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LODGE HISTORIES.

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THE ROYAL UNION LODGE, No. 246.

WE referred a fortnight since to the introductory matter which precedes Bro. George Norman's interesting History of this Lodge, and now propose to summarise some of the more important portions of the "history" itself. In doing so we desire to bring the matters referred to more generally before the Masonic World than is possible without the assistance of the newspaper press, for however much we may say in praise of the support given to Masonic literary work it must be recognised that at present the sale of any particular book is, so to speak, very limited, and this is especially the case with histories of Private Lodges. In our last article under this head we argued that, judging from the supply, the demand for Masonic books is on the increase, and such, no doubt, is really the case, but we cannot help thinking, when we look at the magazines and the periodical literature of years ago, that the Masons of the past must have been more liberal patrons than are their successors of to-day. Taking the older issues of the *Freemason's Review* and the *Freemason's Magazine* for instance—it matters not whether the Quarterly, Monthly, or Weekly parts are considered—we find work which compares favourably with anything that is attempted at the present time, and this notwithstanding the fact that the influence of Freemasonry and the number of individual Masons it now far in excess of what it was then. Our predecessors in the work of Masonic Journalism must have been better supported than are the caterers of to-day, or they could not have continued year after year, as they did continue, the really interesting and voluminous serials of their time. It is true the present is an age of cheap literature, and many persons are apt to consider a few halfpence should be sufficient to pay for all their requirements of a literary character. They forget that class journals cannot compare in regard to circulation with those of a cosmopolitan character, and on this account they cannot understand why a small class paper should cost more than a larger general one. But such is the case, and if those who attempt to supply the demands of the present day fail to do all that is required of them the reason is, in all probability, that the Craft does not contribute its fair share towards the undertaking; in other words the members of the Order do not support their journals as they might be expected to do.

But we are digressing, and it may be urged that our remarks so far have little to do with Masonic History, but in this our critics would be wrong. We argue that it is to the Masonic newspapers of to-day that the future historian will look for much of the material he requires for his work, and accordingly the more we are able to extend our operations and the more complete we can make our record of Masonic doings, the better will be the history when it shall come to be compiled, and the easier will be the work of the compiler.

Turning once more to the pages of Bro. Norman's History, we are told the Royal Union Lodge is the oldest now existing which had its origin in the Province of Gloucester. The Warrant of the Lodge, as we said in our previous article, was granted by the Grand Lodge of the "Ancients." It bore the number 357, and was dated

the 29th July 1813; the first place of meeting being the King's Head Inn, Cirencester. At the Union of the rival Grand Lodges, which took place in the December following the establishment of the Lodge, it was numbered 461 on the Register, and subsequently, at the various closings up, became No. 307 in 1832, and No. 246 in 1863, which latter number it still bears. In 1822 the Lodge was removed to Cheltenham, and here we may note that at this time there were five other Lodges working in the county, only two of which remain on the Roll, viz., the Royal Faith and Friendship, now meeting at Berkeley, and the Foundation Lodge, which at the present time shares, with the Royal Union, the Masonic Hall at Cheltenham. In its earlier days the Royal Union met at various hotels in the town, but for the past thirty years has assembled uninterruptedly in the Masonic Hall, in "fraternal fellowship," as Bro. Norman puts it, with the Foundation Lodge. The Officers named in the Warrant of the Lodge were Bros. Joseph Mountain W.M., Thomas Masters S.W., and John Richardson J.W.

Among the earliest records of the Lodge is a copy of its By-laws, issued in 1815, which copy belongs to Bro. Brook Smith D.P.G.M., who has lent it for the purpose of this History. From it we learn that a penalty was imposed on any brother coming to Lodge "disguised in liquor," while punishment was provided for those who "curse, swear, or offer to lay wagers in the Lodge, or use any language in derogation of God's Holy Name, or tending to the corruption of good manners." "A description of the person" of every candidate for initiation was required to be supplied by his proposer, while the candidate could only be adopted "after his person, age, character, and circumstances" had been approved, and subject to his being "of mature age, sound in body, free from bondage, with the senses of a man, and endowed with an estate, office, occupation, or some visible way of acquiring an honest and reputable livelihood." A new Master having been elected by ballot, he was required to nominate some Brother for the office of S.W., then the present Master and brethren selected a Brother to act as J.W., and so on in the choice of the inferior officers, those selected by the Lodge being chosen by ballot. By-law No. 27 provided that in case any member should be taken ill, the W.M. should depute one of the Brothers (the most acquainted with the sick member) to wait upon him, and, with all delicacy required in such a circumstance, request the sick brother to entrust him with all the writings, books, &c. relating to Masonry which he might have in his possession; the writings, &c. were then to be sealed and deposited in the Lodge, to be returned to the owner when recovered, or burnt in open Lodge should he unfortunately die without having disposed of them in favour of some brother in particular, or left them to the Lodge.

The details of the removal of the Lodge from Cirencester to Cheltenham, in 1822, are recorded with interesting exactness in the Minute Book of the day. It appears a meeting was called in Cheltenham, for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety and expediency of forming another Lodge in the town, the Foundation Lodge having for the preceding five years regularly met there, after removal from Abingdon. The "propriety and expediency" having been unanimously affirmed two brethren were appointed to negotiate with the Royal Union Lodge, then meeting at Cirencester, for the purchase of its warrant, the members of the Lodge being

reported as willing to part with it, while two others were deputed to wait on some of the members of the Foundation Lodge, to "request their assistance and advice." At a subsequent meeting—on the 7th January 1822—it was communicated that the Foundation Lodge unanimously approved of the formation of another Lodge in Cheltenham, when sanctioned by such respectable names as were on the list presented to them. At the same time the older Lodge advised those who were working to establish the second Lodge in the town to be very circumspect in the admission of members, so as to keep the Lodge as respectable as possible, that the interest of the Craft might be preserved, and Masonry not brought into disrepute. The necessary preliminaries involved communication with the then Grand Secretary, who discouraged the acquisition of a dormant warrant, as likely to involve considerable delay, trouble, and expense, but at the same time he gave the necessary directions for the transfer. A difficulty arose at the time of the transfer in consequence of none of the new members having served the office of Warden, thereby qualifying for the position of Master, but this was obviated by the Cirencester Master retaining office, he appointing Bro. Moss, the Cheltenham S.W., to act in his stead. All the necessary arrangements having been completed, the Lodge was formally removed to the Fleece Inn, Cheltenham, on the 2nd April 1822, on which occasion eleven brethren were present, including Bro. Richardson, the W.M., with Bros. Watkins and Bowley, two of the Past Masters from Cirencester. A payment of £35 was made in settlement for the Warrant, Furniture, &c., &c., in accordance with the transfer arrangement. Four candidates for initiation were proposed and, the Lodge having been closed, the brethren appear to have spent the remainder of the day in celebrating the removal—"great harmony and brotherly love" prevailing.

We have now reached a point in the history of this Lodge which may be said to mark a most important epoch in its career, but we propose to break off our narrative for the present, reserving for some future occasion the later doings of the Royal Union Lodge, as recorded in its "History."

MASONIC FRUITS ESSENTIAL.

FREEMASONRY MUST STAND OR FALL WITH RELIGION.

An Address before Monroe City Lodge, No. 64, F. and A.M. of Missouri, 27th December 1888, by Brother William Allen Hatch.

INSTITUTIONS of a Divine origin, or presumably Divine, may be safely entrusted to Divine protection, whatever may become of the individuals connected therewith at any given time, but we are concerned, my brethren, with an Institution which, though not pretending to Divine origin, has, under God's permission, an existence of hundreds, if not thousands of years, and is in fact the most venerable of all human Institutions. And while we are considering our individual relations to this cherished Institution, we may, I think, profitably consider the relations of Freemasonry to the Church and to the State, particularly in the respect of a common conservative interest in the face of a common danger which threatens every establishment.

Praise, defence of, and apology for this Institution are out of place in a public address, for they are not only un-Masonic but to true Freemasons needless, and the outside world will pay little attention to what we say of ourselves, but will rather judge us, as in fact they must, by what we are and what we do. Yet, in deference to a certain class of objectors, who are, perhaps, well meaning, for the most part honest, and, in some cases God-fearing men, it may be allowed me to say that Freemasonry has been on trial for centuries, that it has as few blotches on its history as any human institution, and that it has exhibited enduring monuments of its usefulness, to say nothing of what has been done for the distressed, for the widow and the fatherless, which was of necessity kept from the view of the world.

We must admit, however, that Freemasonry has not done all that it ought to have done, and is not doing all that it might be doing, and for this reason, if no other, "boasting is excluded."

An objection is raised, and sometimes with apparent force, by some good citizens and good Christians, that Freemasonry is a secret society and therefore inimical to the state—to free institutions especially—and comes in conflict with the rules of the Church.

I do not know that this objection deserves an answer, but, lest I be accused of treating it too cavalierly, having brought it out, I will say that in the sense in which a secret society may be hostile to the state or lead its members into violation of any but the purely arbitrary rules of the Church, Freemasonry is not a secret society. There is nothing in its plans, purposes, or pretences but what is open to the world, nothing in its obligations which can by any construction bring any man into the least violation of his highest and most sacred duties.

It is no more a secret society than a business partnership, a family, a club, or even a church organization, and the secrets we have are exactly parallel with those of the firm, the household, or the club, of no consequence to those not directly concerned, or of such a nature that those outside have no right to know them. I have no right to know or at least to publish the merchant's costmark. I have no right to draw the veil which conceals the skeleton which every household is supposed to contain. I have no right to inquire into any ecclesiastical business which does not concern my welfare or endanger my peace, nor do I acknowledge any right for myself to intrude upon sacred mysteries in my own headstrong way, and so I say of the secrets of Freemasonry that there is nothing in them that it would hurt or help the outside world to know, and, therefore, nothing that they have a right to know. One of our most important secrets concerns the ballot, and this secret is not so much for our own protection as for the benefit of him who is so unfortunate as to be rejected, in consequence not always of his own demerit, but, alas! of that frailty of human nature which may be exhibited anywhere, in revenge, in pique, and in envy.

Another secret of considerable importance is the guard we place at our doors, and this includes not only the sentinel at his post but the whole system of signs and marks by which a brother may be known, and by which intruders may be kept at a distance. This is like the cry of the prophetess before the sacred shrine, "*Procul! O! Procul este Profani,*" or like the warning of the Deacons of the early Church, when even the catechumens were dismissed before the celebration of the most sacred mysteries, and, on a lower plane, this is exactly in keeping with ordinary social usages.

I doubt if any one would question my right to invite whom I please to a party at my own house. I have a right to stipulate how my guests shall come—that they shall present cards of invitation or come in costume, and I may even consult the wishes of my guests as to those who would be agreeable associates. No one can rightly complain of my action or interfere with my liberty in this regard, provided there are in these assemblies no plots or conspiracies against the government, or violations of good morals, or disturbance of the peace.

Masonry, considered in its social aspects, presents an exact parallel. No Masonic assembly could be concerned in plots against the government, violation of good morals, or disturbance of the peace, without forfeiting its charter, belying its professions, and transgressing all its laws and obligations. Plots and conspiracies there may have been in which individual Freemasons were concerned—immoralities and disturbances for which they as individuals were responsible.

A Freemason, moved by lofty principle, may rightly strike a blow at tyranny, and may consort with others to bring about needed relief, in ways that are not ordinarily justifiable. History affords numerous instances of acts which have been justified by subsequent events, and none of us, whether Masons or not, are inclined to condemn the plots hatched between Paul Revere, Dr. Joseph Warren and others, in the old Green Dragon Tavern, the headquarters of Colonial Freemasonry in New England, because these plots were inspired by lofty purpose and the results not only justified them but crowned these heroes with glory, and there is not one of you who thinks any less of George Washington as a man, or as a Mason, because he drew his sword against his mother country. These patriots simply transferred their allegiance from the distant and not overkind mother to the struggling infant; the infant who has become a giant, loving the mother even more than if still tied to her apron string.

In spite of great revolutions, which of very necessity involve inconsistencies, it still remains true that Freemasonry is conservative, as in the past she has been generally, an ally—a buttress of Church and state.

My brethren, I have been considering some of the objections alleged against our Institution, and have gone into the line of defence to an extent beyond my first intention, yet there is another quite serious question which some of our best men, even very good Masons, have entertained, one which fairly deserves to be carefully and continually considered by all of us, and that is, What is the use of all this ritual, of all these guards of symbolic teaching, of what in a hostile spirit is called *mummery*? If this be the end and aim of Freemasonry, if the whole scope of the Institution is comprised in what is technically known as the "work," then I would be ready to acknowledge that it is utterly vain and unprofitable, a delusion and a snare.

But it does not require a very profound study or extensive research, yet more profound and extensive than is sometimes given, to show that these rites and ceremonies have kept alive, and do keep alive, the traditions of Freemasonry; that through these certain principles no longer secret have been maintained and fostered under varying conditions, through a period extending in time to the unknown past, and through these, Brotherly love, Relief and Truth have had a wider application, and a more complete diffusion among different races of men, than would otherwise have been, to our human view, possible.

