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THE CUSTODY OF LODGE FUNDS.

THE proposal of our correspondent last week, that Grand Lodge should undertake the custody of Lodge Funds, with a view of making a profit out of the standing balances, must, we fear, be dismissed from the programme of future possibilities, not because of its impracticability, but because it is so very unlikely Grand Lodge would move in the matter; there are some who would consider such a course undignified, others who would object to it as tending to create a supervision over Lodge finances, and others who would uphold "principle," and strenuously oppose what would seem to them a most radical innovation. For our part we think the subject is surrounded rather by sentimental obstacles, than anything which should really stand in the way of some such scheme as set out by our correspondent, but that does not make it any more likely that Grand Lodge will entertain the proposal, or that the representatives of the Craft would support it if it were regularly brought forward.

But the same objections do not seem to exist when we turn to our correspondent's alternative scheme—that the three Institutions should take up the matter, and, by united effort, seek to profit by assuming the custody of Lodge surpluses. There are so many influential brethren showing an active interest in our three Institutions that it seems to us some thousands of pounds would be deposited immediately arrangements for their reception were completed, and there are many prominent workers in the good cause who would be ready to assist in supervising and managing the Fund, in such a way as to ensure the largest amount of profit for it, and the smallest outlay for working expenses. It is too early yet to discuss the arrangements that would be necessary to conduct the affairs of the fund, they could well be left for settlement by the brethren who took the lead in its inauguration, but it is none too early to endorse the opinion of our correspondent, that something might be done in the direction he points out. The movement must necessarily be a voluntary one, and the first step would seem to be for any brethren in favour of the scheme to show their approval by promising their co-operation. By this means, as we have said, we should expect an immediate promise of some thousands of pounds of deposits, and the bulk of the amount could be permanently invested, as future receipts would be ample to meet the likely outgoings.

If Grand Lodge moved in the matter Private Lodges would probably regard support of the Fund as compulsory, which is by no means desirable, and would most likely defeat the very end it proposed to serve, but with the Institutions of the Craft at the head of affairs the same objection would not exist—there would be no compulsion, but in time we should expect the majority of our Lodges to fall in with the

idea, and lend their support to the scheme, in which case the estimate of our correspondent as to the floating balance in hand would probably be below, rather than over the mark. In any case, to discuss the scheme will cost nothing, to carry it through might result in a handsome profit for our Charity Funds, and such being the case we have no hesitation in putting it thus prominently before our readers, although, at the same time, we acknowledge, as the author of the scheme, our correspondent of last week.

MASONIC PUBLICATIONS.

A MASONIC magazine, properly conducted, is a fountain of instruction. It enlightens the brethren on points which it is impossible to obtain at Lodge meetings, which present no time for such discussions. But it is singular that Massachusetts, proverbial for teaching pure Masonry, should take so little interest in the support of Masonic publications. If Masonic principles are anything, and if Masonic teachings are valuable, then it is our duty to help disseminate them. The duties of Masons to the brotherhood, their duties as citizens, their domestic duties, in their family, cannot always be a subject for the Lodge, the time is taken up by work and other business, and there is seldom any time to lecture upon the duties of the brethren, and often the Master is incompetent, if he had the time. It is, therefore, of great importance that we should seek the desired information from the true fountain, which is a well-conducted magazine; and the brethren should see that such a publication is well supported by bestowing their mite towards it. Masonry, properly understood, embraces a system of duties and obligations which are indispensable for the rule and guide of our lives as good men and citizens.

But we are too apt to be satisfied with performing our duties to our brethren in the Lodge without carrying out its principles into our every day life, which it is equally incumbent upon us to do. These instructions can be disseminated by a properly conducted magazine, which should be appreciated and patronised by the brethren who have any interest in spreading the knowledge of our Craft, not only among the brethren, but among those who are ignorant of its motives and teachings, and who view it as merely an association for the benefit only of those who belong to it, and are entirely ignorant that its teachings are brotherly love and charity to all, whether connected with the institution or not. In this as well as in other respects, it is incumbent upon all who take any interest in the Order, and are earnestly seeking for more light, to patronise a well conducted Masonic magazine. It gives information to all upon what our institution is founded. If brethren would act on these suggestions much valuable information would be obtained. The Grand Master is often applied to, to settle questions of which those who make the inquiries could readily inform themselves if they subscribed for a Masonic magazine. And, then, it is not every Grand Master who is himself posted in these matters to be able to give a decisive answer.

It is expected of Freemasons that they should live up to

their solemn covenant in all their private and social relations, and if we would continue our institution to posterity, and preserve it in its original aim and purposes, its members must live up to its highest teachings, and cause the light of their example to shine forth, and convince the world of its beneficent and divine principles. Now, a publication which labours for the dissemination of Masonic principles, and the denunciation of all that tends to make Masonry appear in a false garb, should be supported by the Fraternity. Our Masonic magazines are channels through which the brethren are admonished of their duties and reminded of their obligations, and the public are informed on some points concerning the order on which they seem to be in perfect ignorance. For instance: they state that we are tempted to do wrong in the interest of a brother, because of our obligations, which impose the duty of mutual assistance. On the contrary, every Mason knows that no obligation he has taken requires him to do wrong in behalf of a brother. All the teachings of our Order are opposed to any such idea; he may be called upon, under certain circumstances, to risk his own life for the protection of a brother, but he is not obliged to sacrifice his honour, or commit a breach of trust in order to protect a brother. No Masonic obligation justifies a wrong act, even in behalf of a brother. To do right, at all times, and under all circumstances, is the maxim of Freemasonry. The brother who appeals to another to do wrong in his behalf is guilty of un-Masonic conduct in making the request, and not only justifies a prompt refusal, but also the suspicion that he is unworthy of confidence.

Through our Masonic magazines the public are enlightened in regard to what is required of those belonging to the Order, if they really wish to be, but there are those whose stubbornness will not allow them to be enlightened, and will denounce the Order if one of its members proves that his bad heart has been too powerful against the good influences by which he had been surrounded. But they have not a word to say against religion because one who professes it has turned out to be a scoundrel. Is it too much to ask for Freemasonry the same consideration? The small band of twelve whom the Great Teacher gathered around Him had one among them whose sordid nature was not influenced by these benign teachings. We cannot claim for Freemasonry, moral as are its teachings, a higher power over the human heart than these lessons of our Great Teacher possessed.

