

Freemason's Chronicle;

A WEEKLY RECORD OF MASONIC INTELLIGENCE.

Registered at the G.P.O. as a Newspaper.

Reports of United Grand Lodge are published with the Special Sanction of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of England.

VOL. XXXV.—No. 911.] SATURDAY, 25th JUNE 1892.

[PRICE THREEPENCE.
13s 6d per annum, post free.]

FOUNDERS QUALIFICATIONS.

COMPLAINTS have often been made—and we may at once admit that on more than one occasion we have been foremost among the complainers—in regard to the action of the authorities, in refusing a warrant for a new Lodge to a number of brethren who make legal application for it; but a calm discussion of the whole subject leads one to recognise that Grand Lodge has a very delicate duty to perform in this respect, while it must be admitted there are many considerations which fully justify those in power saying there shall not be an extension of Freemasonry in the direction aimed at. Who are fit and proper Craftsmen to be entrusted with the privilege of starting a new Lodge? This is a question very easy to ask, but most difficult to answer, and a careful consideration of the subject, which we have recently undertaken with the view of discussing it pro and con, justifies us in regarding it as one of the most delicate it is the duty of the heads of the Craft to decide in the interests of the whole body of members of the Order. After all it is very little use to preach caution to members of Lodges as to the admission of candidates, if the power of making Masons indiscriminately is conferred on men who are incapable of appreciating the motives which call for so much caution, or who allow personal considerations to stand before public policy when they have to decide whether to admit a candidate or keep him outside the ranks of the Order. In this connection we can imagine the authorities first asking for the proposed founders' motive in starting a new Lodge, and then having to decide how far the expressed motive coincides with the true reason which actuates the body of brethren who seek to possess the Warrant. Without question the desire to acquire office is one of the principal causes which is at work in this direction, and no doubt Grand Lodge fully recognises this in coming to a decision one way or the other. Are the founders, or nearly all of them, untried men? If so, is there a fair reason to expect they will make efficient Officers? On the other hand, if they are all, or nearly all of them, experienced Masons—many of them Past Masters of one or more Lodges—then the authorities must ask themselves why they desire further cares of office? This will perhaps be best answered by supposing that they are fired with the laudable ambition which Freemasonry recognises as being desirable, nay, even essential, in every member of the Order—the ambition to excel.

We have already expressed our intention of treating the question from both sides, and we hope we shall convince our readers that we regard the whole subject from a public standpoint rather than as taking sides either for or against the two parties primarily interested in the question of granting a new Warrant. At the outset we acknowledged our past opposition to

the heads of the Order, who, to our thinking—as expressed on a recent occasion—have no right to refuse a warrant, provided a reasonable number of duly qualified Masons, against whom no cause of complaint can be raised, make proper application for it. But they possess the might—and as is well known might can be right, while right is not always might,—and accordingly they can and often do, refuse a Warrant to brethren who consider there is a good reason for making application for one. They are no doubt wise in sometimes objecting to public explanation of the reasons that led to their refusal, but from the way in which the leaders of the Order in whom rests the veto do occasionally explain their opposition, we can fully believe they are actuated by a very sincere desire to do only what is right. But the question we ask the Craft to consider is whether any right does exist in this direction? That is to say, whether anyone short of the Grand Master himself has the right to say that Freemasonry shall not be extended beyond a certain point in any district. We are not advocating anything disrespectful to the powers that be in placing this matter thus clearly and forcibly before the Craft. We are as ready to bow to authority as any one can possibly be, but we believe a misunderstanding exists somewhere, and that it is of no advantage to English Freemasonry for this unsatisfactory state of affairs to continue, as it tends to create contempt for the authorities, contempt which not unfrequently finds utterance in most forcible expressions from those who are denied what is often considered by them as a portion of their rights as members of the Masonic Order.

Freemasonry throughout its working presents numerous difficulties which do not attach to other subjects—there is no monetary test that can be applied to Freemasonry, and accordingly very many difficulties arise which are met in other quarters by a hard and fast cash consideration; but it may justly be urged that monetary considerations have considerable weight in connection with the establishment of new Lodges. If brethren are sincere in their desire to establish a new Lodge they should be prepared to disburse the necessary expenses, and for this purpose we would support a proposal to make it compulsory for the founders of a new Lodge to guarantee to start it free of debt, unless it was deemed desirable in the interests of Freemasonry alone to establish a Lodge in a district where there was not a sufficient number of brethren primarily interested to bear the entire expense, in which case we would suggest a grant from Grand Lodge—but in no case should a Lodge be established with a debt for its furniture or belongings, only to be met out of the income to be derived from early initiation fees. It stands out prominently as an evil to be strongly guarded against, to allow a number of brethren to start a new Lodge, well knowing that their only chance of relieving themselves of pecuniary responsibility is to secure a dozen or twenty initiates the first year, and, as we have said, we

would welcome any regulation that had for its object the curtailment of so objectionable a practice. If future Lodge founders thought this rule was too exacting we should be prepared to allow them credit for what they paid in formation expenses, reckoning their contributions on the same basis as we would reckon joining members, that is to say, the Founders fees should be devoted towards paying a joining fee of the Lodge, and as many years subscription as the balance represented. By this method Founders would not be relieved of any share of their responsibilities, but, on the other hand, we would not allow future Fees to be taxed for the expenses of formation. Going out of Freemasonry into the vulgar routine of every day business life we find this principle frequently carried into effect, the preliminary expenses of great undertakings being guaranteed by the promoters, who thereby show their faith in the genuineness of their projects, and can, on such a basis, fearlessly ask the support of outsiders. This we maintain is one of the qualifications that should be rigidly enforced in regard to every would-be founder of a Masonic Lodge.

ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

THE Masonic organisation rests upon ancient and well defined principles and moves along a clearly defined course in the expression of its distinguished characteristics. Pervaded by an intense individuality it stands in some respects apart from all other fraternal associations. Its members are supposed to be united by stronger bonds than those which are recognised in kindred societies, thus representing a more effective communion. That they are pledged to study and service in fields of ample scope is not to be questioned; that being admitted to the Masonic Fraternity they take upon themselves important responsibilities, for the right fulfilment of which certain prerequisites are absolutely necessary, will not be denied. And therefore it is that certain qualifications on the part of applicants are deemed essential.

Freemasonry is expressed in its organic life by a broad, liberal society; but it is not one that invites the whole world to its fellowship. It discriminates necessarily and properly in regard to the material which it presented. It imposes restrictions, exercises scrutiny, and accepts within its lines only such petitioners as seem well qualified. They must be men of lawful age, sound in body and mind, sustaining a good reputation in the communities where they respectively reside; and, beyond these technical requirements, giving satisfactory evidence that they can associate harmoniously with the Craft and help forward its work. The supposition must be that they can both work and agree with those into whose society they are admitted.

It is right and proper that selections should be made on such a basis—that a careful scrutiny should be instituted, not only as regards intelligence and moral fitness, but also in relation to certain other qualifications that are important. Not every reputable man would be helped to larger usefulness in life or made happier by becoming connected with the Masonic organisation. There are good men, possessed of peculiar tendencies, idiosyncrasies, who, for their own sake and the sake of the Craft, had much better remain on the outside of the organisation. There are others, seeking more direct and practical benefits than Freemasonry promises, who would do much better to join one of the societies providing such helps than to enter the lines of a Brotherhood such as ours.

As we have already said Freemasonry is organised on broad and liberal principles. It regards no man on account of his worldly wealth, his honour, or his social position. It takes its members from all grades of society. It puts up no bars of exclusiveness, but admits the king and the peasant, the professional man and the labourer, to its privileges, and places them all upon one and the same platform of fraternal equality. Freemasonry is a democratic institution in the very best sense of the term, and its Province is to bring together for goodly fellowship and noble service men of different callings and stations in life. It has a genius for moulding the representatives of these different grades into one harmonious brotherhood.

And yet, as already hinted, some qualifications may be

insisted on beyond those already noticed. While it would be unwise—and also unmasonic as we look at the subject—to require a property qualification on the part of candidates, every applicant should be in reputable circumstances, able to provide for himself and family in the matters of ordinary maintenance. The dissolute, the incapable, the impecunious and lazy, are not desirable material for the Masonic Fraternity. We favour no aristocracy among the Craft such as would come from the placing undue stress on wealth or social position, and we would welcome deserving young men, ready to work with head or hands to secure a livelihood, without requiring them to wait until they have accumulated a certain amount of property before petitioning for the degrees of Freemasonry. But these applicants should belong to the industrious classes—should have a fitness of preparation to take care of themselves and those dependent on them—and should give promise of augmenting the strength of the institution, and not becoming a burden or obstruction.

One thing more—an essential qualification is this: There should be in the mind of the candidate a thought and purpose of services to be rendered as well as good received. A Masonic Lodge should be considered as more than a club; Masonic fellowship and co-operation as implying very much more than the expression of mutual interest between brethren and the rendering of help prompted by selfish motives. Let all applicants for Masonic light understand—let them be told so distinctly by their friends already in the Craft—that the society which they seek to enter is a working Brotherhood, having high moral as well as benevolent aims, and that much of service for the good of others will be required of all who come within its lines. Freemasonry puts the emphasis on duty rather than enjoyment all along the way of its expression.—*Freemasons' Repository*.

The proverbial rapidity with which ill news travels has been made manifest to us during the last few days, in the number of expressions of sympathy which have reached the office as to the health of our chief, the proprietor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE. Bro. Morgan has been laid up for the past month, with complications which caused the gravest anxiety to his friends, but happily the crisis has been overcome, and it is hoped the great weakness following the attack is the worst that now has to be contended with. On his behalf we offer sincere thanks for the kind inquiries which have been made, and which, in the anxiety of the time, have not all been properly acknowledged, and in doing so we re-echo the universal desire of his friends, that he may be speedily restored to health, when we are assured he will endeavour personally to thank them for their kind expressions of sympathy.

The members of the Upton Lodge, No. 1227, will hold a summer banquet, at the Castle Hotel, Windsor, on Wednesday, the 6th July. Bro. C. J. Free, the Secretary of the Lodge, will be pleased to give particulars to any brethren who may desire to be present. His address is 8 Church Passage, White Lion Street, Norton Folgate, E.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of the Province of Middlesex and Surrey will be holden at the Criterion, Piccadilly, on Friday next, 1st July. The Provincial Grand Lodge will be opened at five o'clock. Brethren are to appear in full Masonic costume of the Mark degree, and Provincial Grand Officers in the clothing of their respective rank. All the brethren are required to wear Masonic mourning. A banquet will take place at 6.30 o'clock, at the Criterion Restaurant; tickets, 7s 6d each, without wine.

On the 15th inst., at the installation meeting of the Huguenot Lodge, No. 2140, and in the presence of the Grand Supt. of Works (Bro. C. Berry, F.R.I.B.A., F.S.A.), three architects were installed in the three principal chairs of the Lodge for the coming year, viz.:—Bros. Reginald St. A. Roumieu, A.R.I.B.A., P.M. 1537 as Master, William Grellier, F.R.I.B.A., W.M. 21 as Senior Warden, and Charles Herbert Shoppee, F.R.I.B.A., W.M. 5 as Junior Warden. All the Officers, excepting the Treasurer and Secretary, are Past Masters of other Lodges.

**SUMMER OUTING OF THE OLD CONCORD
LODGE, No. 172.**

THE members and their friends had a most enjoyable 'days' outing on Thursday, and had it not been for the inclement state of the weather a larger and more representative gathering would have been the result. As it was the company numbered 67. Eleven o'clock was the time appointed for meeting at Paddington station, and shortly before that time the company began to arrive. Excellent saloon carriages had been placed at the disposal of the party by the management of the Great Western Railway, and, sharp to time, the train steamed out of the station bound for Taplow. At this time rain was pouring down in torrents, and the company began to think they were in for a thorough wet day. The Stewards, however, worked hard to keep the spirits of the company up, and we are pleased to say succeeded. Bros. G. King P.M. Secretary, Carl T. Fleck, Jordan, T. Douglas Norman, C. Hooper, Groves, West, and Davies did all in their power to make the company happy, with the result that on arriving at Taplow the ladies had fully made up their minds to defy the elements and to enjoy themselves. Carriages were waiting to convey the party to Skindle's Hotel, Maidenhead Bridge, where lunch was to be partaken of. Just as the company were sitting down, Bro. Fleck announced that Bro. J. B. Evans, the President, was unavoidably detained in London, but would arrive by the next train. So the company willingly agreed to wait for Bro. Evans who met with a hearty reception on arriving at the Hotel. The luncheon did not meet with general approval, but rather caused a great deal of ill-feeling. The inner man having been taken care of a move was made to the water-side, where a capital steam launch was in waiting to convey the party up the river. Notwithstanding that it was still raining hard, the party, with the exception of two gentlemen, who should have known better, gallantly boarded the launch, and the word being given that all was in readiness, a start was made for what turned out to be a most enjoyable trip. This was at 1.45 p.m., and about three the sun began to show itself, and making good headway, forced itself to the front, and carried everything before it for the rest of the day. How those two gentlemen left behind must have envied the happy party. Tea was partaken of at Marlow, and after a little time, another start was made. The glorious scenery of the Thames was much admired, and when the skipper announced that it was time to turn for home, great regret was felt. After a capital run Maidenhead Bridge was reached at 6.15, whence the two gentlemen already referred to were found to be fishing (?); we are afraid they had had but very poor sport in this direction—but this could hardly be wondered at, considering the rods they had to fish with. After a wash and brush up, the company met in the dining hall, where a capitally served banquet was provided, under the direction of Mr. Hoare, the proprietor of Skindle's Hotel. Under the genial presidency of Bro. J. B. Evans W.M., who was supported in the vice-chair by Bro. Carl T. Fleck, amply justice was done to the good things supplied. Dinner over, Bro. Evans rose to propose the health of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen. Bro. Evans said it was customary for all loyal subjects to drink to the health of the Queen. He knew the company deeply sympathised with her in her recent trouble, for he felt sure that Her Majesty lived in the hearts of all her people. Therefore, he (Bro. Evans) had much pleasure in proposing long life and prosperity to Her Majesty the Queen. Bro. Carl T. Fleck next rose to propose the health of the President. Without the energy that Bro. Evans had displayed he felt sure they would not have had the outing. Bro. Evans had worked hard for the success of the day, and it must have been very disappointing to him to find such a wet morning. Bro. Fleck said he felt sure all had thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and he hoped they would have many more such pleasant days. He asked all present to drink to the health of their President, Bro. J. B. Evans. After this had been most enthusiastically done, Bro. Evans rose to reply. He deeply regretted the weather, and said that if it had been finer the company would have been able to have enjoyed more outdoor pleasure. He was sorry that there were not more present that day, but, as he had been assured by Brother King, their company numbered sixty-seven; not such a bad muster for a rainy day. He hoped that all had enjoyed themselves, and would be able to look back upon the outing of the Old Concord Lodge with pleasure. Bro. Evans said he had one more agreeable task to perform, and that was to propose the health of the Ladies. He was convinced that the ladies present must have had more than their fair share of pluck that day to brave the elements, but he trusted they had been well repaid for the trouble, and that they had all enjoyed themselves as much as he felt sure the gentlemen had enjoyed their company. Bro. Evans now called on Bro. Norman to respond on behalf of the ladies. In a most happy and witty speech Bro. Norman did so, and we feel sure the ladies must have felt proud of their champion. Bro. Norman said, as a lady, it was a great pleasure for him to respond. He, however, had a rather difficult task before him, for he must first of all convert himself into a lady in three different ways. As a man he must convert himself into a lady, as a Steward he must convert himself into a lady, and as a Mason he must do likewise. He felt very nervous when he looked round and saw so many strong-minded ladies present. When he consulted his ladies friends that morning he had been told not to get his speech ready, but since it had turned out fine he had been asked to let them know something about Masonry. All he had found out, as a lady, was that Freemasonry consisted of nothing but eating and drinking, and an excuse for Jack or Bill when they did not arrive home till two or three in the morning. One lady had told him that day that she was very pleased her husband was a Mason; it did allow her an evening to herself occasionally; while another lady had said that she would not allow her husband to be a Mason on any condition. However, all the ladies were most happy to be present, and as sure as they asked them to go to such pleasant gatherings they would come. He thanked the President and the Stewards for