In this somewhat sceptical age even well informed Masons have questioned the antiquity of Masonic institutions, but a critical examination will, I think, convince almost any one that among much that is modern, that is, dating back only a few centuries, there are some things which show a very considerable antiquity. We may have the form and framework of the trade-guild, which goes back to the beginning of English civilisation, but when we find the most important part of our language among the Israelite and Arab Masons of Palestine—among people little given to change, not fertile in invention, nor prone to adopt or imitate the institutions of other lands, we are justified in suspecting, if not believing, that from the East and from the remote past, we have received our most important and valuable traditions, and some parts of our symbolism, teaching great truths to the eye as well as to the ear. Of course this question of antiquity is not a vital one, nor does the excellence of the Institution depend upon its age. If it were the creature of to-day all its inherent excellences would be just the same, and its defects would be no less observable, but even in its most modern form Freemasonry is the oldest of all merely human societies, and the question should be asked with reverence and a proper sense of our responsibility, for what purpose has God permitted this Institution to exist and continue? It is for us, dear brethren, not merely to ask this question but in some degree to answer it, for the answer concerns our duty in the present. This Institution of selected men, numbering to-day more than a million—in the past a countless host—must have had, and must continue to have, in the affairs of men an important mission. That it has had such a mission in the past we know very well. That it has not always been true to itself, to its high mission, to its golden opportunities, is more than probable, but the failures and successes of the past belong alike to the past, except so far as we may be able to learn from them. We cannot remedy the faults or live upon the glories of former ages. Duty is for to-day, and by the way we do this we must be judged, not only by the Supreme Ruler and Judge, but by our own consciences and by the opinions of our contemporaries. This latter is not all important, but it is so important that we cannot afford to ignore it, even though we may not allow it to determine our conduct in all directions.

It will not be sufficient for the world to tolerate our existence, but we should have in the affairs of life such an influence for the general welfare that we shall not be simply tolerated but welcomed.

This age, though sceptical, is exacting. It calls upon every man and every organisation to justify existence by action, and every man and every organisation that fails to do what is reasonably expected is relentlessly pushed aside, while the world rolls on. Principles and professions must not only show fruit, but a liberal yield of fruit. There must not only be promises, but results.

Within the century there have sprung into existence

various organisations, more or less imitative of Freemasonry, and these show to us that the indirect influence of our Institution is considerable. Is this influence for good or for evil? Is mankind benefited thereby? What is the effect upon home and upon public and private morals? These are important questions, and we must be careful in answering them. It is quite true that men of the present day prefer associations of men of similar tastes and pursuits. It is also sadly true that many families are deprived of what should be to them the most delightful companionship. The father and husband is sometimes away at the Lodge when he should be at his home, but is Freemasonry responsible for this? Not so much as the tired wife and mother anxiously awaiting her husband's return may think, but more than the men of the Lodge fairly realize.

While I would be perfectly willing to challenge comparison of Freemasons with a like number of men of equal circumstances in life outside, and while I would willingly submit the whole question to the wives of Masons, a majority of whom are enthusiastic advocates of Freemasonry, still there are cases, here and there, where a man is so callous to Masonic teaching that he will neglect his family for the sake of attending the Lodge.

(To be continued.)

FREEMASONRY AS A SECRET SOCIETY.

IS Freemasonry a secret society? You may answer either yes or no, and be correct.

Freemasonry is *not* a secret society, because its members assemble in a place known to the public, open to the public at certain times, and occupying a site so marked as to be familiar to all citizens. Secret societies obnoxious to criticism are such as meet in secret places, for secret purposes. They hide from observation because their deeds are evil. The fact that they hide condemns them. Freemasons have no reason to conceal their places of meeting, because their purposes are all commendable and noble.

Freemasonry is *not* a secret society, because its individual membership is open to public observation. Brethren openly visit the Masonic Temple, openly march in processions of the Craft, openly participate in the laying of Corner-stones, the dedication of Masonic Temples and the burial of the fraternal dead. No brother seeks to obscure the fact of his Masonic membership; he is proud of it rather than ashamed of it. It is otherwise with the members of organisations which have not the common weal at heart. Conspirators seek to be unknown because they are workers of iniquity. It is not so with Freemasons.

Freemasonry is *not* a secret society, because its purpose is a matter of common knowledge. In this it has nothing to conceal. Recognising the fact that Freemasonry should be above suspicion, it openly admits as much to the world. We are the friends of humanity as well as of the initiated; we acknowledge the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man, and hence are ready to do good to *all* men, while we love most and best those who are encircled with us by the Mystic Tie. Many are the charities, in all Masonic jurisdictions, bestowed by us upon the worthy *profane* after great public calamities. This is our positive, practical acknowledgment of the brotherhood of man.

Freemasonry is *not* a secret society, because its principles are well known to the public. The "Constitutions" of the Craft are in print, its history is in print, and every jurisdiction has its Proceedings printed annually. From all of these the public can readily gather the principles of Freemasonry. These are in no sense Masonic secrets, and we do not strive to hide them.

Now, can a society whose stated places of meeting are known, whose membership is known, whose purpose is known, and whose principles and history are known, in any proper sense be styled a secret society?

But, on the other hand, Freemasonry *is* a secret society, because while the public know a part of it, they do not by any means know all of it. A Masonic Lodge is not like a tavern, with the latch-string hanging out, and into which any one may enter. It is for the elect alone. Every applicant must be closely examined. His moral character must be found free from flaw. He must be of good repute in the community. This is no secret, for it prevents many

from seeking Masonic initiation, and it causes some who do seek it to be rejected.

Freemasonry is a secret society, because its charities are, in large part, unknown to the world. What transpires in a Lodge Room is not a matter of public news. Every meeting night the various Masonic bodies are aiding those of its members who are in distress, and, although not only the aggregate, but the individual sums granted are often large, the profane never hear of them. Such facts are confined to the knowledge of the initiated. These secrets of Freemasonry are of the utmost value to the world, without their being aware of it. Our charities often exceed those of the Church. The Craft deserves to be honoured in the highest degree, both for having, and for treasuring such secrets.

And, then, Freemasonry is a secret society, because it has other secrets. What are they? The world has long been trying to discover them. It has often said it has discovered them—but has it? To profane search they are as elusive as the wind. No one but a true brother can know them. But of this the world may be sure: There is a Mystic Tie which unites members of the Craft into a fraternity which, while world-wide, is really only one family. This, after all, is the Great Secret of Freemasonry—our secret bond of sympathy. Let Bro. Sir Walter Scott express the force and meaning of this tie. We quote from his "*Lay of the Last Minstrel*":

"True love's the gift which God has given
To man alone beneath the heaven:
The silver link, the silken tie,
Which heart to heart, and mind to mind,
In body and in soul can bind."

—Keystone.

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

WE last week referred to the successes achieved by our pupils at the Cambridge Local and other examinations. We now give details.

RESULT OF THE CAMBRIDGE LOCAL AND COLLEGE OF PRECEPTORS' EXAMINATIONS, DECEMBER 1888.

Twenty girls were entered, eighteen of whom passed, as follows:—

CLASS III. HONOURS.—Maud M. F. Hill, Ethel Fallding, Helen M. Foxall.

SATISFIED EXAMINERS.—Dorothy Ainsworth, Georgiana L. Smith, Mary Sherington, Isabella McLeod, Edith J. Matthews, Kate Wortley, Hannah Inglis, Marion A. Warner, Caroline Weare, Florence K. Habgood, Amy D. Cutbush, Annie Brockbank, Daisy E. Capon, Louise A. Haigh, Norah Besly.

Thirty Girls were entered for the College of Preceptors' examination, December 1888, twenty-nine of whom passed:—

Class II., Div. III.—Beatrice Knott, Mary Tanner, Lucy Smith, Jane Turner. Class III., Div. I.—Beatrice High, Hilda Newman, Charlotte Webb, Hilda Lyon, Louisa Pincombe, Maud Greethurst, Jane Hutchings, Charlotte McMillan, Mabel Henshaw, Ettie Chapman, Emily Hall. Class III., Div. II.—Kate Stokes, Olive Hurst, Millicent Wotton, Emily Carruthers, Lucie Ochsenbein, Minnie Woodward, Nellie Walters, Mary Hammond, Mary Hirst. Class III., Div. III.—Ada Buckley, Minnie Wedgewood, Alice West, Charlotte Banister, Florence Wright.

No art of man can produce the grains, the fruits, the flowers, the metals, or the gems of Nature, as God does, and so no Freemason can be perfect in all his thoughts and acts. The symbols of perfection ever are about him to afford him comfort and pleasure, to teach him how excellent his Master-building for eternity should be, and to convince him that only God is perfect.

A prompt, intelligent, energetic, and obliging Secretary of a Lodge, can do much to secure its prosperity. He should be a Brother of large and varied information, and of considerable experience, so that all the Officers, from the Worshipful Master to the Tyler, may draw upon his fund of knowledge and find ample supplies. Not only should he be thoroughly posted as to the ritual and the conduct of the work, the business affairs of the Lodge, &c., but he should also have such good knowledge of the members—their individualities and idiosyncrasies—as to know just how to approach them in any matter respecting the collection of dues or other related subject. Of course he should be accurate and discreet in performing the duties of his office, ready to answer all proper questions, and never in a perverse temper. Blessed is the Lodge that has such a Secretary.

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NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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FIDELITY LODGE, No. 230.

THE annual banquet of this Lodge was held on the 13th instant, at the Royal Hotel, Devonport. On this, as on several previous annual occasions, the guests of this Lodge included ladies, and after the banquet a ball was given. There were 170 brethren and ladies present. At the banquet Bro. F. Orchard, the W.M., presided, supported by his Officers. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given. An entertainment of vocal music and recitations was furnished by Bros. Herbert, Sylvester, Leonard, Lavers, and others. A handsomely-framed enlarged photograph of Bro. Cawsey was presented to himself by the Lodge. The W.M., in making the presentation, said that all who knew the history of Lodge Fidelity must be aware that its success had much depended on the exertions of their lamented brother the late Treasurer, Bro. Lynn and Bro. Cawsey. The members of the Lodge had previously obtained enlarged photographs of those brethren to hang on the walls of the Lodge in memory of their services, and they now also determined to present Bro. Cawsey with a copy to bear testimony in his family circle of the respect in which he was held by his Lodge. At the conclusion of the banquet the hall was cleared for the ball, where dancing was kept up until an early hour in the morning. A concert and card tables were also provided in other rooms.

LOVE AND HONOUR LODGE, No. 285.

ON Wednesday, the 27th ult., the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Somerset (Bro. Else) installed Bro. Dr. B. N. Hyatt as Worshipful Master, at the Masonic Hall, Shepton Mallet. The W.M. appointed his Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:—Bros. T. C. Manning I.P.M., S. P. Davie S.W., W. C. Jackman Yorke J.W., T. Parker Treasurer, the Rev. R. J. Jeffreys Chaplain, G. W. Styles Secretary, H. N. Martin S.D., C. J. Parrott J.D., W. Clarke D.C., C. J. Willmott I.G., F. Davis Tyler, T. R. Winterton Organist. Later on the usual banquet took place. The ceremony was attended by about thirty brethren, the visitors including Colonel A. T. Perkins, the Rev. G. H. de Fraine, Messrs. R. J. Manning, J. M. Atkins, &c. The customary Masonic toasts were honoured.

PORTSMOUTH LODGE, No. 487.

ON Thursday evening, the 14th inst., Bro. W. Bates was installed as the W.M. for the year ensuing. The ceremony was efficiently performed by the retiring W.M. (Bro. J. Jenkins), to whom a vote of thanks was passed, on the proposition of Bro. J. T. Thackara P.M., who referred in highly eulogistic terms to the services rendered by him during his year of office, and to the manner in which he had conducted the installation ceremony. The new W.M. appointed the following as his Officers for the year:—Bros. W. Outridge S.W., John L. Snell J.W., J. T. Thackara Treasurer, A. M. Rae Secretary, W. Biggs S.D., George Huggett J.D., H. E. Loader D.C., D. Barnard I.G., G. Pearman Organist, Nicklin and Guest Stewards, and Exell and Smith Tylers. There was a large attendance. The installation banquet will take place in April.

ARBORETUM LODGE, No. 731.

THE anniversary meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Derby, on Wednesday, the 13th instant, and attracted one of the largest and most influential gatherings which have been held in the hall for some years past, over 140 brethren being present, and during the ceremony of installing Bro. Severn Taylor Worshipful Master there were no fewer than 57 Past Masters present. Bro. Taylor, having been installed by his immediate predecessor, proceeded to appoint his Officers, as follow:—Bros. J. Whittaker Brigg I.P.M., J. Walker S.W., G. Sutherland J.W., W. Whittaker Treasurer, W. H. Wright Secretary, J. Jones S.D., Wm. Todd J.D., G. H. Ward D.C., Alfred Smith I.G., W. W. Heywood Steward, Thomas Day Tyler.

