on their holidays, the attendance was good. The minutes of the last Lodge meeting having been read and confirmed, the W.M. (Bro. Harcourt West) initiated Mr. A. Rantzer and Mr. G. Delahaye with much impressiveness, the charge after initiation being especially well given. It was proposed by Bro. E. Side and seconded by Bro. A. O. Side, that a Ladies' Night and Ball be given during the season. The proposal was carried unanimously. A committee was appointed for the purpose of carrying out the arrangements, the committee consisting of Bros. B. Cohen, S. F. Bygrave, R. Rowlands, T. Newall, A. O. Side, and E. Side. Bro. James Bayne was an excellent Organist. The dinner was enlivened by some capital speeches from the W.M., Officers, Visitors, &c., and excellent songs were given by Bros. Boys, Bygrave, and Greenwood. The W.M. also gave a recitation in his well-known style.

KINGSLAND LODGE, No. 1693.

THE annual meeting of this popular North of London Lodge was held on Tuesday, the 2nd inst., at the Cook Tavern, Highbury Station. The Lodge was opened by Bro. R. P. Forge the I.P.M. (in consequence of the death of the Master, Bro. G. F. Snook, in March last). Bro. Forge, assisted by Bro. Thos. Casely S.W. (W.M. elect), W. T. H. Mayer J.W., J. Cooper P.M. Treasurer, A. W. Fenner P.M. Secretary, H. C. Turner S.D., H. J. Hazel as I.G., T. Bowler Tyler, Past Masters C. K. Killick sen., C. K. Killick jun., H. Hall, and about thirty members, with several visitors. Lodge was opened in regular form. The minutes of the last regular Lodge and two emergency meetings were read and confirmed, after which the business of the meeting was proceeded with. This, which was of a heavy character, included the working of the three degrees as well as the installation ceremony. The P.M.'s of the Lodge with their well known readiness shared the work between them. The W.M. elect was installed by the first Master of the Lodge, Bro. C. K. Killick jun. The new W.M. was saluted by the brethren in the usual manner. Bro. R. P. Forge was invested I.P.M. The W.M. appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. W. T. H. Mayer S.W., H. C. Turner J.W., Jas. Cooper P.M. Treasurer, A. W. Fenner P.M. Sec., H. J. Hazel S.D., L. Simon J.D., W. Whittell I.G., J. Potter D.C., A. T. Whittell W.S., D. Harper A.W.S., W. Wright Organist, T. Bowler Tyler. A ballot was taken for the admission of Mr. W. A. Wetherfield; it proved unanimous. The new W.M. initiated the following gentlemen:—Mr. Thomas Casely (the father of the W.M.), Mr. Lewis Cully, and Mr. Samuel Jamieson. These candidates were balloted for at the previous Lodge meeting. Bro. Jas. Cooper P.M. gave the charge in a very impressive manner, eliciting the approbation of the brethren. Routine business followed, after which the Lodge was closed and the brethren adjourned to a banquet, which was served in Bro. Baker's well known style, and superintended by their new manager, Brother Joseph Sams. The Loyal toasts were given, and responded to most heartily, the brethren singing the National Anthem. The toasts of the W.M. and Visitors were also cordially received. That of the Initiates received an ovation. In responding, all expressed their pleasure in being made members of a Fraternity universally admired; they would do their utmost to become honourable members of the Order. The W.M. was complimented on the fact of his "father" becoming his "brother." The P.M.'s, Treasurer, and Secretary, as also the Officers of the Lodge, were complimented, the toasts in each case being received with cordiality. Time pressing, the responses were necessarily shorter than was intended. The Tyler's toast brought a very successful meeting to a close. The Visitors' list included:—Bros. John Osborn P.M. 1602 1897 P.P.G. Sword B. Middx., H. Charrington P.M. 386, 777, 1146, P.P.S.W. Dorset, W. Tron P.M. 1579 P.P.G. Supt. Works Middx., R. Baker P.M. 1946, P. A. Frost 184 W.M. 1096, H. Saltor W.M. 861, A. E. Sarti W.M. 180, R. F. Brickdale I.P.M. 1623, J. Jones S.W. 1878, C. Dearing S.W. 1602, W. Chapman J.W. 907, A. Cook S.D. 1366, N. L. Western 813, C. W. Rex 2202, W. Wright Organist 1897, H. Lichtenfeld 205, E. Style 704, R. Stebbings 1685, 2063, S. Cole 1177, J. Bayne 1897, C. Gammon 704, Mittens 861. Bros. Bayne, Gammon, and Style contributed greatly to the evening's enjoyment by some excellent songs. Bro. W. Wright presided at the piano, and with his performance the brethren were highly gratified.

STRANTON LODGE, No. 1862.

THE annual installation took place on Wednesday, 3rd inst., at the Masonic Hall, West Hartlepool. The newly elected W.M., Bro. Geo. T. Walker, was installed by Bro. R. W. Simpson, in the presence of several eminent visiting brethren. The W.M. appointed the following Officers, viz.:—Bros. Suggitt S.W., White J.W., Taylor Treasurer, Mearns Secretary, Abbey S.D., Barlow J.D., Metcalfe D.C., Smith Organist, Body I.G., and Baumann, Johnson, and Holland Stewards. A jewel was presented to Bro. Simpson (who has twice filled the chair) by Bro. C. S. Lane, and another to Bro. Hurworth, of the Harbour of Refuge Lodge, in recognition of his musical services. At the close of the ceremony a banquet was served at the Royal Hotel.

ST. OSYTH PRIORY LODGE, No. 2063.

ON Friday, 21st ult., the annual festival in connection with this Lodge took place at the Royal Hotel, Clacton-on-Sea, over fifty members of the Craft being present, including twenty-one Past Masters. Bro. J. P. Allen S.W. was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being ably performed by Bro. W. J. Nunn I.P.M., assisted by Bro. Fred King, while Bro. J. C. Turner acted as Organist. The following Officers were appointed:—Bros. Henry Finer S.W., Fred J. Nunn J.W., John Mann Treasurer, M. H. Page Secretary, W. M. Jones Chaplain, F. Reed S.D., J. Starling J.D., S. J. Sparling I.G., J. Stebbings D.C., Murray Steward, H. Hart Tyler. Bro. W. M. Foxcroft I.P.M. was presented with a handsome P.M.'s jewel, in recognition of the able manner in which he had acted as W.M. during the past two years. Bro. Foxcroft was also appointed Representative on the Provincial Charity Committee.

JOSIAH WEDGWOOD LODGE, No. 2214.

THE annual festival of St. John and the installation of the W.M. for the ensuing year took place on Thursday, 27th ult., at the Wesleyan Schools, Etruria. There was a large attendance of members and visitors. The Lodge having been opened, Bro. Richard Tooth was again installed W.M., the ceremony of installation being impressively performed by Bros. E. B. Jackson and D. Smith. The W.M. then proceeded to invest the following as Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. D. Smith S.W., W. J. Cowlshaw J.W., R. Small Treasurer, G. A. Marsden Secretary, E. J. Hammersley S.D., W. R. Tooth J.D., E. B. Jackson D.C., J. White Organist, I. Snape I.G., C. E. Hedge, S. Frost Stewards, and S. Johnson Tyler. Previous to

the Lodge being closed an interesting ceremony took place, the Lodge being presented with the portrait of Bro. R. Tooth, the first W.M., which had been subscribed for by the brethren. The portrait, which is an excellent one, and a most faithful likeness of Bro. R. Tooth, is 36 in. by 28 in. It is an enlarged photograph in carbon, being finished by hand, with white margin, representing an engraving with a massive gilt frame, with Masonic emblems attached. There is a gilt tablet at the bottom containing the following inscription:—

“W. Bro. Richard Tooth P.P.G.R., first W.M. of the Josiah Wedgwood Lodge 2214, P.M. Portland Lodge 637. Presented by the brethren of the Josiah Wedgwood Lodge, September 27th 1888.”

The artist is Bro. F. R. Ryles, of Burslem. Bro. Carr made the presentation, and expressed the pleasure it gave him to be called upon to present the portrait of their first W.M. He said no one could tell the great time, trouble, and money that Bro. Tooth had spent in founding a Lodge at Etruria, but his efforts had been crowned with success. Bro. Tooth was elected the first W.M., and he had filled the office in a grand and dignified manner, and no doubt he would do the same in the ensuing year. He had known the W.M. for a great number of years, and he had always found him strictly honourable in all dealings both inside and outside that Lodge. Bro. R. Tooth returned his sincere and heartfelt thanks for the portrait. Alluding to the foundation of the present Lodge at Etruria he said there was a Masonic Lodge at Etruria in 1803, held at the Bridge Inn, which was now an iron foundry, and there were in existence at the present time several pieces of beautiful pottery, including a magnificent punch-bowl, with the name on it of Etruscan Lodge, 347. The Lodge was removed to Longton in 1807, and there was no account of its history after 1813. He (Bro. Tooth) therefore thought that if there was a Masonic Lodge in 1803, why not one in 1887 at Etruria? He thanked the brethren for the assistance they had given him in the formation and carrying on of the Lodge, which was now in a successful state, and in many respects equal to any of the neighbouring Lodges. A vote of thanks was then passed to Brother Ryles for the excellent way in which he had carried out the wishes of the brethren in producing such a beautiful portrait. The Lodge was then closed and the brethren adjourned to the Queen's Hotel, Basford, where a sumptuous banquet was partaken of, provided by Mr. G. Ashford. The W.M. presided. After the toast of the Queen and the Craft had been drunk, the W.M. proposed the health of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Most Worshipful Grand Master. Bro. Smith proposed the Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master, and Bro. Carr the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, and the Officers of the Grand Lodge present and past. Bro. Tannicliiff submitted the toast of the Worshipful Bro. Colonel Foster Gough P.G.S.B., Acting Prov. Grand Master of Staffordshire, after which Bro. Carr proposed the Officers of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Staffordshire Present and Past, which was responded to by Bros. Pedley and Ingamells. Bro. E. B. Jackson then proposed the W.M. for the ensuing year—Bro. W. R. Tooth, in complimentary terms. The W.M. having suitably responded, he proposed the health of the Installing Masters, which was acknowledged by Bros. E. B. Jackson and Smith. Bro. Small proposed the Visiting Brethren, which was responded to by Bros. Eardley and Gilbraith. The remaining toasts were: The Officers of the Lodge, proposed by Bro. Howson and responded to by Bro. Cowlshaw; and the Masonic Charities, proposed by Bro. Hammersley and responded to by Bro. Tannicliiff. During the evening an excellent musical programme was gone through, under the direction of Bro. Baker, a special feature being the masterly violin solos of Bro. Young.

ABBEY LODGE OF WESTMINSTER, No. 2030.