a very pleasant day, and assured them they would be only too pleased to come again next summer. The company now had to make the best of their way to the station, and after a pleasant run Paddington was reached just before ten. Every one was unanimous in their praise of Bro. Evans and his band of Stewards, and we congratulate them on having provided such a happy day. We append the names of those present:—Bro. J. B. Evans W.M. and Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Searle, Mrs. Bratt, Bro. Dunn 172, Bro. Dorsett 172 and Mrs. Dorsett, Bro. Geo. King P.M. Secretary 172, Bro. Carl T. Fleck P.M. 172 619 P.Z. 172 M.E.Z. 1275 and Mrs. Carl T. Fleck, Brother J. A. Fleck, Mrs. J. A. Fleck, and the Misses (2) Fleck, Bro. G. B. Bishop and Mrs. Bishop, Bro. Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Garnham, Mr. and Mrs. Spalding, Bro. F. W. Jordan J.D. 172 and Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Hagemann, Mr. W. Lambert, Miss Adcock, Bro. S. Thorne and Mrs. Thorne, Bro. and Mrs. Douglas Norman, Bro. and Mrs. Frank Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Akers Clyne, Johnny Ford (Nottingham), Mr. and Mrs. Martin (Tiverton), Mrs. and Miss Foes, Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin, Bro. C. Hooper 172, Bro. A. Hooper 177 and Mrs. A. Hooper, Bro. H. Hooper 177, Brother Joule 172, Mrs. Brooke, Miss Woods, Mr. W. F. Morgan, Bro. W. West 172, Bro. Trask 1320 and Mrs. Trask, Bro. Groves 172, Miss Bessie Groves, Miss Davey, Bro. Drew P.M. 733 J.W. 8 and Mrs. Drew, Bro. Street S.D. 172 and Mrs. Street, Mr. Steele, Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Palmer, Mr. Bridge and Mrs. Bridge, and others.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Benevolence was held on Wednesday evening at Freemasons' Hall. There were present, among others, Bros. Robert Grey, President, James Brett Senior Vice-President, C. A. Cottebrune Junior Vice-President, E. Letchworth, A. A. Pendlebury, W. Dodd, W. Lee, W. P. Brown, S. Vallentine, H. Garrod, D. D. Mercer, C. R. Tijou, C. Dairy, J. W. Burgess, C. H. Webb, E. E. Peacock, S. H. Goldschmidt, Owen Lewis, R. Clay Sudlow, Geo. B. Chapman, A. M. Trendell, William Vincent, George R. Langley, Sir Philip Cunliffe Owen, Henry Byers, Robert A. Gowan, C. E. Leopold, R. Hudson, J. Goddon, W. H. Rivers, F. P. Baxter, J. E. Armstrong, John W. Abbott, J. Brindley James, E. Simpson Bailie, A. Pemberton, Henry G. Danby, Louis Dobbs, Arthur J. Grimwade, William Grellier, A. Greleckon, W. H. Makin, H. T. Nell, R. P. Green, Alexander James, and H. Sadler Grand Tyler. The Board first confirmed recommendations to the Grand Master at the May meeting for grants to the amount of £490, and afterwards proceeded with the new list. This contained 39 cases. To 27 of these cases, in the course of a long sitting, a total sum of £630 was voted, which sum was made up as follows: One recommendation to Grand Lodge for a £50 grant; four recommendations to the Grand Master for grants of £40 each; and five for £30 each; 10 grants of £20 each; and seven of £10 each. Seven cases were deferred; one petition was dismissed; two petitions were withdrawn; and in two cases the petitioners had died since their petitions were presented.

Bro. N. Prower, M.A., has been succeeded as W.M. of the Farrington Without Lodge by Captain T. C. Walls. The Officers appointed for the year ensuing are as follow:—Bros. P. N. Lardner S.W., H. Herbert J.W., H. J. Lardner P.M. Treasurer, W. H. Jackson P.M. Secretary, C. Bachoffner S.D., Woodhill J.D., S. Shapcott I.G., Murphy D.C., C. B. Brown A.D.C., Dr. E. M. Lott, Mus. Doc., Past Grand Organist England Organist, J. W. Hinton, M.A., Mus. Doc., Assistant Organist, J. Evans, W. R. Witt, H. Harden, and J. D. Webb Stewards, and E. Mallett P.M. 1623 Tyler. Bro. N. Prower has been presented with a handsome Past Master's jewel, in recognition of his services during the year.

The brethren of the Tiverton Lodge, No. 1125, had an enjoyable excursion to Okehampton and Chagford, on Thursday, the 16th instant, the banquet being provided at the Three Crowns Hotel, Chagford. Afterwards, at the London Hotel, Exeter, the company were entertained at supper by the W.M. Brother J. Munday.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—During piercing winds and excessive variations of temperature every one is more or less liable to internal and external disease. Throat, chest, liver, bowels, kidneys, and skin all suffer in some degree, and may be relieved by rubbing in this Ointment, aided by proper doses of the Pills, for administering which full directions accompany each box; in truth, any one who thoroughly masters Holloway's "instructions" will, in remedying disease, exchange the labour of an hour for the profit of a lifetime. All bronchial, pulmonary, and throat disorders require that the Ointment should be thoroughly well rubbed upon the skin twice a day with great regularity, considerable briskness, and much persistence.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

—:—

TRUE FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 160.

THE annual installation and festival was held on Tuesday, the 14th inst., at the Court House, Rochford, which was appropriately decorated for the occasion. The W.M. (Bro. A. J. Arthy) was in the chair. Bro. G. F. Golding was ably installed by Bro. Albert Lucking, and the new W.M. afterwards appointed his Officers. A Past Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Arthy (the I.P.M.), this being the first jewel that has been presented by the Lodge. An elaborate banquet was subsequently served at the Old Ship Hotel by Brother Jno. Walker, the table being tastefully adorned with flowers. The newly installed W.M. (Bro. Golding) presided, and the usual toasts were proposed.

PERFECT FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 376.

THE monthly meeting, held at the Freemasons' Hall, Ipswich, on Wednesday, 15th inst., was the occasion of a large gathering of brethren to do honour to an event which rarely happens in the history of a Lodge—the 50th anniversary of the initiation of a prominent and active member, Dr. W. P. Mills, who entered the Lodge on Wednesday, the 15th June 1842. To mark this jubilee in Masonic life, the members of the Lodge presented Bro. Mills with a beautifully illuminated address, framed in oak. The design, which is the work of Bro. Leggett, is most artistic and tasteful. The presentation was made at the conclusion of the Lodge business. The W.M. (Bro. H. C. Monteith) presided, supported by all his Officers, and amongst those present were Bros. N. Tracy P.G. Secretary, S. R. Anness P.P.G.J.D. P.M. 376, J. B. Fraser P.P.G.J.D. P.M. 376, A. A. Bennett P.P.G.R. P.M. 376, Rev. R. N. Sanderson P.G. Chaplain England P.M. 376. The visitors included Bros. R. K. Casley P.P.G.D. P.M. 114, H. C. Casley P.P.G.J.W. P.M. 114, C. G. Hayward P.P.G.R. P.M. 114, R. Tidbury P.P.G. Standard Bearer P.M. 114, B. P. Grimsey P.P.J.G.W. P.M. and Secretary 114, F. Ashwin 114, G. T. Pick P.M. 959, H. Cockrell J.W. 225, C. Byford P.P.G. Sword Bearer P.M. 959, George Abbott P.P.G.S.B. P.M. 225, John Talbot P.P.G.S.B. P.M. 225, &c. Bro. N. Tracy, who made the presentation, said that the Provincial Grand Master (Lord Henniker), who had promised to present the address, had written to him as follows:—“I somehow caught cold on Sunday, and the chill has brought back some of the symptoms of the illness from which I suffered after influenza. I, therefore, think it wiser not to attempt to go to Ipswich to-morrow. I am anxious not to be laid up again, I think a few days' care will set me right. I am sure Bro. Mills will understand my great regret not to be at the Lodge to make the presentation. We all hope that he may be spared many years to give his valuable aid to the best interests of the Masonic Craft.” The Deputy Provincial Grand Master (Bro. C. J. Martyn) had also written, stating that his presence at the Ely Diocesan Conference precluded his attendance; and Bro. Boby was unable to attend through illness. Bro. Tracy went on to say that, consequently, the duty of making the presentation had fallen upon him, partly, he presumed, because he was the oldest Past Master of the Lodge, and because he was one who had been associated the greatest number of years with their Brother Mills. It gave him great pleasure indeed to be the means of making the presentation, although he regretted that Brother Mills had not the honour of receiving it at the hands of their Provincial Grand Master. He thought they would all agree with him that it was almost unique for a brother to be 50 years to the day a member of the Lodge, and 41 years the Treasurer. Since the day he was initiated he had never transferred his affection to any other Lodge, but had remained faithful to his old love. He then presented the address, which he read, as follows:—“To W. Bro. W. P. Mills, M.D., P.M. 376 Treasurer P.P.G.S.W. Suffolk. We, the W.M., Officers and Brethren of the Perfect Friendship Lodge, desire to offer our kind congratulations to you on attaining the 50th anniversary of your initiation in our Lodge. We trust the G.A.O.T.U. may still bless you with health and prosperity, and enable us to have the benefit and pleasure of your counsel and advice for many years to come. Signed, H. C. Monteith W.M., I. Thwaites S.W., G. Turner J.W., H. Sidney Sec. P.P.G.A.D.C. Initiated P.F. Lodge 522, 15th June 1842.” The Worshipful Master also expressed gratification at presiding over so large and influential a Lodge, assembled to pay tribute to their worthy and respected brother, who had attained his Jubilee year in connection with the Lodge. Bro. Mills, who spoke with evident emotion, acknowledged the gift in brief but appropriate terms, expressing gratitude to the Provincial Grand Master for his kind intention, to the brethren for their presentation, and to the Great Architect of the Universe for preserving him in health and strength to appear amongst them.

SUN AND SECTOR LODGE, No. 962.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Portland Square, Workington, on Wednesday the 15th inst. There was a large attendance of brethren present from the Lodges belonging to Cocker-mouth, Whitehaven, Maryport, Harrington, Frizington, Cleator Moor, Egremont, &c. Bros. E. Loach W.M. presided, and was supported by Bros. J. J. Little S.W., and J. Milburn J.W. The Lodge having been duly opened in the various degrees, Bro. J. J. Little W.M.-elect, was presented for the benefits of installation by Bro. G. B. MacKay I.P.M. The ceremony of raising Bro. Little to the chair of K.S. was impressively performed by Bros. G. W. Kenworthy, John Paterson, and E. Loach. The W.M. was next suitably saluted, after which the following were invested as Officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. E. Loach I.P.M., J. Milburn S.W., A. D. Holliday J.W., Rev. E. M. Rice Chaplain, J. Paterson

Treasurer, J. Wood Secretary, J. Bouch S.D., James Jones J.D., J. Dixon I.G., J. Cooper Organist, R. Kinnear D.C., W. Bowness Steward, R. Lawson Steward, W. Whitehead Tyler. Hearty good wishes were expressed for the newly-elected W.M., and the Lodge was then closed. The brethren adjourned to the Green Dragon Hotel, where a first-class banquet was served by hostess Holliday and assistants. On the removal of the cloth, Brother Little occupied the chair, and Brothers Milburn and Holliday the vice-chairs. Loyal, patriotic, and Masonic toasts were given and enthusiastically responded to. In the course of the proceedings, Brother Little presented a beautiful Past Master's jewel to Brother Loach, on behalf of the members of the Lodge. Brother Loach feelingly acknowledged the gift. The proceedings throughout were of a convivial character.

DE GREY AND RIPON LODGE, No. 1161, (MANCHESTER).

A MEETING was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, on Wednesday, the 15th inst. Present—Bros. W. H. Anderton jun. W.M., Ashworth S.W., Forknell J.W., Job Irlam P.M. Treasurer, Moss P.M. Secretary, Loebell S.D., Elwood J.D., Buokley Carr P.M. Dir. of Cers., Jones Organist, Vlies I.G.; P.M.'s W. H. Anderton senior, Burgess, Dottie, Arensbergh P.P.G.P., Ehlinger, and Lewis; Bros. Massingham, Lawton, Stoddart, and Schofield; Visitors—W. H. Peak P.M. 993 P.G.D.C., C. Heywood P.M. 1387 P.G. Steward W.L., Wm. Hall P.M. 1387, Francis Long J.W. 1496, W. Taylor 204 1147, Stanley 204, and R. R. Lisenden P.M. 317 P.P.G. Steward. The Lodge was opened at 4 o'clock, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The ballot was taken for Messrs. Wm. Dunn, E. H. Ritson, W. R. Schofield, and C. W. Lancaster, and announced favourable in each case. Mr. Ritson was initiated into Freemasonry by Bro. W. H. Anderton sen. P.M., Mr. Dunn by Bro. R. Dottie P.M., and Mr. W. R. Schofield by Bro. Ehlinger P.M., after which the Lodge was “called off” and the brethren adjourned to tea. On resuming labour, Mr. C. W. Lancaster was initiated by the W.M., and this being his first ceremony since the installation, the work was done in a highly creditable manner. The working tools were presented to the four candidates by Bro. Past Master Lewis, and the E.A. charge delivered most impressively by Bro. Forknell J.W. On the retirement of the four initiates the Lodge was raised to the second degree, and Bro. Schofield answered the necessary questions leading from the first to the second degree, received the test of merit, and retired. The Lodge was raised to the third degree, and Bro. Schofield was elevated to the sublime degree of a M.M. by Bro. Moss P.M., after which, the Lodge being lowered, hearty good wishes were expressed by the visitors, and the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 9:20. After such a long sitting, a very short time at the social board was inevitable. The health of the four initiates were proposed, heartily drank, and responded to by each brother. The health of Bro. Schofield was proposed by Bro. Burgess, who said it gave him exceeding great pleasure in proposing the toast, Bro. Schofield being an old acquaintance and a neighbour. Judging from the attention and interest he had paid to the ceremony of raising, as well as to the two previous ones, and to the admirable manner he had answered the questions, there was very little doubt he would become a worthy member of the Craft, and take a keen interest in the welfare of his Lodge. Bro. Burgess, continuing, said the brethren would, he hoped, pardon his digressing for a moment from the subject of the toast he had risen to propose, but he could not help, when looking round the table and seeing such a goodly number of members and visitors, expressing his greeting pleasure at the satisfactory condition the De Grey and Ripon Lodge was in at the present time. Having been a member of the Lodge for twenty years, he had all along taken a great interest in its welfare, and was as a matter of course much concerned when its position was not in such a flourishing condition as at present. Now, however, that matters had changed for the better, it was a great pleasure to be present at the meetings, and particularly to-night, when four good men and true had joined their ranks. He congratulated the W.M. on such a satisfactory state of affairs, and said he well remembered being present, some years ago, when Bro. W. H. Anderton sen. (father of the present W.M.) presided at the next meeting after his installation, and had the satisfaction of seeing four gentlemen initiated, and now, by a similar coincidence, his son derived a similar pleasure. Reverting to the toast Bro. Burgess said he hoped to live long enough to see Bro. Schofield occupy the same position in the Lodge as the W.M., and asked the brethren to rise and drink his health. The invitation was promptly responded to, and Bro. Schofield replied in appropriate language. The Visitors' toast was responded to in able terms by Bro. W. H. Peak, who congratulated the W.M. on the admirable manner the ceremonies had been performed, and the prosperous condition of the Lodge. Bros. Chas. Heywood and Wm. Hall also replied. The other toasts were the W.M., P.M.'s, and Officers, a rather brilliant meeting terminating at 11 o'clock. Prior to the Lodge closing, Bro. Julius Arensbergh announced that he had great pleasure to propose as a re-joining member Bro. Arthur H. Jefferis P.G.J.W. Bro. Burgess supported the proposition, and said he was sure every member of the De Grey and Ripon Lodge would gladly welcome him back again.

KENLIS LODGE, No. 1267.

THE installation of Brother George Wilson Worshipful Master-elect took place at the Lodge Room, North Road, Egremont, on Tuesday afternoon, the 14th inst. Brother James Lowery W.M. presided, and there was a good attendance of brethren from the various Lodges in the county. The installation ceremony was performed by Brothers J. Muncaster, J. Nelson, and J. Wilson, after which the Worshipful Master proceeded to invest his Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:—Brothers J. Lowery I.P.M., W. Irving

S.W., R. Smith J.W., J. Muncaster Treasurer, Rev. G. B. Armes Chaplain, W. Bosward Secretary, T. Miller S.D., T. Robinson J.D., W. Garnett I.G., I. A. Parker Dir of Cers., W. Armstrong Organist, J. Fletcher, J. Lewthwaite, W. Lowery, and J. Cowan Stewards, J. C. Hallon Tyler. At the conclusion of the ceremony the brethren, on the invitation of the newly-installed W.M., adjourned to the Red Lion Inn, where an excellent banquet was prepared by Mrs. Lewthwaite. The subsequent proceedings included the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, and songs were contributed by Bros. W. Armstrong, D. Atkinson, I. Parker, J. Barass, A. Mordaff, and Joseph Lewthwaite, the time passing most pleasantly.

LORNE LODGE, No. 1347.

