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CONTENTIOUS FREEMASONS.

WE do not know that any rule exists which precludes members of the Masonic Order from seeking redress for their grievances, financial or otherwise, in the ordinary courts of law, but it is certainly undesirable, and very much to be regretted, when the dirty linen of a Masonic misunderstanding—we will not say quarrel—is washed in public, and is reported in the general press of the country, with all the attractiveness of sensational headings. It is not unusual on such occasions to have unfavourable comparisons made between the teachings and the practices of Freemasons, and usually these are by no means complimentary to the members of the Order. But so long as Freemasonry has to be recruited from ordinary mortals we suppose such cases will occur, however much they may be regretted, or however much they may be guarded against by peace loving members of the Craft. There is certainly no rule which compels the rejection or exclusion of pig headed or obstinate men from our Lodges, men who will not listen to the reasoning or the appeals of their fellow members, but who will carry their enmity to the bitter end when once their self importance or so-called dignity is touched. With the very large number of Masons ranged under the banner of the Grand Lodge of England it is only reasonable to suppose the Order must get a few such characters, and we think it is somewhat of a gratification to know that, after all, Freemasonry in the law courts is not quite such a general event as it might be if there were nothing tangible on which to base the claim of Freemasonry to encourage Brotherly Love and banish contention.

We regretted the necessity, a few weeks back, of having to speak on this subject, but since then there appears to have been a regular epidemic of law cases reported in the London and provincial press in which pointed reference has been made to Freemasonry, or to prominent members of the Order as such, while reports of other cases in which the most strenuous efforts of members of the Order to settle matters quietly have failed, have come under our notice, all tending to prove that it is not by any means safe to assume that in every case the teachings of Freemasonry tend to make men very much better than they would be without it. We do not know in what way or by what restrictions these un-Masonic displays can be prevented in the future, but we do know they create a very unfavourable impression on the general public as to the value of Freemasonry, and such being the case it should be the endeavour of every well disposed member of the Order to discourage and prevent them as far as possible, either by active intercession between the disputants before resort is had to the law courts, or by showing disgust for such proceedings if extreme measures are entered upon.

It is somewhat of a compliment to Freemasonry to notice how eagerly the ordinary critics of the public

press will seize hold of anything like a disagreement in the ranks of the Craft, with a view of making unfavourable comments upon it. The recent visit of the Earl of Lathom to the Isle of Man, and the work he there performed with Masonic surroundings is a case in point, but we think the exercise of a little ordinary judgment in connection with that event will at once prove that the number of those whose conduct can hardly be regarded with favour was very small, if not really unworthy of notice. On the other hand, the matter has been taken up in such a way as to preclude the possibility of the Craft wholly ignoring the criticism; a little attention to the subject now will perhaps be of service in preventing the repetition of such comments in the future.

Our contemporary, the *Liverpool Courier*, goes direct to the point of the matter, and traces the origin of the disagreement in the Isle of Man to the "umbrage caused to some of the Manx brethren who are directly or indirectly interested in undertakings with which the new structure will compete." The new structure here referred to is the Douglas Eiffel Tower, which was inaugurated last week by the Deputy Grand Master of England, with considerable Masonic ceremony, as reported in another part of our present issue. The brethren who manifested hostility to the Tower being honoured by Masonic ceremonial and a demonstration by Freemasons, such as is not often witnessed, are, continues our contemporary, very few in number—so few, indeed, that they may be counted on the fingers. But "the fewness of their number and the insignificance of their influence have not prevented them working against the desire of the Provincial Grand Lodge and its Grand Master." Inside the Lodge room this might be legitimate enough, says the writer, but they, or some of them, have apparently carried their antagonism outside the Lodges, and even into the public prints, in a manner which is considered inconsistent with loyalty to the Order. The Grand Master of the Isle of Man is understood to have taken up the matter with a view to preventing the repetition of such offences against the rules of the Craft, even if he does not see fit to inflict some sort of punishment on those members who may in future use extraneous methods to override or discredit the judgment of the Grand Lodge. This is hardly the sort of subject loyal Freemasons can desire to see discussed in the outside press, and, as our contemporary puts it, the matter is only interesting to the public because of the semblance of divided councils in the Order. Yet attention is devoted to it, and the enemies of Freemasonry naturally seize hold of such a case in order to make good their attacks, or launch fresh charges against the members of the Craft.

Now that the Earl of Lathom has carried out the programme laid down by those who desired to associate the Masonic Order with the new works in the Isle, it is well to give some denial to the charges made against the promoters of endeavouring to serve their

own ends by the aid of Freemasonry. We need hardly look for a precedent to guide the Deputy Grand Master in the work he performed, for it is proverbial that Freemasonry and Freemasons are ever ready to lend their aid in promoting any good work or inaugurating any legitimate improvement. But in this particular case it would seem special care was taken to prevent anything like a misunderstanding; the consent to associate Masonic ceremonial with the work not being given until the required capital for the undertaking had been subscribed, so as to preclude any possibility of it being said that the power of Freemasonry had been associated with the financial aspects of the case. We and many others have certainly been misinformed in regard to this particular work, but, as we said a few weeks back, the Earl of Lathom was to be relied upon to decide whether the undertaking at Douglas was worthy of Masonic countenance or not. He decided it was worthy, and we congratulate him and the many Craftsmen who took an interest in the work on the success that attended their efforts, and very much regret that even the semblance of a rupture should have occurred to disturb the general harmony of the undertaking.

Such outbursts as have occurred in connection with this event lead one to consider whether some more stringent regulations could not be enforced in order to neutralise the work of our contentious members, for it must always be borne in mind, as the *Courier* puts it, that whether the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge are right or wrong, it is the duty of brethren to acquiesce in their decision, though they are under no obligation to give personal countenance to anything with which they disagree. Freemasonry recognises the power of the majority to do as they please, and it is very much to be regretted that the minority are in many quarters adopting tactics which can hardly be characterised as fair, manly, or loyal to the Order. The power of the press is great, but it will not be long before its conductors discover that they are being made tools of by the few contentious members of a district, in opposition to the majority of loyal supporters of the chiefs, if tactics such as have lately obtained in various parts of the country are persevered in.

ROSICRUCIANISM.

IN times long gone by, there existed—up to the age of martyrdom of science—men of various races, religions, and climes, who, consolidated by a humane feeling for the preservation of those means by which human life is maintained, and next to those by which human prosperity in the true sense of knowledge is assured, formed a bond understood never to be broken, unless any brother of this strange Fraternity should be really worthy of expulsion, disgrace, and death. This mysterious body was bound by solemn obligations of mutual succour, of impenetrable secrecy, and of humility, while the recipient of its secrets was enjoined to labour for the preservation of human life by the exercise of the healing art. At various periods of history, this body has emerged into a sort of temporary light; but its true name has never transpired, and is only known to the innermost adepts and rulers of society. By other names, having a sort of general relation, members of this body have occasionally announced themselves, and among these perhaps that of Rosicrucian is the best known. Men of the most opposite worldly creeds, of diverse habits, and even of apparently remote ideas, have ever joined together, consciously or unconsciously, to glorify the good, and despise, although with pity, the evil that might be reconciled to the good. But in the centuries of unrest which accompanied the evolution of any kind of civilization, either ancient or modern, how was this laudable principle to be maintained? This was done by a body of the learned, existing in all ages under peculiar restrictions, and at one time known under the name of the Rosicrucian Fraternity. Although this body existed, its corporate character was by no means marked.

Unlike the Institutions with which antiquity and the middle ages abounded, and of which the Masonic and other bodies are the modern equivalents, the Fraternity of the Rosy Cross seldom had gatherings together. The brethren were isolated from each other, although aware of their mutual existence, and corresponding by secret and mysterious writings, and books, after the introduction of printing. They courted solitude and obscurity, and sought in the contemplation of the divine qualities of the Creator, that beatitude which the rude outside world despised or feared. In this manner, however, they also became the discoverers and conservators of important physical secrets, which by slow degrees they gradually communicated to the world, with which, in another sense, they had so little to do. It is not, at the same time, to be supposed that these occult philosophers either despised the pleasures or discouraged the pursuits of their active contemporaries; but as we ever find some innermost sanctuary in each noble and sacred fane, so they retired to constitute a body apart, and more peculiarly devoted to those mystical studies for which the great mass of mankind were unfitted by taste or character. Mildness and beneficence marked such courteous intercourse as their studious habits permitted them to have with their fellow men; and, in time of danger, in centuries of great physical suffering, they emerged from their retreats, with the benevolent object of vanquishing and alleviating the calamities of mankind.

In a rude period of turmoil, of battle, and of political change, they placidly pursued their way, the custodians of human learning, and thus acquired the respect, and even the reverence, of their less cultivated contemporaries. They were regarded as sanctified personages, of whom men spoke with bated breath, and with a species of awe such as individuals regarded as being in communion with intelligences of an ultramontane nature could alone inspire. The very fact of their limited number led to their future elevation in the public esteem, and there grew up around them somewhat of "the divinity that doth hedge a king." Nor did these pursuits uniformly withdraw them from the more active duties of their respective times. Some of them, such as the Abbot John of Trittenham, ruled over communities of monks, and preserved, by copying, the ancient, historical and poetical works of Hellas and Italy; others applied themselves to the arts of legislation, and were counsellors at various courts; others, again, like Cornelius Agrippa von Nettsheim, sought their fortunes as town orators and jurists, while some followed the arts, like Albertus Maganus, and a large proportion devoted themselves, as in the case of John Baptista Porta, Theophrastus Aureolus Bombastus Paracelsus, and Johann Faust, to the study and practice of medicine. Thus the mystical fraternities did not neglect the practical and useful, while they pursued the more recondite studies of mental and theosophic lore.

It may, however, be truly said, that these philosophers were divided into two great schools—the one occult, silent, and jealous of intrusion; and the other militant and even blatant in their pretensions. All sections of men bear this twofold character; and while we may very properly regret the waste of energy which consumed itself in the fruitless search after the philosopher's stone, and the art of producing gold and precious stones, we ought not to lose sight of the undoubted fact that these enthusiasts, in a marked degree, contributed to an increase in our knowledge of psychology and mental science in other ways. Even of the alchemists there were two orders—those who laboured at the physical forge and crucible, and those who, by a theosophic process, sought to elevate the mind into a knowledge of its constitution; thus perfecting a much higher series of investigations, and arriving at a mystical gold beyond all price.

In a certain sense, these philosophers contributed very greatly to the common stock of human wisdom. They insensibly prepared the way for larger and grander views of the divine purpose in humanity—to them we owe the first promulgation of more exact ideas on the mutual interrelations of duty and right, the palingenesia of nature; and rightly so. For as the science of mathematics contains within itself protoplasmatic forms of things, and the science of morals comprehends the application of these forms to intellectual purification, so the Rosicrucian doctrine specifically pointed out the use and interrelations between the qualities of the substances in nature, although their enlarged ideas admitted of a moral survey.

The Freemasons, while they have deserved the esteem of mankind for charity and works of love, have never

accomplished, and by their inherent sphere of operation never can accomplish, what those isolated students effected. Modern times have eagerly accepted in the full light of science the precious inheritance of knowledge bequeathed by Rosicrucians, and that body has disappeared from the visible knowledge of mankind, and re-entered the visible Fraternity of which mention was made in the opening of this article. Presupposing in the minds of occult students some knowledge of these principles, it will readily be seen that a system existed amongst what may be emphatically, although only symbolically, termed "our ancient brethren." It is not desirable in a work of this kind to make disclosures of an indiscreet nature.

The Brethren of the Rosy Cross will never, and should not, at peril and under alarm, give up their secrets. Their silent influence terminated the Crusades with an honourable peace; at their behests the Old Man of the Mountain stopped his assassinations, and in all cases we find Rosicrucians exercise a salient influence. The "dewy" question cannot be discussed in public. This ancient body has nothing to do with any kind of Masonic rite. It has apparently disappeared from the field of human activity, but its labours are being carried with alacrity, and with a sure delight in an ultimate success.

The degrees of the modern Rosicrucian system of nine—1. Zelator, or Illuminatus, or Junior; 2. Theoricus or Theoricus; 3. Practicus; 4. Philosophus; 5. Adeptus Junior or Minor; 6. Adeptus Senior or Major; 7. Adeptus Exemptus; 8. Majistri Templi; and 9. Magus.