THIS Lodge met on Monday, 8th inst., at the Town Hall, Caxton Street, the Worshipful Master Bro. James Gibson (Past Master of No. 1604) presiding over a very full attendance of members and visitors, among the latter being Bros. Flattely, Badderley, Dotterill, J. Maidment, R. Kirk, D. Haslett, H. Robinson, B. E. Blasby, T. Bailey, J. C. Botton, James F. Roberts, William Holmes, James Ashton, Johnson S.W., L. A. Harrison, and George E. Sanders. Included in the list of members present we noticed the Rev. Brother Simpson Past Grand Chaplain of England, Past Masters W. H. Baker (Treasurer), John E. Shand (Secretary), Thomas Bull; De Piona, J. Montague, J. Grafton, Joseph Foster, A. G. Thomson, Thomas Hankin, W. Rogers, F. W. Smith, W. W. Power, J. A. Richards, T. Butler, W. Barnett, A. Cowley, T. Rintoul, T. J. Cocks, C. C. Morgan, Frank Morgan, T. W. Vaughan, John Irving, D. Stroud, A. E. Jeffery, Henry E. Poole, H. Cloots, W. Balchin, H. O. Hamborg, George White, John Kent, George Musson, J. J. Geisel, W. Gilson Holland, J. M. Birch, George Clarke, G. Dexter, John A. Yapp, R. Baughan, J. Chivers Irving, G. Bartlett, James Pain, A. Hambling (Steward), Hayler (Steward), C. C. Piper S.D., H. Mainwaring-Dunstan J.W., R. Goffin S.W., J. Bartlett Organist, &c., &c. The Lodge ceremonies were worked in the customary perfect manner, Bro. Gibson W.M. initiating Messrs. Louis Le Blanc, Frank Delay, and Carl F. Bennewitz, and raising Bro. George Bartlett. Bro. Arthur W. Cowley was passed to the second degree by Bro. Baker P.M., who took the chair temporarily relieve Bro. Gibson. At the conclusion of the Lodge business the brethren, to the number of about 70, adjourned to the banqueting chamber, where a *récherché* dinner was served in a manner worthy of the highest commendation, under the personal supervision of the caterer, Bro. Cloots, of the Victoria Mansions Restaurant. The wines were choice and well selected, and Bro. Cloots was congratulated on the success which he had achieved at very short notice. The *post prandial* proceedings were commenced by the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, proposed from the chair. The Worshipful Master next gave the toast of the Present and Past Grand Officers, associating with it the name of the Rev. Bro. Simpson, who in reply said he should ill repay the kind compliment paid to Grand Lodge by inflicting on the company a long speech. He hoped that the Abbey Lodge would send many Officers into its

Masonic Parliament who would illustrate its annals as well as did their Bro. Past Master Bardett-Countts. He (Bro. Simpson) trusted that when the time came to elect a Grand Treasurer of England, the Abbey Lodge, through its Officers, would return a good and upright Mason who would be an ornament to the Craft. In conclusion he expressed his thanks for the honour they had done him in associating his name with the toast. Bro. Past Master W. H. Baker said the next toast it was his duty to propose would be received with the greatest enthusiasm. Bro. Gibson their W.M. was a good Mason and a thorough worker. They had seen the masterly manner in which he had worked two of the degrees of Craft Masonry that evening, and if it had not been for the state of his health he would have also worked the ceremony of which he (Bro. Baker) relieved him. They knew too how well Bro. Gibson had served them in their various charities, and the deep and sympathetic interest he took in any orphan, widow, or poor deserving man. They all wished the Worshipful Master better health, and trusted that during his year of office he would be able to conduct the work to his own satisfaction. Bro. Gibson, in the course of a brief response, said he hoped he should continue to discharge the duties of his important office, as Bro. Baker had said, to the satisfaction of the Lodge generally. The Rev. Bro. Simpson said the W.M. had been kind enough to place the gavel in his hands for a few moments to propose what was, in one sense, especially the toast of the evening—he meant the health of the Initiates. Every one of them had passed through the process to which those brethren they desired to honour had that night submitted, and he did not suppose that any one had forgotten his position at the moment when he was received into Freemasonry. It was pleasant to recall that time, and he was glad to be able to have the pleasure of asking the Great Architect's blessing on the three brethren who had that night been initiated. He was quite sure that all three were very much impressed by the beautiful ceremony through which they passed, and that as they made progress they would learn more to appreciate the beautiful sentiments and useful lessons which Freemasonry taught, so that if they lived to be his age they would not repent joining such a glorious, old, and noble Order. They would soon know in the words of the good old song:—

“There's nought but what's good,
To be understood
By a free and an accepted Mason.”

And though they must not at the same time expect they had come into an infallible Order, for there were of course Masons who erred as well as those who upheld the obligations they professed, he trusted that they would be amongst the number of those who sought to carry out the principles they were impressed with, and finally that they would have that reward which was held out to the good man and Freemason by finding everlasting joy in that Grand Lodge above where the world's Great Architect lives and reigns for ever. The Initiates severally responded. The toast of the Visitors was proposed by Bro. Goffin S.W., and responded to by Bros. Johnson, Saunders, and Harrison. The W.M. coupled the toast of the Past Masters with the names of Bros. Baker and Shand, respectively Treasurer and Secretary, and also with the name of Bro. Thomas Bull, a Past Master of other Lodges, and one who had rendered great service to the Abbey Lodge. Bro. W. H. Baker P.M. said he felt it a great honour to be able to say that he was the second Master of the Lodge, and he would, without egotism state, that he had done the very best he could for the Lodge since its foundation. At that moment they had over 100 members, and their funds were in a very satisfactory state. He hoped that they would never be in a worse position, and there was certainly no prospect of it, for the coming Officers were men of mark in Westminster, and would do as much credit to the Lodge as those who had gone before; their brother Senior Warden Gollin was a Past Master of another Lodge, and a most able worker, and the assiduity with which their Senior Deacon Bro. C. C. Piper made himself proficient in every succeeding office augured well for the future. In concluding his speech, Bro. Baker referred to the unavoidable absence of their Past Masters Bros. Bardett-Countts and Seager-Hunt. The esteemed Secretary of the Lodge Bro. Shand, in the course of his reply, facetiously alluded to the absence of complaint from any one who had been called upon to pay his dues twice over, although sometimes he was obliged to send a second financial notice before the subject received the attention which its importance merited and business-like notions demanded. He suffered if these little mistakes sometimes miscarried; it was the fault of the Post Office, but he had not lately heard any complaints from members that the letters had not reached them in the usual course. Bro. Past Master Bull also said a few words in reply to the toast, and the Worshipful Master then proposed the health of his Officers, referring specifically to each of them, and thanking them for the support which they accorded him. The Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a conclusion. During the evening a selection of music was given, under the direction of Bro. Bartlett, who was assisted by Madame Fradersdorff and Miss Janet Bryson; Bros. Montague, Bartlett and Riuton also sang.

QUATUOR CORONATI LODGE, No. 2076.

THE stated meeting of this Lodge took place at Freemasons' Hall, on Friday, the 5th instant. Present—Bros. R. F. Gould P.G.D. W.M., W. H. Rylands as S.W., Lieut.-Colonel S. C. Pratt J.W., G. W. Speth Secretary, Professor T. Hayter Lewis J.D., Dr. W. W. Westcott I.G., Rev. C. J. Ball, and E. Macbean. The Correspondence Circle was represented by Bros. J. Bodenham P.A.G.D.C., C. F. Hogard Past Grand Standard Bearer, F. A. Powell Prov. G.S., J. Barker P.P.G.S., J. W. H. Thompson, C. B. Barnes, F. Wood, G. J. Dankley, F. W. Driver, W. Lake, J. S. Cumberland, and C. Kupperschmidt; the visitors were Bros. T. D. Hart 165 and G. A. Nock 1896. Twelve Lodges and sixty-one brethren were elected to the Correspondence Circle, which by these additions has attained a grand total of 419. Bro. W. M. Williams, author of “Through Norway with a Knapsack,” and other works, was pro-

passed as a joining member of the Lodge. The election of Officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, the ballot proving unanimous in favour of Bro. Simpson S.W. as Master, and of Bro. Besant as Treasurer (re-elected). The routine business being concluded, Bro. Edward Macbean read the paper for the evening, which was entitled "Scottish Freemasonry in the present era," and in the subsequent discussion many brethren took part. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the lecturer, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment.

ST. MICHAEL'S LODGE, No. 211.

THE season opened on Tuesday last. The members assembled at the Albion, Aldersgate-street, under the presidency of the W.M., Bro. Alex. Dickson, who was supported by P.M.'s Alfred Green (Treasurer), W. Radcliffe (Secretary), T. H. Peirce, Dr. Waters, F. J. Hentsch, and W. W. Morgan; Linfield S.W., Nash J.W., King S.D., Orton Cooper I.G., Banks Tyler; Bros. James Withers, Parsons, H. Green, Cockrell, and several other members and visitors. After preliminaries, two candidates were proposed for initiation at next meeting, and after routine work Lodge was closed. The brethren afterwards partook of a banquet, and spent an hour or so in harmony.

ST. AUGUSTINE LODGE, No. 972.

THE installation of Bro. R. M. Mercer took place at the Masonic Temple, Canterbury, on Thursday, 4th inst., the ceremony being performed by Bro. Ward, in the presence of a goodly assemblage of brethren. After the ceremony the brethren retired to the Royal Fountain Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet was admirably served by Bro. H. Ward. The usual Masonic toasts were given, interspersed with songs and glees, by Mr. C. Kenningham, Bros. Plant, Higgins, and Rhodes, under the direction of Bro. J. Plant.

OLIVE UNION LODGE, No. 1304.

THE annual festival took place on Thursday, 4th instant. Bro. J. Hadden was duly installed as W.M. for the ensuing year, Bro. the Rev. J. Chalmers most ably acting as Installing Officer. The newly-installed W.M. then invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Musgrave I.P.M., Kimo S.W., Walter J.W., Ward Treasurer, Clitherow P.M. Secretary, Rev. J. A. Chalmers P.M. Chaplain, Short S.D., Julland J.D., Ottway I.G., Marcham Tyler. The brethren afterwards adjourned to the Bull Hotel, where the usual banquet took place.

EBORACUM LODGE, No. 1611.

AT a largely-attended meeting of the brethren of this Lodge, at their Hall, St. Saviourgate, York, on Monday night, Bro. S. J. Dalton the Senior Warden was elected Worshipful Master for the ensuing year; Bro. G. Balford was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. J. Hall was appointed Tyler. The installation of the Worshipful Master will take place on Monday, 12th November.

CHISWICK LODGE, No. 2012.