METHAM LODGE, No. 1205.

ON the 11th instant the members of this Lodge held their annual meeting at their rooms, Caroline-place, Stonehouse. The W.M. elect, Bro. Archelaus Tout was installed. Bros. S. Jew 105, Rev. T. W. Lemon 189, H. E. Sitters, W. Kennedy, R. Dickson 1205, were the Installing Officers. The Officers appointed were:—Bros. H. E. Sitters I.P.M., A. W. King S.W., R. L. Blight J.W., Rev. T. W. Lemon Chaplain, D. Cross Treasurer, W. Powell Secretary, G. Perring S.D., G. Perkins J.D., J. J. Facey D.C., L. C. Blight A.D.C., J. Forster Organist, E. Hughes I.G., J. Soper, J. E. Skellard, W. H. Ambrose and A. S. Maddock Stewards, J. Gidley Tyler. Bro. Lemon presented to the Lodge handsomely-framed photographs of the Temple, Freemasons' Hall, London, as it appeared after the fire, 4th May 1883, and of the installation of the Duke of Connaught as Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, by the Prince of Wales Most Worshipful Grand Master of England, at the Dome, Brighton, 22nd June 1886.

COLERIDGE LODGE, No. 1750.

AN interesting presentation took place on Thursday, 14th instant, at the Town Hall, Clevedon, on the occasion of Bro. Thomas Barnes attaining his Masonic jubilee, he having been initiated at Barnstaple in the year 1838. The presentation was made by Bro. Michael Clark, the Worshipful Master, on behalf of the brethren, a large number of whom were present. It consisted of a handsome silver goblet, engraved with the arms of the Lodge and a suitable inscription.

ALLIANCE LODGE, No. 1827.

AN emergency meeting of this Lodge was held on the 15th inst. at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street, for the purpose of

entertaining the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London and the Sheriffs. The Lodge was opened by Bro. Henry Clarke the W.M., who was supported by Bros. H. Squire I.P.M., Godfrey P.M. S.W., Fitch J.W., J. Henry Smith Chaplain, Richard Hawley Treasurer, Joseph E. Turner Secretary, T. Davies Sewell P.M., Frank Green P.M., Capt. Henry Wright P.M., Sir J. B. Monckton P.M. P.G.W., G. W. Johnson P.M., F. S. Jackson S.D., J. C. Whiddington D.C., E. T. R. Wilde I.G., Jenson Organist, Roderick and H. F. Oscar Timme Stewards. Among the visitors present were His Grace the Duke of Abercorn M.W.G.M. Ireland, the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London, Sir R. N. Fowler, Bart, M.P., P.G.W., Asher Barfield G. Treas., E. E. Wendt Grand Secretary German Correspondence, J. C. Parkinson P.G.D., Peter de Lande Long P.G.D., F. West P.G.D. D.P.G.M. Surrey, John Davis D.G.D.C., Col. James Peters P.G. Sword Bearer Major, George Lambert P.G. Sword Bearer, Ex-Sheriff G. Burt P.A.G.D.C., J. L. Stothert Grand Standard Bearer, A. A. Pendlebury Assistant Grand Secretary, W. A. Barrett Grand Organist, Walter Hopekirk G.P., W. T. Howe P.G.P., A. J. Altman Grand Steward, George Singer P.M. P.G.S., W. J. Spratling Prov. Grand Treasurer Midd., S. H. Arthur 832, E. J. Dixon 1627, G. A. Pickering S.W. 890, E. H. Bramley P.M. 957, Donald Ross 323, J. E. Ewer I.G. 1718, C. Fitch 1441, J. H. Williamson, John Lobb, M. Smith 19, J. E. Walford P.M. 1489 177, A. T. Hawkins, F. C. Hill, C. R. Halse 181, T. Colcott Fox 859, C. R. Webb 1657, T. Beard P.M. 101, Alderman and Sheriff Gray, Alderman Renals W.M. 1657, W. Willis 1593, Percy Clarke 913, P. L. Bapty, J. L. Cross P.M., W. H. Harris P.M. 857, Sheriff Newton, D. L. Cohen 29, Augustus Harris P.M. 2127, H. W. Schartau 1649, Arthur Weston, &c. The Lodge having been opened, it was proposed by Bro. Sir John Monckton that certain Past Masters, together with the Deacons of the Lodge, be appointed as a deputation to receive the distinguished guests of the evening. This having been done, the M.W. the Grand Master of Ireland was admitted, and saluted in proper form. The Lord Mayor of London was then announced, and on his entrance into the Lodge he also was greeted. Shortly after this the Lodge was closed, and the brethren repaired to the banquet hall, where an excellent repast awaited them. At the conclusion of the banquet the Worshipful Master (Bro. Clarke) proceeded with the toast list. The National Anthem followed the Loyal toast, and then the health of the Grand Master of England was given. The Master referred to the Prince of Wales as a zealous Mason, one who faithfully discharged his duties, and who was an example to all his followers. Next followed the toast of His Grace the Duke of Abercorn Grand Master of Ireland. The W.M. invited very earnest attention to the toast—which was in honour of a most distinguished guest. This remark met a hearty reception from the brethren, which the Master felt would be interpreted by their visitor as a mark of the pleasure felt by the Lodge in entertaining him. This was the first time in the history of Freemasonry that a Grand Master had honoured a City Lodge with his presence. The Duke of Abercorn was the ruler of some 15,000 Irish Masons, and had succeeded, as the head of the Order in that country, his revered father. The Master was sure they would join with him in wishing that instead of 15,000 Irish Masons they could look on every man in the country as a Brother Mason. True they were brothers in name, and if they all possessed the good qualities of those who had joined the Masonic Order it would be far better for all concerned. The members of the Alliance Lodge sent the brethren on the other side the Channel their heartiest greeting, and fully recognised the kindness of the Grand Master in coming among them on the present occasion. It would indeed be a red letter day in the annals of the Lodge for all time. The Duke of Abercorn could hardly find words to express the sentiments he felt at the way in which he had been received that day. The Worshipful Master had been good enough to say it was a fraternal kindness for him to come among them; he was going to reverse the order of things, and say it was a great kindness on their part to invite him, and afford him the means of enjoying himself as he had done that day. He felt somewhat guilty in that he had neglected his duty, for he believed they had had a debate in the House of Lords, and there was little doubt but that better Masons than he, notably the Earls of Carnarvon and Lathom, were present in their places there. His only excuse for absence was the invitation he had received to attend the Alliance Lodge. He believed the Lodge was intimately connected with the Corporation of the City of London—but it was none the worse for that; it was, he believed, all the better. He could not help the feeling that he and the other guests had that night been entertained by angels unawares. On his right he had the present Lord Mayor of London, on his left a late Lord Mayor, while it was quite impossible for him to say how many other Past Lord Mayors were present, much less how many future ones were amongst them. After looking on the present assembly he could only wish it were possible for him as Grand Master, or indeed for any Irish Lodge, to similarly entertain the Lord Mayor of the principal city of Ireland. They had heard a great deal about Ireland lately, and no doubt many of them thought they knew a great deal about it, but they knew very little, although it was not his intention to speak generally of the country. As Freemasons they were not a rich body, and so they had some difficulty in starting new Lodges, but they were steadily progressing. The members were really the better class of Irish society, and he felt that any English brother visiting an Irish Lodge would thoroughly enjoy himself. The Charities of Irish Masonry would not compare, in point of importance, with those of England, but they were working on similar lines, and he might say they had an old pupil of the English School at the head of the Irish Girls' School. He remembered that some time ago Prince Herbert Bismarck was good enough to pay their school a visit, and after seeing the children drill said he should like to have some of the girls for his grenadiers. They did not, however, devote all their attention to the girls, they did what they could on behalf of the boys, and generally worked to secure the welfare of the Order in Ireland, and hoped they would always deserve the same feelings of brotherly esteem they now enjoyed. The next toast was that of the Grand Officers—it was

always an acceptable one in the Lodge, and the Master hoped it would always receive a hearty reception at the hands of the members. He should couple with the toast the name of Sir Robert Fowler, who was so accustomed to have his name enthusiastically received in the City of London that he might find some difficulty in appreciating the difference between his Masonic reception and a general one. In any case, however, he deserved their heartiest greeting. In reply, Sir Robert Fowler explained it was by a very narrow chance that he had the right to reply. The Duke of Abercorn, Sir John Monckton, and himself were much on a par as regarded Masonic rank, and if he had any advantage over the latter it was because Sir John was appointed a Past Grand Warden while he (Sir Robert) had actually served the office. He referred to the visits of the Pro Grand Master to distant parts of the world, and was sure they would prove beneficial, both Masonically and generally. The Deputy Grand Master was as much a model nobleman in England as his noble friend on his right (the Duke of Abercorn) was in Ireland. Both devoted themselves to the duties of their position, and did all that lay in their power to earn the gratitude of their neighbours. He believed there was but one feeling actuating the brethren for whom he responded. They were men who were anxious to do all that lay in their power to promote the welfare of the Empire, and advance the interests of the Craft and individual Masons. The Worshipful Master, on rising to propose the next toast, was quite sure they would one and all be pleased to stand in his present position, as he had the honour of proposing the toast of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of London. He spoke of the anxiety which an enthusiast felt when he transplanted some rare specimen as to what the ultimate bloom would be, and said that much the same feeling existed when an Alderman was transplanted to the office of Lord Mayor. There were then thousands of voices in the City of London asking how he would fulfil the duties of his office. He was for the time being the King of the City. His every action, his every utterance was recorded, while citizens watched his every movement. There were especial conditions surrounding the Lord Mayor of London which were unknown in any other part of the world. He might say that every Lord Mayor had been a better man after holding the office than he was before—this was quite natural, for his opportunities were enlarged, and his feelings were changed. Few were aware of the responsibilities which attached to the post, and he was sure the present occupant of the office had every day many occasions to ask himself whether he had done his best in the position in which he had been placed—the best for his office, for his fellow citizens, and for the country at large. When replying to the invitation of the Alliance Lodge, the Lord Mayor said he was not much of a Mason, but the man who would go out of his course to give a dinner to 14,000 of the destitute of the district, and who daily devoted himself and his purse to the relief of his fellow creatures was really born a Mason. He had Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth so associated in his nature as to make him an acceptable brother in all assemblies of Freemasons. Really he had but one imperfection as a Brother Mason—he was not yet a member of the Alliance Lodge. The Lord Mayor in reply considered it a very high privilege to have the opportunity of returning thanks for the toast of his health in so friendly an assembly as the present. He felt all the force of the Master's words when he said he was not a member of the Alliance Lodge, and he felt as guilty as a Lord Mayor could feel, but there was one saving clause in this connection; had he been a member of the Lodge he could not have enjoyed himself as he had done as a visitor on the present occasion. He thought the continuance of that disadvantage might lead to his being again welcomed as a visitor among them. Their distinguished guest the Grand Master of Ireland had hinted at the reception he should meet with in Ireland at the hands of his Masonic brethren. He assured them that if his visit to that country—as a non-political Lord Mayor—would not be misunderstood by the varied political parties he would close with the noble Duke at once and make a definite appointment. He would ask his noble friend at some future time if he was able to comply with his conditions and then renew his invitation. Speaking of the Charities of Freemasonry he considered that they, and indeed the Charities of the country generally, were a marvel to the world, and probably no one knew more than the Lord Mayor of London the full extent of the charity which was regularly dispensed. So long as he had the opportunity of continuing in his present position he should endeavour to uphold the principles of charity and philanthropy, and so maintain the reputation which had for years past been associated with the office he had the honour of filling. It was one of the characteristics of the Corporation of the City of London that it corresponded with the true principles of Masonry, and it was one of the charms of his life that he had become associated with a body which had such high and lofty desires as at present actuate it. If, as the Master had said, every Lord Mayor was a better man at the close of his year than at its commencement he should have additional cause for thanking his fellow citizens for the opportunity they had given him. The next toast was that of the Sheriffs. The Worshipful Master doubted if there was any city in the world where they would find men, equally efficient, coming forward to devote themselves for the benefit of their fellow citizens, as was the case in London. They had the pleasure of having among them as a member of the Alliance Lodge one of the Sheriffs, and they were proud of the association. This was probably the last time that this toast of the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex would ever be given in a Masonic Lodge, for on the 1st April next those gentlemen would no longer bear that title. He had much pleasure in coupling with the toast the name of Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Gray, who returned sincere thanks for the toast. He was sorry his colleague had not been able to stay, but if he was not then present in person he was sure he was with them in spirit. It seemed to him a singular and happy coincidence that the Lord Mayor and the two Sheriffs should all be Brother Masons. Personally he was proud of being associated with the Order, and he believed it had been the means of extending the number of his friendships. The work of the Sheriffs was very hard, so that they