The last degree is triple—thus, Supreme Major, and Senior and Junior Substitute. The Officers are a Master General, Deputy Master General, Treasurer General, Secretary General; and seven Ancient Assistant Officers are Precentor, Conductor of Novices, Organist, Torch-bearer, Herald, Guardian of the Temple, and Medallist. The Rosicrucian Society of England, which has been reformed upon the basis of the original body, meets in various parts of England, and possesses a Metropolitan College, together with several Provincial Colleges; the rite is also known in Scotland and Canada. To belong to it the degree of Master Mason must be attained; but no oath or obligation is administered, it being contrary to the genius of a philosophical society, having for its object the discussion of occult science, to exact vows of fidelity already ensured by the solemn acts of the degrees of Craft Masonry.—*Notes and Queries.*

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR AT EXETER.

THE Sir Knights held a Provincial Priory for Devon on the 24th ult., at Exeter. The V.E. the Provincial Prior Rev. Dr. T. W. Lemon presided, supported by Excellent Sir Knights E. Aitken-Davies P.E.P. P.P.S. Const. and Guard of the National Grand Priory as P.G. Const. pro tem, J. Du-Pré E.P. and P. G. Marsh. The Fraters present also included:—J. Chapman P.E.P. Royal Sussex P.P.G. Registrar, J. P. Heath P.E.P. Rougemont P.P.G. Marshal, J. Stocker P.E.P. Rougemont P.P.G.T., Dr. F. Adams Dawson Royal Sussex, from the Grand Conclave of Scotland, Dr. Geo. Evans P.E.P. Rougemont, John Lane P.E.P. Royal Sussex P.P.G. Registrar, W. Bennett-Maye R.E.P. Royal Sussex P.P.G. Marshal, John Taylor Royal Sussex P.P.B.B., P. B. Clements P.E.C. Royal Sussex P.P.G.C.L., George Dunsterville Loyal Brunswick P.P.D.C., R. Pengelley P.E.P. Holy Cross, W. Taylor P.E.P. Royal Sussex P.P.G.B.B., F. A. Gray Rougemont, J. Wallis Royal Veterans, Sholto H. Hare Loyal Brunswick, T. H. Willis Royal Sussex, Wm. Chaff Warren El Monte Commandery, No. 2 Ogden, Utah, U.S.A. Sir Knight Warren exhibited the full regalia, replete in gorgeous effect, of the American Frater, James Jerman Rougemont, H. Stocker Rougemont P.G. Chaplain, D. Cross Loyal Brunswick P.P.G. Tyler, E. H. Short Rougemont Registrar, J. Gidley Loyal Brunswick P.G. Guard. The P.G. Chan. reported an increase of twelve Fraters during the year, and the P.G. Treasurer's accounts, which were audited by the Committee, show a balance in hand. The Committee of General Purposes recommended a vote of ten guineas to the funds of the Aged and Decayed Freemasons' Institution, and to place the money on the list of the Provincial Prior, who is a Steward for the Institution for the year. The report was unanimously adopted. The resolution that Bye-law No. 13 be altered to read thus: That the fees payable to the Provincial Priory be—on the installation of a Knight, 2s 6d; on a Knight joining a Preceptory, 1s; annual subscription of each Knight, 1s; dispensation fee, 5s, was adopted. Frater Wm. Taylor Royal Sussex was elected Treasurer. The Provincial Great Officers invested by the Provincial Prior were: Fraters John Brewer Sub-Prior, Rev. Jno. Dickinson, M.A., Prebendary, H. Stocker P.G. Chaplain, Dr. George Evans P.G. Constable, P. B. Clements P.G. Marshal, W. Taylor P.G. Treasurer, R. Pengelley P.G. Registrar. Provincial Officers: Fraters F. A. Gray P.G.V. Chan., Captain G. S. Strobe-Lowe P.G. Sub-Marshal, Rev. T. Russell P.G.R. and Chaplain, J. R. Lord P.G.W.R., G. Dunsterville P.G.H., F. W. Chanter C.E. Standard Bearer (Beauncant), Dr. F. Adams Dawson Gr.B. (Vexillarius Belli), E. Binding

P.P.B.B., W. H. Dillon P.G.A.D.C., J. Leonard Provincial Grand Chamberlain, J. Wallis P.G.C.G., F. P. Regar, Lieutenant and Quartermaster Royal Irish, Swd.Br., H. B. Stark P.G.O., J. Gidley P.G. Guard. The Provincial Prior announced that he intended to hold a Prov. G. Priory of Knights of Malta in about a month hence. Frater John Chapman urged the advisability of recommending the National Great Priory, at its meeting in December next, not to confirm two measures it adopted on 9th May, the first to give voting powers to the annual Constables and Marshals of the Preceptories; second, to confine meetings of the National Great Priory to London alone, instead of its being alternately held at York, Manchester, Bristol, and London. The increase of voters from the Constables and Marshals of the metropolis and vicinity being given that privileges would completely swamp the influence of the Provincial Preceptories, while holding the National Great Priory in London only would operate much against the interests of the Order. Both recommendations against those measures were adopted. The alms of the Priory were voted to the Convalescent Home of the Exeter Hospital. At the close of the business the Fraters dined together at the Exeter Masonic Club, the Provincial Prior presiding.

CEREMONY BY THE G.M. OF IRELAND.

THE Duke of Abercorn, Grand Master of Ireland, performed the dedication ceremony at the opening of a new Masonic Hall at Castlederg, on 15th inst. His Grace was accompanied by the Duchess of Abercorn. The occasion was availed of for the holding of a bazaar in aid of the liquidation of the debt on the hall. There was a large attendance of Freemasons from the surrounding districts. After the customary ceremony in the upper hall, which will be devoted exclusively to Masonic purposes, a procession was formed to the lower assembly hall, in which the bazaar was conducted, when Bro. Thos. McCormick read an address to the Duke and Duchess of Abercorn. Sir John Marcus Stewart, on behalf of the Provincial Grand Lodge, thanked his Grace for the honour of his presence on the occasion. The Duke of Abercorn, in reply, said he need not say how deeply the Duchess and himself appreciated the welcome which had been accorded them. It was a great pleasure to come amongst the Freemasons of Castlederg and their lady friends and to help in opening the bazaar. He had the pleasure and honour of presiding at the dedication ceremony in the upper hall. He regretted that it was impossible to initiate all the young ladies whom he saw present into the mysteries of all that went on there, and he was certain none of them had endeavoured to secure a keyhole to which to watch the proceedings. No doubt they recalled the fate of a lady in Cork, who once ventured to allow her curiosity to get the better of her discretion, with the result that she never forgot till her dying day what happened to her when she was caught. He understood that a debt of £400 remained on the building after the exertions that had been made locally on its behalf, and he and the Duchess joined in the wish that the bazaar might realise that amount, and that all the gentlemen present, young, middle-aged, and old, would willingly walk into the web which the lady spiders had so cunningly spread for their capture.

WEST LANCASHIRE HAMER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

THE annual Court of Governors was held on the 17th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Hope Street, Liverpool, under the presidency of Bro. J. R. Bottomley P.P.A.D.C. There was a numerous attendance of Governors. Bro. G. Morgan P.P.G.D. was re-appointed honorary Treasurer, Bros. Dr. J. K. Smith P.P.G.R., Garton, Christison, and Irvin honorary Medical Officers; Bro. J. R. Bottomley honorary Secretary; and Bros. Kite, Bargery, T. J. Smith, Maddox, Booth, Gow, Hawkins, Leigh, Pierrepont, and Hudson, members of the General Committee. The 17th annual report stated that the total receipts for the past year amounted to £654 13s 2d, against £507 9s 10d for the year 1889; but the amount received was not what it ought to be, in consequence of so many Lodges and Chapters not contributing at all. There had been received through Brother Murray, of Wigan, a legacy of 200 guineas, bequeathed by the late Bro. Crossley, which was gratefully acknowledged. The applications for the benefits of the Institution had increased, and in view of this fact the committee hopefully anticipated an increased support from the Lodges, Chapters, &c., in the Province. The Committee further offered to all who had in any way contributed to the work of the Institution their warmest thanks, and hoped for a continuance of help, strongly urging upon all the charity Stewards in the Province not to forget this necessary Institution, which, as the title declares, is to help those members of the Craft who are aged or distressed. The Treasurer's statements showed that the cash in bank and in hand for the year was £279 3s 8d, that £530 16s had been received from donations and subscriptions, and £114 7s 1d, as interest on dock bonds. The sum of £200 had been spent in grants to twelve annuitants. The capital account showed that £3000 was invested in dock bonds, and that £710 12s 10d was in the bank. After considerable discussion, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting for a fortnight, in order to consider several matters of considerable importance.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—As winter advances and the weather becomes more and more inclement and trying the earliest evidences of ill-health must be immediately checked and removed, or a slight illness may result in a serious malady. Relaxed and sore throat, quinsy, influenza, chronic cough, bronchitis, and most other pulmonary affections will be relieved by rubbing this cooling Ointment into the skin as nearly as practicable to the seat of mischief. This treatment, simple, yet effective, is admirably adapted for the removal of these diseases during infancy and youth. Old asthmatic invalids will derive marvellous relief from the use of Holloway's remedies, which have wonderfully relieved many such sufferers, and re-established health after every other means had signally failed.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE annual meeting was held on the 29th ult., at the Grand Assembly Rooms, Barras Bridge, Newcastle. There was a large attendance of Provincial Grand Officers and Officers and Brethren of the various Lodges in the Province. The R.W. Provincial Grand Master Sir M. W. Ridley, Bart., M.P., presided, supported by Bro. the Very Worshipful Richard Henry Holmes P.G.D.C. of England, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and also by the R.W. Grand Master of Durham Sir Hedworth Williamson, and the Rev. Canon Tristram D.P.G.M. of Durham. An excellent report of the Lodges in the province was presented. It was agreed that the services of Bro. B. J. Thompson, who has retired from the office of Provincial Grand Secretary, after many years of valuable labour, should be acknowledged by an illuminated address. On the motion of Bro. Holmes, seconded by Bro. Addison Potter, C.B., Bro. John Strachan was appointed Provincial Grand Treasurer.

PROV. GRAND LODGE OF SUSSEX.

THE annual meeting was held at the Town Hall, Eastbourne, on the 24th ult. The W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott, Q.C., M.P., Judge Advocate-General, P. Grand Steward Deputy Provincial Grand Master presided; the Wardens' chairs being occupied by Brothers R. Clowes P.G.S.W. and T. Billing P.G.J.W. The Prov. Grand Officers present included Bros. E. R. Currie, Dean of Battle, Chaplain, R. Pidcock Registrar, V. P. Freeman P.G.D. Secretary, W. H. Causton Senior Deacon, A. M. Betchley Sword Bearer, R. Hughes Standard Bearer, B. Burfield Assistant Secretary, T. Berry Pursuivant, L. R. Styer, W. E. Morrison, E. T. Cooksey, W. Botting, A. Brazier Stewards, and H. H. Hughes Tyler. The large gathering included Past Prov. Grand Officers, members of Sussex Lodges, with numerous visitors. The minutes of the last meeting, annual meeting, and especial meeting having been confirmed, a letter was read from Mrs. Gerard Ford, in which she acknowledged the sympathetic vote of condolence passed by the Prov. Grand Lodge on the death of her late husband. The roll of Lodges in the Province having been called, it was found that each Lodge was represented. The report of the Board of Finance, with the Treasurer's accounts, and the report of the Charities Committee were passed. The Prov. Grand Secretary read statistics which showed that the Province now numbered 1275 Brethren, an increase on the year of 75. It was decided to continue the publication of the Masonic Almanac. The Wor. Bro. the Right Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott, M.P., Deputy Provincial Grand Master, next addressed the Brethren. He said he and all present greatly regretted the absence of his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught Prov. Grand Master. His Royal Highness would have been present had his many engagements permitted him, but during this month he was in Germany carrying out very important duties. He, however, confidently hoped to be able to preside at the Prov. Grand Lodge meeting next year. Looking back, he said the Lodge had causes for regret, and also for boasting. They all deeply regretted the death of the late Bro. Crawford Pocock P.G.S.W., an ardent Freemason, who entered upon his office last year with vigour and enthusiasm. Bro. Pocock had rendered great assistance to him (Bro. Marriott) and materially lightened his labours. He was a Mason in heart and soul, and his great wish had always been to do good to all around him. The Province was able to boast of being in a prosperous condition. From the various reports it was evident that the past year had been a successful one. The brethren had increased by 75, and the Province seemed likely to hold even a higher position among the Prov. Grand Lodges of the country. During the past year the Burrell Lodge, named after the late and much beloved Sir Walter Burrell, had removed from Shoreham to Brighton, the former town having no room sufficiently large enough for the accommodation of the members. In conclusion, he said he should be always ready ready to give his poor services for the advancement of Freemasonry in the Province. On the motion of Bro. Smith, seconded by Bro. Farncombe, Bro. J. M. Reed was unanimously elected Provincial Grand Treasurer. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master having

thanked the Officers for the able assistance they had rendered him during the past year, appointed the following Officers for the ensuing year, and invested those present with the insignia of their respective offices.