THE regular meeting of this flourishing young Lodge took place at the Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, on Monday, the 8th instant, when Bro. Lawrence W.M. presided. Bros. Ayling P.M. 975 P.Z. 73 1381 acting I.P.M., Price P.M. 177 acting S.W., Brown J.W., Gardner Secretary, Hopkins acting I.G., Wimpey S.D., Walden J.D., Rawlins D.C., Smither Organist, Hopkins and Kenyon Stewards. Visitors—Bros. Gammon 704, Richardson 1507, Thomas 1000, Chapman 255, Villiers 1194, Collings 1950, and several other brethren. Lodge having been opened in due form, Bro. Skinner was raised to the sublime degree of M.M., and Bros. Hartshorn and Phillips were passed. The ballot proving unanimous in favour of Mr. William James Bull, he was duly initiated. The whole of the ritual being delivered in a praiseworthy manner by the W.M. Afterwards the brethren adjourned to a capital banquet, provided by Bro. Brill. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given. In proposing the Health of his Officers, Bro. Laurence congratulated the Lodge on their efficiency, and especially thanked Bro. Hopkins for his assistance; as a good I.G. always makes a good W.M. he was sure the Lodge would have pleasure in looking upon him as a future W.M. Some capital songs, &c., were contributed during the after proceedings.

WHITWELL LODGE, No. 2104.

ON Tuesday the annual festival was held in the Masonic Hall, Stockton. Bro. J. F. Craggs installed Bro. W. Sudlow S.W. in the chair of K.S., in succession to Bro. R. Appleton. The following brethren were appointed Officers for the ensuing year: Bros. Bage S.W., Seaman J.W., Broome Secretary, Long Treasurer, Gaston S.D., Harrison J.D., Raimes I.G., Appleton S.S., Taylor J.S., Smith Tyler. Bro. G. Lazonby acted as D.C. Subsequently the brethren, with a number of ladies—altogether upwards of 80—dined in the banqueting hall.

Southwark Lodge of Instruction, No. 879.—A very interesting and pleasant evening was spent on Thursday, the 4th instant, at this Lodge of Instruction, held at the Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New-road, when some 40 members met to do honour to their esteemed Preceptor, Bro. W. Beavis P.M. and Secretary 879 and W.M. 1310, who recently had the distinction of Provincial rank conferred upon him by the Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex. After the ordinary business of the Lodge had been transacted, Bro. Walter Martin P.M. 879 occupied the chair, and alluded to the indefatigable and willing way in which Bro. Beavis had given instruction to the brethren attending the Lodge, and how delighted they all were when they heard of the well-deserved honour he had received—an honour which the brethren of the Southwark Lodge appreciated very highly, as it was the first time that either of

its members had attained that distinction. In addressing Bro. Beavis, Bro. Martin explained how unanimous the brethren were in their desire to mark, in some slight manner, their high estimation of his invariable courtesy and kindness; and they thought they could not do better than present him with the full dress clothing of Grand Pursivant of Middlesex, and in investing Brother Beavis with it, on behalf of the subscribers, he assured him of their earnest desire for his long-continued health and happiness, and their hope that for many years to come he would wear the clothing with kindly thoughts of the esteem and regard in which he was held by all the brethren of the Southwark Lodge of Instruction. Bro. Beavis, who on rising to respond met with quite an ovation, thanked the brethren for their very valuable and appropriate gift, and assured them that he appreciated very highly the kind feelings which had been just expressed towards him. It was always a pleasure to him to be of service to any member of the Lodge, and the many happy hours he had spent in it, and the invariable kindness he had received at the hands of the brethren would ever be in his recollection. The handsome gift they had been pleased to bestow upon him that evening he should consider a tie of affection to the Lodge he was so proud of, and for which he had worked with so much pleasure, and he should always wear it with pride and gratification. After again expressing his earnest thanks for the kindness of the brethren, Bro. Beavis resumed his seat amidst hearty applause and congratulations. The apron (together with the collar and gannlets) was enclosed in a handsome leather case, which bore the following inscription:—

"Presented to Brother W. Beavis, P.M. and Secretary 879, and W.M. 1310, Provincial Grand Pursivant Middlesex, by the members of the Southwark Lodge of Instruction, as a token of their esteem and regard, and in recognition of his valuable services as Preceptor. 4th October 1888."

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Olympic.—Miss Agnes Hewitt revived "The Two Orphans" at this theatre on Thursday. Appealing, as this play does, to the heart of every one, it is sure to be acceptable. The several incidents in connection with the work are well-known to frequenters of the theatres, and on this occasion they were given with much care and precision. The story of the two orphan girls is wonderfully well constructed, and notwithstanding it is fourteen years since the play was produced it is found to be still to the taste of the present generation. Each incident is carefully led up to by another, while the interest is not allowed to abate for an instant. Much of this success was undoubtedly due to the artistes engaged. More than one of the old caste is included in the present; foremost of these is Mr. Henry Neville, whose embodiment of the cripple was most praiseworthy. Mr. Charles Sugden also played his old part of the Chevalier de Vaudray, in a way that left nothing to be desired. Mrs. Huntley once more has one of the parts she seems to delight in; her acting as the hypocritical La Frochard was most powerful. One of the best played parts was that undertaken by Miss Agnes Hewitt; her blind girl at once invoked the sympathies of her audience. This is one of the best parts Miss Hewitt has yet undertaken. Mr. Fred Gould gave us a bullying Pierre, while Mr. F. Motley Wood was amusing as Picard. Miss Marie Lewes scored well by her careful, yet effective, acting as Henriette. Mr. F. G. Darbishire was uneasy as the Count de Liniere, while Miss Talbot was not powerful enough for the Countess. Miss Helen Ferrers will do better if she does not pitch her words in such a high key. Mr. Courtneidge as the Doctor, and Miss F. Kingsley as the Superior at the Saltpetriere worked with discretion. The piece was well received, and a hearty call was accorded Miss Hewitt and others at the close.

Toole's.—The success that we predicted for "Pepita" has been fully realised. On visiting this theatre one evening this week we found a very good audience, which seemed greatly amused at the fun caused by this taking opera, while the different artistes appeared in capital fettle. Everything went smoothly, and encores were numerous throughout the evening. Miss Wadman and Miss Cutler sang capitally, while Mr. Walter Marnock and Mr. Frank Seymour were exceedingly funny throughout. Their duet, "My excellent friend," was encored several times. Mr. Frank Wyatt is now the Pedrillo, and is very amusing, while Mr. Horace Lingard lent him good aid as Inigo. "Pepita" may be said to be one of the brightest and most amusing operas London has seen for some time.

Corn Exchange Glee Club.—Amongst the most successful of our Metropolitan Musical Societies the "Corn Exchange Glee Club" undoubtedly takes high rank. The opening night of the Tenth Season was fixed for Wednesday last, when there was a full attendance of the members and their friends, at the Corn Exchange Hotel, Mark Lane. Mr. Gough was the Chairman of the evening, while Bro. John Newton was in his accustomed place as Hon. Secretary. A capital programme was gone through, the artistes assisting being Brothers Arthur Thompson, Fred Bevan, Henry Taylor, Herbert Schartau and Edward Plater, with Masters Steward and Gwynier. The future days of meeting are fixed for 24th instant, 14th and 28th November, 12th December, 9th and 23rd January, 13th and 27th February, 13th and 27th March, and 10th April. We can cordially recommend our Brother Craftsmen who are not members to make an effort to secure an invitation for one or other of these meetings; we can guarantee they will be satisfied with the entertainment provided.

Alexandra Palace.—Thursday, the 18th instant, promises to be one of the most brilliant days which has been witnessed at the Alexandra Palace during a season characterised by the most successful days that has ever been known in the history of the Palace. The general manager is arranging a Harvest Festival, which will

eclipse all the Bank Holiday programmes. Unless the weather should unfortunately be unpropitious, Professor Baldwin, the aeronaut (who is week by week demonstrating the perfect safety of descending gracefully from a balloon by means of his scientifically constructed parachute) will make an ascent of two miles before taking his leap. It will be remembered that the extraordinary escape of gas from his new balloon prevented him accomplishing this feat on his benefit day, but profiting by the experience then gained, he will make such arrangements as will enable him to accomplish this gigantic feat. Inside the Palace the most elaborate preparations are being made to render the enjoyment of those who attend complete. We understand that there will be harvest decorations in the Central Hall, with trophies of corn, fruit, flowers, and vegetables. The small stage of the Central Hall will be the scene of two of the best varieties entertainments that have been given at the Palace, many celebrated artists having been secured for this occasion. We believe that there will also be arranged a grand ballet concert, to be given in the theatre, and at which a number of the leading vocalists, who have appeared at the Palace Grand Concerts, will give their valued services. The concert will take place at half-past five p.m., and terminate at half-past seven p.m.; after which Messrs. Pain and Son's grand representation of the Last Days of Pompeii will be produced on a scale of unexampled grandeur, and will be followed by a display of fireworks. Besides the special arrangements for the day, there will be the attractions of the International Circus, the Picture Galleries, and the Life Saving Exhibition. Many new appliances for saving life from loss by shipwreck or fire have now been added to this Exhibition, and the whole is now arranged in the enormous hall known as the bazaar.

Brewers' and Catering Exhibition.—On Monday, the 22nd inst., will be opened, at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, an extension of the famous Brewers' Exhibition and Market for the exhibition, sale, and supply of all kinds of manufactures, machinery, culinary apparatus, foods, furniture, and other productions used in hotels, restaurants, dining-rooms, refreshment bars, and other catering establishments. Lord Mayor Polydore de Keyser, of the Royal Hotel, Blackfriars, has consented to inaugurate the opening day.

The new theatre in Shaftesbury Avenue will be opened on Saturday, the 20th instant, with an elaborate production of "As You Like It." Miss Wallis will be the Rosalind, and will be supported by Mr. Forbes Robertson as Orlando, Mr. Arthur Stirling, Jaques; Mr. William Farren, Old Adam; Mr. Macintosh, Touchstone; Mr. J. R. Craufurd, the Banished Duke; Mr. Charles Cooper, Oliver; Mr. Matthew Brodie, Silvius; Mr. Seymour Lucas, Amiens; Miss Annie Rose, Celia; Miss Kate Fayne, Phoebe; Mrs. Edward Saker, Audrey.

The pretty little theatre in Great Queen-street will once more be opened, this time by Mrs. Churchill Jodrell, who starts her season on the 7th instant, with Anton Rubinstein's Grand Opera "The Demon," in which the Russian National Opera Company will appear. It is intended to alter the name of the theatre to the Jodrell, while fees of all kinds will be abolished. Colonel H. J. Sargent is the business manager.