must excuse his colleague's absence—indeed, if they got even a part of their natural share of rest they should be very thankful. The Duke of Abercorn then assumed the gavel. He had been permitted to propose the next toast, the health of their Worshipful Master. It was especially difficult for him, as a stranger, to submit it in proper terms, and it struck him if he had the spirit of the fine old Irish gentleman they had just heard of in the song by Brother Schartau he would be much better able to discharge his duty. From what he had seen of the Master that evening he ventured to think the Lodge could not have secured a better man to act as its chairman, indeed, no better could possibly be needed, as all that he had done had been carried out in a most satisfactory manner. He learnt also that as a man of business the Master had ably acquitted himself, and that he had so far won the approval of his fellows as to have secured a seat on the County Council of London. He was also told that he was a worthy member of a fine old Masonic family. His great grandfather, his grandfather, and his father had all been Masons before him, and he (the Duke of Abercorn) could well imagine the amount of inquisitiveness which must have existed for years past among the female portion of that family regarding the secrets he and his ancestors had, no doubt, zealously guarded. He was further told that two of his sons were also making a name for themselves in the Masonic Brotherhood, so that it seemed the Craft was to continue to enjoy the support of this distinguished family. The W.M. tendered his thanks. He had never even dared to include among his fondest hopes that he should have his health proposed by a Grand Master of Freemasons. He fully appreciated the favour by which he occupied the position of Master of the Alliance Lodge, and could only express his gratitude by promising to discharge his every duty to the best of his ability. The toast of the Visitors was the next. It was needless for the Master to refer again to the distinguished visitors who had already been specially referred to. The Lodge was never content unless it had around its tables some of the most distinguished Masons of this or other countries. They were particularly pleased that day in entertaining Bro. Parkinson, who was so well known to many of them, and was only known to be esteemed. Another Brother he was pleased to make the acquaintance of at their Lodge was Augustus Harris, who, he might say, was one of those who always delighted in doing good. He felt that neither of these brethren, or indeed any of the visitors, would ever wear out their welcome in the Alliance Lodge. He could not refer to all their guests individually, but must not forget a special word of welcome for Bro. Alderman Renals. Bro. Parkinson replied. The guests were particularly pleased at having the opportunity of visiting a Lodge so intimately associated with the Corporation of the City of London, and which on this occasion had set itself to entertain the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs. He was very much struck by the Duke of Abercorn telling them they "thought" they knew Irishmen but that they really knew very little about them. Undoubtedly it would be better for all if they knew more such Irishmen as his Grace the Grand Master of Ireland, whose presence they had very much enjoyed that day as a fellow visitor to the Lodge. Bro. Augustus Harris followed, endorsing the remarks which had been made in regard to the popularity of the Worshipful Master, and assuring them he hoped on some future occasion to be able to tell them more of what he found out about him. The Officers of the Lodge were regularly toasted, and the Senior Worden having replied, the proceedings were ultimately brought to a conclusion. The musical arrangements were under the management of Bro. Jenson the Organist, who was ably supported by Bros. Schartau, Arthur Weston and others.

BARNATO LODGE, No. 2265.

THERE were certain incidents associated with the formation and consecration of this Lodge, in June last, that we felt called from us something like a protest. Whether we were justified in expressing ourselves as we then did, or whether we displayed on that occasion a superabundance of zeal, has not been satisfactorily decided as yet, and we are inclined to think agreement on the point is a matter not absolutely necessary. Of this we are assured; the Barnato Lodge, since it has been working, has admirably fulfilled its mission, and now stands in the highest rank of young Lodges for the ability with which its affairs are conducted, and for the support it has given to the best interests of Freemasonry. A regular meeting was held on Monday, at the Station Hotel, Highbury, when there were present the Worshipful Master, Bro. Joseph Da Silva, M. J. De Leeuw S.W., L. Kool J.W., J. Joel Treasurer, M. S. Jessop P.M. Secretary, Thomas Honey S.D., E. J. Acworth J.D., M. Bash I.G., E. B. Joel and I. B. Joel Stewards, C. F. Hogard P.G.S.B. I.P.M., J. H. Gluckstein, H. Warner, A. Levy, G. Mayes, A. Barnato, R. Baker, H. Benjamin, J. Rosenthal. Among the Visitors were James Pinder P.M. 15 1662 199, M. J. Emanuel P.M. 205, W. Wright Organist 1897, W. Mundy 1839, A. J. Henochsberg 205 P.G.D.D.C. W. Lancashire, L. M. Myers P.M. 188, Isaac Myers 188, R. L. Warner 1987, J. C. Rivers S.W. 1872, R. V. F. Seton J.W. 1965, Fredk. Binckes P.G.S.B., M. B. Rosenberg 188, W. W. Morgan P.M. 211, J. A. Gartley P.M. 205, W. W. Lee 1897, E. L. Thompson I.G. 185, J. J. Hyam 1409, Major W. H. Baker P.M. 180, G. S. Hunt 1585, J. Mylcris (Peace and Harmony), E. C. Howell P.M. 610, J. E. Holden (Bedford). Lodge was opened and the minutes of the last regular meeting and of the emergency meeting of the 18th February were read and confirmed. The next business was to ballot for, as joining members, Bro. Hartog Van Staveren, Joppa Lodge, No. 188, proposed by Bro. I. B. Joel, seconded by Bro. M. J. Jessop Sec.; Bro. Gustav Mayer, St. John's Lodge, No. 80, proposed by Bro. W. J. Jessop Sec., seconded by Bro. J. Da Silva W.M.; Bro. Lewis Davids, Joppa Lodge, No. 188, proposed by Bro. M. De Leeuw S.W., seconded by Bro. I. B. Joel; Bro. Hyam Benjamin, proposed by Bro. H. I. Barnato, seconded by Bro. M. J. Jessop Sec. The result was in favour of the candidates. Bro. Hugo Warner was then passed, and Bros. L. Taunbaum and Henry Walters were raised, Bro. Da Silva impressively conducting

the ceremonies. The next business was to consider a notice of motion, by Bro. M. J. Jessop Sec., "That as Bro. Da Silva W.M. is leaving for the Cape, a P.M.'s jewel of the value of ten guineas be presented to him in token of the great interest he has taken in the Lodge as one of its founders and the first Worshipful Master." Bro. Jessop said these jewels were usually given in Lodges with a great deal of pleasure, but he confessed that on the present occasion he felt a great amount of regret that he should have to make the proposition, as it signified that their W.M. was about to leave them. He thought they would agree that during Bro. Da Silva's term of office he had shown the abilities a W.M. should possess. The S.W. seconded the motion, which was carried with acclamation. Bro. Jessop then explained that it had been agreed the jewel should be ready for presentation that evening. He had also to state there was a brother present who had been intimately associated in business with the W.M., and who had expressed the desire of marking his appreciation of his conduct. He would call upon that brother to make the presentation. Brother A. Levy expressed the pleasure it afforded him to be deputed to present the Worshipful Master with a Past Master's jewel. He had supplemented it by adding a diamond, which he hoped would shed lustre on the jewel, and on behalf of himself and the other members he had to express their sincere regret at the loss they were about to sustain. The W.M. had guided their Lodge—named after their worthy Bro. Barnato—to its present pre-eminent position, and they wished him every success this world could bestow. When Bro. Da Silva returned amongst them, he hoped he would not regret having left London and their Lodge, wherein he had rendered such eminent service, and that he would find South Africa the El Dorado he wished. Bro. Da Silva, in acknowledgment, assured the brethren he could not express his feelings and give thanks for the kind words of Bro. Levy in making the presentation, and the kind expressions of Bro. Jessop, also his gratefulness for the hearty way in which his humble and poor services had been received. It had been with him a labour of love. From the time they obtained the warrant for its consecration, it had been his aim to make their Lodge a great one. Although they had been in existence but a few months they had gained the first rung of the ladder. When the idea was first put before him of leaving London for South Africa he hesitated, and hesitated, and yet hesitated again. What would become of the Lodge without its leader? but a very little time elapsed and he saw that it would be safe in the hands of brethren of rank in the Order. He thanked the members of the Lodge and assured them that, although in another country, he should always remember with feelings of great emotion the magnificent way in which he had been treated. Later on it was announced that the W.M.'s Stewardship, in conjunction with Bro. Barnato, for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, realised £103, and also that there was a balance of £60 accruing from the ball held at the Hotel Metropole. This would in due course be handed over to the Benevolent Fund of the Lodge. The name of a joining member having been handed in, and routine work completed, Lodge was closed. An elegant banquet followed and then the Loyal toasts received attention. In replying for the Grand Officers Bro. Binckes P.G.S.B. said they must allow him to depart a little from the ordinary routine on this occasion. It had afforded him personally a large amount of pleasure to give up an important engagement for the sake of being present on the eve of the departure of their W.M. for a distant country. Whilst he was quite prepared to admit the unimportant rôle he held as a Grand Officer, they must regard him as the representative of a very large number who, to his knowledge, had enjoyed the hospitality of this Lodge during its short period of existence under the kindly auspices and genial rule of the W.M., whom they had also met in another Lodge where he had occupied for many years an important position. He hoped he might be taken as the earnest spokesman on their behalf, and the members of Grand Lodge would join him in wishing the W.M. God-speed in his new venture, and a prosperous voyage, and they sincerely trusted to see him once again, at no distant date, in good health and with increased wealth. That was a very simple and a very familiar combination, but a combination that went far to the achievement of the summum bonum of human happiness, for without wealth they could not enjoy health, but with health they could enjoy wealth. The brethren would not wish him "good-bye," there was something terrible in that; they would say "au revoir" and "bon voyage." On behalf of the Grand Officers, and especially in his own name, he conveyed to Bro. Da Silva all the good wishes he could possibly desire for himself. Bro. C. F. Hogard P.G.S.B., acting as I.P.M., said the task devolving upon him, was a very easy, and at the same time a very difficult one—a very easy one, because no words of his were needed to enhance the enthusiasm which he was sure they would give to the toast when he announced it, and a very difficult one, because he desired to say on their behalf, and also on his own, some words of God-speed to the W. Master in the journey before him. Unfortunately, he had been preceded in the previous toast by a brother who was known, and had been known for many years, as "Our Hercules." Bro. Binckes had said everything he wished to say, and although he (Bro. Hogard) had not a great flow of words, he felt a heavy duty devolved upon him in proposing the health of the W.M. Bro. Da Silva and he had worked for many years together in their mother Lodge—the Israel, No. 205—of which Lodge they were P.M.'s, and of which he was now the W.M.,—for the second time. They had worked side by side in Arch Masonry, where Bro. Da Silva had just vacated the chair of M.E.Z., after having filled the office with great distinction to himself and éclat to the Chapter. They had also worked together in another Degree, and during the time he had known their W.M. he had never known a brother work more arduously and more sincerely, not only for the good of the Lodges or Chapters to which he belonged, but whose heart had been so sincerely in that work which they were told should be of such paramount importance in Masonry—namely, that of Charity. At no time during their brother's career had the claims of the Masonic Charities received from him either a cold or an unsatisfactory