Bro. Major James Graham-Edwardes...	Senior Warden
W. E. Morrison ...	Junior Warden
Very Rev. E. R. Currie ...	} Chaplains
Rev. L. D. Dowdall ...	
R. Pidcock ...	Registrar
V. P. Freeman ...	Secretary
E. T. Cooksey ...	Senior Deacon
L. R. Styer ...	Junior Deacon
W. Botting ...	Supt. of Works
A. Lloyd ...	Dir. of Cers.
A. Brazier ...	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
J. Pearce ...	Sword Bearer
J. H. Hawes ...	} Standard Bearers
G. W. Campbell ...	
J. Easter ...	Organist
B. Burfield ...	Assistant Secretary
G. Mitchell ...	Pursuivant
H. Ancombe ...	Assistant Pursuivant
G. T. Shaft ...	} Stewards
G. B. Simpson ...	
W. Wright ...	
J. C. Couldwell ...	
G. Rawlinson ...	
J. Cooke ...	
H. H. Hughes ...	Tyler

The Lodge having been duly closed, the brethren adjourned to the large room of the Town Hall, where they sat down to an elegant banquet, supplied by the Queen's Hotel Company, the catering of the manager, Mr. Steidle, giving universal satisfaction. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Wor. Bro. Sir W. T. Marriott presided, and was supported by the Officers of Grand Lodge and of Provincial Grand Lodge. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master opened the toast list by proposing the Queen and the Craft. He then gave H.R.H. the Prince of Wales M.W. Grand Master, and the Officers of Grand Lodge Present and Past, alluding in feeling terms to the great loss the Craft had sustained by the death of the late Pro Grand Grand Master the Earl of Carnarvon. Bro. Sandeman responded on behalf of the Grand Lodge. In proposing H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught R.W. Provincial Grand Master, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master said it was a toast which he was sure all present would receive with respect and affection. Since his installation the Duke had been working hard in British Dominions beyond the sea, and had brought great credit to himself and the United Kingdom. Sussex Freemasons would be rejoiced to have him again in their midst, and it was hoped that he would be able to preside over them next year at one meeting, and possibly at two. Bro. Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary proposed the Right Hon. Sir W. T. Marriott Deputy Provincial Grand Master. On many previous occasions he had, he said, the honour of proposing the toast of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and he recalled occasions when he had submitted the toast on behalf of the late Bros. Sir Walter Burrell, J. H. Scott, and Gerard Ford. He had had the honour of installing Sir William Marriott in the absence of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, and he believed their Deputy Provincial Grand Master had carried out his duties to the entire satisfaction of the Provincial Grand Master and the brethren at large. Amidst his multifarious duties Sir William Marriott would, he was sure, continue to do all he could for the support of the Order, and thus prove himself worthy of the high position he held. Sir W. Marriott was warmly applauded on rising to respond. It gave him great pleasure, he said, to preside over them at the first meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge in Eastbourne, and also at the banquet held in the magnificent hall in which they were seated. He expressed the great pleasure he felt in having the Mayor of Eastbourne, Bro. W. E. Morrison, as Provincial Grand Junior Warden, and congratulated him upon the excellent arrangements made for the reception of the Provincial Grand Lodge. He then gave the Senior and Junior Wardens and the remaining Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge Present and Past. Bros. Major James Graham Edwardes and W. F. Morrison responded. The latter proposed the Visitors, which Bro. Major G. Lambert acknowledged. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master gave the W.M. and Brethren of the Tyrian Lodge. Bro. W. E. Morrison responded. The remaining toasts were the W.M.'s of the Province, the Masonic Institutions, and the Stewards. During the evening a pleasing selection of music was rendered, under the direction of Bro. John Easter P.M.

Prov. Grand Organist, the vocalists being Bro. J. Easter, Messrs. H. Thwaites, C. Roper, J. T. Parsons, Carter, Marshall, Sargent, and the Eastbourne Glee Union. Bro. Eric C. Williams recited in good style "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

Previous to the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge, the Tyrian Lodge, No. 1110, held their annual installation meeting, at which Bro. W. E. Morrison was installed W.M. The ceremony was performed by Bro. Shadwell H. Clerke Grand Secretary. The newly installed W.M. appointed the following Officers for the year, viz., Bros. J. Creighton S.W., G. Fowler J.W., L. Norris Chaplain, C. Tomes Treasurer, C. W. Tomes Secretary, J. Vine S.D., G. A. Skinner J.D., M. Caffyn D. of C., F. B. Sutton Organist, T. M. Dicker I.G., A. A. Oakden S.S., V. T. Sumfield J.S., Goldring Tyler, Pennington Assistant Tyler.

PROVINCE OF NORTH WALES.

THE annual meeting was held at the Station Hotel, Holyhead, on the 28th ult., the R.W. P.G.M. Bro. Col. Platt presiding, with the R.W. Brother Colonel the Hon. W. E. Sackville West P.G.W. of England. There was a full attendance of Brethren from the 18 Lodges in the Province when the roll was called, all the Officers with the exception of four being present. Owing to the death of the Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon the Brethren present wore Masonic mourning. At 2.30 p.m. the Lodge was formally opened, the Director of Ceremonies being Brother Freeme, of Bala. After the muster roll had been called, the minutes of the P.G. Lodge held at Barmouth last year were read and confirmed. Bro. Salmon was re-elected Treasurer, and it was decided to present a P.P.G.S. jewel to Bro. Harris in recognition of his valuable services to the Fraternity as Secretary of the Provincial Grand Lodge during the past year. On the motion of Bro. Salmon, it was decided to vote 50 guineas in aid of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. The R.W. P.G.M. subsequently invested his Officers, as follow:—

Bro. J. C. Greaves ...	...	Senior Warden
J. Danily ...	...	Junior Warden
Rev. O. W. Jones ...	...	Chaplains
Rev. W. Morgan ...	...
J. Salmon ...	...	Treasurer
C. H. Rees ...	...	Registrar
E. Roberts ...	...	Secretary
J. D. Bolton ...	...	Senior Deacon
H. J. Lloyd ...	...	Junior Deacon
S. Hargreaves ...	...	Supt. of Works
E. R. Jenkins ...	...	Dir. of Cers.
J. Chidlow Roberts ...	...	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
James Wells ...	...	Sword Bearer
R. H. Done ...	...	Standard Bearers
B. Richards ...	...
H. Hardman ...	...	Assist. Sec.
J. Williams ...	...	Organist
T. Jervis ...	...	Pursuivant
R. G. Thomas ...	...	Assist. Pursuivant
A. D. Dawson ...	...	Stewards
R. Langford Jones ...	...
Dr. L. Cox ...	...	Stewards
T. E. Grey ...	...
T. G. Hughes ...	...	Tyler
H. B. Stubbington ...	...

A committee for auditing the Treasurer's accounts was appointed, and it was decided to hold the P.G. Lodge next year at Mold. The brethren subsequently dined at the Station Hotel.

MARK MASONRY.

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PROV. G. L. OF NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.

THE annual meeting was held, on the 21st ult., in the Freemasons' Hall, Old Elvet, Durham, under the banner of the Dunelm Lodge. There was a good gathering. After a meeting of the General Purposes Committee, under the presidency of Bro. R. B. Reed D.P.G.M., the Prov. Grand Lodge was opened in due form. The distinguished Prov. Grand Mark Master of the Province, Bro. the Rev. Canon Tristram, D.D., P.G. Chaplain of England presided, and was supported by Bro. R. B. Reed D.P.G.M. and the following Officers:—Bros. J. Straker Wilson S.W., Canon

Kynaston P.P.G.S.W. Gloucestershire, W. Logan as J.W., J. S. B. Bell Treasurer, C. B. Ford Secretary, T. Walton M.O., Thomas Bradley as S.O., W. F. Carmon J.O., Thos. Bell Dir. of Cers., Alexander James Main (Alnwick) S.D., Arthur S. Cockburn (Alnwick) J.D., Charles Spencer S.B., W. Green (Berwick) W.M. 192 Organist, Wm. Mayson I.G., Joshua Curry Tyler, and others. The Prov. Grand Lodge having been opened in due form, the roll of Prov. Grand Officers was called, and Bro. C. B. Ford Secretary read the report of the Committee of General Purposes, which stated that the Order continued to manifest signs of activity and usefulness. Thirty-eight new members had been added during the year. The committee recommended that £10 10s be devoted to the Mark Benevolent Fund, and £10 10s to the Mark Education Fund. Bro. R. B. Reed D.P.G.M. stated that he had very much pleasure in moving the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Brother C. S. Lane S.W. and adopted unanimously. The roll of Lodges was afterwards called, when each Lodge duly responded, and reported favourably. The Rev. Canon Tristram P.G.M.M. said it was especially gratifying to welcome the brethren under the shadow of the old central cathedral of their Province, and under the banner of one of their junior Lodges, and it was satisfactory to see that each of their eleven Lodges was represented, and that, while they had had no increase of Lodges, there was a slight increase in their membership. There was no falling off anywhere. He was especially gratified with the good report of the quality of the work done. From his most excellent Deputy, with whom he was in full communication, he was glad to receive the warm eulogium he had expressed of the state of their Mark Lodges. He expressed a hope that in time there might be a desire for the formation of a Mark Lodge at Bishop Auckland, Hexham, and Tynemouth. The following were afterwards appointed as the Prov. Grand Officers for the year:—

Bro. R. P. Reed (re-appointed)	...	Deputy Grand Mark Master
Thomas Bell ...	...	Senior Warden
Alexander James Main...	...	Junior Warden
William Mures Lyon ...	...	M.O.
George Porteous ...	...	S.O.
William Brown ...	...	J.O.
Rev. Thomas Randall ...	...	Chaplain
W. H. Massingberd ...	...	Reg. of Marks
C. B. Ford (re-appointed)	...	Secretary
Fred. H. Corder ...	...	Dir. of Cers.
Wm. Mayson ...	...	I.s. of Works
C. Spencer ...	...	S.D.
Wm. Green ...	...	J.D.
Jacob Barker ...	...	Organist
John Heppell ...	...	I.G.
G. F. Allan ...	...	S.B.
Thomas Purvis ...	...	St.B.
Joshua Curry ...	...	Tyler

An invitation to hold the next meeting at Stockton was accepted. The Prov. Grand Lodge having been closed in due form, the brethren adjourned to the Rose and Crown Hotel, where they were entertained to a banquet, presided over by the Rev. Canon Tristram. Bro. C. S. Lane proposed the health of the P.G.M.M. the Rev. Canon Tristram, which was enthusiastically received. The Rev. Canon Tristram, in reply, gave a most eloquent address. He referred to the origin of Freemasonry, and the explanation of the universal adoption of almost all of the distinguishing characteristics of Masonry, which were spread world-wide many centuries ago by the Persians and Phœnicians, who carried these characteristics along with their commerce. This could be recognised by those who had had no political connexion, and still less no religious connexion. Upon the platform of Freemasonry, he continued, they knew no classes or masses—they were all one. They knew no difference between capital and labour; there they were all workers, and quite ready to join each other when they had finished their work and were moving from labour to refreshment. He proposed the health of Bro. R. B. Reed D.P.G.M., who briefly responded. Several other toasts were given and responded to, and the successful meeting was brought to a close in the usual Masonic manner.

The Grand Superintendent of Essex M.E. Comp. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., Grand Registrar, will consecrate the Warner Chapter, No. 2256, on Saturday, 8th November, at the Royal Forest Hotel, Chingford. E. Comp. William Shurmur P.Z. M.E.Z. and Z. elect 1471 is the M.E.Z. designate, Comp. Daniel Pound Holness P.M. P.Z. 1471 H. designate, Comp. T. Scoresby-Jackson P. Sojourner 1471 J. designate.

THE DOUGLAS HEAD IMPROVEMENTS.