THE last meeting of the session of this well-known Lodge was held at the Greyhound Hotel, Sutton, on Saturday, the 11th inst., when there were present Bros. C. A. Hardwick W.M., T. A. Hill P.G. Organist I.P.M., J. Hosking S.W., H. T. Byard J.W., Rev. W. H. Turner P.M. P.P.G. Chaplain and Treasurer, J. J. Slade P.M. P.P.G.S. Secretary, Frost P.M. P.P.G. Dir. of Cers., G. C. Burry P.M. P.P.G. Organist, E. J. Lowther P.M., G. Dixon P.M. P.P.G.S.D. Berks and Bucks, W. Pile P.M. P.P.G.S., F. Ward P.M., G. Chandler, A. Stribling, H. Taylor, W. Forster, T. C. Cookes, H. Griffiths, T. R. Porter, H. Leaver, W. Dennett, D. Napper, J. H. Asman, H. Smith, C. Price, H. L. Cole, G. Plumb, and L. G. Reinhardt Tyler. Visitors: Bros. T. T. Bucknill, Q.C., P.M. 136 and W.M. 2422, J. B. Watt P.M. 764, G. Free P.M. 73, A. Greening P.M. 1426, A. L. Dodd 271, J. H. Hayes 1457, J. Husbands 23, G. L. Henderson 1641, and A. R. Jackson 1347. The Lodge was opened, and Bros. Price, Cole, and Plumb were most impressively raised by the W.M. The brethren then proceeded to the election of the W.M. for the ensuing year, and the ballot proved unanimous in favour of Bro. Hosking S.W. Bros. Rev. W. H. Turner and J. J. Slade were re-elected to the respective offices of Treasurer and Secretary. Bro. Reinhardt was also elected Tyler. The Worshipful Master then read a letter from the Provincial Grand Master, expressing his regret at not being able to accept the kind invitation to be present, as he was engaged at the installation meeting of the George Price Lodge. After which the Worshipful Master received the hearty congratulations of the brethren, and the Lodge was closed. The brethren then adjourned to an excellent banquet, admirably served by the host, Bro. Thorn. On the removal of the cloth, the Worshipful Master gave the Loyal and Masonic toasts in his usual able manner, which were cordially received. Bro. T. A. Hill proposed in suitable terms the health of the W.M. The Worshipful Master, in reply, thanked the Immediate Past Master for the flattering way in which he had proposed his health, and the cordial manner in which the brethren had received it. He would like to give a short retrospective view of the past year. At the installation they were honoured by the presence of the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Colonel Noel Money, C.B., and Bro. F. West P.G.D. Deputy Provincial Grand Master, this being the first Lodge the Provincial Grand Master had attended since his installation as Grand Master of the Province. At the next meeting, in November, six gentlemen were initiated into the Craft, thereby breaking the record with regard to this Lodge. In December a telegram of congratulation was sent to the most Wor. Grand Master of England, on the betrothal of his son, to which His Royal Highness was graciously pleased to reply by telegram. In January, at an emergency Lodge, called especially to raise Bro. Rev. Hawker, previous to his leaving England for South Africa, the Lodge had the melancholy duty of sending a letter of respectful condolence to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, to which His Royal Highness was pleased to reply. On this occasion the brethren were hospitably entertained by Bro. Cookes. In February, the record of the Lodge was again broken by the three degrees being worked; a remarkable coincidence happened, as the charter of the Lodge was signed 21 years ago on that very day. In April, the brethren welcomed a member of the Greenwood Lodge as a visitor, that Lodge having lately removed to Sutton. During the year there had been nine initiates, again breaking the record of the Lorne Lodge. The W.M. said it had been his one object to further the welfare of the Lodge and the comfort of the brethren, and if that had been done he should retire from the chair contented. The Worshipful Master then proposed the health of the Visitors, and Bro. T. T. Bucknill, Q.C., responded in an able speech, in which he congratulated the W.M. on the excellent way the Lodge was conducted, and expressed his regret at not being able to be present to see the raising. Brothers Watt and Hayes also responded. In giving the toasts of the Past Masters and the Treasurer and Secretary, the W.M. thanked the Officers for the kind assistance he had received during his year of office. The Tyler's toast closed a most enjoyable evening. The musical programme was, as usual, most ably carried out under the direction of Bro. A. Stribling I.G., assisted by Bros. Hill, Barry, Asman, Ward, and Dennett.

HAMER LODGE, No. 1393.

BRO. GEORGE W. BARON was, on the 16th inst., at the Masonic Temple, Hope Street, Liverpool, duly installed as W.M., in the presence of a large assembly of brethren, including several Provincial Grand Officers. The ceremony of installation was most efficiently and ably performed by Bro. J. A. Hignett, who retired from the chair of Worshipful Master after a most successful year, during the course of which the largest number of candidates in the history of the Lodge had been initiated, and the brethren had worked together with the utmost harmony. Having been duly installed as W.M., Bro. Baron proceeded to invest his Officers, as follows:—Bros. Hignett I.P.M., Nisbet S.W., Laidlaw J.W., Kynaston P.M. Treasurer, Jones Secretary, Christensen S.D., Dr. J. M'Murray J.D., Stockton P.M. Director of Ceremonies, Pugh Organist, M'Dougall I.G., Greenland, Tannton, Norbary, M'Dowal Adam,

Melloy, and Bowden Stewards. A Past Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Hignett for his admirable services during the year, and during the evening, after the installation banquet, the W.M. was also made the recipient of a very handsome gold hunting watch, engraved with his monogram and an appropriate inscription.

EVENING STAR LODGE, No. 1719.

AN emergency meeting of this Lodge was held, under somewhat exceptional circumstances, on Monday, the 13th inst., at Freemasons' Hall, London. The W.M., Bro. William A. Valon P.M. 429, had anticipated the pleasure of initiating his son into Masonry during his present term of office, and being also President of the Incorporated Gas Institute, the annual meeting of which was fixed for the ensuing day, availed himself of the opportunity to invite the brethren connected with the Institute, as well in London as in the Provinces, to attend the Lodge and receive his hearty greetings both as Masons and members of the Institute over which he presides. The invitation being freely accepted a large and representative gathering was the result. Unfortunately a dispensation could not be got (his son wanting three months of his majority) which prevented the carrying out of the W.M.'s expectation in that connection, but he nevertheless determined to receive his friends in Masonic spirit and fashion. Amongst the numerous assemblage were Bros. David W. Sugg S.W., J. S. Tamburine J.W., R. D. Lines Chaplain, James Glaisher P.M. Treasurer, Magnus Ohren P.M. Secretary, H. T. Bailey S.D., Andrew Stephenson J.D., Wm. Sugg P.M. Dir. of Cers., James Gibb I.G., H. Davis and James Randall Stewards; P.M.'s Walter King, T. H. Martin, and T. A. Greene; Bros. T. E. Priestman, Alfred Richards, J. H. Sheldrake, Jno. E. G. S. Spencer, J. Simmance, John West, Alfred Wood, Charles H. Beadle, T. Cash, William Poore, and Richard Sandall. Visitors—Bros. Wm. Littlewood P.M. 662, T. R. W. White P.M. 1168, Chas. M. Ohren P.M. 452, Jas. Baddock P.M. 581, Jas. S. Nicholls P.M. 1244, D. Macpherson P.M. 163, Hy. Thomas P.M. 2322 P.P.G.D. Lanc., John E. Williams P.M. 163, Edwd. Lord P.M. 363, S. S. Young P.M. 226, J. Cockerft P.M. 226, G. G. Saville P.M. 219, Jno. Greenwood P.M. 219, F. J. Bird P.M. 1567, C. W. Davis P.M. 1216, H. E. Cockell P.M. 507, D. W. Nelson P.M. 32 P.G.S.D. G.L. of Scotland, Robt. Hunter P.M. 1088 P.P.G.S.D. Cheshire, Wm. Duff P.M. 1561 P.P.G.S.B. Lancashire, J. Reed 35, G. Goatley 311, D. Meiklejohn 2385, Hy. Carter 1168, C. S. Ellery 53, C. Armitage 280, B. Ely 1028, James Stevens P.M. 1216, W. W. Hutchinson 1513, W. H. S. Gendall 191, J. Jneson 551, J. Lowe 170 and 707, E. W. A. Large 57, E. W. Layton 235, G. T. Eveson 938, S. Bark 2101, H. P. Chamberline 1364, A. M. Ohren 452, E. W. Richmond 613, H. F. Barrows 786, J. Niver 2321, J. Morton 2321, W. J. Russell 463, Joseph Davis 77, H. Rogers 1673, J. A. Drake 2321, T. Duxbury 381, W. W. Hutchinson 1513, W. F. Broadbary 1950, A. J. Wright 1897, F. Russell 382, R. Davison 2128, J. H. Pearson 1567, W. R. Cooper 599, J. A. Butt 74, T. Giles 35, H. J. Dutton 1706. The Lodge was opened at 5 p.m. sharp, and after brief preliminary business, the W.M. expressed his regret that the contemplated ceremony of initiation could not be carried out as he had intended, as an opportunity might have been thereby afforded for his provincial friends to form some estimate of Lodge work in London. He believed, however, he could mitigate the disappointment by enlisting the services of a distinguished brother then present, and whom he expected they would be pleased to hear during the interval which must necessarily elapse before the hour appointed for their reception at table. They had doubtless heard of Bro. James Stevens and his edifying lectures on Masonic Ritual and Ceremonial, and he would now ask that worthy brother to occupy the time at disposal in affording them Masonic instruction in connection with the first degree. Bro. Stevens, who on rising to respond to the W.M.'s request, was very cordially received, then engaged the earnest attention of the large gathering. He explained that his addresses usually occupied as much as, sometimes more than, two hours in delivery, and feared that he might find condensation far more difficult than extension. Such fear, however, need not have been entertained by the lecturer, for he was enabled to introduce a considerable number of interesting points in relation to the esoteric work of the Lodge, and to rivet the attention of his audience whilst enlightening them on many topics at present the subjects of much controversy. On the conclusion of his address the appl-ause of the brethren evinced the satisfaction with which his remarks had been listened to. On the proposition of the W.M., seconded by Bro. Walter King I.P.M., and supported by Bro. David W. Sugg S.W., the following vote of thanks to Bro. Stevens was carried with acclamation, and ordered to be recorded on the minutes of the Lodge:—"That the brethren having listened with great pleasure to the learned remarks of Bro. James Stevens in his lecture just given, desire to record their appreciation of his deep thought and study of the ritual of Freemasonry, and while recording their thanks to him on this occasion, trust that at some future time they may have the pleasure of listening to further portions of his lecture which is so interesting and edifying to students of Freemasonry." Bro. Magnus Ohren Secretary having announced that a dispensation to permit of the brethren dining in Masonic regalia had been granted to the W.M., the Lodge was closed, and the large company shortly afterwards re-assembled at the Holborn Restaurant, where an excellent dinner was served. After the cloth had been cleared, and grace sung, the toast of the Queen was given by the President in brief but effective terms, and received an enthusiastic response. In submitting that of the Prince of Wales and other members of the Royal Family, the President remarked on the close identification of the Most Worshipful Grand Master and his relatives with all matters of social importance as well as with the affairs of Masonry, and acknowledged the obligation under which important institutions of the present day were placed by their devotion to their respective interests. Such services were so well known to the company he addressed that not much more than simple introduction of the toast was at any time necessary to ensure its cordial acceptance. Bro. T. H.

Martin, by request of the W.M., proposed the Pro Grand Master Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Officers Present and Past, particularly referring to the zeal and attention with which the two first named personages performed their respective duties, and generally to the able support given by the latter to the promotion of the welfare of the Order. He congratulated the Evening Star Lodge on the close connection with them of two Past Grand Officers in the persons of Bros. Glaisber and Magnus Ohren, and coupled their names with the toast. Bro. Glaisber, in response, delivered a most effective speech, in the course of which he expressed his entire agreement and satisfaction with the lecture which had been delivered in Lodge that evening by Bro. Stevens, whom he counselled to continue his efforts to secure a more perfect understanding amongst the Craft of the true meaning and intent of the ritual. Many Grand Officers would not have been the useful Freemasons they had proved themselves to be if they had not given attention to many such matters as had been so forcibly brought to the notice of the Lodge on this occasion. Meetings like this made the blood tingle, and he could but wish there were many more of a like nature. Whether their working was known as "Emulation" or by any other name it was necessary, to secure its universality, that it should be pure and understood by all, and he sincerely hoped that the Lecturer's exertions to that end would be attended by deserved success. Bro. Magnus Ohren P.M. Secretary (a Past President of the Gas Institute), who was loudly called for, expressed his thanks for the compliment paid to him, but stated that it was not etiquette for more than one Grand Officer to reply to the toast which had been so ably responded to by Bro. Glaisber. Bro. D. M. Nelson proposed the toast of the Provincial Grand Officers of England, stating his great pleasure with the evening's proceedings, and, calling upon Bro. Robert Hunter to respond, concluded an effective speech by leading the brethren in the delivery of a "Scotch fire." Brother Hunter's response on behalf of the large number of Provincial brethren who answered his call to rise was also effective and generally to the purpose. Bro. S. Scott Young, in a genial speech interspersed with much humour, proposed the health of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge and President of the Gas Institute, remarking that his combined position at the moment certainly had "light" for its object. In the Lodge, founded in 1877, Masonic light was under his guidance and direction; in the Institute, founded in 1864, material light and illumination was his special care, "light serving to make darkness visible." He highly complimented the W.M. on his arrangements for the successful gathering together of the members of his Lodge and the members of his Institute for that evening's special function, and was glad to be enabled and permitted to intimate to his hearers an early approaching promotion which would enhance the W.M.'s power to do service to Masonry, it being the intention of the Provincial Grand Master for Kent, the Right Hon. the Earl Amherst to appoint him a Grand Warden of that Province at the ensuing Provincial Grand Lodge meeting. This announcement was hailed by the brethren with much applause, and the toast was drunk with enthusiasm. In response the W.M. said that a difficult task devolved upon him in attempting to express his deep sense of the honour conferred alike by his Lodge, and by the members of the Institute he presided over. He was glad to be enabled to say that both Lodge and Institute were now stronger than they had hitherto been, and was most pleased to find himself surrounded by so many who had confidence in his endeavours. That confidence was shared by him towards themselves, and so long as they said it, both Lodge and Institute should succeed. The toast of the Visitors was proposed by Bro. Wm. Sugg, who considered he had reason to be proud, as well for the W.M. as for himself and the Lodge, that the association of the Masonic members of the Gas Institute on this occasion had been so agreeably and successfully accomplished; for brethren of importance from all parts of the kingdom, and many from other parts, had accepted their welcome and expressed satisfaction with the work in Lodge and their entertainment at table. Their Visitors were a large majority of the company, but in welcoming them he knew that what might be wanting in numbers on the part of the Lodge would be fully made up for in the heartiness of the welcome extended. With the toast he coupled the names of Bro. Chamberline on behalf of the London Visitors, and Bro. W. Littlewood on behalf of those from the Provinces. These brethren replied in suitable terms, and with congratulations to the W.M. on present success and future prospects. The remaining toasts were of the usual character at Masonic meetings, and were duly honoured. A choice selection of music was given, in which Mesdames Agnes Raymond and Adelina Paget, and Bro. H. E. Cookell took part. Bro. Charles M. Ohren, in the absence of the bass artist, most efficiently supplied his place. Bro. Charles M. Ohren who is an accomplished amateur vocalist, admirably sang the bass part in the quartette's, and gave a very excellent rendering of "The Arab's farewell to his Steed," which was deservedly applauded. Mr. C. Spencer West gained great applause for a flauto solo, which was unanimously encored. Bro. J. H. Dutton presided at the piano. In the course of the evening Bro. James Stevens recited Bro. Rob Morris's poem, "The Level, Plumb, and Square," and in his customary capable manner secured the delighted attention of his hearers. In every respect the proceedings of the evening went off well, and will be long remembered by those who were privileged to be present.

STRANTON LODGE, No. 1862.