answer. Bro. Da Silva had served as Steward to the various Charities for his mother lodge, and had during the short career of the Barnato Lodge served the office of Steward for the Aged People, when, of the very few brethren whose lists reached three figures, he took a place, with £103. Whilst he gave them the toast of their W.M., and whilst he gave it with bitter and sincere regret, that being the last occasion on which they would probably see him amongst them for the present, the step Bro. Da Silva was about to take was one they believed and prayed might redound, not only to his future credit, but was one that would make him such a position in the Colony to which he was going that he would return blessed with those gifts which God was said to shower on those who helped themselves. The brethren would join him in drinking the toast, and in wishing Bro. Da Silva God-speed he could only hope from what he had heard of the place to which their esteemed W.M. was going that his absence would only be required for a short 12 months, when he would be able to return to them in the full possession of that without which, as Bro. Binckes had remarked, health was not much good. They could sympathise with him in that he was leaving a comfortable home, but they were not only pleased, but congratulated him, that he had in his better half a lady who had shown British pluck in deciding to go to that distant quarter with him. They knew that in that part of the world to which he was going wealth was to be found, but they also knew it was a part where life was of the roughest kind. When they found such a lady giving up all the pleasing associations of friends and relatives, and throwing in her lot with her husband in making such a venture, the husband was to be envied. He (Bro. Hogard) could say more to them on this subject, but that he felt the toast required no addition. But there was one other point on which he would touch. It was that Bro. Da Silva was very fortunate in going out as the present W.M. of the Barnato Lodge, for, from all that he had heard of the colonies in South Africa, that word alone would be a "sesame" to him to be received with open arms; that name had been for so many years a household word in Kimberley and Johannesburg. There had been, as they were aware, something said about the name of their Lodge, but he had said and would maintain that, in having selected the name which they held, after due and careful consideration, they had selected the right one, and if proofs were wanted, they were to be found in the jewel presented to the Worshipful Master and which he understood contained a stone brought from the Barnato Mine, the same place whence came those presented to the founders. He would not detain them longer, but simply ask them to drink to the health of their W. Master, wishing him God-speed and a prosperous future. Bro. Da Silva in reply said he really did not know how to express the feelings that animated him. The kind words uttered in the Lodge, the friendly utterances of Bro. Binckes, what he might call the oration of Bro. Hogard, and the display of goodwill towards himself and his wife by every member of the Lodge, had overpowered him. He assured them that, although he was leaving them, for a time, his thoughts would be with them; although thousands of miles would part them, he should be in that colony with which their Lodge was connected. He well remembered a distinguished Grand Officer present at the consecration of the Lodge saying, in reference to it, that from what he saw around him, and from what he heard of the marvels of South Africa and its wonderful mines, he felt he was upon that hallowed ground so graphically described by Rider Haggard. He was going to that hallowed ground—the ground of King Solomon's mines. He felt he was taking with him the bond of Masonic union, and trusted to cement the fraternal feeling in those parts. He should mix in Masonic circles, and they in London would know the feeling existing in South Africa, that everything would tend to strengthen their Masonic creed, and bring under their banner people who were now strangers. The expressions of kindness shown him he heartily thanked them for, and he had to thank Brother Levy for the magnificent jewel presented to him, and for the handsome addendum to the jewel in the diamond, which was the symbol of their Lodge. This would be an example to the younger brethren, and an incentive to them to gain that instruction which was necessary for success in the Order. There was one important thing he must impress upon them. As the first W.M. of this Lodge the charge was placed upon him during his year of office that he would see that the Lodge was carried on with order and decorum. Up to that time he hoped he had performed the duty to the satisfaction of them all, but he was about to leave them, and, although they would have to rule them well-trying and proven brethren, he must ask them one and all, members of the Barnato Lodge, to try and think of his words in his absence, and say—"We will continue the work commenced under the leadership of Bro. Da Silva, when this Lodge was well received in Freemasonry and was carried out with order and decorum." He asked them all to emulate that example, to continue in that path, and, above all, to be united. They had not yet had a shadow of dissension, but time rolled on, and they knew not what might occur. He must ask them, as Freemasons, to think of the charge at the installation ceremony—that some must rule and teach, while others learn to obey. There was one other and most important charge he laid upon them. It was of as much importance as the duty of being united. Unity was strength—that was their Masonic creed, but they had also another great institution in Freemasonry, the foundation stone of their whole structure, the true religion of the world—Charity. He charged them to remember that, and when they had calls made upon them which they knew to be just, they should exercise that virtue which they had professed to admire. He felt sure they would carry out these charges. The good feeling shown towards him, the unanimous support he had received from every member, enabled him to make some slight call upon them and this would be his excuse for the words he had spoken. He thanked them once more. He hoped and trusted it would not be the last time he should have the honour of speaking in the Barnato Lodge, but wherever he was, whether he was in Africa or in any other part of the world, when their days of meeting

came round his spirit would be with them. Before he sat down he would ask them to drink success to the Barnato Lodge. Other toasts followed, and each received acknowledgment. Some capital songs were given during the evening, Bro. Willy Wright rendering good service as accompanist.

Egyptian Lodge of Instruction, No. 27.—This Lodge, after lying dormant for about five years, was re-opened, at Bro. Cambden's, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, 11th March, when the following were present:—Bros. Plummer W.M., Cambden S.W., Lucas J.W., Hooper S.D., Grammer J.D., Paton I.G., Eccles, Stafford and Hooper. The second ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Stafford candidate. Bro. Stacey worked the first section of the second lecture, assisted by the brethren. Lodge resumed, and the fourth section of the first lecture was worked by Bro. Paton, assisted by the brethren. The following were elected Officers of the Lodge:—Bros. Stacey Preceptor, Cambden Treasurer, and Grammer Secretary. Lodge was closed in perfect harmony.

On Monday, 11th instant, there were present:—Bros. Cambden W.M., Lucas S.W., Hooper J.W., Grammer (Secretary) S.D., Stafford J.D., Stacey Preceptor, Burridge I.G.; Bros. Scabbins, G. T. Spencer W.M. 2120, Webster S.W. 27, Wallman J.W. 27, Richmond, J. Plummer, G. T. Plummer, Quartly P.M., J. Milstead, Spencer, and Eccles. After preliminaries the first section of the third lecture was worked by Bro. Stacey, assisted by the brethren. The third ceremony was then rehearsed, Bro. Quartly P.M. acting as candidate. After routine business Lodge was closed in perfect harmony.

Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, No. 65.—A meeting was held at the City Arms Restaurant, St. Mary Axe, E.C., on the 19th inst. As this was the Preceptor's last night in the Lodge a large muster of brethren were present. Bro. Moss Preceptor P.M. 1275 was W.M. Bros. Talbot 65 S.W., Valentine J.W., L. Da Costa 1349 S.D., Fisher 192 J.D., Sarson 192 I.G., B. Da Costa 1349 Deputy Preceptor; also Bros. Haller W.M. elect 65, Dyon 65, Roberts 65, Walker 65, Cary 1625 Secretary, Martin, Kent, and many other brethren. After Lodge work was over, Bro. Dyson proposed that a vote of thanks should be recorded upon the minutes to Bro. Moss for his services as Preceptor during the past ten years. This was seconded by Bro. Roberts, and carried unanimously. In returning thanks, Bro. Moss gave a short history of the Lodge during his long and successful Preceptorship, and expressed his sorrow at leaving the Lodge, which he was compelled to do, as he was going to South Africa. On the proposition of Bro. Haller, which was seconded by Bro. Dyson, the sum of one guinea was unanimously voted to the testimonial for Bro. Moss. Bro. L. Da Costa then presented the testimonial, which was a sum of close upon sixty guineas, and Bro. Moss, in a heartfelt speech, bade a touching farewell to the brethren. Hearty good wishes were given, and the Lodge was closed and adjourned. A Masonic Benevolent Association was then formed, which will meet for the first time on Tuesday, the 26th instant.

Rose Lodge of Instruction, No. 1622.—Forty-five brethren sat down to the annual supper of this very flourishing Lodge of Instruction on Thursday, 14th inst., at the Stirling Castle, Camberwell. The chair was occupied by Bro. W. E. Page W.M. 1622 P.M. 1475 P.Z. 1269, and among those present were Bros. T. Grummant P.M. Secretary, W. Cowley P.M. P.Z. Treasurer, D. Rose P.M. Preceptor, C. H. Stone 1641 I.G. 507 Assistant Secretary, J. Addington P.M. M.E.Z. 1275, H. Martin S.D. 1622, J. T. Penney W.M. 1679, Towers W.M. 15. The Secretary, Bro. T. Grummant P.M. P.Z., in responding to the toast of his health, reported an average attendance of 28, also an average attendance of 7 P.M.'s. He drew special attention to the 4th Charitable Association, which, when it closes, will bring the total contributed to the Charities to nearly £1000. Bros. "Harcourt West" and Todd gave splendid recitations, and among those who added to the harmony of the evening by capital songs were Bros. Stone, Lowton Whitehead, Captain Thornhill, and Morgan.

The Board of Benevolence met on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall. Bros. Robert Grey P.G.D. President, James Brett P.G.P. Senior Vice-President, and C. A. Cottebrune P.G.P. Junior Vice-President; Col. Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Sec., Pendlebury, Dodd and Lee represented Grand Secretary's office. After the opening of the Board, the President stated that several letters had been received from petitioners to whom grants had been made at previous meetings of the Board, among them was one from a brother who was assisted out to New Zealand, thanking the Board for their aid, and stating that it had been the means of saving his life. The brethren confirmed recommendations to the M.W.G.M., made at the February meeting, to the extent of £380. The new list contained the names of 44 candidates. Four of these cases were dismissed, and five were deferred. The remainder were relieved with a total of £1085. This sum was composed of one recommendation to Grand Lodge of £100, and eight recommendations of £50 each; three recommendations to the M.W.G.M. of £10 each, seven of £30; ten of £20, five of £10 each, and one grant of £5.

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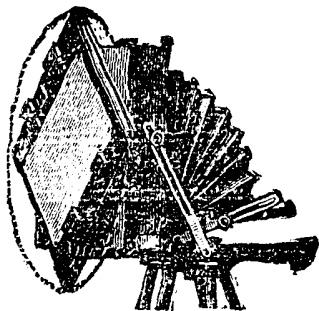
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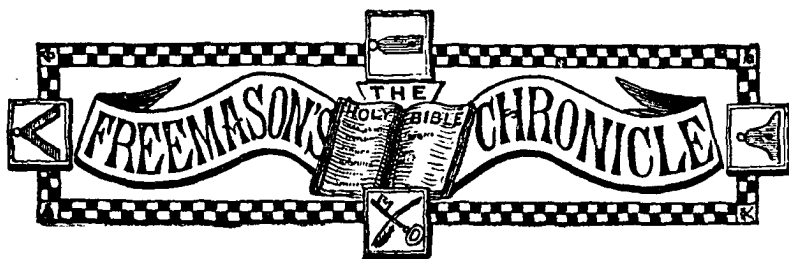
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PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF
CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

A MEETING of this Prov. Grand Chapter was held at the Lion Hotel, Cambridge, on Tuesday, the 12th inst. The Principals' chairs were occupied by Comps. Lieut-Col. R. Townley Caldwell Grand Superintendent, A. H. Moyes Prov. G.H., and B. Chennel Past Prov. G.J. The Provincial Grand Chapter having been opened, and some formal business transacted, the Grand Superintendent appointed and invested his Officers, as under:—

Comp. E. H. Jennings 441	.	.	H.
E. Armitage 859	.	.	J.
W. H. Jarrold 88	.	.	S.E.
H. King 441	.	.	S.N.
W. I. Pashler 88	.	.	Registrar
John Fuller 441	.	.	P. Sojourner
Oliver Papworth 88	.	.	1st A. Sojourner
C. Geldard 859	.	.	2nd A. Sojourner
Thos. Nicholls 88	.	.	Treasurer
L. Hampson 809	.	.	Sword Bearer
C. A. Vintner 441	.	.	Standard Bearer
W. Purchas 88	.	.	Organist
A. Morrell 441	.	.	Director of Ceremonies
T. Collier 88	.	.	} Janitors
C. H. Ellis 88	.	.	

It was proposed by Comp. T. Hiscox 809, seconded by Comp. Edward Hills 88, and resolved, that a donation of 20 guineas be granted to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, the same to be placed on the list of Comp. Oliver Papworth, Secretary of the Masonic Charity Association of the Province. The Provincial Grand Chapter having been closed, the Companions adjourned to banquet.

Star Chapter of Instruction, No. 1275.—The usual meeting was held on Friday, the 15th inst., at the Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell. There were present Comps. Capt. R. J. Vincent Z. 1777 M.E.Z., Patrick H., G. L. Moore J., C. H. Stone S.E., W. Briant S.N., Wingham P.S., C. Woods A.S., Addington, Neeld P.Z., Grummaut P.Z., and F. Hilton P.Z. Preceptor. The Chapter was regularly opened, and when the Companions were admitted, the minutes were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed with Comp. Addington M.E.Z. 1275 as candidate. Comp. Patrick was elected M.E.Z. for the next meeting. A vote of thanks was accorded Comp. Capt. Vincent for his able work as M.E.Z. for the first time in this Chapter. The S.E. reported that the first annual supper would take place on 5th April, after which the Convocation was adjourned until Friday, 22nd inst.

The annual supper of the Star Chapter of Instruction, No. 1275, will be held at the Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell, on Friday, the 5th April, at 7 p.m., Comp. F. Hilton P.Z. Preceptor presiding. Applications for tickets (2s 6d each) should be made to the Scribe E. not later than 29th March.

ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND.

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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE AND CHAPTER
FOR YORKSHIRE.

THIS body held its spring meeting at Freemasons' Hall St., Saviourgate, York, on the afternoon of Thursday, the 7th instant, there being present, *inter alia*, Bros. the Rev. Wm. Valentine, M.A., Prov. Grand Master, T. B. Whytehead D.P.G.M., Capt. Donald Grant P.S.G.W., Wm. H. B. Atkinson P.G.J.W., H. C. Pickersgill P.G. Standard Bearer, Wm. Brown P.G. Secretary, W. B. Dyson P.G. Examiner, Col. J. Monks P.G. Conductor, and others. Bro. J. T. Seller, P.M. and P.Z. Eboracum Lodge and Chapter, an accepted candidate, was duly admitted into the Order. Several apologies from absent members were read, and, after the close of the meeting, the members adjourned to the Royal Station Hotel, where they dined together.

SCOTLAND.

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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF RENFREW-
SHIRE WEST.