IN the presence of a large assembly of the Freemasons of the Isle of Man, West and East Lancashire, West Yorkshire, and Cheshire, the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of the Freemasons of England, and Right Worshipful Prov. Grand Master of West Lancashire, assisted by numerous Grand and Provincial Grand Officers, laid the foundation stone, on the 24th ult., of the approach tower to the Douglas Head Suspension Bridge. The English visitors accompanying his Lordship, as the guests of the directors of the Suspension Bridge Company, were conveyed on Thursday from Liverpool on the Snaefell, which was specially chartered for the occasion. During the voyage, which was of the pleasantest description, music was supplied by the band of the 3rd Cheshire Rifle Volunteers.

The morning opened beautifully fine, and from an early hour the Masonic visitors who were to take part in the ceremony at noon were to be seen leaving their hotels and lodgings and proceeding along the Promenade to view the site of the proposed Douglas Eiffel Tower. All the visitors were astonished to hear that eight days ago the site was entirely covered by house property. The necessary land has been acquired for £25,000, and the property to be pulled down thereon is of a class the removal of which will not deprive Douglas of any of its architectural beauties. A space sufficiently large for the accommodation of fourteen or fifteen hundred spectators had been cleared. Some difficulty had been encountered in preparing the foundations of this, which will form one of fifty-six bases upon which the approach tower will rest. The quantity of water which was come to when the excavations were proceeded with was rather more than had been bargained for, and consequently the necessary pumping occasioned considerable delay. However, everything was prepared for the ceremony of laying the foundation stone, an immense square block weighing over two tons.

A special meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Isle of Man was convened by the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, Bro. John Senhouse Goldie Taubman, and at eleven o'clock the brethren of the Lodge and their visitors assembled at the Masonic Hall, Loch Parade. There were in all about 600 brethren of all ranks present.

The Officers of the Prov. Grand Lodge included Bros. the Earl of Lathom D.G.M., Major John Stenhouse Goldie Taubman P.G.M., S. Webb P.G.S.W., W. Laughlan P.G.J.W., Rev. E. Ferrier P.G. Chaplain, Frank J. Johnson P.G.A.S., J. Hodgson P.G.R., C. Morton Chadderton P.G.A.D.C., J. Hatton P.G.P., Thos. L. Ayton P.G.A.P., T. Whiteside P.G.S., W. Goodacre P.G.S.B. Eng. Prov. G. Secretary West Lancashire, E. Pritchard P.P.G.P., G. W. Quayter P.P.G.S., J. Champion Bradshaw P.P.G.S.B., Sidney May P.G.S., and L. Hannay P.P.G.D.

The Province of West Lancashire was represented by, among others, Bros. the Earl of Lathom, W. Goodacre P.G. Secretary, George Harradon P.G. Treasurer, J. C. Robinson P.P.G.D.C. acting Dir. of Cers., J. Sutton P.P.D.G.D.C., Thomas Adams P.P.G.D., A. D. Hesketh P.P.G.S.B., Jas. Platts P.P.G.S.D., W. Laughlan P.P.G.S., W. W. Foulkes P.P.G.S.B., J. Champion Bradshaw P.P.G.S.B., J. A. Churchland P.P.G.S.D., Jos. Harling P.P.G.P., H. M. Molyneux P.P.G.D.C., Joseph Bridgford P.P.G.P., Thomas Salter P.P.G.J.D., A. D. Hesketh P.P.G.S.B., T. Eyre Mason P.P.G.T., H. Crosby P.P.G.P., and J. Tunstall P.P.G.P.

The Province of East Lancashire was represented by Brothers E. J. Cumings P.P.G.S.B., J. Butterworth P.P.G.D., James Newton P.P.G.S.D., W. H. Wakefield P.P.G.S.B., E. G. Harwood P.P.G.J.W., Julius Arensberg P.P.G.P., Joseph T. Richardson P.P.G.S.D., Rawden Ashworth P.P.G.P., Thos. H. Sleight P.P.G.S.B., Robert Caldwell P.P.G.S.B., S. Statham P.P.G.T., and J. Brogford P.P.G.P.

Among the Cheshire Provincial Grand and Past Provincial Grand Officers present were Brothers G. McClelland P.G.J.D., Eustace G. Parker P.P.G.P., G. F. Smith P.P.G.S., L. W. Whaley P.P.G.O., Edwin Hardman P.P.G.S.D., J. Beresford P.P.G.S.D., H. E. Heywood P.P.G.S.B., David Kinsey P.P.G.T., S. Newton Brooks P.G.D.D.C., Joel Foden W.M. (Mayor of Altrincham), W. H. Macclesfield P.P.G.O. There was a large assembly of Worshipful Masters and Past Masters of Lodges in each of the Provinces, as well as a numerous and representative gathering of the rank and file of the Masonic Brotherhood of Lancashire, Cheshire, and the Isle of Man.

The Lodge having been duly opened, a procession was formed from the Masonic Hall, outside which a vast crowd had assembled. A public Masonic ceremonial is quite a red-letter day in the island. There has only been a single previous one and that at Peel a year ago. Since then the brethren have never walked in procession, except once from Lodge at Douglas to church, and on that occasion the rain was pouring down. Such an unusual sight as that presented by five or six hundred Freemasons, attired in full Masonic Craft clothing, had been eagerly anticipated, and when shortly after eleven o'clock the rain began to fall, great disappointment was occasioned. However, there was not sufficient to spoil either the procession or the ceremony, although the brethren had to resort to a pretty general use of umbrellas from leaving to returning to the Lodge Rooms. The procession went through Finch Road, Prospect Hill, and Victoria Street, so as to traverse the principal streets of the town. A military band headed the procession. The Visitors and Provincial Officers led, the others following according to rank, the Provincial Grand Master of the Isle of Man and the Deputy Grand Master bringing up the rear. At the entrance to the site the brethren divided to the right and left, forming an avenue, through which the Earl of Lathom and Major Goldie Taubman passed, the order of procession then being inverted, and the Grand Officers of England and the Provincial Grand Officers following his Lordship into the enclosure. The rank and file of the brethren brought up the rear, the places of the officiating brethren having been assigned while the heralds were announcing the arrival of the Deputy Grand Master by a flourish of trumpets. The ceremony was commenced by the singing of the "Old Hundredth." Mr. Thomas Floyd, the engineer, presenting the Earl of Lathom with

a handsome silver trowel, requested his Lordship to lay the foundation stone, which was then raised by means of a powerful tripod crane and carefully adjusted. After prayer had been offered by the Grand Chaplain, the Psalm "Except the Lord build the house" was sung, and then the Provincial Grand Secretary read the inscription on the brass plate to be affixed to the foundation stone, and the Provincial Grand Treasurer descended the vault and deposited in the stone a phial containing the usual collection of newspapers and coins. The Deputy Grand Master then laid the stone according to Masonic ritual, strewing thereon the corn contained in the cornucopia, and pouring upon it the wine and oil contained in the ewers, which had also been carried in the procession. "Prosper the Art" having been sung, prayer was offered by the Provincial Grand Chaplain, and the engineer then presented the plans of the tower approach to his Lordship, who delivered them to the engineer, exhorting him to proceed without loss of time to the completion of the work, in conformity with the plans. The Masonic version of the National Anthem, joined in by the band, brethren, and spectators, concluded the ceremony, and the procession was then re-formed, and the Provincial Grand Lodge was duly closed at the Masonic Hall, which was reached by way of the Promenade. A rumour was freely circulated in Douglas to the effect that the Earl of Lathom had promised to use his influence with H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to prevail upon the Heir Apparent, as the Grand Master of the Freemasons of England, to open the approach tower when completed.

The banquet took place at the Castle Mona Hotel, where 200 guests partook of the hospitality of Dr. Abbots, the chairman, and the directors of the Douglas Head Suspension Bridge Company. Major J. S. Goldie Taubman presided, and was supported by the Earl of Lathom, Bros. W. Goodacre, J. C. Robinson, Thomas H. Nesbit, and G. Harradon, and the chairman and directors of the company. At the conclusion of the banquet, the toasts of the Queen, and H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, the Grand Master of English Freemasons, were given and duly honoured, after which the chairman proposed the health of the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom, and the Officers of the Grand Lodge of England, Present and Past. The Manx Freemasons, he said, esteemed it a great honour that the Deputy Grand Master of England had consented to come there and lay the foundation-stone of the approach bridge. He hoped that his Lordship had formed a good impression of the Manx brethren, and also that the visitors would carry back a good account of Freemasonry in the Isle of Man.

The Earl of Lathom, in replying, said that he had been exceedingly pleased to be able to come over to the Island to see the working of the young Provincial Grand Lodge. The Lodge was in its childhood, but it was a very lusty childhood, for already in the course of four years the Province had actually doubled itself. This showed how thoroughly Freemasonry was prospering in the island. He hoped that this would long go on, and that this Province would prove a formidable rival to West Lancashire, just over the border. It was with the greatest pleasure that he came to perform the public function, feeling that the tower and bridge was not only a work which was likely to be a benefit to Douglas and the Isle of Man, but that it was one thoroughly within the bounds of Freemasonry. As he understood this scheme, which he hoped would be carried out in its entirety, it was one which would not only give work to men on the island at a time when work was scarce, but would be of immense advantage to the inhabitants and to the many visitors who came there every year. It would add to the great attractions of the island. His own experience dated back over nineteen years, when he first had the pleasure of coming over with Sir Henry Loch. Since then he had been there seventeen or eighteen times, and he need hardly tell them that he admired the island. He considered it a great health resort, so much so that he had sent his then young family every year. Since his last visit ten years ago improvements had been made in the town which had perfectly astonished him. In conclusion his Lordship said: I wish all prosperity to the island, and prosperity to the Freemasons of the island.

Other toasts followed, including those of the Council and House of Keys of the Isle of Man, the Town and Trade of Douglas, and Success to the Douglas Head Suspension Bridge. Responding to the second named toast, Mr. W. Proctor, chairman of the Town Commissioners, expressed the entire approval of that body of the scheme which had been that day so successfully initiated.

BLACK-AND-WHITE IN THE ROYAL ACADEMY.—The illness of Mr. Charles Keene has once more brought the extraordinary merit of his artistic work prominently before the public. It is agreed by all true connoisseurs that these drawings, which move us all to laughter weekly in *Punch*, but too few of us appreciate at their just merit, justify the placing of the great draughtsman in the very front rank of English artists. That fact was recognised by the French jury which desired to award him a *Grand Prix* at the recent Paris Exhibition, and it is admitted by every artist in the country. Many rumours are in the air just now concerning the conversion of the Royal Academy in respect to black-and-white work, and its readiness to elect a professor of the art at an early opportunity. Younger men can wait; and it would be a lasting shame if the Academy allowed so great a man as Charles Keene to pass away without honouring him and itself by calling him into the fold. Not that Mr. Keene himself cares about the matter one way or another. We believe that he is perfectly indifferent on the subject; but when reproducers in engraving of other men's works are elected to membership, it is simply preposterous that one of the few living geniuses in the world of English art should be passed over in silence and neglect.—From *The Magazine of Art* for October.

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SUCCESSFUL.			
No. on Poll	No. on List		Votes
1	39	Sandy, George Thomas ...	3397
2	3	Brown, Ernest James ...	3146
3	31	Truine, Charles ...	3107
4	22	Aldous, Horace James Murrell ...	3099
5	17	Bullivant, George Frederick ...	3062
6	52	Longbottom, Joe Claud Arnold ...	3055
7	6	Atley, Wilfrid John ...	3044
8	23	Fothergill, Kenneth Graham ...	3041
9	15	Hutton, William Bruce ...	3037
10	27	Woodhams, George Leopold ...	2931
11	19	Kemp, Walter Lowther ...	2894
12	33	Dickinson, Percy ...	2887
13	26	Sole, Edward ...	2733
14	51	Lowenthal, Louis Charles Edward ...	2715
15	37	Broughton, Harry Mitchell ...	2692
16	46	Arkell, William Ernest ...	2573
17	49	Bliss, Arthur Channon ...	2525
18	14	Rangeley, John Heap ...	2524
19	25	Hayward, Edgar ...	2368

Lists of Candidates, with full particulars of polling, &c., may be had on application. Votes of unsuccessful Candidates will be carried to the credit of those qualified for election in April next.