ON Wednesday, the 1st inst., this Lodge assembled at West Hartlepool, under the presidency of Brother William Barlow P.P.G. Steward W.M., the occasion being signalled by an official visit on the part of the P.G. Secretary Brother R. Hudson P.G.S.B. England, in connection with their new Masonic Hall, now in course of construction. The Provincial Grand Secretary was accompanied by Bros. Thomas Bradley P.P.G.J.D. P.P.G.S.W., Robert Singleton P.P.G.D., R. Woodliffe Simpson P.P.G.S.D., F. H. Beauett P.P.G.J.D.,

M. Harrison P.P.G.S.D., T. Atkinson P.P.A.G.D.C., J. Metcalfe P.P.G. Standard Bearer, and A. Farmer P.G.S.W. North and East Yorkshire. Amongst the brethren in attendance were Bros. E. Nixey Steward (England), T. Richardson, J.P., and representatives of the Harbour of Refuge, St. Helen's, Isaac Newton, Philanthropy, Fraternity, Samaritan, North York, and Tees Lodges; also Brothers W. Mayson P.M., J. Abbey P.M., G. T. Walker P.M., Thomas Gibbons P.M., E. Hudson P.P.G.D.C., W. R. Staveley W.M. 764, J. Monkman W.M. elect 764, whilst Bro. J. Johnson officiated as S.W., and Brother Albert Boddy as J.W. The Provincial Grand Secretary, who was cordially received, expressed his great pleasure and that of his brother Officers in being privileged to attend, the more so after an illness in his own case lasting some 18 months, during which he had only been able by correspondence to keep himself in touch with the various Lodges throughout the Province. He was the more pleased because of such a large master, and he owned it might be to his own shame that he had not until now renewed his acquaintance with Stranton Lodge, which he made at its consecration 11 years ago as Director of Ceremonies. He remembered his cordial reception at that time, and he could only hope that a similar function might occur before long to bring them together again. He would take that opportunity of saying how glad he was that there was so many connected with Stranton and the other Lodges in the locality to take the lively interest that they did in the welfare of the Boys' Institution, for although they might in the past have found themselves dragging, so to speak, at the end of the rope, they had of late taken up a more prominent position in the Province in that respect, and he had no doubt that they would all do their part to take two hundred guineas to the support of the Boys' School when next they reported on the state of the funds, the brethren in this county contributing, he should think, from twenty to twenty-five guineas for that object. Thus far, Stranton and the other Lodges as well as individual brethren, had done well hitherto, and he had no doubt but that in course of time they would realise upwards of a thousand guineas towards free education in their Institutions, and that without interfering with the admirable cause so ably represented by Brother Bradley. He knew indeed one Lodge in particular that was going to send eighty guineas, and with such an example he had no fear of the result generally. They counted 2400 subscribing members. They were especially strong in the Provinces of West Yorkshire and East Lancashire. The largest number, he believed, was seventy-five per Lodge, whilst in the other great Provinces, they ranged about forty. Nor could he doubt that the brethren of this district would continue to contribute a loyal share of this truly charitable work. He had the less doubt on this point since they were about to erect a new hall, and might surely rely on the fraternal co-operation of the mother Lodge (the Harbour of Refuge). Now that he had been spared to come out again, he trusted at no distant day to be able to repeat his visit to West Hartlepool. It was by pure accident that he chose Stranton on this occasion, but he desired to bear equal testimony to the fidelity of all the Lodges, and expressed a hope that they might all go on and prosper. Subsequently Bro. Bennett proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Provincial Grand Secretary for his timely visit and encouraging remarks. He also wished on the part of the brethren to offer their sincerest congratulations to Bro. Hudson on his restoration to health, and to express an earnest hope that he might be long spared to direct the affairs of this important Province. He moved further that a minute to that effect be recorded on the books. Bro. Matthew Harrison seconded. They all knew the immense services which their honoured brother rendered to the Brotherhood, and they truly rejoiced at his restoration. Bro. Hudson, in response, said he assured the brethren that he felt deeply the kind remarks that had been made, and especially the complimentary allusions of the seconder. He certainly felt extremely glad to be present amongst them, and to receive their congratulations. He anticipated at one time the presence of Bro. Canon Tristram D.P.G.M. of Durham, but that good brother was unfortunately prevented by having to be in Manchester that evening. He was sure they all regretted his absence, as he was personally known to many in that hall, but he (Bro. Hudson) would take care to inform him of the gratifying position of Freemasonry in that locality. Subsequently the brethren dined together to the number of 70, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master, when the usual Loyal, Masonic, and patriotic toasts were proposed and duly honoured, interspersed with musical harmony, contributed by Bros. Thompson, Woolley, Holt, Braybrook, and others, Brother J. E. R. Hurworth playing the accompaniments.

TENNANT LODGE, No. 1992.

THE second annual outing or picnic of this Lodge took place on the 15th inst., when upwards of 100 brethren, with their wives and lady friends, journeyed from Cardiff by rail to Chepstow, and thence by breaks to Tintern. After paying a visit to the historic Chepstow Castle, and ascending the Wyndcliffe, the party proceeded to Tintern, luncheon being provided by Bro. Weir, of the George Hotel, who catered in his usual excellent style. The W.M. Bro. W. E. Miles presided, supported by his Officers and a number of Visitors from other Lodges. The post-prandial proceedings were of an interesting character. Songs and recitations were contributed by Bros. Taylor, Beer, Vaughan, Shordan, and several brethren. The famous Tintern Abbey, and other interesting spots in the neighbourhood, were visited, Cardiff being reached on the return journey shortly after ten p.m., all having spent a most pleasant and enjoyable day. The arrangements were admirably carried out by Bros. W. E. Mills, Hogg, W. Baley, Jenkins, and Roberts, and especially Brother Kerinan Assistant Secretary, whose indefatigable exertions most of the success attending the day's proceedings were due.

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

HIGH PEAK LODGE, No. 1952.

THE annual Festival of this Lodge was held on the 13th inst., in the National Schools at Chapel-en-le-Frith. Bro. J. W. Broadhurst was installed W.M. for the ensuing year, and he invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. W. S. Anderson I.P.M., Rev. W. P. Stamper S.W., E. Walker J.W., J. C. Hyde Treasurer, J. Whitehead Secretary, W. Ward S.D., J. W. Hicks J.D., J. B. Boycott D.C., R. B. Garside I.G., R. Longden Tyler. The banquet was served by Mr. G. Muller, Railway Hotel, Buxton.

GEORGE PRICE LODGE, No. 2096.

THE installation meeting of this Lodge was held at the Public Hall, Croydon, on Saturday, the 11th inst., under the presidency of Bro. J. H. Price W.M., supported by Bros. F. Cambridge P.M. P.P.G. Organist acting S.W., F. W. Leaver J.W., J. D. Langton P.M. P.P.G.J.W. Secretary, G. Pearson acting S.D., E. C. Leaver J.D., Dr. Wayte I.G., F. T. Ridpath P.M. P.P.G.D. Steward, and W. Lane Tyler. The following members were also present:—Bros. Frederick West P.G.D. D.P.G.M., Crew, J. D. Hunt, E. Ballard, W. G. Sheldon, Thomas Whitford, J. Jones, Herbert A. Brown, T. W. Hall, C. W. Ridpath, and J. T. Fielder. The Visitors were Bros. Col. G. Noel Money, C.B., P.G.M., W. D. Merrett P.M. 1000, J. C. Leaver, J. H. Evans I.G. 1321, Bertram Williams W.M. 463, William Burn I.P.M. 858, Marcus R. P. Dorman 190, F. C. Atkinson P.M. 1648, W. H. Gates 463, S. G. Budd J.D. 1818, Holliday 1475, Satton Shepley 1706, W. B. Fendick P.M. 2309, H. B. Spar 145, Walter Coward 2000, and H. M. Leslie 187. The Lodge having been opened, and the minutes of the last meeting confirmed, Bros. C. W. Ridpath, T. W. Hall, and W. A. Brown were raised. Bro. F. W. Leaver was then installed in the chair of the Lodge, Brother Frederick West D.P.G.M. acting as Installing Master, assisted by Bro. J. H. Price I.P.M., who acted as Director of Ceremonies. The newly installed W.M. then appointed his Officers and invested them and the Treasurer and Tyler, as follows:—Bros. J. H. Price I.P.M., C. Holden S.W., E. C. Leaver J.W., F. T. Ridpath P.M. Treasurer, J. D. Langton P.M. Secretary, J. Wayte S.D., Hayward J.D., Jones I.G., N. C. Crew Director of Ceremonies, Cambridge P.M. Organist, Goode P.M. and G. Pearson Stewards, and William Lane Tyler. Brother Fraser P.M. proposed, and Brother Ridpath P.M. Treasurer seconded, and it was carried unanimously—"That in order to concentrate the voting power of the Province and to assist in the election of selected candidates from the Province, for the three Charitable Institutions, and to provide a fund for the relief of deserving cases within the Province, it is in the opinion of this Lodge desirable that there should be established a Charity Committee and a Charity Fund in connection with the Province of Surrey, and in the event of the motion carrying out these objects, of which Bro. J. D. Langton has given notice, being adopted at the next meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge, this Lodge shall subscribe such amount per member as shall be decided by the Provincial Grand Lodge, and that Bro. J. D. Langton be the Charity Representative of this Lodge." The Prov. Grand Master having been unanimously elected an honorary member of the Lodge, Brother Colonel Money thanked the brethren for having elected him, and expressed his approval of the manner in which the work of the Lodge had been carried out. Other business having been transacted, the Lodge was closed. The brethren having enjoyed an excellent banquet, the newly installed Master proposed the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts, those of the Grand Officers and the Prov. Grand Master being responded to by Brother Colonel G. Noel Money, who then proposed the health of the W.M., and in doing so wished him every success during his year of office, and said that his work that afternoon augured well for the future, and he hoped that the W.M. would have a very hard-worked year. The W.M. having replied, the toast of the I.P.M. Bro. J. H. Price, was given, and, in responding, Brother Price said that his year of office had been very enjoyable to him, and he thought that it might be considered an eventful year for the Lodge. They had during the past year assisted in presenting a testimonial to their Deputy Provincial Grand Master, the idea of which originated in this Lodge, and which was well supported throughout the Province. He had with the assistance of the members been enabled to take up the premier list to the Benevolent Institution Festival. The Lodge had moved to its present quarters, and he thought that the members could be congratulated upon the change. The average attendance during the year had been 35, and no meeting had been held without plenty of work to do. He thanked the brethren for the Past Master's jewel with which he had been presented. Other toasts followed, and it was at a late hour when the Tyler's toast brought the very successful meeting to an end. The music at the banquet was arranged by Brother Fred. Cambridge P.M. P.P.G. Organist, the Organist of the Lodge, and was much appreciated by the brethren, especially a violin solo by Master Cambridge, and a solo whistled by Bro. Bertram Williams.

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN LODGE, No. 2191.

THE annual installation festival of this popular Lodge took place at the Criterion, Piccadilly, W., on Tuesday evening, when, as usual, a large number of brethren assembled to take part in the interesting ceremony. The W.M. Bro. James Woolley presided, and was supported by the following brethren:—F. A. Philbrick G. Reg., Rev. J. S. Brownrigg P.G.C. Chaplain, General Carson Smyth P.G.M. Illinois, U.S.A., G. Reynolds P.M. Secretary, J. B. Cumming P.M. Treasurer, W. Hancock S.W., G. H. Reynolds J.W., D. T. J. Lyle P.M. 1063, Thomas Colou P.M. 192, W. H. Dunn P.M. 1298, G. H. Clark P.M. 1227, Frank Harold P.M. 1056, G. A. Wells P.M. 15, E. Stimson P.M. 2395, J. B. Crump P.M. 1297, A. Hamilton P.M. 917, H. W. Percy P.M. 1853, R. A. Bush P.M. 165, F. H. Baker P.M. 1260, Orton Cooper W.M. 211, C. M. Coxon W.M. 2278, C. Allen

I.P.M. 1056, G. R. Langley W.M. 2381, H. G. Danby W.M. 1053, Baron de Bush 1827, J. W. Elvin P.M., Dr. Orwin, S. Cochrane P.M., Dr. Bowie, A. S. Thomason, S. D. Bounsall, Herbert Schartau Organist, F. Lockett, H. R. and S. Machin, H. E. Saunders, E. P. Bertin, G. A. Bergholz, F. J. Street. The Lodge having been opened, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ballot having proved unanimous in favour of Mr. Ernest Verdier, he was duly initiated into the mysteries and privileges of Ancient Freemasonry, the ceremony being performed by Bro. P.M. Kedge by request of the W.M. Bro. Walter Hancock having been elected Master for the ensuing year, was duly obligated and signified his assent to the usual conditions. The installation ceremony was then performed by Bro. James Woolley, who was congratulated by the brethren upon the admirable manner in which he carried out the duty. The newly-made Master, having been regularly saluted by the brethren, then proceeded to appoint and invest his Officers:—Bros. G. Herbert Reynolds S.W., John Skiuuer J.W., Rev. J. S. Brownrigg Chaplain, John B. Cumming Treasurer, George Reynolds Secretary, Frederick Jackson S.D., Arthur Harris J.D., John B. Grieve I.G., Charles O. Burgess Director of Ceremonies, H. W. Schartau Organist, G. A. Bergholz, John Allen, and B. R. Paul Stewards, and Robert F. Potter Tyler. One candidate and one joining member were proposed, after which Bro. Hancock, in appropriate terms, presented Bro. Woolley with the P.M.'s jewel, which was duly acknowledged by the recipient. On the proposition of Bro. George Reynolds, seconded by Bro. F. Kedge, the Lodge jewel together with honorary membership was presented to General Curson Smyth as a memento of his visit to the Lodge. The W.M., in making the presentation, said from time to time visitors from the other side of the Atlantic were received at the Lodge, thereby fulfilling the special purpose for which it was founded. He had much pleasure in attaching the jewel to the collar of the distinguished brother, and cordially welcomed him as a member. Bro. Curson Smyth, in a splendid speech, that almost amounted to an oration, returned his sincere thanks for the token of esteem and friendship. He had been travelling about for some time to the far East, to Egypt, Turkey, through France to London. He came here for the first time, but quickly found himself surrounded by friends ready to extend the right hand of fellowship and brotherly greeting. This was one of the great advantages of Freemasonry, that a member was always at home wherever he went. In his early growth, if any one travelled outside his native city, letters of credit and introduction were necessary; but all was changed now, for any brother bearing the impress of a gentleman had a passport to every city in the universe, where he would receive a warm and cordial welcome. Personally he had worked hard for the credit of the Craft for the last thirty years and had accomplished much. He thought there was no position greater than W.M. of a Lodge, and only one honour higher, and that was the Grand Mastership. The State of Illinois was a small empire in itself, being 400 miles long by 200 miles broad, but any English brother would find a welcome there. He was proud to become a member of the Lodge, and in return he would present the brethren with the semi-centennial medal of the Grand Lodge of Illinois to be placed in their archives. The business of the evening having thus come to a happy termination, the Lodge was closed and the brethren adjourned to the banquet table. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, Bro. F. A. Philbrick responding for the Grand Officers, and bearing testimony to the work achieved by Grand Lodge. He also spoke of the great improvement in the general working of the ritual in the various Lodges. The universality of brotherhood was making itself more known every year, and the enormous increase of its membership proved its prosperity. He considered that the Anglo-American Lodge was the perfection of Masonic principles. General Carson Smyth responded for the sister Grand Lodges of the United States and the Dominion of Canada in a humorous speech that was received with roars of laughter. He produced his certificate endorsed by Lodges in various parts of the world, one of which was Arabic, and said it might be stated that Freemasonry precedes civilisation round the globe. As Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction of Illinois, he gave the company present greeting from over 50,000 brethren and 8,000 Lodges, and bade them God-speed in their labours of humanity. In eulogistic terms the I.P.M. submitted the health of the W.M., to which Bro. Hancock briefly responded, and proceeded to propose the Initiate. Bro. Verdier made a capital reply, and hoped that he would prove to be a good and useful member of the Craft. The W.M. then paid a just and fitting tribute to the ability of the Installing Master and the other Past Masters, to which those brethren replied, regret being expressed at the unavoidable absence of Bro. Brackstone Baker. Bro. Samuel Cochrane acknowledged the toast of the Visitors, and, in response to a previous appeal of Bro. Kedge generously placed his name on the list of subscribers to the Boys' School for five guineas, in order to make up Bro. Kedge's amount at the forthcoming Festival to £150. Bros. Stimson and McDiomed also spoke to the toast. The Treasurer, Secretary, and the various Officers having been similarly complimented, the Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a conclusion. During the evening an excellent programme was submitted by Bro. H. W. Schartau, who was assisted by Bros. Russell, Bradford, Dalzell, and C. J. Johnson.

ARDWICK LODGE, No. 2185 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting was held at the Midland Hotel, Ardwick, on Monday, 13th inst. Present—Bros. Booth W.M., Goss acting S.W., Hayes J.W., Melling Sec., J. W. Atkinson S.D., R. W. Atkinson J.D.; P.M.'s Baildon and Hoyland; Bros. Rudman and Bains. Visitors—John Goss S.W. 2156 and R. R. Lenden P.M. 317. The Lodge was opened at 7.45 and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A candidate for raising being unable to attend, and there being no other business, the Lodge was formally closed.

Royal Masonic Institution for Boys,

WOOD GREEN, LONDON, N.

OFFICES—6 FREEMASONS' HALL, W.C.

Grand Patron:—HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

President:—H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G., M.W.G.M.

THE 94th ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL

WILL BE HELD AT THE

FREEMASONS' TAVERN, LONDON, W.C.

ON WEDNESDAY, 29TH JUNE 1892,

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PRESIDENCY OF THE

Rt. Hon. SIR MICHAEL E. HICKS-BEACH, Bart., M.P.
Past Grand Warden, and R.W. Prov. Grand Master for Gloucestershire.