Notwithstanding the crowded houses nightly at the Princess's, "The Still Alarm" will shortly be withdrawn for the production of "Hands Across the Sea," by Henry Pettitt. However, when Mr. Harry Lacy returns to America, on the 15th inst., the part of Jack Manley will be played by Mr. Charles Glenn, while Mr. Bassett Roe will play the part of Doc Wilbur in lieu of Mr. Harry Parker. Miss Grace Hawthorne has recently renewed for five years her lease of this theatre.

Mr. Sydney Alport, the acting manager of the Vaudeville, will take his annual benefit at that theatre next Thursday evening. "Joseph's Sweetheart" will be given, after which several well-known ladies and gentlemen have promised to provide a miscellaneous entertainment.

We are compelled to hold over our report of the Consecration Meeting of the Chough Lodge, which took place, on Monday last, at the Cannon-street Hotel.

The Temperance Lodge of Instruction resumed its weekly meetings on Friday, 5th inst. The members will meet every Friday, at 8 p.m., at the Railway Tavern, New Cross Road.

Alderman Thomas Wright, Mayor, on Tuesday laid the foundation stone of a new Children's Hospital at Leicester, in the presence of a large concourse of spectators. The hospital will cost about £8000, and the whole of this sum has already been subscribed, together with the cost of all the appliances and about £1000 towards the endowment. The Freemasons of the district attended in full Masonic costume.

A meeting of the Executive of the United Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Victoria was recently held. Reports were received from 70 Lodges, out of 130, in favour of the movement for a consolidated and independent body. Another circular is to be sent to the remaining Lodges asking them to reply at once. It is expected that the movement will be unanimous.

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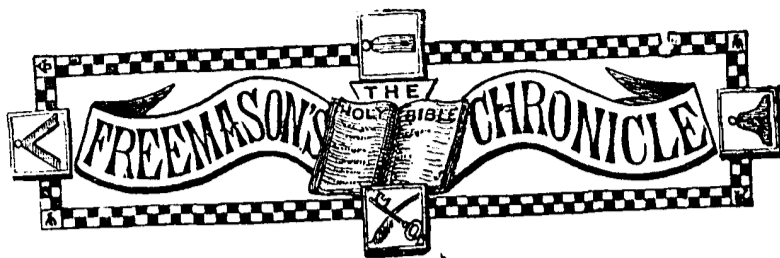
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THE negotiations which have been in progress for the past six months for a re-union of the Masonic bodies of this colony culminated, on the evening of the 16th August, in one of the most imposing gatherings of the brethren of the mystic tie ever seen in New South Wales. The scene was the Great Hall of the Sydney University, where some 700 of the Masters, Past Masters and Wardens of the Lodges hailing under the English, Scottish and New South Wales Constitutions assembled for the purpose of formally constituting the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. The presiding officer's chair was taken at 7 p.m. by Bro. W. H. Simpson P.D.D.G.M. E.C., and an occasional Lodge was opened. The appearance of the hall was bright and cheerful, the light blue aprons and collars of the brethren of the English and New South Wales Constitutions being relieved and set off by the dark blue of the Grand Lodge Officers and the parti-coloured regalia of the Scottish brethren. The chairs were occupied by Bros. A. Henry N.S.W.C. as S.W., and A. Rofe S.C. as J.W. Prayer was offered by Bro. the Rev. E. D. Madgwick, and an anthem, specially composed for the occasion, was sung by the assembled brethren. The official heads of the various Constitutions were then announced and were received with honours. Bro. Dr. H. J. Tarrant, G.M. of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, was introduced by Bro. J. Hunt, Bro. C. F. Stokes E.C. by Bro. F. A. Wright, and Bro. Dr. Sedgwick D.G.M. S.C. by Bro. F. B. Davidson. The Chairman pointed out that by their gathering that evening they were laying the foundation-stone of a Masonic building that he trusted would be perfect in all its parts and honourable to the builders. He hoped that the unanimity of the brethren who had brought forward the present position of affairs would be emulated in that gathering and that the same spirit of brotherly love and Masonic unity would prevail that night. Bro. J. C. Remington read the following history of Freemasonry in New South Wales, which led up to the establishment of the United Grand Lodge:—

The history of Freemasonry in New South Wales, and in fact in Australia, dating back to a period early in the present century, when the Government was that of a Crown colony, it was natural that the early Lodges should have been in direct and individual communication with the Grand Lodges of the mother country.

And when passing years had increased their number, so that some form of local government became necessary, it was not to be wondered at that nothing was thought of but such a subordinate organization as obtained in the counties of the United Kingdom in the shape of Provincial Grand Lodges.

Nor even when the popular agitation for responsible government in the colony at large reached a head, and when the control of the mother country had been lightened till it became only a silken thread in the hands of the Governor, did the Freemasons of New South Wales seem to desire any more independent position than they had theretofore enjoyed.

There had indeed been an increase of the power of the local governing bodies, by their being created "District" instead of "Provincial" Grand Lodges; and this is perhaps the proper place to record a passing reference to the services rendered by Right Worshipful Brother John Williams, the Past District Grand Master under the English Constitution, who, at interviews in the year 1856 with the Earl of Zetland, then Grand Master of England, obtained many important concessions for the benefit of the Craft in this colony.

And it would ill become us on this auspicious occasion to refrain from a tribute of respect to the old Conservative principles which actuated that Right Worshipful Brother and the Right Worshipful District Grand Master of the Scotch Constitution, Dr. Sedgwick, in so long holding, at all hazards, to the original form of Masonic rule in Australia, even when times had changed and a new order of things was imminent.

The first important movement in the direction of self-government was made by the establishment of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales in the year 1877 and its success during the last 11 years, including the complete absorption of the Lodges under the Irish Constitution, among which was the oldest in the colony, is the best justification of its origin.

But the yoke of England and Scotland was such a light one, grievances, if any, were so readily redressed and the direct connection with

the mother country was held to be such a valued distinction, that it was not till this centennial year of Australia that any tangible step was taken by their Lodges towards amalgamation.

And even now it is not disloyalty, and not disaffection, which have led the brethren under these two Constitutions to join hands with the others in forming "The United Grand Lodge of New South Wales," which takes its first step as an established body to-night.

What then is the cause of this new departure? Is not it a feeling that the continued existence of three governing powers would be an evidence of disunion, which might well make the world doubt the genuineness of the principles of brotherly love, which we all profess to hold dear?

Is not it the certainty that great as has been the progress of the Craft heretofore, it will be tenfold greater and its influence be an hundredfold more when it confronts its detractors as a strong (because united) band, powerful in its "brotherly love, relief and truth," to "diffuse the light of wisdom and the strength of reason, dispense the bounties of charity and lessen the aggregate of human misery and vice."

It is not to be supposed that these feelings had no existence or found no expression during the long period of comparative estrangement.

On the contrary, they were many times enunciated in our gatherings and always applauded by the brethren, who deplored a state of affairs which they, however, saw no immediate way of remedying. For, by the form of government, under the English Constitution at all events, the rulers of District Grand Lodges were appointed by and during the pleasure of the Grand Master, and so long as they conscientiously opposed a change in our system feelings of respect and affection due to their advanced years and faithful service to the Craft restrained even the most enthusiastic advocates of amalgamation from moving.

It was, however, well understood that some change must be made when time and circumstances warranted, and the opportune moment arrived when, during the visit to this colony of the Pro Grand Master of England, Lord Carnarvon, a few months ago, he recognised so fully the harm Freemasonry was suffering and was likely to suffer by disunion that he urged immediate steps to end it, and aided with valuable suggestions and encouragement a committee of brethren from various Lodges under the different Constitutions who had taken upon themselves the task of drawing up a "basis of union."

They duly submitted this to the Craft, but, it being viewed as scarcely broad enough to ensure all Constitutions meeting on an equal footing, resolutions were passed by the English, Scotch and New South Wales Masons, referring the question to a conference of Past Masters, five from each Constitution.

In the meantime, Right Worshipful Bro. John Williams had resigned his position as District Grand Master, and the Grand Master of England had appointed His Excellency Lord Carrington, the Governor of this colony, as his successor. The New South Wales brethren, with the full approval of their head, Dr. Tarrant, had signified their intention of electing the same illustrious brother as their Grand Master; and it was known that his acceptance of the supreme rule would also be welcomed by the Scotch Masons.

Lord Carrington himself, though Past Grand Senior Warden of England, was heartily in accord with the movement; and so everything was propitious for the success of the conference.

Of the spirit in which these worshipful brethren met the Craft has already had evidence.

From the first it was manifest that brotherly feeling, mutual forbearance, concessions on minor points, and yet withal a determination to adhere closely to the landmarks of the Order would guide their deliberations.

Ten meetings in all have been held, and the "Articles of Union," agreed upon in June last, have since received the almost unanimous assent of all the Lodges.

They will now be read to you, as forming our authority for meeting here to-night to elect our Grand Master, and may the Great Architect of the Universe make our union perpetual.

Bro. Stokes having read the Articles of Union, he said that he trusted the Almighty Father and Supreme Ruler might favourably regard their present undertaking, and that it might be a means of bringing under the banner of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales the whole of the Masonic brethren of the colony in the Masonic unity and fraternal love which might last until time should be no more. The Chairman said: Worshipful brethren and brethren, I proclaim for the first time and in the east the United Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New South Wales to be duly constituted and formed in accordance with the Masonic rules and customs regulating the formation of Grand Lodges. A similar proclamation was then made by the S.W. in the west and by the J.W. in the south, and an anthem of praise was sung. Bro. Dr. Tarrant M.W.G.M. then nominated Bro. Lord Carrington P.G.W. of the Grand Lodge of England as the first Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. Bro. C. F. Stokes D.G.M. seconded, and Bro. Dr. Sedgwick D.G.M. supported the nomination, and a ballot having been taken, the Chairman said: I have to announce that the election has been unanimous in favour of Very Worshipful Brother Lord Carrington Past Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of England, who is now elected as the first Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. An anthem, written for

the occasion, was then sung. Bro. J. C. Remington proposed—

That it is hereby resolved that, the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, being now duly and legally established according to Masonic precedent and custom, we do authorize our M.W. Grand Master elect to issue to each Lodge a dispensation empowering it to continue Masonic work until such time as the more formal documents referred to in the Articles of Union shall have been executed and issued after his installation.