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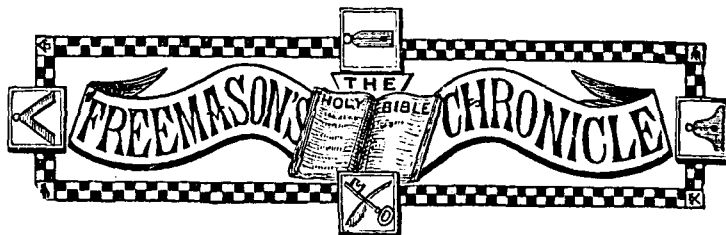
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SATURDAY, 4th OCTOBER 1890.

ROYAL ARCH.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

A QUARTERLY Convocation of the Supreme Grand Chapter will be held at Freemasons' Hall, London, on Wednesday, the 6th day of November, at six o'clock in the evening.

BUSINESS.

The minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation to be read for confirmation.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

To the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England.

The Committee of General Purposes beg to report that they have examined the accounts from the 16th July to the 14th October 1890, both inclusive, which they find to be as follows:—

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance Grand Chapter				Disbursements during the quarter	307	18	1
Unappropriated Account	455	16	9	Balance	388	9	3
Subsequent Receipts	183	4	7	„ Unappropriated Account	179	14	1
	237	0	1				
	£876	1	5		£876	1	5

which balances are in the Bank of England, Western Branch.

The Committee have likewise to report that they have received the following Petitions:—

From Companions Vero William Taylor as Z., Millner Jutsum as H., Robert Gay Kellett as J., and six others for a Chapter to be attached to the Joshua Nunn Lodge, No. 2154, Halstead, to be called "The Colne Valley Chapter," and to meet at the George Hotel, Halstead, in the county of Essex.

From Companions Captain William Home Chisholme St. Clair, R.N., as Z., John Brickwood as H., William Dart as J., and nineteen others for a Chapter to be attached to the St. Clair Lodge, No. 2074, Landport, to be called "The St. Clair Chapter," and to meet at the Freemasons' Hall, Commercial-road, Landport, Hampshire.

From Companions John George Dimock as Z., the Rev. Oliver Carter Cockrem as H., John Walker as J., and seven others for a Chapter to be attached to the Vernon Lodge, No. 1802, East Retford, to be called "The St. Stephen's Chapter," and to meet at the Criterion, Carolgate, East Retford, Nottinghamshire.

From Companions Joseph Henry Price as Z., William Barnes Fendick as H., Henry Esling as J., and seven others for a Chapter to be attached to the Emblematic Lodge, No. 1321, Southwark, to be called "The Emblematic Chapter," and to meet at the Criterion, Piccadilly.

The foregoing petitions being in every respect regular, the Committee recommend that the prayers thereof be respectively granted.

The Committee have likewise received memorials, with copies of minutes, for permission to remove the following Chapters:—

The West Kent Chapter, No. 1297, from the Thicket Hotel, Anerley, to the Crystal Palace, Sydenham.

The Welchpool Chapter, No. 998, from the Railway Station, Welchpool, to the Masonic Temple, Newtown, North Wales.

The Committee recommend that the removal of these Chapters be sanctioned.

The Committee have further to report that in consequence of the formation and recognition of a Grand Lodge of Tasmania, there are no longer English Craft Lodges in that colony to which the Chapters meeting in Tasmania can be attached, as required by Article 45 Royal Arch Regulations.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the Charters of the Chapters No. 536 and 618 be withdrawn and cancelled, and that the Chapters be erased from the Register of the Grand Chapter.

(Signed)

ROBERT GREY,

President.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

UNITY LODGE, No. 71.

THE 143rd installation was celebrated at the Masonic Hall Norwich, on Thursday, 23rd ult., when Bro. Frederick S. Smith was placed in the chair by installing Master Brother Crane, of Yarmouth. Over sixty brethren were present from all parts of the country. The banquet was held at the Suffolk Hotel, with Brother Frederick Smith in the chair, and sixty-nine brethren sat down to a splendid repast. The menu was artistically printed, and the toast list was interspersed with apt quotations from Shakespeare and other authors. The musical brethren were the Norwich Cathedral Quartet party, Messrs. Cockaday, Brookes, Thouless, and Brookbank; harpist, Bro. Miles, London; violinist, Bro. Tuddenham, Norwich; Organist, Bro. Loveless, Woodbridge; pianists, Bros. Perrin and Brookes. A Past Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Kersey, and a Secretary's jewel to Bro. Jeckells.

CAMBRIAN LODGE, No. 464.

THE members of this Lodge resumed their duties, after the summer recess, at the Masonic Hall, Haverfordwest, on Wednesday, The 22nd ult. Lodge was tyled at 7.15. A ballot was taken for J. M. Owen, Esq., surgeon, as a candidate for initiation, and he was unanimously accepted. The W.M. Bro. W. Howell Walters referred to the loss they had sustained by the decease of their esteemed Brother, P.M. Samuel Read, of the Haverfordwest Paper Mills, P.Z. P.P.G.P. and P. Charity Steward of the Province, and proposed that a letter of condolence be sent to his family. Bro. Rule Owen P.M. P.Z. P.P.G.R. seconded the proposition, which was carried unanimously. Our late Brother was an energetic and enthusiastic Mason, having obtained the highest offices in the Craft, Royal Arch and Rose Croix degrees. He was also a member and past officer of the Picton Castle Lodge of Mark Master Masons, No. 297. A true and sincere friend, his genial manner and kindly greeting will long be enshrined in the memories of his brethren. During his Stewardship he spared himself no pains or expense, travelling throughout the length and breadth of the Province, and thus endearing himself to the brethren of the Division. It may be truly said of him, "He wore the white flower of a blameless life." He died, after a very brief illness, at his residence, Mill Bank, Haverfordwest, on Saturday, 27th Sept., in the 67th year of his age. His mortal remains were interred in the Cemetery of Prendergast Church, Haverfordwest, on Wednesday, 4th Oct., the funeral service being conducted by the Rev. J. N. Colbourn, pastor of the Congregational Church. In the unavoidable absence from home of the W.M., two Past Masters, the Senior Warden, Senior Steward, and one of the latest initiates of the Lodge, were deputed to attend the funeral and represent the Lodge to which our late Brother was affiliated 17 years ago, and in which he had been awarded the highest honours the Craft could confer.

Lives of such men all remind us
We may make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

Footprints that perhaps another,
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
Some forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
Seeing, may take heart again.

On resuming the business of the Lodge, Bro. Howell Walters proposed, and Bro. Levi Harries P.M. seconded a candidate for initiation. Lodge was closed, and the brethren retired to the supper room, where an excellent repast was served up by mine host Bro. Benjamin Davies P.M., the well known proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, Haverfordwest.

WILLIAMSON LODGE, No. 949.

AT a regular meeting, held on the 20th ult., at the Masonic Hall, North Bridge Street, Sunderland, presentations by the brethren of the Lodge were made to Bro. G. W. Bain P.M. P.P.G.R., and to Bro. J. G. Kirtley P.M. P.P.G.D., in recognition of their services rendered in the erection of the above Hall. Bro. Bain was presented with a handsome reading lamp, bearing a suitable inscription in silver, and the presentation to Bro. Kirtley consisted of a chaste marble timepiece surmounted with bronze figures, and also with a similar inscription.

EGERTON LODGE, No. 1030.

BROTHER Joseph M'Kin was, on the 20th ult., installed W.M. at the George Hotel, Heaton Norris. The ceremony was performed by Bro. R. B. Preston, assisted by various Past Masters, in the presence of a large gathering of members and visiting brethren. Bro. W. H. Vaughan Secretary invested the Officers, in the following order:—Bros. W. A. Vaughan S.W., Thomas Knott J.W., Rev. Addison Crofton Chaplain, G. L. Vaughan Treasurer, Henry Smith S.D., Henry Wilson J.D., J. W. Abbott P.P.G.D.C. Dir. of Cera., W. Cole O., and Arthur Keymer I.G. After Lodge the brethren celebrated the Festival of St. John, by dining together.

ELEANOR CROSS LODGE, No. 1764.

ON Tuesday, 21st ult., at the Masonic Hall, Prince's Street, Brother T. P. Dorman, P.P.G. Supt. Works, was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The Installing Officer was Bro. George Butcher, who occupied the Master's chair during the past year, and whose performance of the ceremony was the theme of general praise. The attendance of brethren was larger than at any previous installation since the Lodge was established. The following Officers were duly installed by the new W.M.:—Bros. G. Butcher I.P.M., A. Jones S.W., J. Currall J.W., Rev. Canon Sanders, LL.D., Chaplain, H. Man-

field Treasurer, H. Hodges Secretary, J. A. Jowett Assistant Secretary, J. Gold S.D., Beeby Thompson J.D., G. T. Edmund D.C., T. H. Vials A.D.C., R. Croft Organist. T. Ashdown Standard Bearer, C. Cooke I.G., W. F. Tipler and W. H. Tarry Stewards, G. Robinson Tyler. At the close of the Lodge a banquet was admirably served by Bro. W. F. Tipler (Franklin's Restaurant), where Bro. Dorman presided, the vice-chairs being occupied by Bros. Alfred Jones S.W. and James Currall J.W. The usual Masonic toasts were given from the chair, and duly honoured. Bro. the Rev. Canon Sanders P.G. Chaplain Eng., in responding for Officers of Grand Lodge, remarked that as the Office of Pro Grand Master had been rendered vacant by the lamented death of the Earl of Carnarvon, who would better fill it than the Grand Master of their own Province, the Earl of Euston? Bro. Beeby Thompson gave the Earl of Euston Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Butler Wilkins Deputy Prov. Grand Master, and the Officers of the Province Past and Present. Bro. Butler Wilkins, in responding, paid a high tribute to the loyalty with which he had been supported by the Officers of the Province in past years, before Lord Euston's appointment, when the burdens of the Province devolved upon himself. Canon Sanders gave the health of the W.M. of the Eleanor Cross Lodge, and testified to the good qualities which had endeared Bro. Dorman to them as Masons. They could not measure their indebtedness to him for the erection of that magnificent building. Bro. Dorman, in an apt reply, referred to the fact that the Masonic buildings were erected on part of the site of the old Grey Friars' Monastery, the home of a religious community, whose aim was the inculcation of brotherly love, relief, and truth. It was, therefore, not unfitting that the home of Freemasonry in Northampton—an Institution based upon brotherly love, relief, and truth—should be erected there. Bro. T. H. Vials gave the Visiting Brethren, which was acknowledged with eloquence by Bro. Cumberland P.M. P.P.G.S.W. North and East Yorkshire, with humour by Bro. Parkinson, and with practical point by Bro. Bulford W.M. elect Fidelity Lodge, Towcester. Other toasts were given and spoken to by Bros. H. Mansfield, H. Brown, George Butcher, George Ellard, A. Jones, J. Currall, &c. Bro. W. H. Tarry gave a splendid rendering of Bro. Isidore de Solle's incomparable Masonic song, "Brotherhood," and Bro. Parkinson recited imitations of Tennyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade" with inimitable humour.

ATLINGWORTH LODGE, No. 1821.