I have heard it remarked more than once, that if a Mason was arraigned for any crime it would be impossible to convict him if the judge was a Mason, or if there was a Mason on the jury. Now, every Mason knows that this is the very opposite of what would occur, for the brother is obligated to obey the laws of his country, and if he transgresses, he has forfeited the obligations of his brethren to him, as well as his own to the Fraternity, and the Masonic brother, whether upon the bench or on the jury, would be the first to convict him, as he has not only forfeited his obligation as a citizen, but also his obligation to the Fraternity, by this disobedience to the laws under which he lives, and those who make such assertions should know more about the Order before they make them.

Now a Masonic periodical is the right channel through which they may gain a better knowledge of the Institution, and the members be more constantly reminded of their duties, and every brother is in duty bound to support such a publication by his subscription. The publisher works hard to disseminate the beautiful teachings of our Order, and we are bound to "help, aid, and assist" a worthy brother. Therefore, I say to my brethren who profess to be interested in the Order, patronise some Masonic magazine.—*Masonic Review*.

THE COHESIVENESS OF FREEMASONRY.

THE widespread influence of Freemasonry has for a long time been the wonder of all people. Those who are comparatively ignorant of its real intent, or the doctrines it inculcates, look upon it as an Institution of almost unlimited power and extent. They venerate it without knowing why, except a vague sense of respect for its reputed antiquity, and a feeling of indefinable awe for

apparent mystery that surrounds its history. That it is the most powerful of human societies is acknowledged on all sides. That it has the loyal support of its members in all countries is well known within its precincts. There must be some reason for this universal respect, this world-wide influence and this firm adherence to its principles, aside from its mere antiquity and its mysterious history.

There is a cohesiveness in Freemasonry that is found nowhere else, and the question is pertinent, Why is it? In the church there are storms and schisms; divisions and strife. Brother is arrayed against brother, and where should be found a spirit of forbearance and brotherly love, is the bitterest hatred. The fierce fires of hell are not hotter than the fire of religious persecution. Among those who only a short while ago there seemed to be the sweetest harmony, there now exists an antagonism that threatens the peace of the whole religious world. The spirit of determined opposition to fancied heresy in some marked and prominent leaders of Christian thought, has brought out the very worst weaknesses of the human heart. In their zeal to "defend the faith," to "maintain the dignity of the church," they resort to the basest means known in the world, and the hard feelings engendered makes those who were fast friends the bitterest foes, and scenes of disgraceful riot are not infrequent.

Rivers of human blood have been spilled in religious warfare, and the very worst impulses of the human heart have been aroused. The knife of the assassin has been used as a defence of pretended Christian belief. The creed! the creed! has been the cry, and any who dared oppose the dictum of the church, whether it was in harmony with the convictions of conscience or not, suffered the rack or the thumbscrew or the faggot.

In the State the same spirit of strife and contest is seen. Parties war with each other, and those of a man's own household are often found arrayed against him. If that difference in opinion were confined to mere matters of conviction, and were not allowed to change a man's very nature, and cause him to raise his hand against his best friend, and even in fratricidal strife to curse his nearest kin, it would not be so dreadful in its consequences.

In society, jealousies and ambitions cause the widest preparations. Pride, with its haughty dangers, estranges those who should be in closest friendship. There are "castes" and "sets" so seclusive and exclusive that hearts are made to bleed from the slights and neglects that are daily heaped upon them. There is no protection in society. A shrug of the shoulder, a knowing wink, or an innuendo soon takes shape in a rumour that grows with every repetition until the purest angel from heaven would be made to appear blacker than the demons of hell. Society destroys friendships. Pride tramples upon the heartstrings and causes distress where there should be peace and joy.

There are many elements in Freemasonry that bind together its members. Underlying them all is the greatest of all doctrines of church or school—the fatherhood of God. Masonry teaches in terms so plain that the humblest may understand, that there is one God, the maker and preserver of all things. To Him, the Wisdom, Strength and Beauty of the universe, all should pay homage, from the king upon his ivory throne to the peasant in the hovel. Masonry does not tell a man that he must worship God according to any particular creed, it does not attempt to define the doctrine of regeneration or election. It leaves all such questions to the man's own decision, after exercising his reason and enlightening his conscience by study. It simply teaches that man has one Father, to whom he owes his heart's best devotion.

Allied closely, indeed, inseparably connected with the doctrine of the fatherhood of God, is that broad fundamental principle of Freemasonry, the brotherhood of man. Every man is a brother to every other man. These two doctrines are, perhaps, the strongest elements of cohesiveness in the institution. All men are equal in the eyes of God. All men are equal in Masonry. Not in the sense of social or intellectual attainment, but in being the creatures of one Supreme Being. Therefore in the Lodge-room all ranks are levelled, all distinctions are done away with, and the prince and peasant, the rich man and the poor, the learned and the unlearned meet upon one common level, and strike hands as brothers. There is a golden chain of sincere affection that binds heart to heart in the mystic circle. Political strife finds no place in the Lodge-room. Religious creeds and theological dogmas are unheard of there. On the same tessellated floor meet the Christian

from his church, the Mohammedan from his mosque, and the Jew from his synagogue. Outside their religious beliefs keep them wide apart, and each goes in divergent ways, but in the Lodge-room there is a common altar erected to the one All-Father, to which all can come and about which all may gather as brothers. This is a strong element of cohesiveness.

We are bound together in ceremonies that teach principles that appeal to the heart of every man, of whatever nation or creed. Virtue and the virtuous are what we seek. Here Truth, Honesty, Temperance, Brotherly Love, Charity, Fortitude, and every good doctrine is inculcated. These principles, so ennobling to the human heart, are the "hooks of steel" that binds us together in a band that circles the globe; and as long as the God of Truth smiles upon our labours, the beneficent influence of this Fraternity must spread, and its beauty and cohesiveness becomes more and more apparent.

We learn in the Lodge-room that the Creator has implanted in man a part that will survive the grave, and never die. In our ceremonies we are taught, "how frail is man," how soon does the body waste away; but born out of this human chrysalis is the undying spirit, that immortal part that came from the lips of God himself, when he breathed into man the breath of life, and he became a living soul. There is a wonderful cohesiveness in the doctrine of immortality. We cannot look upon our fellow man and realise that he too possesses an immortal spirit, that must return to God who gave it, without being drawn indistinctively toward him as our equal in eternal existence. Side by side we must go through the undying cycles of eternity. Its vastness bewilders thought, but it binds together the whole race of mankind under the Fatherhood of God, and elevates the great binding doctrines of our Fraternity.—*The Dispatch*.