Bro. F. B. Davidson seconded the motion, which was carried *nem con.* The election of Officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—

Bros. Stokes	-	-	-	Deputy Master
M'Lachlan	-	-	-	Senior Warden
Henry	-	-	-	Junior Warden
Right Rev. Bishop of Bathurst	-	-	-	} Chaplains
Rev. D'Arcy Irvine	-	-	-	
Rev. R. V. Gale	-	-	-	
Remington	-	-	-	Registrar
Rofe	-	-	-	Treasurer
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Talloch	-	-	-	President Board Gen. Pur.
Davidson	-	-	-	Pres. Board Benevolence
J. Hunt	-	-	-	Pres. Board Foreign Cor.
White	-	-	-	} Deacons
Butterfield	-	-	-	
Slade	-	-	-	Architect
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Thompson	-	-	-	} Sword Bearers
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Amess	-	-	-	Standard Bearer
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Christie	-	-	-	
Mason	-	-	-	
Browne	-	-	-	} Stewards
Podmore	-	-	-	
Dobie	-	-	-	
Alphen	-	-	-	} Tyler
Smith	-	-	-	
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Bro. Stokes moved—

That until such time as Constitutions could be prepared the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of England, with verbal alterations, be adopted; that the Grand Master have power to appoint a Pro. Grand Master; that the fees of Office be half those fixed in the Grand Lodge of England; and that every Lodge should within six months pay into the Grand Lodge Fund the sum of £10.

The motion was seconded by Bro. J. C. Remington and agreed to unanimously. Bro. Stokes then moved—

That the date of installation of the M.W. the Grand Master and Officers of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales be fixed for Tuesday, 18th September prox.

He stated that Lord Carrington had been consulted with regard to this matter, and this date suited his convenience in every way, and in the hope that the brethren assembled that evening would approve of the date named the conference composed of representatives of the three Constitutions had made preliminary arrangements for the engagement of the Exhibition Building for the purpose. Bro. F. B. Davidson seconded the motion, which was agreed to *nem con.* Bro. E. O. Smith then moved—

That a Ceremonial Committee, to consist of the members of the present conference, be formed, and that they be appointed to act as the Board of General Purposes and as the Board of Benevolence until such time as these Boards could be duly elected.

Bro. J. Hunt seconded the motion, which was carried. Bro. Dr. Tarrant said that he thought the Masonic Craft in New South Wales was to be congratulated upon the auspicious event which had taken place in the history of Freemasonry within those walls that evening, and upon the unanimous manner in which the United Grand Lodge had been established and its Officers elected. He did not think, as one who was retiring from a prominent position in the Masonic Craft in the colony, that he would be discharging his duties properly if he did not propose a vote of thanks to the worthy brethren who had been the means of promoting that union which had occurred that evening. It afforded him extreme satisfaction to propose a hearty vote of thanks to the brethren composing the Masonic Union Conference for the manner in which they had up to the present stage conducted the proceedings of the union. Bro. Dr. Sedgwick had very great pleasure in seconding the resolution proposed by the M.W. the Grand Master

Dr. Tarrant, and he could only endorse his sentiments by saying that Dr. Tarrant had said just what he (Dr. Sedgwick) would have wished to say. He was sure they were all much indebted to the conference for the manner in which they had conducted their business. The resolution was unanimously carried. Bro. C. T. Stokes said that, on behalf of the committees appointed from the three Constitutions to form a basis of union which had now been unanimously adopted, he had great pleasure in returning their hearty and grateful thanks for the very kind way in which those present had shown their appreciation of their efforts. Those efforts had now been happily consummated in the formation of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, and it was to the members of the conference a source of the greatest gratification that their labours had so pleasantly ended. He could assure them that no effort would be spared to bring to perfection the whole of the work necessary to carry out the grand object which they had now inaugurated. The labours of the conference had been very onerous; each of the three Constitutions had to discuss night after night most keenly any points which they thought might interfere with the dignity of those whom they represented. Their opinions were listened to by all with the greatest consideration, and with the largest amount of brotherly and Masonic feeling. Occasionally little differences arose, but everything had been amicably arranged, for they were all united in one grand object, which was to attain Masonic union. Nothing had been allowed to interfere with that one bright guiding star, and keeping it in view they had got over all their difficulties. They had not transgressed any point of Masonic law, nor had they violated a single point of Constitutional law. They had ended their labours so far by arriving at that noble consummation of all their work. He had very great pleasure on behalf of the conference in thanking the Grand Lodge, and now he had to thank the members of the conference themselves for their very great forbearance and the very kind manner in which they had shown consideration to him in the sometimes difficult position of chairman. His labour had been one of love and scarcely one of work, for they had all had the one object in view, and hence had avoided splitting upon any rock or difficulty that had presented itself. The heads of the three Constitutions then retired, and were accorded grand honours as they marched down the hall. The Grand Lodge was then closed in due form.

PROVINCIAL PRIORY OF DEVONSHIRE.

A PROVINCIAL Priory of Knights Templars was held on Thursday, the 4th instant, at the Masonic Hall, Newton Abbot, under the banner of Royal Sussex Preceptory. The V.E. Sir Knight Rev. T. W. Lemon, M.A., 31^o, Provincial Prior of Devon, occupied the throne, and was supported by V.E. Sir Knights John Brewer 18^o P.P. Trinity-in-Unity Prov. Grand Sub-Prior, E. Sir Knight the Rev. J. F. Chanter, M.A., Trinity-in-Unity P.G. Prelate, E. Sir Knights Henry Stocker, Major G. C. Davie, J.P., F.R.G.S., F. W. Westlake, John Stocker, John Lane, F.C.A., Rev. G. Townshend Warner, M.A., James H. Keats, Richard Pengelly, J. B. Gover, William Taylor, James Gidley, E. Aitken-Davies, G. R. Barrett, P. B. Clemens, John Ifley, F. C. Frost, William B. Maye, John Chapman, W. Taylor, Fritz P. Regar, Frank R. Thomas, J. R. Wilson, George Dunsterville, and John Tylour. The Provincial Priory having been opened in due form, the muster-roll was called. Various letters of apology were read from Sir Knights, regretting their inability to be present. The Provincial Grand Prior reported that a letter had been received from Mrs. Tanner-Davy, acknowledging the vote of condolence from the Province on the death of her husband, Colonel Tanner-Davy, the late Provincial Grand Prior. The letter was handed to the Provincial Grand Chancellor, to be preserved among the archives of the Province. Sir Knight Lemon reported that he had paid his homage to the Grand Priory of London on his appointment as Provincial Grand Prior. The Provincial Grand Treasurer, in presenting his report, said the year was commenced with a balance in hand of £20 16s 5d, and after fifteen guineas had been paid to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls and other expenses met, there was a balance in hand of £9 8s 11d. The Committee of General Purposes recommended that £5 5s should be given to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and £3 15s to the Devon Masonic Education Fund. Sir Knight Lane proposed that the report be received and adopted. Sir Knight Clemens seconded, and this was agreed to. On the proposition of Sir Knight Westlake Sir Knight Wilson was unanimously elected Treasurer. The Provincial Grand Prior then invested the following Knights as his Officers for the year ensuing:—E. Sir Knights John Brewer Sub Prior, Rev. George Townsend Warner, M.A., Prelate, Henry Stocker Chancellor, E. Aitken-Davies Constable, John M. Ifley Marshal, J. R. Wilson Treasurer, George R. Barrett Registrar. Provincial Officers—Sir Knights James Jerman Vice Chancellor, W. Bennett Maye Sub Marshal, Richard Pengelly Almoner and Chaplain, Frederick Cornish Frost Warden of Regalia, Dr. E. B. Thomson,

M.D., Herald, William Anwyl Roberts Standard Bearer, John Allen Standard Bearer (Pexillum Belli), William Taylor Provincial Prior's Banner Bearer, Daniel Cross and George Dunsterville Aides-de-Camp, John Du Pré Chamberlain, James H. Seldon and Richard K. Norris Captains of Guards, Fritz Philip Regar Sword Bearer, Edwin Binding Organist, James Gidley (Serving Fratres) Guard. It was decided to ask the various Preceptories to elect a Committee for General Purposes. The alms collected, amounting to £1 1s, were given to the Newton Cottage Hospital. The Provincial Priory was then closed in due form.

THE DEVON AND CORNWALL MASONIC CLUB.

THERE was quite a brilliant gathering at the Devon and Cornwall Masonic Club and Hall on Monday evening, the 1st inst., on the occasion of the formal opening of the new Masonic Temple. The foundation stone was laid by Bro. Viscount Ebrington, M.P., P.G.M. of Devon, in December last, in the presence of about six hundred brethren, and good progress has been made with the work by the contractors, Messrs. Laphorne and Goad. The premises at No. 1 Princess Square, were utilized for the purposes of the club, and a handsome building, three storeys high, classical in design, has been erected at the back. The lower room, which is 18 ft. by 28 ft. and 14 ft. high, is intended for banqueting purposes, and will comfortably seat 150 persons. On the next storey are two handsome Lodge rooms, together with the necessary offices and retiring rooms, whilst on the third storey is a magnificent Lodge room, 60 ft. by 29 ft. and 24 ft. high, capable of seating about 700 brethren. The building will be completely finished before Christmas. It will then be dedicated by the P.G.M. Viscount Ebrington, and it is proposed to have a grand demonstration in connection with it. This will probably take the form of a ball and conversazione on an extensive scale. Lodge Harmony, No. 156, which opened the Hayshe Masonic Temple in Princess Square about sixteen years since, most appropriately held the first Lodge meeting at the new building on Monday evening. The W.M. Bro. John Little presided, and was numerously supported. The W.M. welcomed the brethren of the Lodge to their new Masonic home, and trusted that they would continue to have a prosperous and successful career and would work with that good Masonic feeling which had characterised Lodge Harmony in the past. Complimentary speeches were made by Bros. Major Tracey, the Rev. T. W. Lemon, and others. At the festive board Bro. W. K. Mitchell gave an interesting résumé of the history of the Lodge. Reference was made to the fact that the suggestion that the Masons of the three towns should celebrate the Queen's Jubilee by the erection of a Masonic Temple emanated from Bro. W. Derry P.M. 156, who was now the Chairman of the Directors. Bro. J. R. Lord, Chairman of the House Committee, acknowledged the toast. He expressed a hope that all the Lodges which met in the Temple would work with love and harmony. Many years ago Bro. Keats, the architect of the present building, and the late Bro. Elliott Square tried hard to get the necessary capital for a Masonic Temple, but failed. Bro. Derry's suggestion was simply the revival of the efforts of Bros. Keats and Square.

MARK MASONRY.

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COPLEY LODGE, No. 111.

AT the meeting, held in the Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds, on Tuesday evening, the 2nd inst., the Rev. Dr. Smyth, of St. Chad's, Headingley (Deputy Provincial Grand Mark Master), was installed as Worshipful Master of the Lodge for the ensuing year, and the following brethren were invested as his Officers:—Bros. Myers I.P.M., Robert Craig S.W., Alfred Williamson J.W., the Rev. W. Dnnn Chaplain, William Flockton M.O., G. F. Carr S.O. and Treasurer, Charles Middleton J.O., Bowman Secretary, Tomlinson S.D., Atkinson J.D., Thorp I.G., Barrand Tyler. The ceremony of installation was performed by Bro. C. L. Mason P.G.M.M., and Bro. Barker P.M.M. There was a good attendance, the number including brethren from St. Chad's Lodge, and from Ripon, Barnsley, Bradford, and other parts of West Yorkshire. The installation banquet was afterwards held.