AT the annual meeting of this Lodge, recently held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock—Bro. Jas. Reid P.G.S.M., presiding—the following Office-bearers were appointed for the ensuing year:—

Bro. Sir M. R. Shaw-Stewart, Bart.	.	.	Master
M. H. Shaw-Stewart, M.P., 12	.	.	D.M.
James Reid jun. 175	.	.	S.M.
David J. Dunlop 68	.	.	Senior Warden
Duncan Cunningham 12	.	.	Junior Warden
Rev. A. Fullarton 12	.	.	Chaplain
John P. Fyfe 12	.	.	Secretary
James Glen 626	.	.	Treasurer
Alexander Smith 12	.	.	Senior Deacon
D. Wingate 217	.	.	Junior Deacon
Robert Rennie 12	.	.	B.B.
R. Urie 175	.	.	Director of Ceremonies
H. N. Whitelaw 217	.	.	Director of Music
C. W. Rippon 626	.	.	S.G.
Crookston 68	.	.	J.G.
Charles Murray	.	.	Tyler

A grand spectacular ballet, entitled "Our Army and Navy," is in active rehearsal at the Alhambra, and will be produced on Monday, 1st April. The scene, which is being painted by Mr. T. E. Ryan, will represent Portsmouth, with a view of the war ships in harbour, and the costumes and accoutrements are to be supplied by Alias. The spectacular features are being arranged by Signor Casati, while the music and the whole production will be superintended by the ever ready Mons. Jacobi.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF ABERDEEN.

THE Provincial Grand Lodge met, on the 12th instant, Lord Saltoun P.G.M. presiding. Lord Saltoun made reference to a request by the St. Clement's Lodge that he and the other Office-bearers should agree to become patrons of a benefit concert to be held about the 19th April in behalf of the Sick Children's Hospital. A motion agreeing to this was unanimously adopted. The Grand Lodge then paid a visitation to the St. George's Lodge, No. 190, and at the close of the usual business Lord Saltoun, in a short speech, expressed the great pleasure he had in being present and witnessing the admirable way in which the work had been gone through. He assured the brethren that he would be very pleased to again visit their Lodge on some early date. Bro. Wilson, Provincial Grand Secretary, reported that the books of the Lodge were kept in a perfect way by the Secretary. The visitors then withdrew.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED RITE.

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HILDA CHAPTER, No. 23.

THE annual installation meeting of this Chapter was held on Thursday evening, the 7th inst., at Freemasons' Hall, St. Saviourgate, York. The members joined with the members of the Royal Order of Scotland for Yorkshire at dinner at the Station Hotel before the meeting, and the Chapter was opened by Bros. W. Brown M.P.S., A. H. H. McGachen H.P., H. C. Pickersgill 1st G., Capt. D. Grant 2nd G., T. B. Whytehead P.S. Recorder, W. B. Dyson G.M., W. H. V. Milbank C. of G., and others. A ballot was taken for Bro. W. H. B. Atkinson 910, and that brother was perfected by Bro. T. B. Whytehead, acting as M.W.S. The M.W.S. elect, Bro. A. H. H. McGachen, was then presented for installation by the retiring Sovereign, and was installed in the chair by Bro. T. B. Whytehead, 30°. Bro. McGachen thanked the brethren for the honour done to him, and then appointed and invested his Officers, viz.:—Bros. H. C. Pickersgill H.P., D. Grant 1st G., W. B. Dyson 2nd G., T. B. Whytehead P.S. Recorder, W. H. V. Milbank G.M., W. H. Atlay Raph., and W. H. B. Atkinson C. of G. The Recorder was requested to communicate the good wishes of the Chapter to the S.G.I.G. for the District, Bro. C. J. Banister, and their hope that he may be preserved in good health to celebrate his rapidly approaching golden wedding. Several letters of apology were read, and the name of a candidate was proposed and seconded. The Auditors' report was read, showing a small balance in hand, and the Chapter was closed.

At a meeting of Lodge Fortitude, No. 78, of Mark Masons, at Truro, on Tuesday, the 5th instant, Bro. J. Tonkin W.M. was re-elected W.M. for the ensuing year. Bro. Johns Prov. Secretary was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. John Langton Tyler.

At an emergency meeting of the Lodge of Union, No. 166, held at the Criterion on the 19th inst., Bro. Reginald Routh was passed to the second degree.

Obituary.

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BRO. WILLIAM NOTT.

NOTWITHSTANDING the sad event we have now to record occurred in the early part of last week, we did not receive intelligence of Bro. Nott's decease till after we went to Press with our last issue. Bro. Wm. Nott was initiated in the Wiltshire Lodge of Fidelity, No. 663, Devizes, in 1864. He served the office of W.M. in 1869, was Secretary of the Lodge, and was a P.P.G.J.W. of Wiltshire. He was P.Z. of the Royal Arch Chapter of Harmony, No. 632, Trowbridge, having occupied the chair of First Principal in 1871, and again in 1880; was Treasurer of the Chapter, and a P.G.J. and G. Treasurer of the Prov. Grand Chapter. He was a founder and first W.M. of the Wiltshire Keystone Mark Lodge, No. 178, Devizes, its Registrar of Marks and Secretary, and a P.G. Steward of Mark Grand Lodge. Bro. Nott had also rendered valuable service to Masonry in connection with the Wiltshire Charitable Association, of which he was the Prov. Grand Secretary. He was a Life Governor of the three Central Charities, and served several Stewardships on their behalf.

The *Western Daily Press*, in recording the funeral ceremony, says:

The largest public funeral ever remembered at Devizes took place at the Cemetery on Saturday, when the remains of the late Major William Nott, of the 2nd Volunteer Battalion (Duke of Edinburgh's) Wiltshire Regiment, were interred in the presence of some thousands of spectators. The deceased gentleman was highly respected in the town and neighbourhood. At the funeral the Masons assembled in full mourning regalia, and with the insignia of the Order, 67 of the Craft being present, from all parts of the county. A large number of officers and men from the Wiltshire Regiment, with members from neighbouring corps, and representatives from public bodies were also present. There were 25 beautiful wreaths and crosses sent from the Masons, Volunteers, and personal friends as tokens of esteem and sympathy. The Masonic burial service was gone through by the Provincial Grand Chaplain. The firing party then fired three volleys over the grave, after which all the Masons filed past the grave, and threw in each a sprig of acacia, and the Oddfellows a sprig of thyme.

BRO. JOHN WALKER.

WE have with great regret to record the death of Bro. John Walker, M.A., of Westbourne House, Pittville, which occurred in a painfully sudden manner on Friday night, or Saturday the 9th inst. About three weeks ago a rumour was circulated to the effect that Bro. Walker had died suddenly, and therefore when the news of the sad event was first spread on this occasion, it was received with incredulity, a feeling which a little later on gave place to profound sympathy. An inquest was held the same afternoon at the residence of the deceased gentleman. Dr. G. Bagot Ferguson said he had attended the deceased for the past twelve years. He had a tendency to bronchial asthma every winter, particularly towards the spring. Beyond that his health was very fair—certainly in the summer time. Witness saw the deceased for the first time last Thursday for a bronchial attack, and then formed an opinion that he was rather severely ill. On Thursday he requested witness not to call again until Saturday, and he accordingly did not call. On Thursday his countenance was dark and congested, and his breath was drawn with difficulty, accompanied by an audible noise. Those symptoms indicated great swelling and contraction of the breathing tubes, but he did not anticipate anything of a sudden character in consequence. He was called that morning about eight o'clock, and found deceased lying on his bed. The arms and legs were both drawn up, the face intensely congested, and he thought he had died from serious obstruction to his breathing. The attack had been a sudden one. When he first saw the body he thought the deceased had had an apoplectic stroke, but after hearing the evidence of the butler he was of opinion that he was taken on the stairs with the last and terrible attack of asthma, from which in about ten minutes he died. Assuming the attack to be one of asthma, he doubted whether the deceased would have had the power of calling out for assistance. His impression was that when the attack came on he may have knelt down to assist his breathing. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony. The deceased gentleman was the son of Samuel Walker, Esq., of Prospect Hill, Lancashire, and was born in 1832. He was educated at Cheltenham College, and from thence went to Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated, and subsequently obtained the degree of M.A. He was called to the Bar, but we believe, never practised. He was a High Churchman, and made many munificent gifts to the Church in Cheltenham, and to the diocese of Gloucester.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, the 13th instant, at the new Cemetery, and attracted a large concourse of spectators. At the entrance to the Cemetery, representatives from Cheltenham College and the Masonic Brotherhood met the cortège, and joined the procession. Amongst those present we noticed Colonel Geddes, Sir A. Ramsay, Bart., members of the Royal Union Lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter of Unanimity, the Mark Masons Lodge, &c., &c.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. JOSEPH DA SILVA.

ON Tuesday, the 19th inst., some of the members of the Lodge of Israel, No. 205, met at the Cannon-street Hotel to wish Bro. Joseph Da Silva P.M. and Secretary God speed on his leaving England for Johannesburg, and also to present him with a souvenir of their regard for him. The W.M., Bro. C. F. Hogard, took the chair, and amongst those present were Bros. A. M. Cohen, S. M. Harris, H. M. Harris, A. J. Henochsberg, S. Jacobs, M. I. Emanuel, J. A. Gartley, H. J. Phillips, I. P. Cohen, J. Lichtenfeld, M. Bash, John Da Silva, Rev. M. Haines, J. Levy, and others. Brother Charles F. Hogard, in opening the proceedings said:—Brethren, we are assembled together this evening to do honour to a well-known member of our Lodge—to wish him a safe and prosperous journey, and, above all, in due time a safe return to his native land, and at the same time to show him that the brethren were desirous of testifying that they were not unmindful of his many services to the Lodge. Bro. Joseph Da Silva, I cannot say that I address you with entire feelings of pleasure, because the pleasure is mingled with sadness at the knowledge that we are about to lose you from amongst us. So genial and kindly a brother is sure to leave a great void behind him; but, while we do feel sad at parting with you, we cannot but believe that a brother who has shown such energy here will meet with much greater success in that great field of industry to which you are going. We desire to show you the great affection and esteem in which you are held by us by asking your acceptance of this gold watch. We ask you to accept it in the same spirit in which we offer it, not for its intrinsic value, but as a bond of union between you and us, and while wishing you all the health and happiness you can desire we wish also to express our admiration of the plucky way in which your good wife has torn herself from all her ties of relationship here to accompany you on your long journey. May the Great Architect of the Universe protect and prosper you both, and grant that you may return to us very shortly, endowed with a goodly portion of this world's treasure. The inscription on the watch is as follows:—

“Presented to Bro. Joseph Da Silva P.M., by some of the members of the Lodge of Israel, No. 205, on his leaving for South Africa, with their best wishes for his prosperity. 19th March 1889.”

And I trust that when you look upon this watch you will have in friendly memory those who presented it to you. Bro. A. M. Cohen and other Brethren also addressed Bro. Da Silva in words of kindly sympathy. Bro. Da Silva, who spoke with much emotion, said that if anything could compensate him for the sorrow of parting, it was the kindly reception he had met with from the members of his mother Lodge, and their fraternal good wishes. For the very hand, some present which they had made him he tendered his most grateful thanks. He then gave a very graphic description of the place to which he was about to proceed, and said that the prosperity which had attended so many of his friends who had been in the South African diamond and gold fields he thought augured well for his own chance of success, and he hoped that he should not be very long away from them; but, that while absent, he should always think of their meeting, and on his return should only be to glad to come amongst them again. The brethren then drank Bro. Jos. Da Silva's good health, wishing him a safe and prosperous voyage and a safe return.

REVIEWS.

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Daphne's Daring: A Love Story. By Mrs. A. PHILLIPS. London: Joseph Hughes, Pilgrim-street, Ludgate Hill, E.C.

THIS, the first of “Hughes's Handy Novels,” is a well written and thoroughly interesting love story, one that will carry the reader's sympathy with it. The story is told in such excellent fashion that it becomes interesting from the first page. “Daphne's Daring” is more an incident of real life than a novel; the plot likewise treats of an every day occurrence. It is full of vigorous conception and clever dialogue, and is a work that the most scrupulous may have no hesitation in reading. If the succeeding tales are only half as good as the one under notice, “Hughes's Handy Novels” ought to become popular.

South Africa, and how to reach it by the Castle Line. By EDWARD P. MATHERS, F.R.G.S. London: Waterlow and Sons, Limited, London Wall.

Now that South Africa is attracting so much attention, the proprietors of the Castle Mail Steamers have done well in publishing this complete and interesting guide. The present work is but the forerunner of a more important one, yet great care has been bestowed upon the present issue so as to make it thoroughly understood. Maps, illustrations, African scenes, and such like are given in the book, while in the second part a full sketch of the Castle Line is given. Any of our readers about to embark to Africa will do well to consult this handy guide.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Indigestion and Liver Complaints.—The digestion can not be long or seriously disordered without the derangement being perceptible on the countenance. These Pills prevent both unpleasant consequences; they improve the appetite, and with the increase of desire for food, they augment the powers of digestion and assimilation in the stomach. Holloway's Pills deal most satisfactorily with deranged or diseased conditions of the many organs engaged in extracting nourishment for our bodies from our various diets, as the liver, stomach and bowels, over all of which they exercise the most salutary control. By resorting at an early stage of this malady to these purifying and laxative Pills, the dyspeptic is speedily restored to health and strength, and his sallowiness gradually vanishes.