Obituary.

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BRO. G. GUNSON.

THE funeral of the late Bro. George Moore Gunson, whose death occurred with appalling suddenness on Saturday morning, the 23rd ult., took place on Tuesday afternoon, the 26th ult. The relatives intended the obsequies to be of a private nature, but the brethren of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge, No. 110, with whom the deceased was formerly in association, quietly repaired to the Masonic Hall, Merthyr, at half-past one, and then walked up the Courtland Terrace to head the cortege, and they were immediately followed by a company of deceased's fellow members of the Merthyr Chamber of Trade, who had previously assembled at the Bush Hotel. Hence the cortege assumed an imposing appearance. The interment was at Cefn Cemetery, and the burial service was conducted with deep impressiveness by the Rev. J. G. James, who, in his address at the mortuary chapel, touched upon the solemn lesson of the call which had taken the deceased from their midst, and recalled in a consolatory manner several of the appreciatory traits which distinguished the character of the deceased. At the close of the service at the grave side, a short Masonic address was given by Bro. E. B. Nash W.M. of the Loyal Cambrian Lodge.

BRO. WILLIAM THOMPSON.

We have to announce the death of an honoured member of the Craft, who will be much missed as a befriender of the Masonic orphans, namely Bro. William Thompson, of Rathmines. His illness was of short duration, he being in his usual health until quite recently, but he passed away on the 27th ult., at the advanced age of 89. Bro. Thompson was a member for over fifty years of the Harold's Cross congregation, and during his long connection with that Church he subscribed liberally to its various funds. Bro. Thompson was for many years a retired member of the staff of the Bank of Ireland, and his former colleagues and friends belonging to that establishment will greatly regret his disappearance.

BRO. C. MILSOM.

THE funeral of Bro. C. Milsom took place, on the 27th ult., at Bathwick Cemetery, the body being brought into the city, from Cladown, in an open hearse. The first portion of the service was sung at St. Mary's Church, the service being full choral. Prebendary Tagwell, the rector, officiated. At the graveside several brethren of the Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 53, to which the deceased belonged, and fellow citizens assembled. The coffin was of mediæval make, with a brass cross stretching the entire length of the lid. Many beautiful wreaths were placed on the coffin, including one from the employés of Messrs. Milsom and Son, who were present at the ceremony.

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.

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CUSTODIANS OF LODGE FUNDS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—“ON THE ROAD” writes in yours of the 30th ultimo, “you and your correspondent state that one of the reasons against independent banking accounts is their expense—they cost a Lodge money, instead of earning some for it, no matter how small the amount.” With all respect to him I have said nothing of the kind. The only “independent banking account” in which I am now interested as Treasurer I opened in 1888, and since that date there has been credited to it, by the bank, sums amounting in all to £2 10s 6d for interest on half-yearly balances. So that, in my case, the “independent banking account” does not “cost a Lodge money,” but “earns some for it.” To make myself quite clear, there is no charge whatever for keeping it made by the bank.

Yours fraternally,

P.A.G.D.C.

The Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Cornwall is to assemble at the Masonic Hall, Public Rooms, Truro, on Tuesday next, 9th August, at 2 p.m., under the wing of the Fortitude Lodge, No. 78, of that city. Sir Charles B. Graves Sawle, Bart., is the Provincial Grand Master, and Bro. Thomas Chirgwin, J.P., Deputy Provincial Grand Master. The Mark degree has flourished in Cornwall for about 27 years, and was never more popular than now, the Province being well managed, with a popular ruler and a most courteous Provincial Grand Secretary.

The Candour Lodge, Uppermill, held their annual pic-nic on Monday, the 18th ult., to Ripon, and were favoured with beautiful weather. The company of about 60, who left Saddleworth by the 9.30 train in two saloon carriages, had a most pleasant time of it. On arriving at Ripon, lunch was partaken of at the Unicorn Hotel, and after the Cathedral had been visited the company drove in carriages to Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal, returning to the Unicorn at 6.30, when a sumptuous dinner was served. The party left for Saddleworth, arriving by the last train.

On Monday, the 18th ultimo, about twenty members of the Ellington Lodge, No. 1566, indulged in a river trip. A start was made from the Riviera Hotel at eleven o'clock, in Messrs Meakes and Redknapp's Austral. The trip to Henley Bridge was most enjoyable, but the return journey was rendered unpleasant owing to a continual downpour of rain. The party returned to the Riviera at 6.45, and at seven o'clock sat down to a capital dinner provided by Mr. Lion, the W.M. (Bro. J. Clifton Davy) presiding.

I venture to say the Freemasons of Middlesex will have received with much pleasure the announcement that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of the Order, has appointed Lord George Hamilton, M.P., as Provincial Grand Master in succession to the late Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart. The appointment must be the more welcome as his lordship has resided long in the County, and comes of a thoroughly Masonic family. His father, the late Duke of Abercorn, was Grand Master of Ireland from 1874 until his death, when the present Duke succeeded him. Other members of the Hamilton family are distinguished members of the Craft, Lord George himself being a Past Senior Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of Freemasons, and a generous supporter of the noble charities connected with the Order. Doubtless, the large and influential Province, inaugurated and so successfully ruled by its last honoured chief, will, under its new master, continue its important Masonic work.—*West Middlesex Standard*.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.—Never magnify a Brother's faults.

Make the world better because you are in it.

Paying dues is not your whole duty as a Mason.

If you take no interest in your Lodge, your Lodge is liable to lose interest in you.

Give a sick Brother the same attention that you would wish to receive if in his place.