THE annual installation meeting was held at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on the 16th ult. The Lodge was opened by the W.M., Bro. J. Billingham, who was supported by his Officers. The Lodge was honoured by the attendance of several visitors. The chief business of the meeting was the installation of Bro. M. Lelew, as W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being impressively performed by Bro. B. Burfield P.M. The W.M. appointed his Officers for the ensuing year, those present being invested with the insignia of their respective offices, viz.:—Bros. W. C. Newsam S.W., O. Embling J.W., S. Peters Treasurer, A. Loader Secretary, H. Starr S.D., D. Thomson J.D., J. Parsons Dir. of Cera., T. Bullock I.G., Bury Shaw and A. P. Dolman Stewards, and H. H. Hughes Tyler. The retiring W.M. Bro. J. Billingham was presented with a Past Master's jewel, in appreciation of the manner in which he had carried out his duties during the past year. The Lodge having been closed in due form, the brethren adjourned to the Banqueting Room, where they sat down to a banquet supplied by Bro. J. Sayers, of Western-road, whose catering gave the greatest satisfaction. The post-prandial proceedings were of a hearty character. The newly elected W.M., who presided, proposed the Queen and the Craft, and then submitted the M.W. the Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and the Officers of Grand Lodge Present and Past. In proposing the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge Present and Past, he said the Freemasons of the Province were proud of having one so exalted as H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught at their head, and he (the W.M.) and those present were gratified to have the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Sir W. T. Marriott, amongst them that evening. They were also honoured by the presence of the Provincial Grand Wardens, and among the Past Provincial Grand Officers who attended he heartily welcomed Bro. S. H. Soper, the Mayor-elect of Brighton. Bro. Sir W. T. Marriott, on rising to respond, was cordially received. H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught would, he said, like to visit the Province, but his many duties prevented him from being among them this year, but he believed he would be enabled to preside over them next year. Speaking for himself, he said he was pleased to assist at so large a gathering. The Lodge, from its name, was associated with one of whom Brightonians were proud, Mr. Somers Clarke. And that reminded him, he said, of the great kindness he had received from one of their brethren, Bro. G. S. Godfree, on the occasion of a severe drenching which he experienced in a storm while hunting on the Downs. Bro. Marriott's recital of his experiences evoked hearty laughter. Bro. Godfree proved, he said, that he possessed the true soul of Freemasonry, and he believed the members of the Lodge were imbued with the same spirit. He wished the Lodge every success in the future. Brother J. Billingham I.P.M. proposed the Worshipful Master. He felt, he said, that he could not do adequate justice to the toast. Bro. Lelew had shown excellent work, and would render a good account of himself, and worthily sustain the honour of the Lodge. The Worshipful Master, who was enthusiastically received, said that it had been said that "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Doubtless there were exceptions to this, and he was one of those exceptions. He had been much impressed by the reception accorded him, and wished to thank Bros. Billingham, G. S. Godfree, S. Peters, B. Burfield, H. Anscombe, O. Embling and J. Sayers for their admirable assistance in promoting the success of their large gathering. He hoped he should prove himself worthy of the great kindness shown him. He had not entered upon his duties lightly, and he trusted to be able to carry out those duties satisfactorily and with benefit to the Lodge. He announced that Bro. Button had presented the Lodge with a "Loving Cup." Bro. G. S. Godfree proposed the Worshipful Masters

of the Province of Sussex, to which Bros. Clowes and Allen responded. The Visitors, given by Bro. Barfield, was acknowledged by Brother S. H. Soper. The W.M. submitted the Past Masters, and Brothers Billingham and Anscombe replied. The Initiates, proposed by Bro. Berry, was acknowledged by Bros. Reid and Yonens. The W.M., in eulogistic terms, gave the Officers of the Lodge, to which Bros. W. C. Newsam, O. Embling, and A. Loader responded. The Tyler's toast completed the list. During the evening a pleasant selection of music was admirably sustained by Miss Maud Bond, Miss Edith Welling, Miss Evelyn Padwick, Bro. George Perron (vocalists), and Mr. Lewis Mennich (solo violin), Bro. H. S. Gates P.P.G.O. proving an able accompanist.

EARL OF SUSSEX LODGE, No. 2201.

THE annual installation meeting was held at the Royal Pavilion, on Saturday, 25th ult. The Lodge was opened by the W.M. Bro. Richard Clowes P.P.G.W., who was supported by his Officers and members of the Lodge. The Lodge having been formally opened the W.M. said the time had come for him to vacate the chair, but, before doing so, he wished to thank all his Officers for what they had done for him during his most pleasant year of office. Every one had been most kind; they had vied with each other in trying to make his Mastership a year of happiness, and had done so most successfully. He felt bound to give a special meed of thanks to his Secretary, whose kindness and many exertions on his behalf he should ever remember, and he trusted that the succeeding W.M.'s might have his co-operation and assistance (always given with pleasure) for many years to come. He (Bro. Clowes) hoped he might be spared to welcome all his Officers as W.M.'s of the Earl of Sussex Lodge in the years to come, and he would endeavour to make their year of office as happy as they made his. The V.W. Bro. Rev. E. R. Currie, Dean of Battle, Grand Chaplain, and Provincial Grand Chaplain, was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony being ably performed by the V.W. Brother Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Secretary. The newly installed W.M. then appointed his Officers, those present being invested with the insignia of their respective offices, viz.:—Brothers Richard Clowes P.P.G.W. I.P.M., H. E. Price, M.D., P.P.G.W. S.W., Dr. A. King P.P.G.O. J.W., Major-General Barnett Ford P.D.G.D. Bengal Treasurer, V. P. Freeman P.G.D. P.P.G.W. Prov. G. Secretary Secretary, C. W. Hudson P.P.G.W. S.D., J. P. Slingsby Roberts J.D., Bampfylde Warre P.P.G.D. Dir. of Cers., J. P. Knight Assistant Dir. of Cers., Chapman Marshall Organist, R. Percy Clowes I.G., R. Pidcock Prov. G. Registrar Steward, A. Scott Steward, H. H. Hughes Tyler. The W.M., in presenting Brother R. Clowes with a Past Master's jewel, spoke in eulogistic terms of the admirable manner in which the retiring W.M. had carried out the duties of his office, the Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master (Bro. Sir W. T. Marriott) also acknowledging in his heartiest manner the untiring zeal with which Bro. Clowes had devoted himself to the Lodge. Bro. Clowes, in responding, said that although the jewel had not been voted for him, as was usual in such cases, at their last meeting in April, he regarded the circumstance as a good omen of their kind feeling towards him, as it proved he had been thought of since that meeting by the brethren. The kind words of the W.M., the flattering remarks of Bro. Sir W. T. Marriott, and the handsome jewel, told him that his efforts in doing all in his power for the good and welfare of the Earl of Sussex Lodge during his Mastership had been appreciated. Leaving the chair with the goodwill and best wishes of the brethren, their kindness would always be remembered by him, and he should never forget his year of office as their W.M. The Lodge having been duly closed, the brethren adjourned to the Banqueting Room, where they sat down to an excellent banquet, supplied by Bro. D. Mutton, of King's-road, whose catering gave the highest satisfaction. The newly installed W.M. presided, but, having to leave by an early train, was unable to take part in the post prandial proceedings, and left the duties of W.M. to the able and experienced hands of Bro. R. Clowes I.P.M. The latter gave the opening toasts, the Queen and the Craft, the M.W. Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master the Right Honourable the Earl of Lathom, and Officers of Grand Lodge Present and Past. The Wor. Bro. Sandeman responded on behalf of the Grand Lodge, and expressed the pleasure he felt in visiting such an efficiently-worked Lodge as the Earl of Sussex, and receiving such kind and fraternal greeting from those present. He threw out some interesting suggestions for the consideration of the members of new Lodges. Bro. R. Clowes next proposed "The R.W. Prov. Grand Master H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught; the W. Deputy Prov. Grand Master Sir W. T. Marriott, Q.C., M.P., Judge Advocate-General, Past Grand Steward; and Officers of Prov. Grand Lodge Present and Past." Their P.G.M., he was glad to learn, would shortly be stationed at Portsmouth, and he had no doubt that H.R.H. would visit the brethren in Sussex at his first opportunity, when he would be sure to receive a hearty welcome. It had been reported that the Duke of Connaught would visit Brighton in January, but he believed he would attend the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons in February. He (Bro. Clowes) was pleased to see the Deputy Provincial Grand Master amongst them, and was also gratified at the attendance of so many Provincial Grand Officers. He embraced the opportunity of congratulating Bro. E. Morrison Prov. G.J.W. (Mayor of Eastbourne) on the excellent arrangements he had made on the previous day for the reception of the Provincial Grand Lodge, at Eastbourne. Brother Sir W. T. Marriott, in responding, apologised for the absence of Bro. Gerald W. E. Loder. He had that day attended the wedding of Bro. Loder, and the brethren would be pleased to learn that their Grand Master H.R.H. the Prince of Wales had honoured the occasion with his presence. Bro. R. Clowes next gave the Worshipful Master of the Earl of Sussex Lodge. He regretted that Bro. Currie had been compelled to leave so early, but the brethren would, he was sure, give the toast a very hearty reception. Their W.M. was a worthy and distinguished Mason, and one of whom they were all proud. Those who saw his excellent work during the afternoon would agree with him in predicting that under

Bro. Currie's Mastership the Lodge would have a prosperous year. In introducing the toast of the Past Masters of the Lodge, the Provincial Grand Secretary, after speaking of the excellent work of the Past Masters, and of the kind manner in which they appreciated his services, said he had been requested by some of the brethren to make a small presentation to Bro. Clowes as an earnest of their good feeling towards him, and as a token of their thorough appreciation of the hospitality which Bro. Clowes had extended to them. The presentation took the form of a silver bowl and an illuminated address. The latter, the work of Bro. W. Gill, read as follows:—

"Presented, together with a silver bowl, to W. Bro. Richard Clowes P.P.G.S.W. P.M. Earl of Sussex Lodge, No. 2201, by a few Masonic friends, as a token of fraternal regard, 25th October 1890. Signed H. W. G. Abell, J. Adames, W. Botting, E. Broadbridge, E. A. Buchanan, S. Denman, W. Gill, T. P. Harker, G. Holman, W. B. Isworth, S. R. Legg, A. J. Lamette, W. E. Morris, W. A. Tooth, R. Willard and W. Wright."

Bro. Clowes, on rising to respond, was enthusiastically received. He said there were some moments in their lives when they felt inadequate to say what they felt. Such was the case with him then, for the presentation had come upon him as a great surprise, and he was not prepared with words to thank them sufficiently for such a token of kind and fraternal feeling. Since he had resided in Sussex he had received the greatest kindness from the Masonic brethren, and during his year of office as W.M. of the Earl of Sussex Lodge he had been gratified to have so many friends around him. He wished to thank the Grand Secretary, Bro. Shadwell H. Clerke, for his constant attendance. During his Mastership seven brethren had been initiated into the Lodge, and nine joining members had been elected; and he had experienced the great pleasure of meeting 200 guests. His wife would greatly appreciate the presentation, for she was a thorough Mason at heart, as Bro. Shadwell Clerke could testify. He again wished to thank the brethren for their kindness and goodwill. Bro. R. Clowes next submitted the toast of "The Visitors," to which Bros. W. E. Morrison, Major Carvell, and S. H. Soper responded. Bro. Bellington acknowledged "The Initiates," and Bro. G. Hallett that of "The W.M.'s of the Lodges in the Province." Bro. H. E. Price S.W. responded for "The Officers of the Lodge;" "The Tyler's" toast completing the list. During the evening the musical arrangements, by Bro. Chapman Marshall, Organist of the Lodge, gave great pleasure to the company. Songs were sung by Mr. Wilfrid Achfield (a very promising tenor from the Guildhall School of Music), Mr. G. Marten Barling, Bro. J. P. Slingsby Roberts, and Master C. Steward. Mr. H. Ivan Clowes also gave a cornet solo, and Brother C. W. Hudson a recitation. The duties of accompanist were ably carried out by Bro. Tarle Lee.

STERNDAL BENNET CHAPTER, No. 2182.

THE regular meeting took place on the 11th ult., at the Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New Road, Comps. Dr. Walmsley Little acting as First Principal, John Hodges Second, Jackson Third, assisted by the other Officers. Bro. Leonard Venables, a musical instructor, was exalted in due form. Comps. Hodges, Jackson, and the P.Sej. gave evident signs of their study and future intentions. The ceremonies being concluded, the Companions dined together, afterwards spending a pleasant musical evening. The visitors were Comps. John Reed and H. J. Wickes, Secretary and acting Preceptor of the Industry Chapter of Ipswich, No. 186.

ST. AUBYN LODGE, No. 64.

THE annual meeting was held on Monday, 27th ult., at the Ebrington Hall, Devonport. The W.M. elect Wor. Brother A. J. Willcocks was installed by Wor. Bro. R. T. Parsons P.G.St., the retiring W.M. The Board of Installed Masters also included Wor. Bros. C. Watson P.P.G.D., J. R. Dugdale P.P.G.D.C., J. T. Crossley P.P.G.S.B. 64, J. Oldfield 16 P.P.G.A. Secretary. The Officers invested by the W.M. were Wor. Bro. R. T. Parsons I.P.M., Bro. W. G. Watson S.W., J. T. Allingham J.W., T. W. Easterbrooke M.O., W. Grimes S.O. H. J. S. Worth J.O., Wor. Bro. J. J. Crossley Treasurer, Bro. W. Everett Secretary, W. Thomas Registrar of Marks, C. Farthing S.D., T. Dawstone J.D., C. Newton Organist, W. Hurrell I.G., H. Oliver and J. Kendall Stewards, J. Henderson Tyler. The auditors presented a satisfactory report of the finances of the Lodge.

During the recent visit of the Channel Squadron, the Freemasons of Scarborough invited their naval brethren to avail themselves of the hospitality afforded by the Masonic Club. At the Old Globe Lodge, No. 200, on Wednesday, the 15th ult., there was a fair sprinkling of the visitors.