THE THEATRES, &c.

Globe.—A splendid specimen of Shakespeare modernised was produced at this theatre last Saturday. No expense has been spared to present a picture of the period in all its perfectness; everything that education, archæological research, historical knowledge, art and music could do has been furnished for the delectation of students, and we sincerely trust that the enterprise of the actor-manager may be rewarded as it deserves by the full appreciation of the public. The play is entitled "King Richard the Third," and is the work of William Shakespeare, Colley Cibber, Richard Mansfield and Company, and is arranged so as to show as much of the life and misdeeds of the "crooked-back tyrant" as can be gathered from the works of Shakespeare. Commencing with a prologue, we see Henry VI. a prisoner in the Tower, and hear of the murder of the young Prince at Tewkesbury. The first act deals with the murder of the old King by Gloster, and reveals his ambitious project of reaching the throne by the removal of all who stand in his way. We then have the strange wooing of the Lady Anne and Richard's ultimate acceptance of the crown, the murder of the young Edward and his brother in the Tower, the invasion of Richmond, the Battle of Bosworth Field, and finally the death of the usurper. Naturally all interest is concentrated in Mr. Mansfield, who may be fairly congratulated on the result of his conception; it is evident that he has relied solely upon his own ideas of the character, as the old conventional methods are entirely discarded. His Richard is a cruel, pitiless, cold-blooded wretch, without any of the dignity or hypocritical suavity of manner to which we have been previously accustomed. He appears to feel that his crimes are known to all around him, and makes no effort to conceal his wickedness. His facial expression is altogether admirable, especially in the latter scenes, where distrust and disappointed ambition, rather than remorse, are depicted. Though we may not coincide with his rendering of the character there is no denying that he exercised a powerful influence over the audience, who testified their appreciation by loud and prolonged applause. It is certainly an intelligent, scholarly performance, and as such deserves recognition. Mr. Mansfield is well supported in the principal characters. Mr. Allen Beaumont gives a pathetic rendering of the unfortunate Henry. Miss Mary Rorke essays her first Shakespearian rôle satisfactorily, and Miss Carlotta Leclercq, who seems to have caught Mrs. Sterling's mannerisms, made an excellent Duchess of York. Mr. James Fernandez, as Buckingham, was slightly disappointing in the Crosby Palace scenes, but otherwise played with his usual care. Miss Bessie Hatton and Miss Bowman exhibited careful training as the young Princes, and Miss Beatrice Cameron displayed much ability as Lady Anne. Messrs. Harkins, Forbes, Crompton, Steuart, Lablache and Gilmore must also be commended for the manner in which they filled their respective parts. As hinted above, the play is splendidly mounted, and wonders have been done with the comparatively small stage. The scenery is most artistic, and reflects considerable credit upon Messrs. W. Telbin, Bruce Smith and E. G. Banks, while the quaint but pretty costumes are perfect studies of dressmaking. Special mention must be made of the music; it has been specially composed by Mr. Edward German, which is appropriate in theme and full of colour both local and temporal. Altogether the production may be pronounced a success, and should be an attraction for some months to come.

Mr. Sydney Grundy's new three-act farce entitled "Merry Margate" will be produced at the Comedy on Wednesday, 27th inst. A capital cast has been secured, including the following:—Messrs. W. S. Penley, Rutland Barrington, C. W. Garthorne, E. W. Gardiner, W. F. Hawtrey, A. G. Andrews, W. Wyes, G. H. Kennedy; Misses Sophie Larkin, Vane Featherston, Susie Vaughan, and Lottie Venne.

The production of W. Outram Tristram's new four act play, "The Panel Picture," will take place at the Opera Comique on Thursday evening, the 28th instant. The following is the cast:—Messrs. John Beauchamp, Nutcombe, Gould, Lawrence Cautley, Etienne Girardot, Laurence Grey, Henry Bedford, Henry D. Esmond, J. Hastings Batson, Frank Atherley, W. L. Branscombe, and J. G. Grahame; Misses Lucy Roche, Violet Croft, Angela Cudmore, and Lady Monckton.

The anniversary of the production, and the 371st performance of "Sweet Lavender" was given at Terry's on Thursday evening, on which occasion souvenirs were presented to visitors in all parts of the house. On the same day, the company gave a matinée performance at Brighton, and partook of the anniversary dinner in a Pullman car on their journey to town.

The benefit matinée to be given to Miss Virginia Blackwood, at the Strand, has been postponed on account of her continued illness. Mr. Charles Wyndham has kindly arranged that the benefit shall take place at the Strand, on the 24th April, when we trust that Miss Blackwood will then be sufficiently recovered to appear.

In connection with the Photographic Exhibition to be held at the Crystal Palace there will be a grand Soirée on Thursday evening, 28th instant, which will be open to visitors without extra charge, and many objects of great historical interest will be exhibited in the Centre Transept. At half-past six, in the Theatre, a special series of Photographic Lantern Slides will be shown on a screen thirty feet in diameter, by Lime-Light Apparatus specially designed. At half-past eight o'clock, addresses will be delivered on the History and Progress of Photography, illustrated by examples on the screen. Music at frequent intervals during the evening. The Courts occupied by the Art Division of the Exhibition will be brilliantly illuminated by Electric Light, and the Apparatus Division, in the Grand Central Nave, by Electric and Fairy Lights.

H.R.H. the Grand Duchess of Mecklenburg-Strelitz and H.R.H. the Princess Christian have granted their names as patronesses of the Society Show to be held at the Albert Hall, in May next, on behalf of the Grosvenor Hospital.

Brownrigg Lodge of Instruction, No. 1638.—The annual supper of the members and supporters of this popular Lodge of Instruction took place at the Alexandra Hotel, Park Road, Kingston Hill, on Tuesday last, Bro. Abel Laurence P.M. (Preceptor) occupied the chair, while Bro. Hearsam filled that of vice-president. After a capital bill of fare had had ample justice done it, the toasts usual on these occasions were done honour to. Bro. W. Lane responded for the one given in behalf of the Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand Lodge, while Bros. J. Drewett Past Master and Montague Junior Warden replied for the Mother Lodge. Bro. Abel Laurence, in proposing the toast of the Brownrigg Lodge of Instruction, said a few remarks on its history might be interesting. He had not the least doubt all present would acknowledge the usefulness of such meetings, for by this means brethren gain confidence and perfectness in the working for their regular Lodges; of this he was assured,—every Past Master of the Brownrigg Lodge recognised the service these meetings had been to them, in getting their officers to work together. Moreover, no matter which of the officers at the regular Lodge might be unable to attend a meeting, the W.M. had had no difficulty in filling his place. It was a great pleasure to him (Bro. Laurence) to see not only the officers on the lowest rung of the ladder, but even brethren who have not yet obtained office were able to do the work of the Lodge, while some of them could undertake either of the ceremonies of the three degrees. It might now be interesting to some present to know how the Brownrigg Lodge of Instruction started, so to begin with, he would go back to the birth of our Mother—the Brownrigg Lodge, No. 1638. It was consecrated on the 20th September 1876, at the Swan Hotel, Thames Ditton, by the R.W. Provincial Grand Master General J. Stadholme Brownrigg, assisted by the Rev. C. W. Arnold (at that time Grand Chaplain); and our late Bro. Charles Greenwood Grand Sword Bearer of England, and a number of distinguished brethren, amongst whom was Sir F. Burdett, Provincial Grand Master Middlesex. Bro. May was installed as first Master, Bro. Buckland S.W., Bro. Wells J.W., Bro. G. Porter Sec., Bro. Linton S.D., and Bro. Stone J.D. An emergency meeting was held on the 29th of the same month, when Bros. Oldridge and Horne were initiated, both of whom are still members of the Lodge. There were likewise two other emergency meetings held. The first regular Lodge meeting took place on the 20th June 1877, when Bro. Lane and himself had the honour of being initiated. At an emergency meeting, held on the 20th December of that year, Bro. May proposed, and Bro. Wells seconded, that a Lodge of Instruction, to work under the Warrant of the Brownrigg Lodge, be held at the Sun Hotel. This was carried, and the first meeting was held in January 1878, and from that time we date our meetings. Bro. May acted as Preceptor for a short period; Bro. Buckland then took to it. At the second or third meeting the First Kingston Masonic Charity Association was formed, and, during its existence, sent nearly £200 to the different Masonic Institutions. The meetings were carried on for some time, Bros. Buckland, Linton, Hodson, Lane, Kent, himself and others, striving to keep it together, but they found it a hard struggle. Even when the brethren came, it was a job to get them upstairs, there were so many other attractions. Bro. Buckland grew disheartened, and the meetings for a time fell through. Not to be daunted, they determined to see if, by moving to fresh quarters, they could get on better. On the 28th of March 1881, they held their first meeting at the Liverpool Arms, and very pleasant gatherings they had there, Bros. Arlidge, Moorman, Robertson, Oldridge, Youldon, Dartnall, Cable, Matthews, Laue, Plimsaul, himself and others being regular attendants. At the first meeting at the Liverpool Arms the Second Kingston Masonic Charity Association was started—your humble servant acting as Secretary till its close. During its existence £300 were sent up to the different Charities, but on Bro. Kent leaving, we had to seek fresh quarters. The last meeting held at the Liverpool Arms was on the 6th November 1882, Bro. J. Drewett filling the chair. We then came to the Alexandra Hotel. The first meeting we held here was on 20th November 1882—Bro. Lane being W.M. We have met here ever since, with what success you know. We have changed our nights of meeting from Monday to Thursday, and from Thursday to Tuesday. The Third Kingston Masonic Charity Association has been started, with Bro. J. Drewett as its Secretary. These Associations have enabled many of us to become Life Governors of the different Institutions—some of us of all three—and I trust they may be continued till every member in the neighbourhood is a Life Governor. In the course of the evening, the Secretary of the Third Kingston Masonic Charity Association, Bro. Drewett, informed the brethren that twelve of the members had already had their advance of ten guineas. Bro. Edgell gave a good account of, and pleaded hard for, the Masonic Charities. This had a good effect, as most of the brethren added something to Bro. Curtis' List—who will represent the Lodge at the coming Girls' School Festival. Some capital songs enlivened the proceedings, Bro. Honeywell P.G.O. Surrey rendering goodly assistance as accompanist.

MASONIC BENEVOLENCE.—A return has been issued of the contributions, expenditure, &c., in connection with the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls for the years 1882-1888 inclusive. The London District stands the highest, subscribing last year no less than £22,454. The Province of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight is ninth on the list, with a contribution in 1888 of £1055 11s; the seven years' aggregate being £3486 12s, giving an annual average of £489 1s 8d. There was expended last year on Hampshire children who are inmates of the Institution the sum of £508 13s. Wiltshire's annual average contribution for the seven years was £166 18s 9d, and that of Sussex £537 5s 8d.—*Portsmouth Times.*

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

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, 23rd MARCH.

- 179—Manchester, Yorkshire Grey, London St., Tottenham Court Rd., at 8. (In)
 198—Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8. (Instruction)
 1275—Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 1297—West Kent, Crystal Palace, Sydenham
 1364—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7. (Instruction)
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7. (Inst)
 1679—Henry Muggeridge, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.
 1871—Gostling-Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow
 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In)
 R.A.—Sinai, Union, Air Street, Regent Street, W., at 8. (Instruction)
 1464—Erasmus Wilson, Pier Hotel, Greenhithe
 1531—Chiselhurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chiselhurst
 1777—Royal Hanover, Albany Hotel, Twickenham
 R.A. 1777—Royal Hanover, Town Hall, Twickenham
 M.M. 14—Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stansfield, Todmorden

MONDAY, 25th MARCH.