If it is worth while to be a Mason it is worth while to live up to your obligations.—*Keystone*.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Indigestion, Stomach and Liver Complaints.—Persons suffering from any derangements of the liver, stomach, or the organs of digestion should have recourse to Holloway's Pills, as there is no medicine known that acts on these particular complaints with such certain success. Its peculiar properties strengthen the stomach, increase the appetite and rouse the sluggish liver. For bowel complaints it is invaluable, as it moves every primary derangement, thereby restoring the patient to the soundest health and strength. These preparations may be used at all times and in all climates by persons affected by biliousness, nausea, or disordered liver; for flatulency and heartburn they are specifics. Indeed, no ailment of the digestive organs can long resist their purifying and corrective powers.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

ON the 27th ult., the Provincial Grand Lodge and General Communication of Masons of the Province of the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire was held, on the invitation of the North York Lodge, No. 602, in the Town Hall, Middlesbrough, and was attended with great success. Every possible preparation had been made by the brethren of the North York Lodge to secure the comfort and convenience of the visiting brethren, and the Town Hall in which the Provincial Grand Lodge was held was well adapted for the purpose, there being plenty of room. The large hall in which the Lodge was held was splendidly decorated for the occasion with palms, evergreens, and flowers, while national and other flags and floral emblems were neatly interspersed over the hall. Prior to the Lodge the Board of Benevolence met in the ante-room at the east-end, and voted £95 for the relief of aged and distressed Masons of the Province. There was a very large gathering of brethren, all the Lodges in the Province being well represented. The brethren having donned Masonic clothing and signed their names were directed to their seats by the Stewards in the Lodge-room, where they awaited the approach of the Provincial Grand Officers. Owing to Viceregal duties in Ireland, his Excellency the Earl of Zetland, G.M. of the M.I. Order of St. Patrick and Provincial Grand Master, was unable to be present, but the business of the Lodge was ably conducted by Lieut.-Col. the Hon. W. Orde-Powlett P.G.W. of England and Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

On the approach of the acting Prov. Grand Master, the brethren rose and remained standing until the Provincial G. Lodge was opened, when they greeted the acting Prov. Grand Master and his Deputy with grand honours. On the motion of Bro. J. W. Woodall, the minutes of the last Grand Lodge, held at Thirsk, and of the special Provincial Grand Lodge were unanimously confirmed.

The accounts of the Prov. Grand Lodge for the past year were read, and showed a goodly balance in hand. They were unanimously adopted, on the motion of Bro. Woodall.

The result of the Board of Benevolence meeting was read by Bro. Peck, as was a statement showing the condition of the Board of Education fund, which was read by Bro. W. Reynolds, the Provincial Grand Treasurer. Bro. Woodall moved that the report be received and adopted. They had all heard that their funds were in a fairly prosperous and profitable condition, and he was glad to think that their income from the charity fund was sufficient from the subscriptions of the various Lodges without any special appeal being made to them. At the same time he pointed out that this good work was particularly worthy of their support, and he trusted that many who knew the great advantages of a good education would see that the work which was going on was one which they could conscientiously place before their brethren.

Brother Todd, seconded the adoption of the report, and congratulated the members of the Lodge upon its satisfactory nature. There was also cause for congratulation on the fact that the subscriptions had come in so well from the different Lodges.

The report was put and carried unanimously.

Bro. W. H. Cowper then presented the report of the Charities and alluded to the fact that during the past year their Province had been successful in getting two boys admitted into their Masonic School. He had had to borrow a large number of votes to carry the election, but he hoped at the end of the present year to be able to repay them. He referred to the fact that the Province had given £696 9s 10d in contributions to the Charity Schools. He moved the adoption of the report, which Bro. Falkinbridge seconded, and it was carried.

Bro. Todd moved the re-election of Bro. Walter Reynolds as Provincial Grand Treasurer. Bro. W. H. Cowper seconded, and it was carried.

On the motion of Bro. Geo. J. Robinson, seconded by Bro. Beavers, Bros. Woodall and Tessyman were re-elected the representatives of the Provincial Grand Lodge; while, on the motion of Bro. Foley, Brothers Fullerton and Whiteside were re-elected auditors. Brothers Woodall, Whitehead, Watson, Sykes, Rymer, and Tozes were then re-elected a Committee of General Purposes.

Bro. McLeod, from the Royal Masonic Institution for

Boys, addressed the brethren, and pointed out that during the past two years the generosity of the Craft had been exemplified in a most remarkable way, and he hoped that increased support would be given to the School to enable the children of Freemasons to receive a good education.

The reports were then handed in from the various Lodges in the Province, and showed that Freemasonry was largely on the increase in the North and East Ridings.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master appointed and invested the Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year, as follows:—

Bro. Henry B. Anderson 630 ...	...	Senior Warden
J. A. Manners 602 ...	...	Junior Warden
Rev. J. E. Torbett, M.A., 123 ...	...	} Chaplains
Edward Bulmer, M.A., 2328 ...	...	
Walter Reynolds 250 ...	...	Treasurer
Robert W. White 312 ...	...	Registrar
M. C. Peck ...	...	Secretary
James Matthews 57 ...	...	} Senior Deacons
Eden H. Gawne 200 ...	...	
Dr. Henry Longford, M.D., 1416 ...	...	} Junior Deacons
George Lamb 1611 ...	...	
T. R. Dent 1244 ...	...	Superintendent of Works
W. S. Robson 643 ...	...	Director of Ceremonies
J. H. Kearsley 843 ...	...	Dep. Dir. of Ceremonies
R. Clarkson 561 ...	...	Assistant Dir. of Cers.
T. A. Haigh 1511 ...	...	Sword Bearer
J. Metcalf 123 ...	...	} Standard Bearers
Moulning Walmsley 1337 ...	...	
Theo. H. Ward 1848 ...	...	Organist
T. B. Rodfearn 2134 ...	...	Assistant Secretary
R. Hamper 1760 ...	...	Pursuivant
H. F. Adamson 1618 ...	...	Assist. Pursuivant
Fred. J. Lambert 1010 ...	...	Tyler

Bro. Todd said that the late Bro. Holland, who was Prov. Grand Treasurer of the Lodge, had left the old Treasurer's book with the York Lodge, and they had passed a resolution that it should be handed over to the Provincial Grand Lodge, to whom it belonged. The W.M. of the York Lodge said he intended to have handed the book over, but he had come and forgotten it, but would do so at an early date.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master said he only wished the Provincial Grand Master had been present to have seen the hearty welcome the Provincial Grand Lodge had received from the brethren of the North York Lodge, Middlesbrough. He read both a letter and a telegram from his Excellency the Earl of Zetland, expressive of the regret that nobleman felt at being unable to be present. He (the Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett) believed that since Lord Zetland had been in Ireland that occasion was the first time he had been unable to be present with them and preside over their meetings. Since the Provincial Grand Lodge had visited Middlesbrough, nine years ago, he noticed that Freemasonry had steadily increased until now they had three flourishing Lodges in the Borough. He then feelingly alluded to the death of H.R.H. Bro. the Duke of Clarence, and to the decease of Bros. W. J. Taylor, A. T. Rogers, and other prominent Freemasons, after which he said that although they had had no festival this year, yet he was pleased to see that their charities had been well supported. In conclusion he said that invitations had been received from the Old Globe, Scarborough, the Constitutional Lodge, Beverley, and the St. Germaine Lodge, for the next Provincial Lodge meeting to be held. He would take the earliest opportunity of handing them over to Lord Zetland, who would decide where it was to be held. He thanked the brethren for having listened to him, and also the North York Lodge for the magnificent arrangements they had made.