Dinner on Table at 6.30 o'clock precisely. Evening dress.

Brethren to appear in full Masonic Craft Clothing.

On this occasion the Ladies will dine with the Brethren.

Tickets: LADIES 10s 6d, BRETHREN £1 1s; may be obtained from the Stewards, or at the office. Early application is requested.

Musical arrangements under the direction of Bro. E. P. DELEVANTI.

By Order,

J. MORRISON McLEOD, P.P.G.S.W. Derbyshire,
Vice-Pres. and Sec. of Institution.
Hon. Secretary Board of Stewards.

2nd June 1892.

The services of Brethren and Ladies as Stewards are earnestly solicited, and will be gratefully acknowledged.

Royal Masonic Institution for Girls.

SATURDAY, 25th inst., being ex-Pupils' Day, all ex-Pupils able to visit the Institution on that day will be heartily welcomed by the Committee.

The time appointed for meeting is Three o'clock in the afternoon.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

OFFICE—5 Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, W.C.
23rd June 1892.

NOW READY.

Handsomely Bound in Cloth, 900 Pages, Price 20s.
ALSO IN MORE EXPENSIVE BINDINGS.

THE

HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY AND CONCORDANT ORDERS.

ILLUSTRATED.

WRITTEN BY A BOARD OF EDITORS.

HENRY LEONARD STILLSON, Editor-in-Chief.

WILLIAM JAMES HUGHAN, Consulting Editor.

THIS work contains a comprehensive account of Ancient Masonry: the Ancient Masonic MSS., or "Old Charges"; the Crusades, and their Relation to the Fraternity; Cosmopolitan Freemasonry, including all its Rites, throughout the World; the American and British Templar Systems; the A. and A.S. Rite, and Royal Order of Scotland; other Rites and Orders connected with the Institution; and Tables of Vital Statistics, never before compiled,—the whole comprising the most Authentic History of the Fraternity of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons ever originated and printed in America.

WRITTEN BY A BOARD OF EDITORS AND SPECIAL CONTRIBUTORS, twenty-two in number, chosen from among the most eminent and learned specialists of the day; and a Corps of over seventy ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTORS, also comprising some of the most distinguished and best known Officers and members of the Craft in the United States, Canada, and England.

In the Capitular, Cryptic, and Templar Departments especially, this volume will furnish the foundation for all future efforts; showing how, when, and where these Degrees and Rites began, as well as their rise and progress throughout the Masonic world.

It contains 900 super-royal octavo pages, elegantly printed on superfine book paper, and illustrated with 50 choice engravings.

Can be had of W. W. MORGAN AND SON, Office of the Freemason's Chronicle, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, N.

MAYO'S CASTLE HOTEL.

EAST MOLESEY,
HAMPTON COURT STATION

(Adjoining the RAILWAY, and facing the RIVER and PALACE).

BRO. JOHN MAYO has ample accommodation in the new wing of this old-established and noted Riverside Hotel for Banquets for any number up to 100. Every convenience for Ladies' Gatherings. Spacious landing to river, whence Steam Launches can start. Specimens of Menus, with prices, sent on application. Three Lodges meet at the Castle Hotel, and reference may be made to the respective Masters as to the catering, &c.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF MIDDLESEX AND SURREY.

The W. Bro. CHARLES HAMMERTON, Deputy Prov. G. Master.

THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE of Mark Master Masons of the Province of Middlesex and Surrey will be holden at the Criterion Restaurant, Piccadilly, on Friday, 1st July 1892, when all Present and Past Provincial Grand Officers, together with the Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens and Overseers of Lodges in the Province, are summoned to attend, and all Mark Master Masons are invited to be present.

The Provincial Grand Lodge will be opened at Five o'clock.

Brethren to appear in full Masonic Costume of the Mark Degree, and Provincial Grand Officers in clothing of their respective rank. Masonic Mourning—By command of the Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Mark Master,

WM. G. BRIGHTEN, P.G.I.W., P.P.G.W.

Provincial Grand Mark Secretary.

103 Fenchurch Street, E.C.,
21st June 1892.

Banquet at 6.30 o'clock, at the Criterion Restaurant. Tickets, 7/6 each, without wine.

Brethren intending to be present must notify their intention to, and obtain tickets from the Provincial Grand Secretary, on or before the 28th June.

MORNING DRESS.—MOURNING.

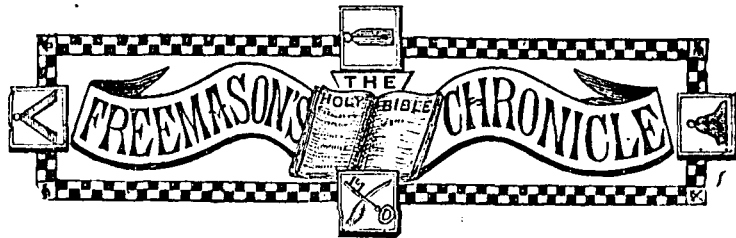
EVERITT AND SON, TAILORS AND BREECHES MAKERS, ST. MARTIN'S HOUSE, 3 GRESHAM ST., ST. MARTIN'S-LE-GRAND, E.C.

BEST WORK, FOR CASH ONLY.

TROUSERS FROM 13/6.
TWEED SUITS FROM 50/-

NOTE THE ADDRESS:

Corner of Gresham Street, St.
Martin's-Le-Grand, looking on
to the General Post Office.



SATURDAY, 25TH JUNE 1892.

ROYAL ARCH.

—:0:—

PROV. G. CHAPTER OF SOMERSET.

THE annual meeting of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the Province of Somerset was held on the 16th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Bath, under the presidency of the M.E. the Grand Superintendent Comp. R. C. Else Provincial Grand Standard Bearer England, supported by M.E. Comp. W. Long H., and Comp. J. Burnett J. There are ten Chapters in the Province (three of them in Bath), and they were all represented, some of them in force. The presence amongst them of Comp. Edmund White P.Z. of the Cumberland, No. 41 (Centenary Chapter), was a source of great pleasure to the members of the local Chapters, and their pleasure was enhanced by the fact that the esteemed Companion was placed by the M.E.G.S. in the chair of Third Principal of the Province. It is worthy to note that Comp. White passed the first chair in his Chapter fifty-one years ago, viz., 1841, and his acceptance of the Provincial Arch rank at 90 years of age (or nearly so) is probably without precedent in Masonic annals. It is an honour which reflects credit alike on Companion, Chapter, and Province. The usual business of the Chapter having been transacted, the Officers for the year were invested, the following being the complete list:—

Comp. R. C. Else ...	...	Superintendent
W. Long (re-appointed)	...	H.
E. White ...	...	J.
E. Noke (re-appointed)	...	Scribe E.
E. Newton Fuller ...	...	Scribe N.
B. H. Watts (re-elected)	...	Treasurer
W. Peach ...	...	Registrar
T. F. Norris ...	...	Principal Sojourner
H. Calliford Hopkins	...	1st Assistant Sojourner
J. Haddon ...	...	2nd Assistant Sojourner
L. H. Ruogg ...	...	Sword Bearer
T. Parker ...	...	Standard Bearer
E. A. Crosse ...	...	Dir of Ceremonies
J. H. Macfarlane ...	...	Organist
M. H. Clarke ...	...	Assistant S.E.
A. J. Salter ...	...	Janitor
S. Bigwood ...	...	Assistant Janitor

The customary banquet followed.

MARK MASONRY.

—:o:—

FORTITUDE LODGE, No. 78.

ON Tuesday evening, the 7th inst., at the Masonic Rooms, Old Bridge Street, Truro, Bro. Hockin was installed W.M., and he invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Brewer I.P.M., Knight S.W., Newby J.W., Rev. T. S. Kendall Chaplain, Johns Treasurer, Tonkin Secretary, Clarke M.O., Randle S.O., Ellery J.O., Allen Registrar of Marks, Carus-Wilson S.D., Benney J.D., Sergeant I.G., Langdon Tyler. Brother Tonkin was Installing Master.

FREEMASONRY AND POLITICS.

IT is no secret that all societies in France, no matter what the original character may be, end in becoming political bodies. Politics are the besetting sin of the French, and they introduce them everywhere. One might imagine that institutions founded for the dissemination of charity and philanthropy would be free from them. But nothing of the sort; even these are made to play a rôle in the eternal battle of political parties. Hence the opposition which all kinds of associations encounter under the Imperial régime. To-day the liberty of association is written in the law, but it is none the less political, and Republicans vie with Monarchists and Imperialists in turning it to account. Foremost among Benevolent Institutions is the Order of Freemasonry. I am not a Freemason myself, and am therefore ignorant of what passes behind the scenes of the famous society, but this is no reason why I should not notice the charges brought against it, particularly as they concern the future of the Republic. For some time past we have been told that the Republic has fallen into the hands of the Freemasons and the Jews. As regards the Jews, I leave M. Drumont, the anti-semitic champion, to deal with them, and will confine myself to the Freemasons, about whom an ex-Freemason has just published a remarkable pamphlet.

The writer begins by pointing out that certain distinctions must be made in the order of French Freemasonry. All the Lodges do not submit to the same directions, and are not imbued with the same spirit. According to him, there are about 24,000 Freemasons in France. This number strikes one as being much below the mark, but, as he produces facts and figures to support it, we may accept it for the sake of argument. They are divided into four groups—namely, the Grand Orient, which has 16,000 adherents; the Supreme Council, 6,000; the Grande Loge Symbolique, 2,000; and the Souverain Conseil, 500. The Grand Orient is, consequently, the most important group, not only in respect to the number of its adherents, but also as regards the activity which it employs in the political and religious questions of the day. By the side of its influence that of the other groups is almost nil, and French Freemasonry may therefore be considered as represented by the Grand Orient. The tendency and doctrines of that Lodge are well-known; to use the words of the writer, "they are clearly materialist and clearly anti-religious." Freemasonry has never been very favourable towards revealed religions, but it did not formally proscribe them. On the contrary, one of its doctrines was a kind of vague deism, since it rendered homage to the Great Architect of the Universe, but this supreme invocation, if we are to believe the ex-Freemason, has now been suppressed. The ancient statutes of the Grand Orient contained a declaration of religious and philosophical tolerance conceived in the following terms:—"Freemasonry excludes nobody for his belief. From the elevated sphere in which it has placed itself it respects the religious faith and political opinions of all its members." But in 1885, we are told, it struck out that paragraph.

The French Freemasons not only ceased to respect the religious and political opinions of the members of their own order, but also those of the millions of Frenchman who did not belong to it. The Grand Orient, in fact, is charged with taking a prominent part in the alleged war organised during the past fifteen years against the Catholics and their clergy. It is from this Lodge that many of the Republican deputies are said to have received their instructions—notably in the case of the amendment refusing admittance to public offices to those applicants who had been brought up in religious schools. Now, as half of the Republican deputies are understood to be Freemasons, and as many of them owe their election to the support of Freemasonry and are afraid of not being re-elected without that support, it is easy to see the powerful influence exercised by the Grand Orient. According to the most modest calculation, there are

more than one hundred and fifty Freemasons in the Chamber. Commenting on this important fact, M Edouard Hervé, the editor of the *Soleil*, says:—"It ought to make the public powers reflect, and no doubt it would, were this not more or less already in the hands of the Freemasons, for, supposing the Grand Orient carried the day in the next general election, what an orgie of anti-religious intolerance would follow! It, therefore, behoves Frenchmen jealous of their rights and liberties to prepare for the vital struggle."

The outcry against French Freemasonry is not new; how far it may be true, it is difficult to say. Perhaps the statements of the ex-Freemason must be taken with a certain amount of caution. People who leave a faith after swearing fidelity to it are always open to suspicion. Still there can be little doubt of the political rôle filled up by the Grand Orient. Gambetta made use of it, and the Radicals of to-day accept its influence. That it has become materialist appears also beyond dispute. If I am rightly informed, it is this double anti-religious and political character which has prevented the English Freemasons from joining the French to the extent that would otherwise be the case. Of course the clericals have seized on this pamphlet, and are making capital out of it, but they go to the other extreme, and look upon the Freemasons as so many criminals for whom the guillotine would be too merciful.

While talking of politics, it will interest you to learn that it has been reserved to *Le Petit Journal* to be able to enlighten the world as to the policy of England with regard to the Triple Alliance. The information is all the more welcome since it has been made public just as we were dying for lack of news. It appears that it was high time the truth was told; England has joined the alliance, and the four Powers have determined to break up the Franco-Russian understanding, not by fair but by foul means. "They have conceived a plan, alike injurious and dishonourable to us, by which," proceeds the writer, "they will take advantage of our divisions to introduce into our ranks the ferment of disorder, to discredit us in the eyes of Russia, and turn to their own account every little incident that might occur." It seems that the diabolic task has been conferred on the British Ambassador in Paris. "Why disguise the fact?" asks the writer. The very clever Lord Dufferin was chosen for that task, and that alone. He is a man capable of estimating the situation and seizing on our defects and ignorance, and thereby he hopes to carry out the dissolving tactics of which he is the superior, and apparently irreproachable, agent. It is his right as well as that of his Government to realise the Machiavellic scheme if they can, provided they do not go too far; but it is also our right to defend by the loss of seats to the M'Carthyites. On that head, they are, of course, the best judges; they should know what are the electoral forces they can command in Ireland. But to Unionists, the situation is altogether satisfactory; the fiercer the feud between the two factions, the more impracticable and shadowy becomes the establishment of an Irish Parliament. Mr. Mahony invites his opponents to "ground arms and watch the manoeuvres of the foe." Excellent advice when opposing armies are at a distance, but it sounds rather queerly as a trumpet call on the very eve of battle. The Unionists will not "ground arms" whatever the Nationalists may do, but fully intend to make use of all their resources for the discomfiture of the enemy. We are not surprised that the M'Carthyites should have contemptuously rejected this overture. Much more eager to damage the other batch of "patriots" than to promote the cause which they affect to have at heart, and dreading above all things to provoke the displeasure of Mr. Gladstone they are bound to perpetuate the split, unless and until the Redmondites submit.—*Globe*.

By the kind invitation of Bro. George Everett, Past Grand Treasurer, the Annual Athletic Sports of the pupils of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys will be held, at Kempton Park, to-day (Saturday). Tickets, which are not limited, may be had on application to the Secretary of the Institution. The sports will commence at 2.30 o'clock, and the band (of 35 performers) of the T Division of Metropolitan Police will play during the day. We may mention that a special train will leave Wood Green station at 11.10 a.m., calling at Ludgate Hill (Metropolitan platform) 11.40 a.m., Wimbledon 12.20 p.m., and returning from Kempton Park station at 7.30 p.m. A special train will also leave Waterloo (North) station, No. 8 platform, at 12.45 p.m., calling at Vauxhall 12.50 p.m., Clapham Junction 12.55 p.m., Richmond 1.5 p.m., and returning from Kempton Park at 9 p.m., calling at the above-named stations, and also at Twickenham.

The visit of the Board of Stewards in connection with the 94th Anniversary Festival to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, Wood Green, London, N., will take place on Tuesday, 28th inst., on which occasion the prizes will be distributed by the Lady Lucy Hicks-Beach. Visitors are requested to take their seats in the Assembly Hall by 2.45 p.m. Tea and coffee, with light refreshments, will be provided in the Gymnasium at 4 p.m. An entertainment by the Boys in the Assembly Hall will follow at 5.30 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our Correspondents.

All Letters must bear the name and address of the Writer, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

—:0:—

AN INSULT TO THE CRAFT.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I have to thank the Acting Chairman of the 1892 Girls' Board of Stewards for his reply to my letter. I assure Sir John Monckton he has done no harm in departing from his rule of discountenancing anonymous complaints, although he is wrong in imagining there was any questionable "probably motive that dictated" my remarks. I was perfectly honest in my desire to seek the prevention of such insults as I drew attention to, and I have the satisfaction of now knowing I have, in a measure at least, succeeded.

I can well believe that Sir John Monckton doubted my *bona fides* when I spoke of the Regulations as new, in face of his knowledge that they were "as old as the hills," but the fact remains; I had never seen anything of the sort before, although I have been present at most of the Festivals of the last 20 years, either in the capacity of Steward, or as a visitor. I do not doubt but that these regulations have been circulated, but it seems marvellous they have never come under my notice before. I have asked several others, who have been frequent attendants at the Masonic Festivals, and they are as much surprised as I am at Sir John's statement that they have been circulated for years past. However, that is a minor matter, we do not want any more of them, and with Sir John Monckton's opposition they are not likely to be again issued.

I have served as Steward for the Girls' School, and although I cannot see my way clear to accept Sir John's invitation to act in a similar capacity next year, I assure him the Institution has my best wishes, and I hope I shall be able to do something on its behalf should there ever arise a necessity for old workers to re-buckle on their armour, and join the rank of active Stewards.

I beg to sign myself, if you will allow me the privilege of altering my name,

ONE WHO WAS ANNOYED.