- 4—Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 22—Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 26—Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
 27—Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., at 8. (Instruction)
 28—Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 46—Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., Finsbury, E.C., at 7 (In)
 79—Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich
 174—Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Railway Place, Fenchurch Street at 7. (In)
 180—St. James's Union, Union Tavern, Air-street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 183—Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, E.C.
 648—Wellington, White Swan, High-street, Deptford, at 8 (Instruction)
 902—Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 905—De Grey and Ripon, 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)
 1426—Hyde Park, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Gardens, at 8. (In)
 1445—Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7 (Inst.)
 1489—Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, at 7.30 (In)
 1507—Metropolitan, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30 (Inst.)
 1585—Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, High Street, Putney, at 8. (In)
 1608—Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, Oxford Street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 1608—Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hotel, Kilburn
 1623—West Smithfield, New Market Hotel, King Street, Smithfield, at 7 (In.)
 1632—Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell
 1693—Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30 (Instruction)
 1707—Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hotel, Page Green, Tottenham. 8. (Inst)
 1743—Perseverance, 23 Adde Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1745—Farringdon, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
 1828—Shepherds Bush, Athenæum, Goldhawk road, W.
 1891—St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hotel, West Kensington. (Instruction)
 1901—Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich. (Instruction)
 2021—Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, Criterion, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 25—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 188—Joppa, The Albion, Aldersgate Street
 R.A. 1201—Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 1237—Enfield, Cour House, Enfield
 M.M. 5—Mallet and Chisel, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
 43—Industry, 34 Denmark-street, Gateshead
 62—Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester
 148—Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
 248—True Love and Unity, Freemasons' Hall, Brixham, Devon, at 7. (Inst)
 382—Royal Union, Chequers Hotel, Uxbridge. (Instruction)
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool at 8. (Instruction)
 899—Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 1177—Tenby, Tenby, Pembroke
 1449—Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 1894—Herschell, Masonic Rooms, Slough
 R.A. 241—Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 R.A. 1045—Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham
 M.M.—The Old York, Masonic Hall, Bradford
 M.M. 146—Moore, Masonic Rooms, Athenæum, Lancaster

TUESDAY, 26th MARCH.

- 14—Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C.
 55—Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Southampton-bldgs., Holborn, at 7 (Inst)
 66—Prosperity, City Arms Restaurant, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., at 7. (Inst.)
 92—Moira, Albion, Aldersgate-street
 141—Faith, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
 141—Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria Street, S.W., at 8 (Inst.)
 145—Prudent Brethren, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 177—Domatic, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, at 7.30 (Instruction)
 186—Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 188—Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 7. (Instruction)
 205—Israel, Cannon-street Hotel, E.C.
 212—Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High Street, Camden Town, at 8. (Inst.)
 259—Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, St. James's
 554—Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney (Instruction)
 763—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)
 1158—Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
 1321—Emblematic, Mona Hotel, Henrietta-street, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 1348—Ebury, Regent Masonic Hall, Air-street, W.
 1349—Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1441—Ivy, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New Road
 1446—Mount Edgembe, Three Stags, Lambeth Road, S.W., at 8. (Inst.)
 1471—Islington, Champion, Aldersgate Street, at 7. (Instruction)
 1472—Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich. (Instruction)
 1540—Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High Street, at 8. (Instruction)
 1695—New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Finsbury Park, at 8. (Inst.)
 1719—Evening Star, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1744—Royal Savoy, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 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)
 Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, White Hart, Cannon Street, at 6.30
 R.A. 21—Cyrus, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 R.A. 228—United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street
 R.A. 704—Camden, the Moorgate, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 1275—Star, Ship Hotel, Greenwich

- 24—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Freemasons Hall, Grain-rar-st., Newcastle 7.30 (In)
 241—Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool (Instruction)
 253—Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby
 299—Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
 310—Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Castle-street, Carlisle
 483—East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, at 7.45. (Inst.)
 573—Perseverance, Shenstone Hotel, Hales Owen
 1016—Elkington, Masonic Hall, New-street, Birmingham
 1353—St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex. (Instruction)
 1358—Torhav, Town Hall, Paignton
 1479—Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans
 1568—Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead
 1609—Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1636—St. Ceilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
 1638—Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Park Road Norbiton, at 8. (Instruction)
 1675—Ancient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 2025—St. George, St. George's Hall, Stonehouse, Devon
 2146—Surbiton, Spread Eagle Coffee Tavern, Surbiton. (Instruction)
 R.A. 103—Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Park Street, Bristol
 R.A. 124—Concord, Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham
 R.A. 510—St. Martin's, Masonic Hall, Liskeard
 R.A. 721—Grosvenor, Masonic-chambers, Eastgate-row-north, Chester
 R.A. 815—Blair, Town Hall, Hulme, Manchester
 R.A. 1094—Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool.
 K.T.—Plains of Tabor, Swan Hotel, Colne

WEDNESDAY, 27th MARCH.

- 2—Antiquity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 3—Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, at 8. (Instruction)
 30—United Mariners', The Lugard, Peckham, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 72—Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 73—Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High Street, Borough, at 8. (Inst)
 193—Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street, at 7. (Instruction)
 212—Euphrates, Masonic Hall, Masons' Avenue, Basinghall-street, E.C.
 228—United Strength, The Hope, Stanhope Street, Regent's Park, at 8 (Inst)
 539—La Tolerance, Portland Hotel, Great Portland Street, at 8. (Inst)
 720—Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7. (Instruction)
 753—Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood
 754—High Cross, Seven Sisters Tavern, Page Green, Tottenham
 781—Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-road, E. (Instruction)
 813—New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N. (Instruction)
 862—Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's Court, Fleet Street, at 8. (Instruc.)
 898—Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar
 902—Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Essex Street, Strand, at 8. (Instruction)
 1017—Montefiore, Regent Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.
 1056—Victoria, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 1475—Peckham, Lord Wellington Hotel, 516 Old Kent Road, at 8. (Instruc.)
 1521—Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward, Mare Street, Hackney, at 8. (Inst.)
 1589—St. Dunstan's, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street
 1601—Ravensbourne, George Inn, Lewisham, at 8. (Instruction)
 1604—Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., S.W., at 7.30. (In)
 1662—Beaconsfield, Chequers, Marsh Street, Walthamstow, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 1631—Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John Street, May Fair, at 8. (Inst.)
 1768—Progress, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 1818—Clapham, Grosvenor Hotel, Victoria Station
 1820—Sir Thomas White, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
 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. 177—Domatic, Union Tavern, Air Street, Regent Street, at 8. (Inst.)
 R.A. 435—Mount Lebanon, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
 R.A. 720—Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7. (Inst.)
 R.A. 907—Royal Albert, White Hart Tavern, Abchurch Lane
 R.A. 933—Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 M.M.—Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., at 8. (Instruction)
 R.C.—St. Andrew, Cafe Royal, Regent Street, W

- 32—St. George, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
 117—Salopian of Charity, Raven Hotel, Shrewsbury
 163—Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Cooper-street, Manchester
 220—Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, Lancashire
 304—Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Great George-street, Leeds
 439—Scientific, Masonic Room, Bingley
 724—Derby, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 972—St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury. (Instruction)
 996—Sondes, Eagle Hotel, East Dereham, Norfolk
 1039—St. John, George Hotel, Lichfield
 1083—Townley Parker, Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester
 1085—Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower Street, Derby. (Instruction)
 1119—St. Bede, Mechanics' Institute, Jarrow
 1219—Strangeways, Masonic Rooms, King Street, Manchester
 1264—Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 7. (Instruction)
 1283—Ryburn, Central Buildings, Town Hall Street, Sowerby Bridge
 1392—Egerton, Stanley Arms Hotel, Stanley Street, Bury, Lancashire
 1511—Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull (Instruction)
 1633—Avon, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
 1723—St. George, Commercial Hotel, Town Hall-square, Bolton
 1953—Prudence and Industry, George Hotel, Charl, Somersetshire
 1967—Beacon Court, Ghuzee Fort Hotel, New Brompton, Kent
 R.A. 225—St. Luke's, Freemasons' Hall, Soane Street, Ipswich
 R.A. 226—Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough
 R.A. 258—Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike
 R.A. 60—De Tabley, Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead
 R.A. 606—Segontium, Carnarvon Castle, Carnarvon
 M.M.—Howe, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham
 M.M.—Northumberland and Berwick, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
 M.M. 174—Athol, Masonic Hall, Severn-street, Birmingham

THURSDAY, 28th MARCH.

- 22—Neptune, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 34—Mount Moriah, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 65—Prosperity, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, E.C.
 66—Grenadiers', Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 87—Vitruvian, White Hart, College-street, Lambeth, at 8 (Instruction)
 99—Shakespeare, Albion, Aldersgate-street
 144—St. Luke, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 147—Justice, Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford, at 8. (Instruction)
 435—Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air-street, Regent-street, W., at 8. (Inst.)
 507—Unita Pilgrims, Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge
 701—Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305 High Holborn, at 7 (Instruction)
 749—Belgrave, The Clarence, Aldersgate Street, E.C. (Instruction)
 754—High Cross, Coach and Horses, Lower Tottenham, at 8 (Instruction)
 766—William Preston, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, E.C.
 861—Finsbury, London Tavern, Fenchurch-street
 879—Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Warndon St., Rotherhithe New Rd. (In)
 1017—Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, at 8. (Instruction)
 1158—Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester St., Kennington, at 8. (In.)
 1278—Burdett Coutts, Swan Tavern, Betnal Green Road, E., at 8. (Instruc.)
 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. (Inst)
 1421—Langthorne, Swan Hotel, Stratford
 1426—The Great City, Masons' Hall, Masons' Avenue, E.C., at 6.30. (Inst)
 1524—Duke of Connaught, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.
 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)
 1614—Covent Garden, Criterion, W., at 8. (Instruction)
 1622—Rose, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church Street, Camberwell. (Instruction)
 1625—Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington Road, Bow, E., at 7.30. (In.)
 1658—Skelmersdale, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, S. E.
 1673—Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C., at 5.30. (Instruction)
 1677—Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, at 9. (In.)
 1744—Royal Savoy, Blue Post, Charlotte Street, W., at 8 (Instruction)
 1791—Creaton, Wheatsheaf Tavern, Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush. (Inst)
 1816—Victoria Park, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park Road
 1950—Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1996—Priory, Berrymead Priory Constitutional Club, High-st., Acton. (Inst.)
 2192—Highbury, Cock Hotel, Highbury, N.
 2264—Chough, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
 R.A. 5—St. George's, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 R.A. 177—Domestic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
 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. 13—Hiram, Greyhound, Richmond
 M.M. 118—Northumberland, Masons' Hall, Basinghall-street

51—Angel, Three Cups, Colchester
 78—Imperial George, Assheton Arms Hotel, Middleton, Lancashire
 111—Restoration, 1 Freemasons' Hall, Darlington
 203—Ancient Union, Masonic Hall, Liverpool. (Instruction)
 249—Mariners, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 286—Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup
 348—St. John, Bull's Head Inn, Bradshawgate, Bolton
 594—Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 651—Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon
 784—Wellington, Masonic Rooms, Park Street, Deal
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 904—Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham
 935—Harmony, Freemasons' Hall, Islington Square, Salford
 966—St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek, Stafford
 1313—Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southport, Lancashire
 1325—Stanley, 214 Great Homer Street, Liverpool, at 8. (Instruction)
 1437—Liberty of Havering, Rising Sun, Romford
 1459—Ashbury, Justice Birch Hotel, Hyde-road, West Gorton, nr Manchester
 1505—Emulation, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
 1580—Cranborne, Red Lion Hotel, Hatfield, Herts, at 8. (Instruction)
 1626—Hotspur, Masonic Hall, Maple-street, Newcastle
 1892—Wallington, King's Arms Hotel, Carshalton. (Instruction)
 R.A. 57—Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull
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 K.T. 8—Plains of Mamre, Bull Hotel, Burnley
 K.T. 34—Albert, Masonic Rooms, 23 Ann-street, Rochdale

FRIDAY, 29th MARCH.

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, Camberwell, at 7.30. (Inst.)
 785—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)
 1056—Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C., at 7. (Instruction)
 1185—Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 1228—Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone. (Instruction)
 1293—Royal Standard, 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)
 1842—E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, at 8. (Instruction)
 2030—The Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W., at 7.30. (Instruction)
 R.A. 79—Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, London Street, Greenwich. (Inst.)
 R.A. 134—Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street
 R.A. 95—Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street. (Instruction)
 R.A. 820—Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8. (Instruction)
 R.A. 890—Hornsey, Porchester Hotel, Leinster Place, Cleveland Square, Paddington, W. (Instruction)
 R.A. 1275—Star, Stirling Castle, Church St., Camberwell, at 8. (Instruction)
 M.M.—Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, E.C. (Instruction)
 M.M. 355—Royal Savoy, The Moorgate, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30. (In)

453—Chigwell, Public Hall, Station Road, Loughton, at 7.30. (Instruction)
 810—Craven, Devonshire Hotel, Skipton
 1303—Pelham, Freemasons' Hall, Lewes
 1385—Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Barnet
 1391—Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester
 General Lodge of I. instruction, Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, at
 R.A. 242—Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster
 R.A. 471—Silurian, Freemasons' Hall, Dock Street, Newport, Monmouthshire
 R.A. 897—Loyalty, Masonic Buildings, Hall Street, St. Helens
 R.A. 945—Abbey, Abbey Council Chambers, Abingdon

SATURDAY, 30th MARCH.

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, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., at 7. (Instruction)
 1288—Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8 (Instruction)
 1384—Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7 (Instruction)
 1624—Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79 Ebury Street, S.W., at 7 (Instruction)
 1706—Orpheus, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
 2012—Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King Street, Hammersmith, at 7.30. (In)
 R.A.—Sinai, Union, Air-street, Regent-st., W., at 8. (Instruction)
 1462—Wharnccliffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone

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