A vote of congratulation having been passed to the Earl of Zetland on the marriage of his daughter, Lady Hilda Dundas, to Lord Southampton, the vote was, on the motion of Bro. Woodall, ordered to be illuminated.

The hymn "Hail Masonry Divine" was sung, Bro. Shepherd singing the solo in splendid style, after which the Lodge was closed in due form and with solemn prayer.

A banquet was held in the Crypt beneath the Town Hall, which was attended by over 120 of the brethren. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master presided, and gave the toast of the Queen and the Craft. A special setting of the National Anthem by Bro. Peck was sung, Bro. Lansdale singing the solo. The Chairman then gave the Prince of Wales Most Worshipful Grand Master, which was loyally honoured, and a new ode, "God bless our future Monarch," was heartily sung. The other toasts were the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom, the Right Hon. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, and His

Excellency the Earl of Zetland. Bro. W. J. Watson submitted the health of the Hon. W. S. Orde-Powlett Deputy Provincial Grand Master, which was given with cheers. Colonel Sadler submitted the newly appointed Officers, and Bro. Theo. Ward and others responded. Bro. W. H. Cowper gave the Masonic Charities, and Bro. McLeod replied. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master proposed the W.M. of the North York Lodge, and paid a high compliment to Bro. W. J. Watson P.M. for the excellent arrangements. Bro. W. J. Bruce W.M. replied. After Bro. Woodall had proposed the Visiting Brethren, to which Bro. McLeod responded, the proceedings, which were enlivened with capital songs and music, terminated.

PROV. GRAND LODGE OF MONMOUTH.

A LARGE gathering of Freemasons assembled, on the 28th ult., at the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Monmouth, which was held in the afternoon at the Masonic Hall, Newport, under the banner of the Albert Edward Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 1429. The proceedings excited more than ordinary interest, inasmuch as advantage was taken of the meeting to present to the Provincial Grand Master and Deputy Provincial Grand Master addresses, and also to each of them a handsome table ornament, consisting of a silver centrepiece, in commemoration of their twenty-one years' rule over the Province.

Provincial Grand Lodge was opened by the Provincial Grand Master, who was supported by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge.

Excuses for the absence of members having been read, a roll call of the Lodges took place, after which the Provincial Grand Registrar presented the returns of each Lodge, showing a total of 582 members, of whom 61 were new members. The Provincial Grand Treasurer presented the annual report, which showed a balance to the credit of £201.

The charity report was presented by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, who announced that Edith M. Morgan was elected to the Girls' School from Philanthropic Lodge, No. 818, at a cost of 3,189 votes, and that a brother of the Loyal Monmouth Lodge had been elected to the Benevolent Fund by 3,395 votes. These successes could not have been obtained without the aid of the Western Provinces Charity Association, of which he (the Deputy Provincial Grand Master) continued to act as Chairman, but it had entailed a heavy debt on the Province—3,353 votes—and an appeal was made to the brethren to repay this by subscribing liberally, so as to increase the voting power. Thanks were given to the brethren of the four Lodges who acted as Stewards, in conjunction with Brother Wm. Pickford Provincial Grand Treasurer, for the sum of £256 collected for the Girls' School Festival in May 1891. It was suggested that a Steward should be appointed from the Province for the Benevolent Festival in February next, and that the sum of 30 guineas should be voted towards the same. The report was adopted.

Bro. Colonel Perkins, on behalf of the brethren of the Province, then presented the addresses to the P.G.M. and D.P.G.M. In so doing, he dwelt on the great progress that had been made by the Province of Monmouth during the time that those brethren had ruled over it. Twenty-one years ago, he said, the Province was small in numbers, and was comparatively unknown, but, under the benign rule of Colonel Lyne and his Deputy, it had increased numerically and influentially by leaps and bounds, and now no Province was better known for the excellence of its work, for its harmonious proceeding, and for its Masonic charity than that of Monmouth.

Bro. William Watkins P.G.S.W., honorary Secretary of the Testimonial Committee, then read the address. That to Colonel Lyne was as follows:—

To the Right Worshipful Brother Colonel CHARLES LYNE, D.L., J.P.,
Provincial Grand Master, 28th July 1892.

We, the Members of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and Brethren of the Province, congratulate you on having attained the twenty-first year of your rule over this Province. We are proud of being governed by a chief who has done so much honour to Freemasonry, and who so well knows what Freemasonry means. It is impossible to over-estimate the esteem and regard entertained for you, and it is most gratifying indeed to us to have the privilege of assembling this day to offer you some tangible proof of the respect we have for one who has endeared himself not only by his Masonic virtues, but as a dear friend,

a good neighbour, a devoted public man, and an officer in Her Majesty's service.

May it please the Great Architect of the Universe to spare you for many years, to continue to be a shining light in Freemasonry, ruling over this Province with the same zeal and assiduity you have shown for the last twenty-one years, and when summoned from your labours here, may you be found worthy to receive the reward promised to those who will work diligently in His Holy Temple. So mote it be.

Signed on behalf of this Provincial Grand Lodge, and the Brethren of the ten Lodges of the Province:—William Pickford Past G. Std. Br. England, W. W. Morgan, J.P., P.P.G.S. Wardens; Alfred Taylor P.M. 1429 Prov. Grand Secretary; J. F. Tye W.M., R. Gooding Secretary, Loyal Monmouth, No. 457; John H. Dunn W.M., R. B. Evans Secretary, Silurian, No. 471; T. P. Garrett W.M., H. George Thomas Secretary, Isca, No. 683; Elmes Y. Steele W.M., Arthur Davenport, Philanthropic, No. 818; Ben. Phillips W.M., D. L. Davies Secretary, St. George's, No. 1098; Harry D. Griffiths W.M., Hartley Feather Secretary, Kennard, No. 1258; George Hazell W.M., J. C. Brook P.M. Secretary, Albert Edward Prince of Wales, No. 1429; G. W. Stoker W.M., Edward Lewis Secretary, Homfray, No. 1562; J. A. Miller W.M., Samuel Robert Hay Secretary, Striguil, No. 2816; W. Lloyd Marks W.M., John Randall Secretary, St. David's, No. 2226; Charles Cullum Prov. G.R. Hon. Treasurer Testimonial Committee, William Watkins P.P.G.S.W. Hon. Secretary Testimonial Committee.