BRO. COLONEL CLARKE'S GARDEN PARTY.

FORTUNATELY favoured with fine weather the pretty house and grounds of "The Gables," the residence of Colonel and ex-Sheriff Thomas Clarke, at Upper Hamilton Terrace, St. John's Wood, presented a lively appearance last Wednesday afternoon, when a garden party was given in honour of the W.M. and Brethren of the Alliance Lodge, No. 1827. The visitors were received upon arrival by the charming hostess, who extended a cordial—we also might say a Masonic—greeting to each. Dan Godfrey's orchestral band played in the gardens, and further entertainment was provided by the clever legerdemain of Bro. Charles Bertram, the singing of Bro. C. Raiker and recitations of Mr. Ben Nathan. Bro. Frank S. Jackson W.M. of the Alliance Lodge was present, with a large number of the brethren, accompanied by their wives, sisters, cousins, or, perhaps, aunts; and among those present we noted the following distinguished members of the Craft:—Admiral Inglefield P.J.G.W., Sir Augustus Harris P.G.T., Sir John B. Monckton P.G.W., Sidney G. Gamble P.P.G.S.W. Lincoln, Fredk. West D.P.G.M. Surrey, Edward Terry P.G.T., Col. F. D. Sewell, G. A. Pickering, Canon Duckworth, Baron de Bush, J. M. Burt P.J.G.W. Dorset, Joseph Sawyer, T. Bull, S. Isaacs, A. Greatrex, E. Pearson, A. G. H. Gibbs, H. Wright, Col. Peters, W. Lake, C. T. Rodney Wilde, Dr. Norton, Fredk. Binckes P.G.S.B., Orton Cooper, Clement Godson P.G.S., J. W. Coffin, E. Fenner, W. J. Crump P.G.S., Lewis H. Jacobs, and many others.

MASONIC SONNETS.—No. 2.

By BRO. CHAS. FORSHAW, LL.D., 2417.

—:0:—

CAUTION.

How many men would now live diff'rent lives
If this great word had been their guide thro' life;
Myriads would not have donned their galling gyves,
Which bind them down in chains of earthly strife.
A true Masonic watchword! We must try
To well impress it on each youngster's mind,
And carve it deeply, that when strangers pry
To seek his knowledge—knowledge they can't find.
Hold fast the true, and if foes strive to learn,
We well my value lightly all their powers;
For if we're cautious they can ne'er discern
The mysteries of our many happy hours.
Let us be strong in faith, we ne'er impart
The words, signs, deeds, engrafted in each heart.

Winder House, Bradford.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—The MAGIC MIRROR contains invaluable advice on an important subject to men contemplating marriage. Information in matters you ought to know. Send for it to-day, Gratis and Post Free. Address, THE SECRETARY, 4 Fitzalan Square, Sheffield.

NEW MUSIC.

All Music intended for review should be addressed to the Editor of The Freemason's Chronicle, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville, London, N.

—:0:—

"When Roses bloom again." Song. Words by R. S. Hitchens, music by Otto Cantor.

"So Sweet a Dream." Song. Words by H. S. Hitchens, music by Otto Cantor.

"Marjory's Fortune." Ballad. Words by Maynal Frewen, music by C. Roget Légure.

"Gondolier's Serenade." Song. Words and music by Leonard Barnes.

"King Davy." Song. Words by F. E. Weatherby, music by Joseph L. Roedel.

London: W. MORLEY AND Co., 127 Regent Street, W.

THE above form a nice little parcel of songs, and are well worth attention. R. S. Hitchens, in "When Roses bloom again," is responsible for some good words, which have been set to tuneful and attractive music by Otto Cantor. "So Sweet a Dream," by H. S. Hitchens and Otto Cantor, is of a melodious and happy character and will become popular. A ballad, "Marjory's Fortune," by Maynal Frewen and C. Roget Légure, is destined to become a favourite with all that hear it; its good music is a treat to listen to. Perhaps the most taking song of the present parcel is "The Gondolier's Serenade," written and composed by Leonard Barnes. This is a pretty and attractive song, and will be sure to become a favourite. It is published in two keys—G and D; with the lower a guitar accompaniment is issued. A good rollicking song is F. E. Weatherby and Joseph L. Roedel's "King Davy." This has a capital refrain, and one that will be caught up readily. We anticipate hearing this on many future occasions. We may add the songs are published in a style that does credit to Messrs. Morley.

THE THEATRES, &c.

—:0:—

The performance of "Tristan and Isolde" will be repeated at Drury Lane this (Saturday) evening, with the following cast: Tristan, Herr Max Alvary; Marke, Herr Wiegand; Kurvenal, Mr. David Bispham; Melso, Herr Simon; Steuermann, Herr Loreut; Hirt, Herr Landau; Braugane, Fraulein Ralph; and Isolde, Frau Ende Andriessen. Herr Mahler will conduct. Wagner's opera, "Das Rheingold," will be given on Monday.

The last nights of the highly successful burlesque "Cinder-ElLEN up too late" are announced at the Gaiety. All those who have not yet seen Messrs. Fred Leslie, Fred Storey, Charles Dauby, and the Misses Letty Lind, Sylvia Grey, and Violet Monckton in this amusing piece are recommended to do so at once. The last matinee will be given on Saturday morning, 2nd July.

Bro. Dr. Chas. F. Forshaw, of Winder House, Bradford, with whom we have made arrangements for a Masonic sonnet weekly, has received the following letter from General Sir Dighton Probyn:—

Marlborough House,
17th June 1892.

General Sir Dighton Probyn, Comptroller and Treasurer of the Household, writes to acknowledge the receipt of Dr. Chas. Forshaw's letter of the 13th instant, enclosing copy of a Masonic song, "The Mystic Tie," which Sir Dighton Probyn will not fail to submit to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

The Abbey Lodge, No. 2030, Westminster, propose to have a summer pic-nic on Friday, 15th July, for brethren and members of their families and friends. The arrangements are as follows:—To start from Waterloo Station and proceed to Windsor, thence by electric launch up the river, returning to town in the evening. The tickets (including travelling, luncheon and refreshments), will be 30s each, and 25s each for ladies. Each member of the Lodge may invite three guests, and application for the necessary tickets must be made on or before 2nd July, to Bro. H. E. Poole, 23 Great Smith Street, Westminster, S. W.

On the 10th instant, representatives of St. Kew Lodge, No. 1222, accepted an invitation from the members of the Rural Philanthropic Lodge, No. 291, to pay a return visit and partake of hospitalities. The business of a Lodge of emergency having been promptly despatched, an adjournment was made to Burnham, and at the Queen's Hotel a *récherché* banquet was partaken of.

GLEANINGS.

—:—

STATED AND SPECIAL MEETINGS.—It is the Worshipful Master's sole prerogative to call special meetings of his Lodge at his own will and pleasure for the transaction of such business as he sees fit to bring before his Lodge, but he must remember that the members be duly notified thereof, as to time, place and hour of meeting, and that it is his duty to be present to open such special meeting at the hour named. Until the Lodge is opened it is not a special meeting, and it may not be the will and pleasure of the Worshipful Master to hold the special meeting. The Bye-Laws prescribe the time of holding the stated meetings, and in the absence of the W.M. the Senior or Junior Warden, according to seniority and having the Warrant in their possession, can open the Lodge and perform its work. A Past Master, in the absence of the Master and Wardens, even if in possession of the Warrant for the time being, cannot open the Lodge any more than the humblest member could. Such a meeting, if opened by him, would be clandestine, and its work illegal and null and void. Even the subsequent entry into the Lodge, after its clandestine opening of the Master and Wardens, either or all, and the approval of the work, cannot take away its illegal opening, or heal the clandestine work. The Grand Master can grant a dispensation to open a Lodge in the absence of the Master and Wardens, but no other person can. Should the Master be absent from the jurisdiction, or incapacitated in any manner from the performance of his duties, the Senior Warden becomes *de facto* the Worshipful Master, and if he desires a special meeting he, as the acting Master, can call it, and all its work would be regular, if done under the Ahiman Rezon. A Lodge cannot have two Masters.

Keystone.

The old straw must be threshed over again and again. Questions supposed to be settled a score of years ago are opened up again, and the same old arguments, pro and con, are repeated. Just now there is an attempt to revive the issue as to whether or not the degrees of the Cryptic Rite ought to be required of all candidates for the Orders of Knighthood. There is nothing new to be said on the subject; and while logically the argument is conclusive that the Cryptic degrees should be a prerequisite to admission into the Commandery, practically the trend of feeling is the other way. Bro. Rice, Editor of the *Masonic Advocate*, makes a clear statement of the case when he says: "The proposition has been killed time and time again, and there is not the least possible show for it now. The Grand Encampment will never place another straw in the way of those who are hastening through Ancient Craft Masonry that they may wear the sword and chapeau of the Chivalric Order."

—Freemason's Repository.

HIRAM ABIF.—A son of Æsculapius signing himself W. W. H., M.D., asks *Notes and Queries* the question: "Where in the Bible is the name of Hiram Abif found? I have searched in vain for this much revered name in Freemasonry, and desire light on the subject." *N. and Q.*, possessing "a knowledge of all things," replies as follows: "We will enlighten this disciple of Æsculapius and several others who no doubt have searched for our Grand Master. Hiram Abif is mentioned twice in the Bible—once by the name Hiram (1 Kings vii. 13-14): "And King Solomon sent and brought Hiram out of Tyre. He was a widow's son, of the tribe of Naphthali, and his father was a man of Tyre, a worker in brass." Once he is mentioned as Hiram, my father (2 Chronicles, ii. 13-14) "My father," being one of the translated forms of the Hebrew word Abif: "And now I have sent a cunning man, endued with understanding, of Hiram, my father, the son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father was of Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every device which he put to him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my lord David thy father," (of David Abif). Hiram is only another form of Hyram or Hiram. Bishop Patrick thinks Hiram Abif was the son of the first husband of his mother, and that her second husband was a man of Tyre, who was Hiram's step-father, his own father being a Naphthalian.

If any one is desirous of being a Mason in the strict sense of the word, he must make himself acquainted with something more than words, signs and tokens. The three stages of initiation can no more convert him into a Mason than the indenture of a apprentice can make him a mechanic.—*Hebrew Standard*.

THEY ARE OUR GUESTS.—Do we always remember when we see a strange face in our Lodge room that we are at home and on us rests the duty, as it should be a pleasure, of making our Lodge room a pleasant Masonic home for the time being to the visiting Brother? We are to apt to leave it to the Worshipful Master or other Officers. It is a duty and a pleasure we should all delight in. A visiting Brother, having been duly examined and formally introduced, is too often left to his own devices in making acquaintances. Are we not his Masonic hosts? Is he not of the same "household of faith"? What better claim could he have to a brotherly grasp, a cheerful word, a kind attention to his comfort? Is he a sojourning brother? He may be making up his mind where he shall cast his lot. Your kindly greetings, Brethren, decide him, and you have "lengthened your cords and strengthened your stakes."—*Herald of Masons*.

The only female Freemason in the world, a San Francisco newspaper assures us, is to be found in Tenth Street, in that town. It is so good as to tell us a story, with which most of us are not unacquainted, how in her youth she concealed herself at a Lodge meeting, and being caught, was compelled upon pain of death to join the brotherhood. It must be rather monotonous, by-the-by, if at every meeting of the Freemasons "the secret" is always revealed, and yet, if it is not there seems no reason why it should not be held any Sunday in Hyde Park. The interesting part of this communi-

cation from Chicago, however, is the statement that the lady is still alive. She had got into that cupboard and listened to what was going on through that crack at least a hundred and fifty years before I first read of it, and that was half a century ago. It is just possible, however, that the Freemasons' secret may be the key of long life, and that she alone has learnt how to turn it.—*Illustrated London News*.

After providing for the amortization of leases, depreciation of plant, sinking fund for the redemption of debentures, and the payment of debenture interest, the report of Spiers and Pond, Limited, recommends the payment of a dividend of 10 per cent., less income tax, for the year ending 31st March 1892, leaving £5,233 17s 4d to be carried forward to next year. The warrants will be posted after the shareholders' meeting, to be held on the 11th July. The share transfer books are closed from the 27th June to the 11th July, both inclusive.

The Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, No. 65, has been removed from the City Arms Restaurant to the Old Parr's Head, Knight-riding Street, where the meetings will be held every Wednesday throughout the year.

At the meeting of the Western District United Service Lodge, No. 2258, at Stonehouse, on the 15th inst., Bro. Surgeon-Major W. Allan May was elected W.M., D. Cross Treasurer, and Jas. Gidley Tyler.

The annual outing of the Whittington Lodge, No. 862, is fixed to take place on Thursday, 30th instant, when the members will have a river excursion. Brother Valentine Day is the W.M.

Bro. Colonel George Lambert (P.G.S.B. Patron of the Institution) the President of the "Old Masonians" Association, has kindly consented to take the chair at the sixth annual dinner, which will be held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, on Monday next, the 27th inst., at 6:30 for 7 o'clock p.m. As many Provincial Craftsmen will be in town for the Annual Festival this will afford an opportunity to some of them to personally renew acquaintance with those who in days gone by received, and still acknowledge, their indebtedness for the benefits conferred by the Institution.

The Great Eastern Railway Company have issued a list of furnished lodgings to be let in farmhouses and country villages, &c., reached by their service of trains. This should prove very handy, as it gives the name, address, description of house, accommodation, nearest Great Eastern Railway station, distance from station, distance of station from London, return fares from London (1st, 2nd, and 3rd class), the period for which return tickets are available, and some useful general remarks. Holiday seekers should obtain this book, which may be obtained from the office of the Superintendent of the line, Liverpool Street Station, E.C.

The District Grand Lodge of South Africa, Western Division, has inaugurated an institution which will be appreciated by all members of the Masonic Craft, and more especially by brethren visiting Cape Town. The head offices, Riddelsdell's Chambers, Adderley-street, are now open daily from ten to five as a room of convenience, supplied with Masonic and other journals and writing materials for the use of Masons, for whom it also forms a suitable place for meeting on matters of business. This progressive action (remarks the *Cape Times*) supplies an oft-felt want, and has been endorsed with the cordial and practical support of local Lodges.



ACCIDENTS AVOIDED

BY USING

THE SAFETY HOUSEHOLD STEPS.

(Patent).

Prices and particulars on application to the Manufacturers,

VIGOR & CO.
49 SOUTHAMPTON ROW,
LONDON, W.C.2 vols., Crown 8vo, Cloth Gilt, Gilt Edges,
Price 21s.THE CHURCH HISTORY OF ENGLAND.
By M. PORRITT.

LONDON:

W. W. MORGAN & SON, DELIVERANCE WORKS, HERMES HILL, FENYONVILLE, N.

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.

—:—

Saturday, 25th June.

Annual Athletic Sports of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, Kempton Park, at 2:30
1541 Alexandra Palace, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
1462 Wharnclyffe, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone
1464 Erasmus Wilson, Rosherville Hot., Gravesend
1531 Chiselhurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chiselhurst
1871 Gostling Murray, Town Hall, Hounslow
1065 Eastes, Parish Rooms, Bromley
1082 Greenwood, Public Hall, Sutton
2309 George Gardner, Village Hall, Datchet
2353 Broxbourne, Crown Hotel, Broxbourne
R.A. 444 Union, Courtenay Arms Hotel, Starcross

Monday, 27th June.

1910 Shadwell Olerke, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 1319 Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 1745 Farrington Without, Anderton's Hotel
K.T. 128 Oxford and Cambridge, 31 Golden Square
48 Industry, 34 Denmark Street, Gateshead
999 Robert Burns, Albion Hotel, Manchester
1177 Tenby, Tenby, Pembroke
1091 Agricola, Masonic Rooms, Castlegate, York
2363 Minnehaha Minstrels, Victoria Hotel, Deansgate, Manchester
R.A. 730 Earl of Lathom, Town Hall, Chorley

Tuesday, 28th June.

Steward's Visit to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, Wood Green, N., at 2:45
14 Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
259 Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, W.
1158 Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel
2108 Empire, Criterion, Piccadilly
R.A. 1330 Stockwell, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
R.A. 1589 St. Dunstan, Anderton's, Fleet Street
M.M. 3 Keystone, Ship and Turtle, Loadenhall St.
253 Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower St., Derby
299 Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford
788 Crescent, Island Hotel, Twickenham
1016 Elkington, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1052 Callander, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1358 Torbay, Lodge Rooms, Polsham, Paignton
1809 Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1836 St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
1875 Antient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
2025 St. George, St. George's Hall, Stonehouse
2328 Albert Victor, F.M.H. St. Saviourgate, York.
2405 Ionic, Masonic Rooms, St. Helen's, Lanc.
R.A. 103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
R.A. 823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 1250 Gilbert Greenall, M.R., Warrington
K.T. 110 Plains of Tabor, Swan Hotel, Colne

Wednesday, 29th June.