From the Allahabad *Morning Post* we learn that the Masonic fraternity at Simla gave a grand ball at the Town Hall on the 11th ult. His Excellency the Viceroy, the Countess of Dufferin, and the Ladies Helen and Hermione Blackwood, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, and Lady Lyall, with a large number of the *élite* of Simla, were invited and attended. There were about 500 guests. The room was tastefully decorated. Before the ball was opened, the Worshipful Master of the Lodge Himalayan Brotherhood presented, on behalf of the Masonic fraternity, a jewel to the Countess of Dufferin. This was most graciously received. Dancing was kept up till 3 a.m.

A CARD.—AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY is announced in the "Paris Figaro," of a valuable remedy for nervous debility, physical exhaustion, and kindred complaints. This discovery was made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable existence, and premature decay. The Rev. Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will send the prescription, free of charge, on receipt of a self-addressed stamped envelope. Mention this paper.

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ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I shall be glad if you can find space for a suggestion which I believe may be carried into beneficial effect. It is briefly this:—That the Institution should be endowed with Scholarships, tenable for three years, to enable the holders to complete their studies at one of the Universities. There are now on the Register of the Grand Lodge of England nearly 2250 Craft Lodges, and if each Lodge were to contribute a donation of £2, there would be immediately available a sum of £4500—quite sufficient to endow two scholarships of £55 to £60 each in perpetuity. Probably a further sum would be readily forthcoming from Mark Lodges, Chapters and Encampments, but if only the members of the Craft Lodges will put down something less than one shilling each, the money can be raised at once.

"But," it may be objected, "are these proposed scholarships desirable?"

I say "Yes," for they would be as leaven to the whole school. With such prizes to be gained, there would be a strong inducement for every boy in the Institution to do his best; and although only a limited number could carry off the awards, the effect of the stimulus given to the studies would surely be that the Wood Green boys as a body would be more highly educated when they leave the School than can be expected under existing conditions. The cleverest master cannot turn out brilliant pupils unless his efforts to teach are met by a willingness, an eagerness to learn; and if a boy knows that at fifteen years of age he will be turned into the world to fight his way as best he can, whether he has learned much or little, the inducement for him to profit to the fullest extent by the instruction offered at school is liable to be chilled. "If I am to be nothing but a mere clerk, the three R's will do for me," such a boy may argue. But tell him that by industry he may win the means of becoming a lawyer, a divine, a covenanted public servant, or of achieving a position superior to that of one of the general crowd, and he will respond eagerly to the advantages offered. Such a boy will not only receive instruction, but education; his native talents will be developed and drawn out. Who can doubt that amongst the hundreds of boys who pass their school career at Wood Green there are many who are capable of adorning the highest positions, if the prize be placed within their reach? Is it right to leave such fertile fields only half tilled?

I do not suggest that too much should be attempted at once. If each Lodge would make a donation of £2 for the next three years, funds would be provided for maintaining two scholars at a University without interruption. But for a beginning I think my modest scheme is worth trying. Possibly the munificence of wealthy brethren might, in the future, increase the number of the scholarships.

Now as to the bestowal of the prizes. Let the six top boys of the School in each year be granted the privilege of remaining in the School to pursue their studies until they reach the age of 18. They would be the Grecians of the Institution. At 18 let these six boys compete for the scholarships. Only two could be successful, but the other four would be highly trained young men, likely to do credit in after life to themselves and the Institution. The question of the cost of maintaining these six boys for an additional three years may be raised, and the circumstance of the funds being already inadequate to meet the demand for admission to the School may be urged. But against these pleas I would say that these selected students could be appointed, first as upper monitors, and then as under masters. They would learn by teaching, and would thus more than earn their maintenance.

Doubtless many imperfections in the details of my proposition may appear to competent critics, but I think the principle is worthy of consideration. One effect would be to raise the whole tone of the Institution, which, I fear, many brethren are too apt to regard as a Charity School. They forget, perhaps, that the boys there are the sons of men who *must* all have done something for the good of Freemasonry; whilst the fathers of many of the boys have been Life Subscribers, Life Governors, Festival Stewards, &c., and thus have established a claim for aid in their hour of need. For this cause I think it is needless to compare the cost of maintaining our School with the expenditure of other Institutions, which probably in most cases have never received any support from the parents of the children benefited. Our Institutions are not open to the world; none but the children of specially qualified Masons may share in the benefits; and it but right, therefore, that we should give a generous recognition to their claims, and discharge our obligations with no niggardly hand.

Yours faithfully,

HARRY NASH,

J.W. St. Michael's, No. 211.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Diseases of Advanced Years.—When man has passed to the borders of old age, the digestion becomes more or less impaired, the nervous system grows feeble, and the physical power shows increasing weakness. Hence arise the congestions of liver, lungs, head, followed by dropsy, asthma, or apoplexy, which too frequently afflict the aged. The liver usually first gets torpid; but its activity may speedily be revived by rubbing Holloway's Ointment thoroughly over the pit of the stomach and right side at least twice a-day, and taking the Pills at the same time. The same treatment cures all other congested organs, by varying the parts rubbed according to the situation of the congestion.

Obituary.

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BRO. WILLIAM KENNEDY.

THE funeral of the late Bro. William Kennedy, Tyler of the Freemasons' Hall, Maple Street, Newcastle, took place on the 5th inst. The deceased was Tyler for the Northern Counties' Lodge 406, St. Peter's 481, Percy 1427, Hotspur 1627, Ridley 2260, two R.A. Chapters, two Mark Lodges, one Knight Templars, and for the Royal Kent Preceptory. He was, therefore, well known amongst Freemasons in Newcastle, and was also highly respected for his courteous demeanour.

The General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys held their monthly meeting at Freemasons' Hall, on Saturday last. Bro. Raynham W. Stewart, P.G.D. Trustee, occupied the chair, and there were present Bros. Richardson, Cubitt, Rayner, Gladwell, Bodenham, Richardson, Motion, Mickley, Moon, Eve, Hunt, Rev. R. Morris, Hogard, Cumberland, Scurrah, Godson, Stiles, Gillard, Saunders, Murray, Glass, and Frederick Binckes Secretary. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and verified, and those of the House Committee read for information, the recommendations of the House Committee, providing the usual allowance for the education and clothing of two boys out of the establishment, were confirmed. The resolutions of the same Committee, relating to the Committee of Inquiry, were also confirmed, and it was resolved "that all necessary expenses of the staff, officials, and inmates, consequent upon the requisitions of Bro. Philbrick's Committee, and the resolutions passed in pursuance thereof, be allowed and paid out of the funds of the Institution." The petition on behalf of a boy, subject to the production of the certificate of the father's death, was accepted, and the name ordered to be placed on the list of candidates for election in April 1889. An application for a grant towards the outfit of an ex-pupil was acceded to. Three additional vacancies were declared in consequence of the unexpected withdrawal of three additional boys from the establishment. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

The Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution Committee of Management held their regular meeting at Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday. Brother Jabez Hogg P.G.D. occupied the chair, and there were present Bros. Brett, Berry, Bolton, E. Daniel, Cotter, Cottebrune, West, Smith, C. Daniel, Hilton, Stean, Perceval, Fraser, Turtle, Pigott, Driver, Webb, Purchas, Cubitt, Hogard, Lacey, Murlis, Perryman, and Terry. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and verified; the Secretary reported the death of two male annuitants and one male candidate. The Warden's report for the past month was read and adopted. The Committee reduced the sum payable annually to one of the widow annuitants by one-half, and the petitions of two candidates were withdrawn, one of them being in receipt of half her late husband's annuity, which likewise ceases. Bro. Raynham W. Stewart's report as to the purchase of land was read, adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. Five petitions—two male and three widows—were considered and accepted, and the names ordered to be entered on the list of candidates for election in May 1889. A vote of thanks to the Chairman having been passed the proceedings terminated.

NAPOLEONIC MASONRY.—We learn from Ragon, and he singularly incorporates the rite into the body of his Orthodox Masonry, the existence of the Ordre des Noachites Francaises, or a Masonic rite, devoted to restoration of Napoleon and his dynasty, overthrown by the disaster at Waterloo. It was, according to our author, founded in Paris in 1816, with a Grand Master, Marshal Bertrand, who, being at the time at St. Helena with his late Imperial master, surrendered its administration to the charge of a Grand Commander and a Lieutenant. The Order was divided into three degrees, viz., I. Knight; II. Commander; III. Grand Elect; subdivided into three sections—1. Secret Judge; 2. Commander; and 3. Knight of the Oaken Crown. It is generally supposed that this Napoleonic rite originated in a defection of some subordinates of the Supreme Council of France, which had been an imperialist invention, as designed by De Grasse Tilley, from the commencement. After the fall of the Empire in 1815, the Grand Orient of France constantly repudiated Napoleon and all his works. The more enthusiastic members, however, darted off to form the new Order, which was Masonic in form only. Conducted with an immense deal of discretion, the conspiracy, permeating the army, existed for a number of years and ultimately died simultaneously with the King of the Romans.—*New Zealand Mail.*

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, 13th OCTOBER.

- 176—Caveac, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
 179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8 (In)
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tavern, Southgate-road, N., at 8 (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Five Bells, 155 New Cross-road, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1426—The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel
 1607—Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street
 1612—West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7 (Instruction)
 1671—Mizpah, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
 1685—Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone
 1743—Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 1839—Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1964—Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel, E.C.
 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In.)
 Sinai Chapter of Improvement, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8
 M.M. 211—Hammersmith, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, W. Hammersmith
 303—Prince George, Private Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood
 1415—Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
 1637—Unity, Harrow
 1990—Hampshire L. of Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, Landport, Portsmouth
 2069—Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds
 R.A. 811—Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton

MONDAY, 15th OCTOBER.