The address to Captain Homfray was inscribed on the title page as follows:—

To the Worshipful Brother Samuel George Homfray, J.P., Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies England, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, 28th July 1892.

Following on in the succeeding pages the address was exactly similar to that presented to the Provincial Grand Master.

The addresses were on vellum, beautifully written, and prepared by Messrs. Waterlow and Sons, Limited, London. A neat border surrounded each page. The title page of each address was illuminated in ornate style, the coat of arms and crest of the two gentlemen being in the centre of the page, with a representation of the seal of the Province above, and of their jewel of office below. The addresses were enclosed in handsome Russian leather cases, stamped in gold.

Colonel Perkins having handed the addresses to the presentees,

Colonel Lyne expressed to the brethren his deep gratitude for their recognition of the services he had rendered to the Province. He felt sure that one and all felt deeply for him at that moment, but they could not feel as he did. Nothing was more difficult than to fittingly acknowledge such kindness as theirs. Their fellowship and friendship were formed long ago and had continued unabated until the present. He had made many kind friends and few enemies, and they had been a happy and united family, for within that threshold they knew no differences. His gratitude was due to the Deputy Provincial Grand Master for his services; and to a large extent they were indebted to Captain Homfray for the great advance Monmouthshire had made in its support to the Masonic Charities and also for the assistance it had been able to obtain from them.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master feelingly acknowledged the presentation, remarking that it was a source of the greatest pleasure to have worked for the last 21 years with Colonel Lyne, under whose rule the Province had made great progress. Indeed, in the present time there was no Province more successful or which received greater respect than that of Monmouth.

After the presentation of the addresses Bro. Tennant Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the Eastern Division of South Wales was announced and admitted. The various offices of Provincial Grand Lodge were declared vacant, after which Bro. W. Pickford was unanimously re-elected Provincial Grand Treasurer, and Bro. H. Richards was elected Provincial Grand Tyler. The Provincial Grand Master then appointed and invested the Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:—

Bro. E. W. Evans ...	...	Senior Warden
C. Widdowson ...	...	Junior Warden
Rev. Watkin Davies ...	...	} Chaplains
Rev. J. R. Phillips ...	...	
William Pickford ...	...	Treasurer
John H. Dunn ...	...	Registrar
Alfred Taylor ...	...	Secretary
J. Tye ...	...	Senior Deacon
H. D. Griffiths ...	...	Junior Deacon
George Hazell ...	...	Superintendent of Works
J. A. Miller ...	...	Dir. of Ceremonies
T. P. Garrett ...	...	Assistant Dir. of Cer.
S. G. Homfray jun. ...	...	Sword Bearer
S. H. Steel ...	...	Standard Bearer
W. Stoker ...	...	Assistant Secretary
B. Isaacson ...	...	Organist

Bro. W. Lloyd Marks	...	...	Pursuivant
H. Richards	...	...	Tyler
R. Gooding	...	...	Stewards
Abraham Thomas	...	...	
H. G. Thomas	...	...	
John Dredge	...	...	
G. T. Evans	...	...	
S. R. Hay	...	...	

A vote of condolence was passed to Mrs. C. P. Evans on the death of her husband, who was Provincial Grand Senior Warden for the year. A formal vote of thanks was given the visitors for their attendance, and Grand Lodge was duly closed.

A large number of the brethren who had been present at Provincial Grand Lodge afterwards attended a banquet at the King's Head Hotel. It had been arranged that Bro. John Allan Rolls P.G.S.W. should make the presentation of the centrepieces to the Provincial Grand Master and Deputy Provincial Grand Master, but he telegraphed stating that he was unable to attend. The duty was, however, performed by Sir George Elliot, who is Provincial Grand Master of the Eastern Division of South Wales, and who, having travelled from London during the day, arrived during dinner.

The toast list opened with the Queen and the Craft, which was followed by that of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of England H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. In proposing this, the Provincial Grand Master said there was no one more deservedly popular, especially among Freemasons, than the Prince of Wales. The Order was deeply indebted to His Royal Highness, who came to its rescue when it was, in a sense, rather proscribed, and for the position they now held they were more indebted to their Grand Master than to any one else.

Bro. C. Lyne jun. gave the toast of the Pro Grand Master the Earl of Lathom, the Deputy Grand Master and Officers of the Grand Lodge, to which the Rev. W. J. L. D. Stradling replied.

Sir George Elliot, in proposing the toast of the Provincial Grand Master, Colonel Lyne, and Deputy Provincial Grand Master Captain Homfray, made the presentation of the centrepieces. He said he was sure his presence there that evening was a pleasure to his friend Colonel Lyne, and to Colonel Lyne's friends. They knew no politics there. They were all friends. Good friends, he continued were a kind of real property which he urged his hearers never to lose. He presented the handsome ornaments on the table with the sincere expression of their good wishes and esteem for the recipients. In conclusion he dwelt on the objects of Freemasonry, and asserted that its religion was as pure and its morality as high as they could get in any institution, ecclesiastical or otherwise.

The centrepieces are splendid examples of the silver-smith's art. Within a portal formed by three exact representations of columns in the Corinthian, Doric, and Ionic examples of architecture stands a charmingly modelled figure of Wisdom, at one side of her being a beehive, emblematic of industry. There are three branches and one centre dish for holding fruit or flowers. At the base of each column are faithful representations of Masonic working tools, and round the top are shields bearing representations of the various jewels, the ones in front being those denoting the offices of the recipients of the valuable and massive, yet graceful ornaments. Each centrepiece has on it an inscription. The one to Colonel Lyne is as follows:—

Presented to the Right Worshipful Brother Colonel Charles Lyne, D.L., J.P., Provincial Grand Master, by the Freemasons of Monmouthshire, in commemoration of his 21 years' rule over the Province, 28th July 1892.

The inscription on the centrepiece presented to Captain Homfray reads:—

Presented to the Worshipful Brother Captain S. George Homfray, J.P., by the Freemasons of Monmouthshire, in commemoration of his 21 years' rule as Deputy Provincial Grand Master, 28th July 1892.