On Tuesday evening the Rt. Hon., the Lord Mayor Sir Henry Aron Isaacs, Past Grand Warden, visited the brethren of the Israel Lodge, No. 205. We shall give a report of the proceedings next week.

The William Shurmer Lodge, No. 2374, will be consecrated at the Royal Forest Hotel, Chingford, on Monday, 24th November. The ceremony of consecration will be performed by the R.W. the Provincial Grand Master the Right Hon. the Lord Brooke; the R.W. the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., will install the W.M.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. S. H. PARKHOUSE,
P.M. 1642, &c.

WEDNESDAY, the 29th ultimo, may be reckoned as essentially a red-letter day in the history of the worthy brother whose name heads this notice. In the first place it was his Jubilee day, and, what must have been of far greater consideration to him, it was made the occasion by his many friends and admirers of recognising in a substantial and tangible form their admiration of his business qualifications and their esteem and regard for his many qualities as a man and a citizen. As the circular which was placed in our hands succinctly puts it, the occasion of Brother Parkhouse attaining his Jubilee was taken advantage of by several of his friends to "recognise in some fitting manner the fraternal good feeling, the absolute good fellowship and the constant readiness to help any who may be in need of assistance of any kind, which form some of the chief characteristics of our Brother's heart and life." Bro. Parkhouse is personally known to a large proportion of our readers, but to those who do not boast his acquaintance we may say that he was initiated into Freemasonry in the year 1869, that he is a Founder and Past Master of the Earl of Carnarvon Lodge, No. 1642, and also a Founder and past First Principal of the Chapter attached to that Lodge, in both of which he is always ready to take upon himself the work of any absent member, in addition to his own. He is a Life Governor, and has served the office of Steward to each of our Charitable Institutions. Besides taking a great interest in the different Elections to the Institutions, he is a wonderful organiser in the matter of voting, taking care that no votes shall be thrown away, and is nearly always successful in getting his candidates elected with the smallest possible expenditure of votes. For the past twenty-five years he has occupied himself more or less in parochial affairs; for many years he was Secretary to the Local Ratepayers' Association, and for fifteen years (until the end of 1887) he acted as honorary secretary to the Notting Hill Philanthropic Society, and while holding this position paid unremitting attention to every case of distress brought to his notice, and granted prompt and efficient relief in all deserving cases. With these facts to start upon, it is not surprising that a strong working Committee was readily established, and Hon. Treasurers were soon found in the persons of Bros. D. P. Cama Past Grand Treasurer and J. P. Bartle, while Bros. W. J. Murlis P.M. and Dr. Ernest Pocock P.M. readily volunteered their services as Hon. Secretaries. With such a working staff, and, we may add, so popular a cause to work for, success was practically assured. Consequently we, with some 70 or 80 other guests, assembled on the evening of Wednesday last, at the Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, where the first "function" was to partake of a most enjoyable supper, abundantly supplied by Mrs. Linscott. Bro. J. Bartle presided, and was supported by Bros. Holmes and R. C. Green, who filled the Vice Presidents' chairs. In consequence of an important meeting that many of the guests were compelled to attend, it was a late hour before the proceedings commenced, but when once the table was cleared no time was lost. After the Loyal toast, which was done full honour to, Mr. Nelson Watts rose to propose the toast of the evening,—the health of their guest, Mr. Samuel H. Parkhouse. In pithy, but graceful language, Mr. Watts recounted the many virtues of his friend—the friend, he might say, of all present. He outlined the advance made by the district in which they were located during the 30 years Bro. Parkhouse had been a resident in it, and drew attention to many acts of usefulness their guest had interested himself in, to the general advantage of one and all who knew him. Brother Parkhouse was invariably to be depended on; when he put his hand to the plough there was no going back, and his efforts invariably resulted satisfactorily. So appreciative were his friends of these grand qualities, that they had determined to signalize the occasion of his Fiftieth Birthday by making him a presentation. He would now ask their worthy Chairman to formally hand over their gifts. Bro. Bartle now rose and presented Brother Parkhouse with a handsome gold watch, suitably inscribed and emblazoned with his monogram. A second gift was an elegantly illuminated address, which recounts the principal incidents of the gathering, and is embellished with the names of the several subscribers to the Fund. A third item in the presentation series was a substantial purse, with the paper representation of the useful little sum of £150, which the chairman asked Brother Parkhouse to accept "on account," as up to date the Committee had not been able to "complete" their self-imposed task of collecting. Bro. Bartle concluded his remarks by wishing Bro. Parkhouse continued health, and that he might long live to enjoy the company of his beloved wife and children. By mutual arrangement, the speeches were necessarily kept within a small compass, but Brother Samuel H. Parkhouse acknowledged the great kindness of his friends, and their hearty appreciation of what little he had been enabled by their assistance to achieve. When he came into this district, thirty years back, he was a young man and a stranger; but he had made many good friends, who perhaps overlooked his failings—all men have their failings. He had attained his 50th birthday, and many had called on him in the course of the afternoon to congratulate him on the event. His heart was too full to allow him adequately to express his thanks, but he trusted the will would be taken for the deed. Several other toasts followed. Bro. Jubal Webb proposed the health of the Chairman. The services of the Hon. Secretaries were fully recognized; but in consequence of the lateness of the hour we were compelled to leave in order to catch "the last train."

During the evening several letters, regretting inability to be present, were announced as having been received; in addition, two sympathetic communications were read, the first from Bro. D. P. Cama (P.G. Treasurer) and the second from Bro. F. C. Fry.

Gossip about Freemasonry; its History and Traditions. A Paper read by Bro. S. VALLENTINE, P.M. and Z. No. 9, to the Brethren of the Albion Lodge of Instruction, 2nd November 1889. Free by post from W. W. MORGAN, Belvidere Works, Holmes Hill, Pentonville.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Haymarket.—after a most successful country tour Mr. H. Beerbohm Tree recently returned to his own Theatre, which he re-opened with Mr. Sydney Grundy's play "A Village Priest." As is generally known the idea for this was suggested by the French play "Le Secret de la Terreuse," but whether it were desirable to introduce such a theme to an English audience, it is not our present intention to discuss. The merits of the play have already been fully considered elsewhere. It, however, remains for us to compliment the manager and his able company on their excellent all-round performance. Nothing finer than Mr. Tree's rendering of the Abbe Dubois can readily be conceived; his acting is always good, and in this case the sacristy scene is one long to be remembered. Mr. Fred. Terry is earnest as Armand, while that sterling actor Mr. James Fernandez makes a splendid Jean Torquenie. Mrs. Tree is admirably suited as Marguerite, Miss Rose Norreys gains the sympathy of all as Jeanne Torquenie; Miss Rose Leclercq portrays the troubles of the Comtesse in good style; while Mrs. Gaston Murray is a charming Madame D'Arçay. "A Village Priest" is preceded by a capital representation of Mr. W. S. Gilbert's "Comedy and Tragedy," in which Miss Julia Neilson gives a splendid rendering of the part of Clarice. In accordance with the policy already announced, Mr. Tree starts his Monday evening productions on the 3rd November, when an original comedy, entitled "Beau Austin," by Messrs. W. E. Henley and Robert Lewis Stevenson, will be produced. We may mention that it is intended either to produce new pieces or to present favourite works of the Haymarket repertoire each Monday evening during the winter, but the run of the ordinary programme will be continued during the other days of the week.

Shaftesbury.—A special matinée performance of Mr. Charles Hannan's new play, "Monsieur Moulon," was given here on Tuesday last. Notwithstanding the fact that the ladies and gentlemen engaged worked with a vast amount of energy and perseverance, the piece must be pronounced a dismal failure. We could not see a redeeming feature, so far as the third and fourth acts were concerned. We confess we saw very little of the first two.

WREATHS AT FUNERALS.

To the Editor of the "Nottingham Daily Guardian."

SIR,—Looking over my file of your newspaper I find it is getting a custom of the Nottingham Freemasons to use the usual wreath at interments. To the uninitiated this can be no surprise. Now, our unexampled formulas provide a single sprig of any evergreen as the fittest emblem of our own mortality, whilst we offer a respectful memento to departed worth. Trusting this will awaken a desire to desist from so un-Masonic a custom, and cause the Fraternity at Nottingham to return to the primitive method of their ancient brethren.

I am, Sir, &c.

P.M., 30°.

Norton's "Hub MS." is said by those who are best able to judge to be merely an accurate duplicate of the "Stanley MS." Some one had better make a note of this and carefully preserve it, for according to rule what Jacob erects to-day he will to-morrow tear down with as much earnestness as he raised it. He has lately undertaken to count how many times a certain letter appears in an old manuscript. Let him count how many times he uses the one letter "I" and the words "my" and "mine" in his late article to the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE. We think he would be surprised at the smallness of the "I" and the immensity of the world.—*Keystone*.

In the *Masonic Journal*, of Portland, Maine, September 1890, appears an article signed J. H. D., headed "Who Was the Founder of Duly Constituted Freemasonry in America?" which is remarkable as bearing evidence that the writer has either lost control of his temper or else desires that his *ipse dixit* should be taken for a fact. There is no use of any one losing his temper over this subject. There is no law compelling a man to agree with what you say. Every man has a right to believe what he pleases and it is not the way to change that opinion or belief by abuse or the use of words full of rancour or ill humour. People in this section of the country cannot be terrorised nor can the opinions and beliefs and their confidence-in-belief be shaken by the written opinion of J. H. D. We have no desire to discuss this question of "Who Was the Founder, &c.," in this way, but we can judge of the reliability of the article by this paragraph: "We notice that Bro. MacCalla is in Europe, and we do think the foregoing article would not have been published in the *Keystone* if he had been at home." We would say that the article referred to by J. H. D., and which he would lead the readers of the *Masonic Journal* to believe as having appeared in the *Keystone* within the past few weeks was, in fact, published in the *Keystone* of 28th July 1888, over two years ago.

"THE PROBABLE FOUNDATION OF FREEMASONRY."—To the general reader scarcely less than to the antiquary, but more than all to Freemasons, a lecture by Bro. W. Charles Langley, of Stockton-on-Tees, just published by Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent and Co., Ltd., London, will prove highly interesting reading. It is entitled, "A lecture on the Great Pyramid in Egypt, suggesting an intimate relationship with the probable foundation of Freemasonry." Mr. Langley sets himself the task of accounting for the real origin of "the Craft" by reason of the founding of the Great Pyramid, and after a rough perusal of the lecture we are constrained to admit that its propositions are plausible, the manner in which they are put is able, and the impression left on the mind is decidedly favourable to Mr. Langley's idea. The lecture is published at a shilling, and we commend it heartily to our Masonic friends.—*Chester Chronicle*.

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, 1st November.

Quarterly Gen. Court Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 12
142 St. Thomas, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
1572 Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
1423 Amherst, Amherst Arms Hotel, Riverhead
1458 Truth, Wheatsheaf Hotel, Manchester
1466 Nova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton
1567 Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham
M.M. 14 Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stansfield

Monday, 3rd November.

12 Fortitude & Old Cumberland, 129 Leadenhall St.
25 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
72 Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
144 St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
188 Joppa, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
266 Unions, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1319 Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1669 Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.
1853 Caxton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1924 Wickham, St. Peter's Hall, Brockley
1896 Priory Lodge of Acton, High Street, Acton
R.A. 1198 Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
M.M. 139 Panmure, 81 Red Lion Square, W.C.
37 Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton
53 Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Bath
113 Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Preston
119 Sun, Sq., and Comp., F.M.H., Whitehaven
133 Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
164 Unanimity, M.H., Zetland Street, Wakefield
156 Harmony, Hayshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199 Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
338 Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire
361 Harmony & Industry, Bank Bldgs, Over Darwen
395 Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
431 St. George, Masonic Hall, N. Shields
441 Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hot, Camb.
478 Churchill, Masonic Hall, Oxford
482 St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Handsworth
529 Semper Fidelis, Crown Hotel, Worcester
597 St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
827 St. John, Masonic Temple, Dowsbury
850 St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
928 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield
1009 Shakespeare, F.M.H., Cooper St., Manchester
1045 Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050 Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051 Rowley, Athenaeum, Lancaster
1077 Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1103 Royal Wharfedale, Private Rooms, City
1180 Forward, Masonic Rooms, Birmingham
1211 Goderich, Masonic Hall, Leeds
1239 Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
1264 Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1302 De Warren, White Swan Hotel, Halifax
1380 Skelmersdale, Queen's Hot, Waterloo, Liverpool
1434 Nottinghamshire, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
1519 Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, near Accrington
1573 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Cae Street, Swansea
1578 Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd
1676 St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle
1798 Zion, Masonic Rooms, King St., Manchester
2094 Elthorne and Midx., Town Hall, Hounslow
2163 Jersey, Coffee Tavern, Southall
R.A. 100 Friendship, Crown and Cushion, Great Yarmouth
R.A. 320 Integrity, Junction Inn, Mottram
M.M. 12 Minerva, Masonic Hall, Dagger Lane, Hull

Tuesday, 4th November.

Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, 4
7 Royal York of Perseverance, F.M.H., W.C.
9 Albion, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
18 Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
101 Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
166 Union, Criterion, W.
172 Old Concord, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
217 Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
765 St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tav. E.
1261 Golden Rule, Café Royal, Regent Street, W.
1381 Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington
1397 Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, Woolwich
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow
1693 Kingsland, Old Cock Tav, Highbury Corner, N.
M.M. 1 St. Mark's, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
R.C. 72 Canterbury, 33 Golden Square
70 St. John, F.M.H., Plymouth
103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
120 Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford
124 Marquis of Granby, F.M.H., Old Elvet, Durham
158 Adams, Britannia Hotel, Sheerness
209 Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
226 Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough
265 Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Keighley
364 Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath
393 St. David, Masons' Hall, Berwick
493 Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
558 Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
685 Northumberland, Assembly Rooms, Newcastle
702 Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Strand
734 Lonsborough, M.H., Bridlington Quay
791 Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant
847 Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon
918 St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Leighton Buzzard
974 Pentagonal, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
995 Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston
1002 Skidgaw, Masonic Hall, Cockermouth
1134 Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
1161 De Grey and Ripon, F.M.H., Manchester
2144 Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar
1322 Waveley, Caledonian Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
1436 Square & Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham

1388 St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amlwch, Anglesea
1319 Sackville, Crown Hotel, East Grinstead
1670 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Rhyl
1750 Coleridge, Sandringham House, Clevedon
1993 Wolsley, Town Hall Buildings, Manchester
2133 Swantof Avon, Union Club, Stratford-on-Avon
R.A. 510 St. Martin's, Masonic Hall, Liskeard
M.M. 69 United Serv., Assembly Rooms, Chatham

Wednesday, 5th November.

Grand Chapter, Freemasons' Hall, W.C., 6
511 Zetland, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1294 Royal Standard, Cock Hotel, Highbury, N.
1491 Athenaeum, Athenaeum, Camden Road, N.
1535 Royal Commemoration, Fox and Hounds, S.W.
1766 St. Leonard, Town Hall, Shoreditch
1827 Alliance, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street
R.A. 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury
74 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
137 Amity, M.H., Market Place, Poole
298 Harmony, Masonic Rooms, Rochdale
326 Moira, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
327 Wigton St. John, Lion and Lamb, Wigton
406 Northern Counties, F.M.H., Newcastle
417 Faith and Unanimity, M.H., Dorchester
429 Royal Navy, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
471 Silurian, F.M.H., Newport, Mon.
611 Lodge of the Marches, Masonic Hall, Ludlow
615 Humphrey Chetham, F.M.H., Manchester
678 E. Ellesmere, Canuch Hot, Kersley, Farnworth
838 Franklin, Peacock and Royal Hotel, Boston
992 St. Thomas, Griffin Hotel, Lower Broughton
1013 Royal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1010 Kingston, Masonic Hall, Worship Street, Hull
1085 Hartington, Masonic Hall, Gower St., Dorby
1091 Erme, Erme House, Ivybridge, Devon
1167 Alnwick, M.H., Clapport Street, Alnwick
1206 Cinque Ports, Bell Hotel, Sandwich
1274 Earl of Durham, F.M.H., Chester-le-Street
1323 Talbot, Masonic Rooms, Wind St., Swansea
1335 Lindsay, 29 King Street, Wigan
1354 Marquis of Lorne, Masonic Rooms, Leigh
1363 Tynall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Glos.
1431 St. Alphege, George Hotel, Solihull
1620 Marlborough, Derby Hall, Tue Brook, L'pool
1736 St. John's, St. John's Rooms, Halifax
1842 St. Leonards, Concert Rooms, St. Leonards-on-Sea
1903 Pr Edward of Saxe Weimar, M.H., Portsmouth
2042 Apollo, 22 Hope Street, Liverpool
R.A. 304 Palanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds
R.A. 477 Fidelity, 55 Argyle Street, Birkenhead
R.A. 200 Old Globe, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
R.A. 221 St. John, Commercial Hotel, Bolton
M.M. 36 Furness, Hartington, Barrow-in-Furness
R.C. Palatine, Palatine Hotel, Manchester

Thursday, 6th November.

27 Egyptian, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
45 Strong Man, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.
192 Lion and Lamb, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
227 Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
231 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
538 La Tolérance, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney
822 Victoria Rifles, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1283 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury
1672 Mornington, London Tavern, Fenchurch St.
1724 Kaiser-i-Hind, Regent Masonic Hall, W.
1765 Trinity College, 61 Weymouth Street
1790 Old England, M.H., New Thornton Heath
R.A. 1351 Kennington, Surrey Club, Kennington
M.M. 244 Trinity College, 13 Mandeville Place, W.
24 Newcastle-on-Tyne, F.M.H., Newcastle
31 United Industrious, Mus. Rooms, Canterbury
38 Union, Council Chamber, Chichester
41 Royal Cumberland, Masonic Hall, Bath
59 Knights of Malta, George Hotel, Hinkley
123 Lennox, Freemasons' Hall, Richmond, Yorks
254 Trinity, Craven Arms Hotel, Coventry
266 Naphthali, Masonic Hall, Hoxwood
269 Fidelity, White Bull Hotel, Blackburn
289 Fidelity, Masonic Hall, Leeds
294 Constitutional, Assembly Rooms, Beverley
295 Commerce Union, Arms, Macclesfield
300 Minerva, Pitt and Nelson, Ashton-under-Lyne
39 Harmony, Red Lion, Fareham
317 Affability, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
360 Pomfret, Abing on Street, Northampton
419 St. Peter, Star and Garter, Wolverhampton
425 Cestrian, Grosvenor Hotel, Chester
441 Benevolent, Town Hall, Wells, Somersetshire
43 East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound, Croydon
509 Tees, Freemasons' Hall, Stockton, Durham
539 St. Matthew, Dragon Hotel, Walsall
637 Portland, Town Hall, Stoke-upon-Trent
792 Pelham Pillar, Masonic Hall, Great Grimsby
976 Royal Clarence, Blue Ball, Bruton, Somerset
1012 Prince of Wales, Derby Hotel, Bury
1074 Underley, Masonic Rooms, Kirsby Lonsdale
1683 Royal Edward, Commercial Inn, Stalybridge
1231 Savile, Royal Hotel, Elland
1282 Anchoime, Foresters' Hall, Brigg, Lincolnshire
1284 Brent, Globe Hotel, Tapsam, Devonshire
1304 Olive Un on, M.H., Horncastle, Lincolnshire
1367 Beaumister Manor, White Hart, Beaumister
1379 Marquess of Ripon, Masonic Hall, Darlington
1344 Equity, Alford Chambers, Wines
1473 Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle, Lancashire
1500 Walpole, Bell Hotel, Norwich
1504 Red Rose of Lanc., Starke's Arms, Padilham
1513 Friendly, King's Head Hotel, Bursley
1591 Cadawan, Rooms, Newtown, Montgomery
1639 Watling Street, Cock Hotel, Stoney Stratford
1779 Vale of White Horse, St. George's Bank, Farington
1807 Loyal Wye, British, Breconshire
1829 Burrell, George Hotel, Shrewsbury
2043 Keadrick, Masonic Hall, Reading
2050 St. Trinians, M.H., Loch Parate, Douglas
2350 Corinthian, Bird-in-the-Hand Hotel, Dudley
R.A. 157 Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
R.A. 302 Charity, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
R.A. 466 Mount Edgecumbe, Mus. Rooms, St. Austell
R.A. 597 Howe, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
R.A. 758 Bridgewater, Freemasons' Hall, Runcorn
M.M. 10 Cheltenham and Keystone, M.H., Chel.
M.M. 53 Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield

Friday, 7th November.

706 Florence Nightingale, M.H., Woolwich
899 Hornsey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

R.A. 3 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 8 British, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

41 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
81 Doric, Private Rooms, Woodbridge, Suffolk
219 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Toimorden
242 St. George, Gaiety Hall, Doncaster
306 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kilsall Street, Leeds
375 Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-Street
412 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Peterborough
521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield
574 Loyal Berkshire of Hope, White Hart, Newbury
611 St. John, Wrekin Hotel, Wellington, Salop
680 Sefton, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool
709 Invicta, Bank Street Hall, Ashford
837 De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon
839 Royal Gloucestershire, Bell Hotel, Gloucester
1096 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal
1333 Athelstan, Town Hall, Atherstone, Warwick
1387 Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton-on-Medley
1528 Fort, M.H., Newquay, Cornwall
1557 Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham
1561 Mrecombe, Masonic Hall, Morecambe
1618 Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
1661 Gosforth, Freemasons' Hall, Gosforth
1725 Douglas, College Gateway, Maidstone
R.A. 170 All Souls, Masonic Hall, Weymouth
R.A. 271 Lennox, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
R.A. 359 Peace, Freemasons' Hall, Southampton
K.T. Loyal Volunteers, Queen's Arms Hotel, Ash-ton-under-Lyne

Saturday, 8th November.

108 London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
173 Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1328 Granite, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1426 The Great City, Cannon Street Hotel
1446 Mount Edgecumbe, Bridge House Hotel, S.E.
1584 Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter, Kew
1677 Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street
1686 Paxton, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
1743 Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1861 Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel, E.C.
2029 King Solomon, 81 Red Lion Square, W.C.
2076 Quatuor Coronati, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 1185 Lewis, King's Arms Hotel, Wood Green
M.M. 234 Brixton, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
1990 Hampshire of Emulation, F.M.H., Landport
2069 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds
2095 Caterham, Drill Hall, Caterham, Surrey
R.C. 43 Eureka, Masonic Rooms, Brighton

INSTRUCTION.

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Saturday, 1st November.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catharine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 730
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav. Southgate Rd., N. 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deodar Causeway, S.E. 7
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Fintona, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 730
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8

Monday, 3rd November.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 730
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropermaker St., 8
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
130 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
219 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7
332 Loyal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
513 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 730
933 Drive, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 730
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1349 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 630
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hot, Cleveland Gates, 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 212 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury, 8
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 730
157 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 730
1535 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney, 8
1603 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 830
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walbrook, 7
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Solwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8

Tuesday, 4th November.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
65 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.
177 Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 730
148 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Cannon Tower, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
463 East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 8
551 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
709 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 730
753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 730
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Silcup, 7
863 Dilhonsie, Middleton Arms, Dalton, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Theatrical St., 7
1014 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, Mona Hotel, Henrietta St., W.C., 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Priars, Liverpool Arms, Cannon Town, 730
1445 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 730, 8
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 146 Barry Street, Bootle, 6
1549 Chancer, Old White Hart, Brough High St.
1633 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Northiton, 8

1895 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N., 8
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent, East Brixton, 8
2146 Sarbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6'30
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 5th November.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7'30
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7
73 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Londenhall St., 7
223 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
720 Pannure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Burdett Rd., 7'30
813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd., 8
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8'30
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1356 Tosteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7'30
1475 Peckham, 516 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, Hull
1601 Ravensbourne, George, Lewisham, 8
1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7'30
1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7'30
1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8'30
1791 Crenston, Wheatshaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7'30
2192 Warner, Bridge Chambers, Hoe Street, Walthamstow

2206 Herdon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8
R.A. 177 Domestic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
R.A. 729 Pannure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7
R.A. 933 Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7'30
M.M. Grand Masters, 81 Red Lion Square, 7
M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

Thursday, 6th November.

141 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7'30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
435 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8
704 Camden, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
751 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1153 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7'30
1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8
1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7'30
1426 The Great City, Masous' Hall Avenue, 6'30
553 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8
1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7
1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8
1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7'45
1614 Coven Garden, Criterion, W., 8
1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
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1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, 9
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Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8

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1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7'30
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87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7'30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8
1283 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
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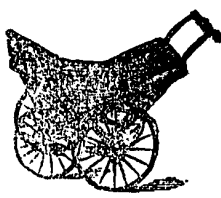
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