Festival of the Boys' School, Freemasons' Tavern
888 Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond
163 Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds
439 Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Bingley
1083 Townley Parker, Grand Hotel, Manchester
1219 Strangways, Old Bear's Head, Manchester
1283 Ryburn, M.H., Central Bldg., Sowerby Bridge
1089 Stirling, Mkt. Hall, Cleator Moor, Cumberland
2186 Striguit, Masonic Hall, Nelson St., Chesham
2279 Thornham, Half-way House, Thornham
R.A. 329 Brotherly Love, Choughs Hotel, Yeovil
M.M. Howe, Masonic Hall, New St., Birmingham
M.M. 174 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham

Thursday, 30th June.

General Committee Girls' School, F.M.H. 4.
1524 Duke of Connaught, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
111 Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington
286 Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup
807 Cabbell, Masonic Hall, Norwich
904 Phoenix, Ship Hotel, Rotherham
966 St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek
1313 Fermor, Masonic Hall, Southampton
2269 Peace, Masonic Hall, King St., Wigan.
R.A. 67 Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull,
M.M. 34 St. Andrew, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester

Friday, 1st July.

Board of Management, Boys' School
81 Doric, Private Rooms, Woodbridge, Suffolk
219 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Tolmorden
242 St. George, Guildhall, Doncaster
306 Alfred, Masonic Hall, Kelsall Street, Leics
375 Lambton, Lambton Arms, Chester-le-street
521 Truth, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield
837 De Grey and Ripon, Town Hall, Ripon

1096 Lord Warden, Wellington Hall, Deal.
1387 Chorlton, Masonic Rooms, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
1528 Fort, M.H., Newquay, Cornwall
1557 Albert Edward, Bush Hotel, Hexham
1561 Morecambe, Masonic Hall, Morecambe
1648 Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
1664 Gosforth, Freemasons' H., Gosforth
2376 Carnarvon, Eagle and Child Inn, Layland, Lancashire.
R.A. 61 Sincerity, F.M.H. St. John's Place, Halifax
R.A. 170 All Souls', Masonic Hall, Weymouth
R.A. 271 Lennox, Royal Pavilion, Brighton

Saturday, 2nd July.

Council, Boys' School, F.M.H., 3
2182 Sterndals Beanett, Surrey M.H., Camberwell
1323 Amherst, Amherst Arms Hotel, Riverhead
1567 Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham
1929 Mozart, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon
2148 Walsingham, M.H., Walsingham, Kent
2205 Pegasus, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend, Kent
2323 Bushey Hall, The Hall, Bushey, Herts
2331 Ravenscroft, Red Lion Hotel, High Barnet

INSTRUCTION.

—:—

Saturday, 25th June.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Rd., N., 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8
1283 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 7
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, W.
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

Monday, 27th June.

22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St.,
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon
332 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
518 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8
733 Westbourne, Red House Hotel, St. John's Wood Road, N.W., 8
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7:30
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1349 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6:30
1425 Hyde Park, Prince of Wales's Hotel, corner of Eastbourne Terrace, and Bishop's Rd., W. 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 22 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury,
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7:30
1577 Metropolitan, The Morgate, E.C., 7:30
1535 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney
1698 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walbrook, 7
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2192 Walthamstow, Chequers Hotel, High Street, Walthamstow, 8

Tuesday, 28th June.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
74 Athol, M.H., Severn Street, Birmingham, 6:45
141 Fattic, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.
177 Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
188 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Can'ten Town, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30
753 Prince Fred, William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7:30
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidecup, 7
860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, 7:30
1416 Mount Edgecumbe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30, 8
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6
1549 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Brough High St.
1638 Browning, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N.
1849 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8
2146 Surbiton, 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, Laibroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 29th June.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
39 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30
65 Prosperity, Old Parr's Head, Knightrider St.
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Loadenhall St., 8
228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
533 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
594 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
720 Pamure, Bulham Hotel, Balham, 7
751 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 Toxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30
1475 Peckham, 514 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Horse, Hull
1601 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 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 Creaton, Wheatsheaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Batterssea Park Road, 7:30
2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8
R.A. 177 Domestic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
R.A. 720 Pamure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7
R.A. 933 Doric, 202 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30
M.M. Grand Masters, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.

Thursday, 30th June.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
243 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
749 Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell St., W.C., 8
754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolsley, Rotherhithe New Road
890 Hornsey, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1158 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kenning, 8
1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, S.E. 7
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7:30
1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Rd., 1.
1308 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
1369 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7:30
1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30
1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 11, 8
1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7
1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, 45 Upper Street, N., 8
1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45
1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8
1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
1625 Trodegan, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30
1744 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8
1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7:30
1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Road, Clerkenwell, 9
1993 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton
R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8
R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8

Friday, 1st July.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 8
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park,
507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8
766 William Preston, St. Andrew's Tavern, George Street, Portman Square, 8
780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
1036 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7:30
1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
1293 Royal Standard, Castle, 81 Holloway Rd., N., 8
1365 Clapton, Navarino Tavern, Hackney, 8
1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8
1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex, 7:30
1642 E. Carnarvon, Laibroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8
1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8
R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.
R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8
R.A. 890 Hornsey, Prince of Wales's Hotel, corner of Eastbourne Terrace, and Bishop's Road, W. 8
R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Church Street, Camberwell, 7

Saturday, 2nd July.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N. 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1283 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, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

MASONIC LITERATURE.

Wanted to Purchase.

ODD VOLUMES of the FREEMASONS' MAGAZINE and MASONIC MIRROR. The Volumes for 1863 especially wanted. Address, stating price asked, W., Office of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville, London, N.

FREEMASONS' MAGAZINE AND MASONIC MIRROR.

FOR SALE.—The First Three Volumes of the 4to Series, issued from July 1859 to December 1860. Bound in Cloth. In good condition, with splendid portrait of the Earl of Zetland, M.W.G.M. Price £2 10s. Address M. M., c/o Publisher FREEMASONS' CHRONICLE, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, London N.

THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE,

A Weekly Record of Masonic Intelligence.

Reports of United Grand Lodge are published with the Special Sanction of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales the M.W. the Grand Master of England.

THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE will be forwarded direct from the Office, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville, N., on receipt of Post Office Order for the amount. Intending Subscribers should forward their full Addresses, to prevent mistakes.

Post Office Orders to be made payable to W. W. MORGAN, at Penton Street Office. Cheques crossed "London and County."

The Terms of Subscription (payable in advance) to the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE are—

Twelve Months, post free	...	...	£0 13 6
Six Months ditto	...	...	0 7 0
Three Months ditto	...	...	0 3 6

SCALE OF CHARGES FOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

Per Page	...	...	...	...	£8 8 0
Back Page	...	...	...	...	10 10 0

Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1s per line.

General Advertisements, Trade Announcements, &c., single column, 5s per inch. Double column Advertisements 1s per line. Special terms for a series of insertions on application.

Advertisers will find the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE an exceptionally good medium for Advertisements of every class.

Agents, from whom copies can always be had:—

- Messrs. H. DARBYSHIRE and Co., 9 Red Lion Court, E.C., and 43a Market Street, Manchester.
- Mr. RITCHIE, 7 Red Lion Court, E.C.
- Mr. ROBINSON, Shoe Lane, E.C.
- Messrs. W. H. SMITH and SON, 183 Strand.
- Messrs. SPENCER and Co., 15 Great Queen Street, W.C.



FREEMAN'S ORIGINAL CHLORODYNE.

THIS valuable medicine, discovered and invented by Mr. RICHARD FREEMAN in 1844, introduced into India and Egypt in 1850, and subsequently all over the world, maintains its supremacy as a special and specific Remedy for the Treatment and Cure of Coughs, Colds, Consumption, Cancer, Bronchitis, Asthma, Ague, Sore Throat, Influenza, Neuralgia, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Asiatic Cholera, Colic, Gout, and all Fevers. At 1s 1/2d, 2s 9d, 4s 6d, 11s, and 20s per bottle. Sold by Patent Medicine Dealers in all parts of the world.

N.B.—Lord Chancellor Selborne, Lord Justice James, and Lord Justice Mellish decided in favour of FREEMAN'S ORIGINAL CHLORODYNE, and against Brown and Davenport, compelling them to pay all costs in the suit.—See Times of 24th July 1873.

E A D E'S GOUT & RHEUMATIC PILLS.

The SAFEST and most EFFECTUAL CURE for GOUT, RHEUMATISM, and all PAINS in the HEAD FACE, and LIMBS.

The first two Pills took the pain away.

E A D E'S PILLS. 2 College Park Villas, Kensal Green, London, W. May 1891.

E A D E'S PILLS. Dear Sir,—I feel it my duty to tell you I had Rheumatic Gout twice, and had to stop at home for three weeks. I cannot describe the pain I suffered. I read your advertisement, and looked upon it as all others. A brother gentleman said, "Try them." I did so.

THE FIRST TWO PILLS TOOK THE PAIN AWAY

GOUT. In a few hours, and I was able to resume my work. No one need be frightened to take them. I have recommended them to all whom I have heard complaining of Rheumatism, Gout, Lumbago, Neuralgia, &c. I hope no one will doubt my statement.

RHEUMATISM. Yours sincerely, JAS. PETTELGALL.

GOUT. Mr. G. EADE.

E A D E'S GOUT AND RHEUMATIC PILLS

ARE PREPARED ONLY BY GEORGE EADE, 72 GOSWELL ROAD, LONDON, And sold by all Chemists and Medicine Vendors, IN BOTTLES, at 1s 1/2d and 2s 9d each.

Free by Post, Price One Shilling.

THE REVISED BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS; CRITICALLY CONSIDERED,

AND COMPARED WITH THE OLD EDITION. A SERIES OF ARTICLES, REPRINTED FROM THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

LONDON: W. W. MORGAN & SON, BELVIDERE WORKS, PENTONVILLE.



ARTHUR ALLISON & CO.

INTERNATIONAL INVENTIONS AND MUSIC EXHIBITION, LONDON 1885.

PRIZE MEDAL AWARDED FOR GOOD TONE OF PIANOS.

PIANOFORTE, HARMONIUM, & AMERICAN ORGAN MANUFACTURERS, APOLLO WORKS, LEIGHTON ROAD, LONDON, N.W.



Every Description of Iron Frame Pianos, with Patent Repeater Check Actions, &c.

SCHOOL-ROOM AND ART PIANOS.

SPECIAL PIANOS ALWAYS IN STOCK AS EXPORTED TO OUR AGENTS IN MADRAS, RANGOON, JAPAN, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA, MALTA, TUNIS, &c. &c.

LISTS & ILLUSTRATIONS ON APPLICATION.

FREEMASONRY, &C.

A List of Rare Works offered for Sale by W. W. MORGAN & SON,
"Freemason's Chronicle" Office, Hermes Hill, London, N.

1 Ahiman Rezon. 8vo. Philadelphia, 1825 ...	0 10 6	86 Lenoir. La F.M. rendue à sa véritable origin. 4to. 2 5 0 10 fine plates. Paris 1814. With curious MS. notes separate.	
3 Freemasons' Library and General Ahiman Rezon. 8vo. Baltimore, 1817.	0 16 0	87 Apologie pour l'Ordre. Par M. N. Frontispiece. 0 5 6 18mo. La Haye. 1745.	
4 Constitutions, with Appendix by Moore, and Portrait of Price, first G.M. Impl. 8vo. Boston (U.S.), 1857.	0 5 0	88 Rebold Histoire de la F.M. Paris, 1851 ...	0 9 0
5 Constitutions of Wisconsin. Milwaukee, 1880 ...	0 1 0	89 Louis XVI. détroné. Tableau des causes de la Révolution. 12mo. Paris, 1803.	0 10 6
7 Statuts de l'Ordre Maçon en France. 8vo. Paris, 1806	0 7 6	90 Les plus secrets Mysteres des Hauts Grades. 18mo. Jerusalem, n.d.	0 3 6
8 Statuts et Reglements generaux. 8vo. Paris, 1826	0 7 6	91 Necessaire Maçonnique. 18mo. ...	0 2 0
9 Ditto ditto ditto ditto 1839	0 6 0	93 Recherches sur les Templiers et leurs Croyances. 8vo. Paris, 1835.	0 5 6
12 Constitutions, Grand Mark Lodge. 12mo. London, 1857	0 2 0	94 Histoire de la démission d'un Grand Chancelier, Condamnations, Reflexions, Discours dans un séance extraordinaire, Reponse, &c. Militia Templi. Ordre du Temple, Langue de France. 9 pamphlets of the Paris Templars. 8vo. 1836-7.	0 9 0
13 Statutes. Masonic Knights Templar. 8vo. Plates. London, 1853 and 1846. each	0 2 0	95 Bock. Histoire du Tribunal Secret. 18mo. 1799 ...	0 6 6
16 Masonic Offering to the Duke of Sussex, G.M. 8vo. Two plates. London, 1838.	0 2 6	96 Les Maçons de Cythere. Poème. 18mo. Frontispiece. Paris, 1813.	0 2 6
26 Dallaway, Architecture, with historical account of the Master and Freemasons. Large 8vo. London, 1833.	0 18 0	98 Instructions des Hauts-Grades. 18mo. Paris, 1865	0 3 6
27 O'Brien. The Round Towers of Ireland ...	1 10 0	99 Le véritable Lien des Peuples. 8vo. Paris, 1829 ...	0 4 6
29 Ritual of F.M. Key to Phi Beta Kappa. Kidnapping of Morgan, &c.	0 5 0	100 Michaud. Bibliothèque des Croisades. 4 vols. 8vo. Paris, 1829.	1 1 0
30 Parker. Life's Painter of characters. Dissertation on Masonry. Portrait. 8vo. London, 1789.	0 8 6	101 Clavel. Histoire Pittoresque de la F.M. Impl. 8vo. 25 plates. Half bound, Paris, 1843.	2 15 0
38 Washington and the Principles of Freemasonry. New York, 1852.	0 2 6	102 Vertot. Les Chevaliers de Malte. 18mo. Tours, 1845	0 7 6
40 Hutchinson's Spirit of Masonry. London, 1775; the same, Carlisle, 1795. each	0 10 6	104 Augustin Numa. Ritter des bessern Zeitalters. 18mo. 1797.	0 5 6
41 American Quarterly Review of F.M. 8vo. 1858 and 1859, New York.	0 6 0	105 Der flammende Stern. 2 vols. 18mo. 1779 ...	0 5 0
44 Narrative of Course pursued by the G.L. of New York. 8vo. 1849. Report of Committee of Holland Lodge. 12mo. New York, 1856.	0 2 0	106 Lessing Ernst und Falok. Gespräche für F.M. 2 vols. 18mo. (Vol. II., very scarce). 1778-90. Wolfenbüttel.	0 10 0
46 Barruel. Jacobinism. 4 vols. 8vo. ...	0 18 0	107 Vertheidigung wider öffentliche Verläumdungen auf der Kanzel. 12mo. Frankfurt, 1779.	0 3 6
47 Moore. Masonic Trestle Board. Part 2, Boston, 1850	0 2 0	108 An meine Brüder. 18mo. Breslau, 1779 ...	0 1 6
48 Stone. Masonry and Anti-Masonry. 8vo. Calf. New York, 1832.	1 15 0	109 Starck Zweck des F.M. Ordens. Crypto-Katholicismus, geheime Gesellschaften, &c. 2 vols. 12mo. Frankfurt, 1787.	0 6 0
60 Barruel. Memoires du Jacobinisme. 4 vols. 8vo. Londres, 1798.	0 14 0	110 Recke, Cagliostro's Aufenthalt und magischen Operationen in Mitau.	0 3 0
61 Le Regulateur des Chevalier Maçons (5 manuels for Elu, Ecosais, d'Orient R.C.; published at 15 francs each). 4to.	1 1 0	112 Ganz neue Entdeckungen v. d. F.M. 18mo. Stockholm. 1782.	0 3 6
62 Bazot. Manuel du Franc-Maçon. 12mo. Frontispiece. Paris, 1819.	0 5 0	113 Rede bey einer Versammlung der F.M. May 30, 1772. 4to. Dresden.	0 1 0
63 Levesque. Aperçu des sectes Maçon dans tous les Pays. 8vo. Paris, 1821.	0 12 0	114 Die Jesuiten vertrieben aus der F.M. 2 vols. 12mo. Leipzig, 1788.	0 5 0
64 Abrége de l'histoire de la F.M. 18mo. Londres, 1779	0 10 6	115 Maurerey von einer lichter Seite. 18mo. 1788 ...	0 2 0
65 Les F.M. E'crasés. 18mo. Plates. Amsterdam, 1747	0 10 6	116 Nicolai. Verbindung mit dem Illuminatenorden. 8vo. Berlin, 1788.	0 2 6
66 L'Etoile flamboyante. 2 vols. 24mo. 1785-7 ...	0 7 6	117 Endliches Schicksal des F.M. Ordens. 18mo. Frankfurt, 1794.	0 2 6
67 Recueil precieux de la Maçon. Adonhiramite. Folding Plate. Philadelphia, 1786-7.	0 7 6	118 Nöthiger Anhang. (Sequel to the foregoing). 18mo. 1795.	0 1 6
68 La vraie Maçon. d'Adoption. 18mo. 1787 ...	0 4 0	119 Abhandlung über die allg. Zusammenkunft der F.M. 12mo. Frankfurt, 1784.	0 3 6
69 Mounier. Influence des Philosophes des Franc Maçons, &c., sur la Revolution de France. 12mo. Tübingen, 1801.	0 7 6	120 Probiertstein für ächte F.M., Rosenkrentzer, Jesuiten, Illuminaten und irrende Ritter. 2 vols. in 1. 18mo. Copenhagen, 1786.	0 7 6
70 The Freemason's Chronicle. 1875 to 1891. per vol. Some Odd Volumes offered at 5s each.	0 8 6	121 Etwas über den Hirtenbrief an die F.M. alten systems. 18mo. Leipzig, 1786.	0 2 0
71 Do. A complete set, 34 vols. Offers invited.		122 Nicolai. Versuch über die Beschuldigungen der Tempelherren. Plates. 2 vols. in 1. 12mo. Berlin, 1782.	0 7 6
72 Le Tombeau de Jacques Molai. Frontispiece. Paris, l'an 5.	0 9 0	124 Logen Hierarchie. 18mo. Freiberg, 1819 ...	0 2 0
73 De L'indépendance des Rites Maçon. Paris, 1827 ...	0 2 0	125 Velthusen. Pokeach Iwrim. 18mo. 1804 ...	0 4 0
74 Bedarride. L'Ordre Maçon de Mizraim. 2 vols. 8vo. Paris, 1845.	0 10 0	126 Eckert. Der F.M. Orden in seiner wahren Bedeutung. 12mo. Half-bound. Dresden, 1852.	0 4 0
75 Le Voile levé, le Secret de la Revolution, la F.M. 8vo. Paris, 1792.	0 10 6	128 Notuma. Ueber das Ganze der Maurerey. 18mo. Leipzig, 1788.	0 3 6
76 Considerations Philosophiques sur la F.M. 18mo. Calf. 1776.	0 7 6	130 Dupuis. Origine de tous les Cultes. Abrége. 2 vols. in 1. Calf, lettered. Bruxelles, 1827.	0 12 6
77 Ragon. Orthodoxy Maçon. Maçonnerie Occulte. Initiation Hermétique, &c. 8vo.	0 9 0	131 Etwas zum Nachdenken für M.F. Frontispiece. 18mo. 1783.	0 1 6
79 Des Erreurs et de la Verité. 2 vols. 12mo. Edinburgh, 1782; and Suite des Erreurs et de la Verité. Salomonopolis, 1784.	0 15 0	132 Sammlung der Adon-Hiramitischen Maurerey. 18mo. Leipzig, 1786.	0 3 0
80 Villete. Memoire des Intrigues de la Cour. (The scarcest and most scandalous Tract on the diamond necklace of Marie Antoinette). Half-bound.	1 5 0	134 Simonetti. Sendschreiben an die Loge in Berlin. 12mo. Berlin, 1744.	0 3 9
81 Essai sur la Secte des Illuminés. Half-bound, lettered, fine copy. Paris, 1789.	1 2 0	135 Gürtler. Historia Templariorum. 18mo. Amsterdam, 1703.	0 10 6
82 Bonbée. Etudes sur la F.M. 8vo. Paris, 1854 ...	0 2 6	136 Enthüllung des systems des Weltbürger Republik. 18mo. Rom., 1786.	0 5 0
83 Barbet. Loge Centrale des véritables F.M. 18mo. Paris, 1802.	0 10 0	138 Originalschriften des Illuminatenordens. 18mo. München, 1787.	0 3 6
84 Dubrauil. Histoire des F.M. 2 vols. 18mo. Bruxelles, 1838.	0 5 0		
85 Le Regulateur du Maçon. (3 degrees). 4to. Herdon, 1801. Half-bound, fine copy.	0 12 6		