The centrepieces are of bold, yet graceful and chaste design, being quite unique in their way, and reflect the greatest credit on Messrs. Rainforth and Son, Newport, who were entrusted with their design and manufacture.

Colonel Lyne, in acknowledging the gift, spoke of his twenty-one years' rule of the Province as a period of unalloyed pleasure. He had never regretted for one single day or hour his connection with the Province. Although his appointment came from the highest authority in the Order, it was upon the unanimous requisition of the

brethren of the Province that he was appointed to the office, and he had retained it up to the present by their wish and at their request. The responsibility attaching was very great. He had never met anything but kindness at their hands, and the handsome gift they had made to him he would hand down to those who were dearer to him than he was to himself, as a memento of kindness which he was sure they, like himself, would never forget. Shakespeare had said:—

The friends thou hast, and their adoption tried,
Grapple them to thy soul with hooks of steel.

And he for his part would wish to do so. He did not think there was a more happy family in Freemasonry than there was in that Province. He went on to speak of the benevolent objects of the Order, and referred to the indebtedness under which he laboured, and the Province also laboured, to his good worthy and dear Bro. Homfray, whose services in promoting the Masonic Charities and in getting a fair share of their benefits for Monmouthshire he highly prized. In conclusion, he urged upon the Worshipful Masters of Lodges not to care so much for numbers as the merit of their members. He said they should obtain good and true men whom they could respect, and with whom they could associate in good fellowship, and reminded that one black sheep would ruin a whole flock.

Captain Homfray also returned thanks, and, on his part, bore testimony to the amicable relations which had always existed between himself and the Provincial Grand Masters. The token of the esteem and regard of the brethren was almost too much for him to fittingly acknowledge. He appreciated very highly the good will and good fellowship of the Province.

Colonel Perkins proposed in a felicitous speech the Masonic Charities, to which Bro. Mason, of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, replied, and in the course of his remarks bore very high testimony to the liberality of the Province of Monmouth to the Charities of the Order.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master gave the toast of the Provincial Grand Lodge Officers Present and Past, to which Bro. E. W. Evans responded.

The toast of the Visitors was next given by the Prov. Grand Master, and acknowledged by Bro. Stradling, and the Worshipful Master of the Albert Edward Lodge, Bro. George Hazell, and the Lodges of the Province, and the Tyler's toast concluded the list.

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Fidelity denotes simplicity—
Candour and kindness, prudence, love and trust;
Reflection, sympathy, humility,
And above all, it tells us to be just
To all with whom we journey on life's way,
To all we meet with as earth's paths we stray.

Winder House, Bradford.
26th July 1892.

At the last regular stated meeting of Lodge Obedience, No. 1753, held at the White Hart Hotel, Okehampton, Bro. J. C. Pierce S.W. was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year. In consequence of both the S.W. and J.W. (Bro. W. Mauvell) having to attend a course of lectures on "Agricultural Chemistry," at Cambridge, during August, the installation will be postponed to Monday, 5th September.

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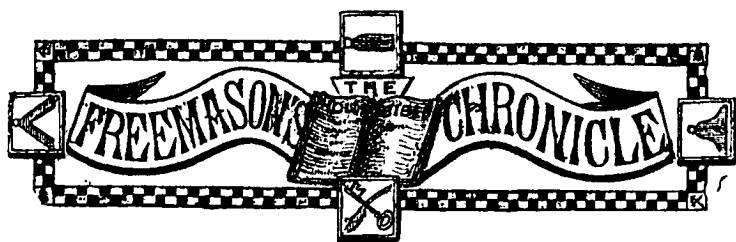
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SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

THE Quarterly Convocation of Grand Chapter of England was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall. Comp. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., acted as M.E.Z., Companion F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., as H., and the Rev. H. A. Pickard, M.A., as J. The other Companions present were E. Letchworth G.S.E., James Glaisher as S.N., Sir G. D. Harris as P.S., J. C. Hay 1st Assistant Soj., L. G. Sinclair 2nd Assistant Soj., Robert Grey, G. H. Hopkinson, F. W. Coles, Frank Richardson, F. Mead, W. P. Brown, M. Maybrick, Sir J. B. Monckton, H. J. P. Dumas, P. de Laudo Long, Randolph Glover, Wm. Bywater, E. Montouuis, H. Garrod, Col. Ramsay, Baron de Ferrieres, T. B. Purchas, C. F. Matier, J. A. Farnfield, C. H. Driver, W. G. Lemon, H. Mandslay, C. Belton, T. W. Whitmarsh, J. Lewis Thomas, T. Fenn, W. Hopekirk, Col. C. Harding, Magnus Ohren, F. S. Knyvett, Dr. H. J. Strong, Major G. Lambert, Dr. Ralph Gooding, H. A. Tobias, S. Scott Young, S. Hodgkinson, G. Gregory, H. Massey, John Haltersley, Mount Brown, J. S. Cumberland, M. Slaughter, David Legg, R. F. Potter, and H. Sadler.

The Companions adopted the report of the Committee of General Purposes, given in our issue of last week, on the motion of Comp. Robert Grey, seconded by Comp. Frank Richardson, after which Grand Chapter was closed.

PROV. GRAND CHAPTER OF KENT.

THE annual gathering of the members of the various Royal Arch Chapters of Kent was held in St. George's Hall, Deal, on Wednesday, the 27th ultimo, on which occasion there was a large attendance of the Companions belonging to the several Royal Arch Chapters in the Province. In the unavoidable absence of Earl Amherst, the Grand Superintendent, who was

detained on the continent, the Provincial Grand Chapter was presided over by Comp. J. S. Eastes, assisted by Comp. the Rev. T. Robinson, M.A. After the transaction of the business of the Provincial Grand Chapter, the following vote of condolence with Comp. T. S. Warne, the Grand S.E. of the Province, was unanimously adopted:—

"The Companions assembled at the annual festival notice with extreme regret the absence of M.E. Comp. Warne, the P.G.S.E., and beg to express their sincere condolence on the domestic bereavement under which he is suffering. May the Most High give him strength to bear his loss with fortitude, and may the sympathy of his Companions comfort him."

Among the business transacted was the voting of forty guineas each to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys and the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls.