- 21—Emulation, Albion, Aldersgate-street
 22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 46—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)
 185—Tranquillity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 548—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.
 802—Whittington, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 901—City of London, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 907—Royal Albert, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 933—Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, at 8. (Instruction)
 975—Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham Road Station, at 7.30. (Inst)
 1227—Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., at 8. (Instruction)
 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.)
 1537—St. Peter Westminster, Criterion, W.
 1585—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (In)
 1608—Kilburn, 48 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.)
 1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
 1707—Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hotel, Page Green, Tottenham, 8. (Inst)
 1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)
 1910—Shadwell Clerke, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
 2021—Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, Criterion, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 1319—Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 M.M. 173—Temple, Green Dragon Tavern, Stepney
 61—Probity, Freemason's Hall, St. John's-place, Halifax
 77—Freedom, Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
 236—York, Masonic Hall, York
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon
 264—Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
 331—Phoenix Public Room, Truro
 350—Peace and Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)
 408—Three Graces, Private Rooms, Havorth
 424—Borough, Half Moom Hotel, Gateshead
 433—Hope, Swan Hotel, Brightlingsea
 466—Merit, George Hotel, Stamford Baron, Northampton
 467—Tudor, Red Lion Hotel, Oldham
 613—Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport
 622—St. Cuthberga, Masonic Hall, Wimborne
 725—Stoneleigh, King's Arms Hotel, Kenilworth
 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 925—Bedford Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham
 934—Merit, Derby Hotel, Whitefield
 985—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Holbeach.
 1030—Egerton, George Hotel, Wellington Road, Heaton Norris, near Stockport
 1037—Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
 1141—Mid Sussex, King's Arms Hotel, Horsham
 1170—St. George, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 1199—Agriculture, Honey Hall, Congresbury
 1208—Corinthian, Royal Hotel, Pier, Dover
 1238—Gooch, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
 1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 1502—Israel, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1512—Legionium, Masonic Hall, Carlton-street, Castleford
 1575—Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
 1909—Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
 1973—Saye and Sele, Masonic Hall, Belvedere, Kent
 1977—Blackwater, Blue Bear Hotel, Maldon.
 R.A. 32—Jerusalem, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
 R.A. 40—Emulation, Castle Hotel, Hastings
 R.A. 218—Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton Street, Brixham
 R.A. 296—Loyalty, Freemasons' Hall, Surrey-street, Sheffield
 R.A. 827—St. John, Masonic Temple, Halifax Road, Dewsbury
 R.A. 954—St. Aubyn, Ebrington Masonic Hall, Grauby Street, Devonport
 R.A. 995—Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston
 K.T.—Edmund Plantagenet, Knowsley Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury
 K.T.—Prince of Peace, Bull Hotel, Preston

TUESDAY, 16th OCTOBER.

- Board of General Purposes, Freemasons' Hall, at 4
 30—United Mariners, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 65—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-buildings, at 7 (Inst)
 65—Prosperity, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 73—Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
 95—Eastern Star, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, E.C.
 141—Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, S.W., at 8 (Inst.)
 177—Domestic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 188—Joppa, Champion Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7.30. (Instruction)

- 212—Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High Street, Camden Town, at 8. (Inst.)
 435—Salisbury, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
 753—Prince Frederick William, Eagle Tavern, Clifton Road, Maida Hill, at 8 (Instruction)
 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 860—Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Middleton Road, Dalston at 8 (Inst.)
 861—Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Alma Road, Wandsworth (Instruction)
 1321—Emblematic, Red Lion, York Street, St. James's Square, S.W., at 8 (In)
 1339—Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1420—Earl Spencer, Swan Hotel, Battersea Old Bridge
 1446—Mount Edgcombe, 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, Cock Tavern, Highbury
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8. (Inst)
 1839—Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, Queen Street, E.C., at 7. (In.)
 1949—Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich Road, East Brixton, at 8 (Instruction)
 2021—Queen's Westminster, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C.
 Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement, White Hart, Cannon Street, at 6.3
 R.A. 11—Enoch, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 19—Mount Sinai, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 R.A. 186—Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 704—Camden, the Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 1365—Clapton, White Hart Tavern, Clapton, at 8. (Instruction)
 R.A. 1642—Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 M.M. 238—Prince Leopold, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 126—Silent Temple, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
 160—True Friendship, Old Ship Inn, Rochford
 213—Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Theatre-street, Norwich
 241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Instruction)
 373—Socrates, George Hotel, High-street, Huntingdon
 384—St. David, Masonic Rooms, Bangor.
 402—Royal Sussex, George the Fourth, Nottingham
 414—Union, Masonic Hall, Reading
 418—Menturia, Mechanics' Institute, Hanley
 463—East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, at 7.15. (Inst.)
 468—Light, Great Western Hotel, Birmingham
 624—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Union-street, Burton-on-Trent
 667—Alliance, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 779—Ferrers and Ivanhoe, Town Hall, Ashby-la-Zouch
 829—Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidecup, at 7. (Instruction)
 897—Loyalty, Fleece Inn, St. Helens, Lancashire
 960—Bute, Masonic Hall, 9 Working-street, Cardiff.
 986—Hesketh, Grapes Inn, Croston
 1006—Tregullov, Masonic Rooms, St. Day, Scorrion, Cornwall
 1024—St. Peters, Masonic Hall, Maldon
 1052—Callender, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester
 1089—De Shurland, Fountain Hotel, Sheerness.
 1113—Anglesea, Bull Hotel, Llangefni
 1214—Scarborough, Scarborough Hall, Caletonia-road, Batley
 1276—Warren, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead, Cheshire
 1280—Walden, Rose and Crown Hotel, Saffron Walden
 1312—St. Mary, White Hart Hotel, Bocking
 1325—Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1427—Percy, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
 1470—Chiltern, Town Hall, Dunstable
 1534—Concord, George Hotel, Prestwich
 1543—Rosslyn, Saracen's Head Hotel, Dunmow
 1551—Charity, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
 1570—Prince Arthur, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool
 1638—Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Brighton, at 8. (Instruction)
 1726—Gordon, Assembly Room, Bognor
 1764—Eleanor Cross, Masonic Hall, Abington-street, Northampton
 1799—Arnold, Portobello Hotel, Walton on the Naze
 1941—St. Augustine's, Shrewsbury Arms Hotel, Rugeley
 2045—Wharton, Willesden
 2146—Surbiton, Maple Hall, Maple Road, Surbiton.
 R.A. 41—Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Old Orchard Street, Bath
 R.A. 315—Royal Pavilion, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
 R.A. 624—Abbey, Masonic Rooms, Burton-on-Trent
 R.A. 792—Oliver, Masonic Hall, Osborne Street, Great Grimsby
 R.A. 829—High Cross, Bull Inn, Dartford
 R.A. 970—St. Anne's, Masonic Hall, East Looe, Cornwall
 R.A. 1174—Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
 M.M. 266—Amhorst, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
 M.M. 380—Temple, Masonic Hall, Folkestone
 R.C. 54—Albion, Concert Hall, St. Leonards-on-Sea

WEDNESDAY, 17th OCTOBER.

- 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsley, at 8. (Instruction)
 30—United Mariners, The Legend, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 72—Royal Jubilee, More, Old Rectory Lane, N.E., at 8. (Instruction)
 73—Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High Street, Boreham, at 8. (Inst)
 140—St. George, Trafalgar Tavern, Greenwich
 174—Sincerity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street, at 7. (Instruction)
 22—United Strength, The Hope, Stratford Street, Bognor, at 8. (In)
 538—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 8. (Inst)
 619—Bendon, Greyhound, Dulwich
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7. (Instruction)
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Brixton-road, S. (Instruction)
 913—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)
 862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppy's Court, Fleet Street, at 8. (Inst.)
 865—Dalhousie, Town Hall, Hounslow
 912—Burgoyne, Goose and Grate Inn, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
 1044—Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth
 1150—Buckingham and Chandos, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1349—Friars, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 1382—Corinthian, George Inn, Glengall Road, Cubitt Town
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 56 Old Kent Road, at 8. (Inst.)
 1507—Metropolitan, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.
 1521—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare Street, Hackney, at 8. (Inst.)
 1601—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 8. (Instruction)
 1604—Wanderers, Victoria Masonic Restaurant, Victoria-st., S.W., at 7.30. (In)
 1624—Eccleston, Criterion, Piccadilly
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 1677—Crusaders, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct
 1681—Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, Mt. Farn, at 8. (Inst.)
 1922—Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, S.E., at 8. (In)
 1963—Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 2206—Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, at 8. (Instruction)
 R.A. 141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Union Tavern, Air Street, Regent Street, at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 192—Lion and Lamb, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
 R.A. 720—Panmure, Goose and Grate Inn, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
 R.A. 933—Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 M.M.—Grand Masters, 8a Red Lion Square, W.C., at 7 (Instruction)
 M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 M.M. 144—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, Air Street, Regent Street
 M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Town Hall, Shoreditch

- 20—Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun Hotel, Cshhatham
- 86—Loyalty, Masonic Hall, Prescott, Lancashire
- 121—Mount Sinai, Public-buildings, Penzance
- 125—Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, Hyth, Kent
- 128—Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bolton-street, Bury, Lancashire
- 175—East Medina, Masonic Hall, John-street, Ryde, I. W
- 178—Antiquity Royal Hotel, Wigan
- 200—Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
- 221—St. John, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall Square, Bolton
- 246—Royal Union, Freemasons Hall, Cheltenham.
- 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
- 277—Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Union-street, Oldham
- 311—South Saxon, Freemasons' Hall, i Lewes
- 325—St. John's Freemasons' Hall, Islington-square, Salford
- 342—Royal Sussex, Freemasons' Hall, 79 Commercial Road, Llandnoc
- 380—Integrity, Masonic Temple, Commercial-street, Moray, near Leeds
- 387—Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
- 428—Sincerity, Angel Inn, Northwich, Cheshire
- 451—Sutherland, Town Hall, Burslem
- 537—Zetland, 9 Hamilton-street, Birkenhead.
- 580—Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk
- 581—Faith, Drover's Inn, Openshaw
- 591—Buckingham, George Hotel, Aylesbury
- 592—Cotteswold, King's Head Hotel, Cirencester
- 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
- 606—Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon
- 633—Yarborough, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
- 673—St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
- 683—Isca, Freemasons' Hall, Dock-street, Newport, Monmouthshire
- 697—United, George Hotel Colchester.
- 755—St. Tudno, Freemasons's Hall, Llandudno
- 768—Ellesmere, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn, Cheshire
- 795—St. John, Ray Mead Hotel, Maidenhead
- 816—Royd, Spring Gardens Inn, Wardle, near Rochdale
- 823—Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
- 874—Holmesdale, Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunbridge Wells
- 889—Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston
- 910—St. Oswald, Masonic Hall, Ropergate, Pontefract
- 938—Grosvenor, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
- 962—Sun and Sector, Assembly Rooms, Workington
- 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
- 1019—Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Zetland-street, Wakefield
- 1040—Sykes, Masonic Hall, Driffield, Yorks
- 1086—Walton, Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool
- 1129—St. Chad, Roebuck Hotel, Rochdale
- 1206—Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
- 1218—Prince Alfred, Commercial Hotel, Moseley, near Manchester
- 1246—Holte, Aquarium Assembly Rooms, Aston
- 1301—Brighouse, Masonic Room, Bradford-road, Brighouse
- 1353—Duke of Lancaster, Athenæum, Lancaster.
- 1356—De Grey and Ripon, 140 North Hill-street, Liverpool, at 7.3). (Inst.)
- 1443—Salem, Town Hall, Dawlish, Devon
- 1511—Alexandra, Masonic Hall, Hornsea, Hull.
- 1634—Starkie, Railway Hotel, Ramsbottom
- 1645—Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slaithwaite
- 1692—Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, at 8.30. (Instruction)
- 1797—Southdown, Hurlpierpoint, Sussex
- 1971—Aldershot Army and Navy, Imperial Hotel, Aldershot
- 1988—Mawddack, St. Ann's Buildings, Barmouth, N. Wales
- R.A. 76—Economy, Masonic Hall, Parchment Street, Winchester
- R.A. 240—St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, Fowler-street, South Shields
- R.A. 323—Charity, Florist Hotel, Stockport
- R.A. 344—Beauty, Bull's Head, Radcliffe
- R.A. 361—Industry, Norfolk Arms, Hyde
- R.A. 371—Nicholson, Freemasons' Hall, Eaglefield Street, Maryford
- R.A. 409—Stortford, Chequers Inn, Bishop's Stortford
- R.A. 417—Faith and Unanimty, Masonic Hall, Dorchester
- R.A. 539—Vernon, Dragon Hotel, High Street, Walsall
- R.A. 731—Truth, Masonic Hall, Gower Street, Derby
- R.A. 1323—Talbot, Mackworth Hotel, Swansea
- R.A. 1375—Architect, Didsbury Hotel, Didsbury
- M.M. 135—Hotspur, Freemasons' Hall, Clayport-street, Alwicks