In ordering from this list it is only necessary to give the number of the work required.

Willing's. NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT OFFICE.

Willing's. ADVERTISEMENTS

INSERTED IN ALL

Willing's. London, Provincial,

Willing's. Colonial & Foreign

Willing's. NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

Exceptional Terms for a Series.

CHIEF OFFICE:

Willing's. 125 Strand, London, W.C.

HOTELS, ETC.

—:—

CARLISLE—Bush Hotel.

EALING—Feathers Hotel.

EASTBOURNE—Pier Hotel, Cavendish Place. View of Sea and Pier. A. TAYLOR Proprietor.

EAST MOLESEY.—Castle Hotel, Hampton Court Station. Specimen Menus, with Tariff, on application. JOHN MAYO Proprietor.

HAVERFORDWEST.—Queen's Family and Commercial Hotel. BEN. M. DAVIES Proprietor.

MILFORD HAVEN.—Lord Nelson Hotel. T. PALMER Proprietor.

RICHMOND—Station Hotel, adjoins the Railway Station. Every accommodation for Large or Small Parties.

SANDWICH—Bell Family and Commercial Hotel. Good Stabling. J. J. FILMER Proprietor.

WEST COWES—Gloicester and Globe Hotels. G. A. MURSELL, Proprietor.

By Her Majesty's Royal Letters Patent.

METROPOLITAN STEAM CARPET BEATING WORKS.

By Patent Machinery.

J. KNIGHT, Proprietor.

These Machines are of the Latest Improvements and are protected by Her Majesty's Royal Letters Patent, and are the only Machines of their class in England.

CARPETS BEATEN for the TRADE. Vans Collect and Deliver Free in London daily.

Works and Office:

MITRE FARM, SCRUBBS LANE, KENSAL GREEN, W.

Price List on Application. Established 1817.

BLAIR'S GOUT AND RHEUMATIC PILLS.

THE GREAT REMEDY FOR GOUT, RHEUMATISM, SCIATICA, LUMBAGO, and NEURALGIA.

These celebrated Pills continue their high reputation in public esteem as one of the greatest discoveries of the present age.

They require no restraint of diet during their use, and are certain to prevent the disease attacking any vital part. Sold by all Chemists at 1s 1½d and 2s 9d per box.

W. EAGLESTONE,

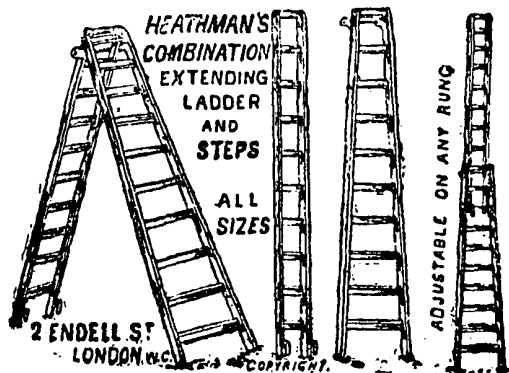
132 GREAT COLLEGE STREET, LONDON, N. W.

SHOP SPRING BLINDS

From £3 0s 0d.

NEW VENETIAN BLINDS, 4d PER FOOT.

Old Venetian Blinds Painted, Taped and Corded, 2½d per foot.



MOST USEFUL FOR SHOPS, HOUSES, GARDENS, &c.

PRICES FREE FROM

HEATHMAN & Co., 2 ENDELL STREET, LONDON, W.C.

INSTALLATION OF H. R. H. THE PRINCE OF WALES As the M. W. G. M. of England, AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL, 28th APRIL 1875.

COPIES of this BEAUTIFUL ENGRAVING by Brother HARTY P. M., consisting of Artist's Proofs, Proofs before Letters, and Lettered Proofs, India Prints, and Plain Prints may be had at Cost Price by applying to **Bro. W. R. NORRIS, 29 Southampton Buildings, W.C., London.**

Crown 8vo, 1s Paper Covers; 1s 6d Cloth Lettered.

GOSSIP ABOUT FREEMASONRY; its History and Traditions. A Paper read by Bro. S. VALLERINE, P. M. and Z. No. 9, to the Brethren of the Albion Lodge of Instruction, 2nd November 1889. Free by post of W. W. MORGAN AND SON, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville.

THE THEATRES, AMUSEMENTS, &c.

COVENT GARDEN.—Every evening, ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA.

DRURY LANE.—This evening, at 7.30, TRISTAN UND ISOLDE.

LYCEUM.—Every evening, except Saturday, at 8, HENRY THE EIGHTH. This day, at 2, HENRY THE EIGHTH.

HAYMARKET.—Every evening, at 8.10, THE WAIF. At 8.45, PERIL. This day (Saturday), at 2.30, PERIL. On Wednesday, at 2, HAMLET.

CRITERION.—Every evening, at 8.15, TWO YOUNG WIVES. At 8.45, THE FRINGE OF SOCIETY.

STRAND.—Every evening, at 8.50, NIOBE. Preceded by, at 8, NO CREDIT. Matinée to-day, at 2.30.

GAIETY.—Every evening, at 8.30, CINDER-ELLEN. Preceded by, at 7.40, QUEER STREET. Matinée to-day, at 2.30.

PRINCE OF WALES.—Every evening, at 9, LA STATUE DU COMMANDEUR. Preceded by a Farce.

TERRY'S.—Every evening, at 8.15, CHALK AND CHEESE. At 9, THE NOBLE ART.

COMEDY.—Every evening, at 8.15, THE GREY MARE. At 10, THE POET AND THE PUPPETS.

GLOBE.—On Monday, SHAKESPEARE.

ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA HOUSE.—SARAH BERNHARDT'S SEASON.

GARRICK.—At 8, MY DAUGHTER. At 8.45, A PAIR OF SPECTACLES.

ST. JAMES'S.—Every evening, at 8.15, MIDSUMMER DAY. At 9, LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN. Afternoon performance, to-day, at 3.0.

LYRIC.—Every evening, at 7.40, THE SENTRY. At 8.20, THE MOUNTBANKS. Matinée to-day, at 2.30.

TOOLES.—At 8.45, WALKER, LONDON. At 8, DAISY'S ESCAPE. Matinée to-day, at 2.

VAUDEVILLE.—Every evening, at 8, SOPHIA.

COURT.—At 8.15, THE NEW SUB. At 9.15, ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN. At 10, A PANTOMIME REHEARSAL.

ROYALTY.—Every evening, at 8, A DRAWING-ROOM CONCERT. At 9, MOSES AND SON.

GRAND.—This evening, at 7.30, THE YOUNG RECRUIT. On Monday, THE FAST MAIL.

SURREY.—This evening, at 7.45, FALLEN AMONG THIEVES.

PAVILION.—This evening, at 7.30, A SAILOR'S KNOT.

STANDARD.—This evening, at 7.40, MAN TO MAN. On Monday, THE FOLLIES OF THE DAY.

PARKURST.—This evening, at 8, THE COLLEEN BAWN.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—To-day, at 3, SATURDAY CONCERT. Every day, BALLET, RED RIDING HOOD. VARIETY ENTERTAINMENTS. ELECTRICAL EXHIBITION. HORSE-TAMING. PANORAMA. Toboggan Slide, Aquarium, Picture Gallery, &c.

OLYMPIA.—Every day, at 12 and 6, VENICE.

INTERNATIONAL HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITION, Earl's Court.—Open daily from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. BUFFALO BILL'S entertainment every day, at 3 and 8.

MOORE AND BURGESS MINSTRELS, St. James's Hall.—Every evening at 8; Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, at 3 and 8.

NIAGARA HALL, Westminster.—EGYPT IN LONDON. Open from 10 to 10.

ALHAMBRA.—Every evening, at 8, Variety Entertainment, Two Grand Ballets, &c.

EMPIRE.—Every evening, at 8, Variety Entertainment, Two Grand Ballets, &c.

ROYAL AQUARIUM.—Open at 12; close at 11.30. Constant round of amusements.

SPIERS AND POND'S
Out-Door Catering Department
 UNDERTAKES **WEDDING BREAKFASTS, BANQUETS, BALL SUPPERS,**
 AT PUBLIC HALLS AND CUSTOMERS' RESIDENCES, also
 RIVER PARTIES WITH ELECTRIC LAUNCHES, DRAGS FOR RACES, AND THE
 HIRE OF MARQUEES, TENTS, TEMPORARY BALL ROOMS, and all PLANT,
 FURNITURE and REQUISITES.
 SPIERS & POND, New Bridge Street, London.

MASONIC MANUFACTORY—JEWELS, CLOTHING, &c.
JOSEPH J. CANEY,
 Manufacturing Goldsmith,
 44 CHEAPSIDE, LONDON, E. C.
 SEND FOR ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE.

H. T. LAMB,
 MANUFACTURER OF
 MASONIC JEWELS, CLOTHING AND REGALIA,
 5 ST. JOHN SQUARE, LONDON.

PRICE LIST, CONTAINING 120 ILLUSTRATIONS, POST FREE ON APPLICATION.

W. W. MORGAN & SON,
 Letter-Press, Copper-Plate & Lithographic
 PRINTERS,
 BELVIDERE WORKS, HERMES HILL,
 PENTONVILLE, N.

LODGE SUMMONSES, MENU CARDS, &c.
 Artistically Executed.

Sketches or Designs for Special Purposes Furnished on Application.

Books, Periodicals, Pamphlets, Catalogues, Posters, Billheads,
 Show Cards, &c.

Every Description of Printing (Plain or Ornamental) executed
 in First Class Style.

ESTIMATES SUPPLIED.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY,
 Limited, St. Swithin's House, 10 St. Swithin's
 Lane, E. C.
 General accidents. | Personal injuries.
 Railway accidents. | Death by accident.
 C. HARDING, Manager.

ESTABLISHED 1851.
BIRKBECK BANK,
 Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane.
 THREE per CENT. INTEREST allowed on
 DEPOSITS, repayable on demand.
 TWO per CENT. on CURRENT ACCOUNTS,
 calculated on minimum monthly balances, when not
 drawn below £100.
 STOCKS, SHARES, and ANNUITIES purchased
 and sold.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.
 For the encouragement of Thrift the Bank receives
 small sums on deposit, and allows Interest, at the
 rate of THREE PER CENT. per annum, on each
 completed £1.

FRANCIS RAVENSCROFT, Manager.

HOW TO PURCHASE A HOUSE FOR
 TWO GUINEAS PER MONTH, OR A PLOT
 OF LAND FOR FIVE SHILLINGS PER MONTH.
 The BIRKBECK ALMANACK, with full parti-
 culars, post free, on application.
 FRANCIS RAVENSCROFT, Manager.

PORTSMOUTH TIMES AND NAVAL GAZETTE.
Hampshire, I. of Wight and Sussex County Journal.
 Conservative organ for the district. Largest and
 most influential circulation.
 The Naval Paper of the Principal Naval Arsenals.
 See "May's British and Irish Press Guide."
 Tuesday Evening, One Penny, Saturday Twopence.
 Chief Offices:—151 Queen Street, Portsea.
 Bro. R. HOLBROOK & SONS, Proprietors.
 Branch Offices at Chichester and Gosport. Agencies
 in all the principal towns in the district.

W. & J. BALLS,
BOOKBINDERS,
 IN ALL BRANCHES.
 Metropolitan Bookbinding Works,
 362 GRAY'S INN ROAD, KING'S CROSS.
BOOKS BOUND TO ANY PATTERN.
 Old Bindings & Libraries Repaired & Decorated.

"WORTH A GUINEA A BOX."

BEECHAM'S PILLS.

LARGEST SALE IN THE WORLD.

A WONDERFUL MEDICINE for all Bilious & Nervous Disorders, such as
 Sick Headache, Constipation, Weak Stomach, Impaired Digestion, Disordered Liver,
 and Female Ailments.

Prepared only and Sold Wholesale by the Proprietor, **THOMAS BEECHAM, St. Helens, Lancashire.**

Sold by all Druggists and Patent Medicine Dealers everywhere, in Boxes, 9½d, 1s 1½d, & 2s 9d each. Full directions with each box.

BEECHAM'S TOOTH PASTE.

Will recommend itself; it is efficacious, economical, cleanses the teeth, perfumes the breath, removes tartar, and prevents decay. It is composed of the best-known ingredients for neutralising the acids of the mouth, preventing all deleterious deposits upon the teeth (which cause them to decay and become loose), and the CURE of spongy or unhealthy gums, and is a pleasant and reliable dentifrice. The loss of the Teeth is soon followed by ill-health. BEECHAM'S TOOTH PASTE is put up in collapsible tubes, perfectly air-tight, and so adjustable that no waste need occur; the packages are pretty for the toilet table, and most convenient for the travelling bag. They are sold everywhere for ONE SHILLING each.