THURSDAY, 18th OCTOBER.

- House Committee, Girls' School, Battersea Rise, at 4
- 27—Egyptian, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
- 49—Gihon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
- 55—Constitutional, Inns of Court Hotel, Fleet-street, W.C.
- 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
- 144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)
- 147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)
- 169—Temperance, White Swan, High-street, Deptford
- 179—Manchester, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
- 181—Universal, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
- 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
- 704—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305 High Holborn, at 7 (Instruction)
- 733—Westbourne, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood
- 749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Aldersgate Street, E.C. (Instruction)
- 754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
- 913—New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street
- 879—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolsley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In)
- 1139—South Norwood, Public Hall, South Norwood
- 1158—Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester St., Kennington, at 8. (In.)
- 1278—Burdett Courts, Swan Tavern, Bethnal Green Road, E., at 8. (Instruct)
- 1287—Great Northern, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
- 1306—St. John, Three Crowns Tavern, Mile End Road, E. (Instruction)
- 1339—Stockwell, Masons' Tavern, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 7.30 (Instruction)
- 1360—Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel, Wimbledon, at 7.30. (In.)
- 1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30. (Inst)
- 1475—Peckham, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
- 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)
- 1602—Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tavern, Liverpool Road (corner of Theberton Street) N., at 8. (Instruction)
- 1612—West Middlesex, Bell Hotel, Ealing Dean, at 7.45. (Instruction)
- 1613—Cripplegate, Albion, Aldersgate-street
- 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.)
- 1673—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)
- 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 8 (Inst)
- 1681—Londesborough, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
- 1728—Temple Bar Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
- 1744—Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
- 1791—Creaton, Wheatshaf Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherd's Bush. (Inst)
- 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich.
- 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)
- R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
- R.A. 217—Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
- R.A. 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8. (In)
- R.A. 1471—North London, Northampton House, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury at 8. (Instruction)
- M.M.—Bon Accord, 8A Red Lion Square, W.C.
- M.M. 199—Duke of Connaught, Haverlock, Albion-rd., Dalston, at 8. (Inst.)

- 42—Relief, Albion Hotel, Haymarket-street, Bury, Lancashire
- 56—Howard, High-street, Arundel
- 98—St. Martin, Town Hall, Burslem
- 100—Friendship, Crown and Anchor, Great Yarmouth
- 116—Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel Coln
- 203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
- 208—Three Grand Principles, Masonic Hall, Dewsbury
- 268—Union, Queen's Arms Inn, George-street, Ashton-under-Lyne
- 275—Harmony, Masonic Hall, South Parade, Hull
- 276—Good Fellowship, White Hart Hotel, Chelmsford
- 283—Amity, Swan Hotel, Market-place, Haslingden
- 337—Candour, New Masonic Rooms, Uppermill, Saddleworth
- 341—Wellington, Cinque Ports Hotel, Rye
- 343—Concord, Militia Officers' Mess Rooms, Starkie-street, Preston
- 344—Faith, Bull's Head Inn, Radcliffe, Lancashire
- 345—Perseverance, Old Bull Hotel, Church-street, Blackburn
- 346—United Brethren, Royal Oak Inn, Clivett-street, near Blackburn
- 350—Charity, Grapes Inn, Stoneclough, near Manchester
- 367—Probity and Freedom, Red Lion Inn, Smallbridge
- 369—Limestone Rock, Masonic Hall, Church-street, Clitheroe
- 432—Abbey, Newdegate Arms, Nuneaton
- 456—Foresters, White Hart Hotel, Uttoxeter
- 462—Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
- 523—John of Gaunt, Freemasons' Hall, Halford-street, Leicester
- 600—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Salem-street, Bradford
- 605—Combermere, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
- 636—Ogle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth
- 659—Blagdon, Ridley Arms Hotel, Blythe
- 1000—Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend on Sea
- 1011—Richmond, Crown Hotel, Blackfriars-street, Salford
- 1042—Excelsior, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
- 1125—St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Tiverton, Devon
- 1164—Eliot, Private Rooms, St. German's, Corwall.
- 1182—Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7.30. (Instruction)
- 1184—Abbey, Masonic Hall, Battle
- 1299—Pembroke, West Derby Hotel, West Derby, near Liverpool
- 1327—King Harold, Britannia Hotel, Waltham New Town
- 1332—Unity, Masonic Hall, Crediton, Devon
- 1337—Anchor, Masonic Rooms, Durham House, Northampton
- 1432—Fitzalan, Wynstay Arms, Oswestry
- 1512—Hemming, Red Lion Hotel, Hampton
- 1576—Dee, Union Hotel, Parkgate, Chester
- 1580—Cranborne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
- 1587—St. Giles, Royal Oak Hotel, Cheadle
- 1872—St. Margaret's, St. Mark's School, Sarbiton
- 1892—Wallington, Public Hall, Carshalton
- R.A. 113—Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Church Street, Preston
- R.A. 317—Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester
- R.A. 327—St. John's, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
- R.A. 339—Regularity, Crown Hotel, King Street, Penrith
- R.A. 546—Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Longton, Staffordshire
- R.A. 771—Windsor Castle, Masonic Hall, St. Alban Street, Windsor
- R.A. 913—Pattison, Lord Ralgan Tavern, Plumstead
- R.A. 1235—Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton
- R.A. 1324—Okeover, Mar Hotel, Ripley, Derby
- R.A. 1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion Hotel, Barnet, Herts
- M.M.—Canyuges, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
- M.M. 21—Howe, George Hotel, Melton Mowbray

FRIDAY, 19th OCTOBER.

- House Committee Boys' School, Wood Green, at 4
- Emulation Lodge of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall at 6
- 25—Robert Burns, Portland Arms Hotel, Great Portland Street, W., at 8. (In)
- 167—St. John's, York and Albany Hotel, Regent's Park, N.W., at 8. (Inst.)
- 507—United Pilgrims, Surrey Masonic Hall, Canborwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)
- 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)
- 975—Rose of Denmark, Greyhound, Richmond
- 1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C. at 7. (Instruction)
- 1186—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instruction)
- 1228—Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone. (Instruction)
- 1293—Royal Standard, Builders Arms, St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, at 8. (In)
- 1365—Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
- 1381—Kennington, The Horns, Kennington. (Instruction)
- 1642—E. Carnarvon, Ladbrooke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
- 1704—Anchor, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
- 1962—London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
- 2030—The Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
- R.A.—Panmure U. of Improvement, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Jernorwell
- R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich. (Inst.)
- R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Improvement)
- R.A. 890—Hornsey, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Square, Paddington, W. (Improvement)
- M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)
- M.M. 176—Era, 8A Red Lion Square, W.C.
- M.M. 355—Royal Savoy, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)
- K.T. 45—Temple Crossing, Ship Hotel, Greenwich
- R.C. 10—Invicta, Masonic Hall, 33 Golden-square, W.C.
- 152—Virtue, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
- 271—Royal Clarence, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
- 347—Noah's Ark, Wagon and Horses Hotel, Ripon
- 401—Royal Forest, Hark to Bounty Inn, Slaidburn
- 404—Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford
- 453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station Road, Chigwell, at 7.30. (Instruction)
- 460—Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyme
- 516—Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket
- 541—De Lorraine, Freemasons' Hall, Grainger-street, Newcastle
- 566—St. Germain, Masonic Hall, The Crescent, Selby
- 652—Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Holmthorpe
- 663—Wiltshire Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Devizes.
- 993—Alexandra, Midway Hotel, Levenshulme
- 1034—Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill
- 1096—Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
- 1143—Royal Denbigh, Council Room, Denbigh
- 1311—Zetland, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
- 1393—Hamer, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8 (Instruction)
- 1644—Alma Mater, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
- 1773—Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
- 1993—Wolsley, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester. (Instruction)
- General Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, at 8
- R.A.—General Chapter of Improvement, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
- R.A. 355—Wiltshire, Masonic Hall, Victoria Street, Swindon
- R.A. 414—Union, Masonic Hall, Greyfriars Road, Reading
- R.A. 521—Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Fitzwilliam-street, Hull
- R.A. 837—Marquess of Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
- R.A. 1010—Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship Street, Hull
- M.M. 65—West Lancashire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
- R.C.—White Rose of York, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

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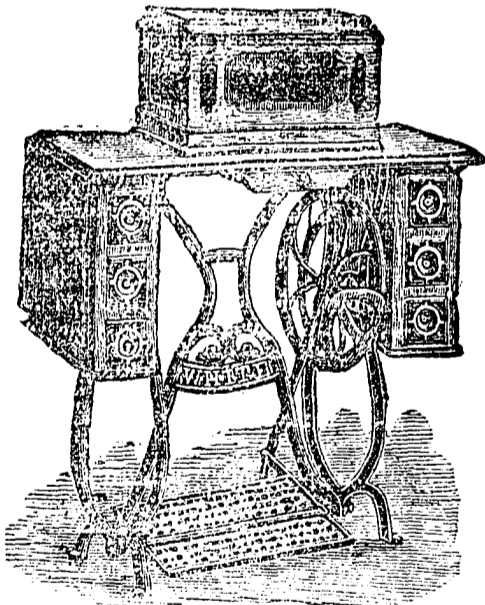
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