The following were the Companions on whom Provincial Grand honours were conferred, each being invested with the collar and jewel of his office:—

Comp. James S. Eastes (re-appointed)	H.
William Denne 784	J.
Thos. S. Warne (re-appointed)	Scribe E.
Rev. V. S. Vickers, M.A.	Scribe N.
William Russell (re-appointed)	Treasurer
Rev. Henry M. Maughan, M.A.	Registrar
Richard Edmonds 913	Principal Sojourner
Herbert L. Bernays 1973	1st Assistant Sojourner
E. C. Fenouillet 2099	2nd Assistant Sojourner
T. H. Blamiers 31	Sword Bearer
Charles Day 20	Standard Bearer
F. G. Homan 1050	Director of Ceremonies
Richard Morley 429	Assistant Director of Cers.
J. H. Roberts (re-appointed)	Organist
Henry Iron 1278	Assistant Scribe E.
John Cook 709 (re-appointed)	Janitor

The customary annual banquet was afterwards held in St. George's Hall, under the presidency of Companion J. S. Eastes.

BRUNSWICK CHAPTER, No. 159.

THIS Chapter's annual convocation, for election of Officers, was held on the 27th ult., at the Ebrington Hall, Stonehouse. The Officers chosen were:—Comps. C. Marshall Z., C. R. H. Selleck H., Jno. Harvey J., E. Aitken-Davies P.P.G. Registrar S.E., C. A. Nicholson Treasurer, J. T. Rook S.N., J. W. Selleck P.S., J. Endicott 1st Assistant Sojourner, J. E. Spurr 2nd Assistant Sojourner, James Bartlett Janitor.

PLUME CHAPTER, No. 1024.

THE annual festival was held at the Masonic Hall, St. Peter's Church, Maldon, on Wednesday, the 20th ult. The Principals, viz., Companions Arthur Barritt M.E.Z., Edmund Gowers H., and C. S. Blyth J., introduced Brother Sir William Neville Abdy, Bart., into the Order. Comp. J. J. C. Turner ably installed Comp. Edmund Gowers into the Principal chair, and Comps. Caleb S. Blyth and John Huntley H. and J. The new M.E.Z. invested the Officers, as follow:—Comps. Josh. Sadler Scribe N., E. F. Bird Scribe E., Dr. J. H. Salter, J.P., Prin. Soj., H. J. Sampson Treasurer, J. Wood and R. Orttewell Assist. Sojs. An interesting feature was the presentation to Comp. Ralling of a gold jewel in acknowledgment of his valuable services as P.Z. The recipient, to whom the gift was a surprise, referred to the great pleasure it had given him to assist so flourishing a young Chapter. Founders' jewels were also distributed. Subsequently, the Companions enjoyed a splendid banquet at the Blue Boar Hotel, and under the presidency of Comp. Gowers, an evening of toast and song was very pleasantly spent. Comp. Sir W. N. Abdy, in response to the toast of his health, spoke of the deep interest he had conceived for Masonry, in the study of which it was his intention to go plodding on. Sir William's sentiments were warmly received. The visitors included Comps. Dr. T. Carter Wigg, Rev. F. Fidler, and R. D. Poppleton J. 51.

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PROV. G. LODGE OF CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORELAND.

THE yearly meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cumberland and Westmoreland was held on Tuesday, the 19th ult., in the Oddfellows' Hall, Egremont, under the banner of the Sewell Lodge, No. 421, which Lodge was opened by Brother James Lowery W.M. at 1.30 p.m., when Colonel Sewell D.P.G.M. was received in due form, supported by his Provincial Grand Officers. Provincial Grand Lodge was opened and the roll of Lodges and Provincial Grand Officers called. The former were all represented, and of the latter a few had tendered apologies for absence. The minutes of the last meeting were con-

firmed as read, also the accounts for the past year, and Bro. Collin was again elected Provincial Grand Treasurer, and the following were appointed Provincial Grand Officers, viz. :—

Bro. George Dalrymple	...	...	Senior Warden
James Stout	...	...	Junior Warden
John Wakefield	...	...	M.O.
Thomas Atkinson	...	...	S.O.
E. Leach	...	...	J.O.
Rev. G. B. Armes	...	...	Chaplain
P. de E. Collin	...	...	Treasurer
James Lowery	...	...	Registrar of Marks
James Gardiner	...	...	Secretary
S. Broadbent	...	...	Senior Deacon
J. J. Little	...	...	Junior Deacon
John Nelson	...	...	Inspector of Works
George Starkley	...	...	Director of Ceremonies
William Irving	...	...	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
G. T. Richardson	...	...	Sword Bearer
William Robinson	...	...	Standard Bearer
A. Moordaff	...	...	Organist
D. Atkinson	...	...	Inner Guard
William Heathcote	...	...	Stewards
Dr. Sturridge	...	...	
T. Annison	...	...	
W. Bosward	...	...	
T. M'Leod	...	...	Tyler

A committee of four members was elected to serve for the year, and Brother T. J. Richardson J.W. 60 said it was the wish of the members of the Cumberland Lodge that the next annual meeting be held at Carlisle. The Past Provincial Grand Officers for 1891 were presented with their grand certificates. Ten guineas were, by an unanimous vote, given to the Cumberland and Westmoreland Educational Fund, and ten guineas were voted to the Grand Mark Benevolent Fund. The brethren were then formed in order of procession by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies (Brother George Starkey), and, headed by the Volunteer Brass Band, they marched to the Parish Church, where a sermon was preached by Brother Rev. James Anderson Provincial Grand Chaplain. A banquet was afterwards held at the Red Lion Hotel.

CHARITY LODGE, No. 76.

THE annual convocation was held on the 28th ult., at the Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth. The W.M. elect, Bro. J. W. Cornish, was installed. Bro. Captain G. S. Strode-Lowe D.P.G.M., and Bro. J. R. Lord P.P.G. Superintendent of Works, were the installing Officers. The Officers invested were Bros. P. Hannaford I.P.M., S. Yeomans S.W., C. B. Gale J.W., C. H. Tozer M.O., T. Lillierap S.O., T. A. Stephens J.O., W. Browning Treasurer, J. M. Hiffley Secretary, W. Biscoombe Registrar of Marks, T. Taylor S.D., A. R. Hawke J.D., T. C. Lewarn Director of Ceremonies W. J. C. Hannaford Assistant Director of Ceremonies, R. Blight Steward, W. H. Phillips Tyler. In the evening the brethren dined together in the Freemasons' Hall.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

RELIEF LODGE, No. 42.

THE members and their wives, sweethearts, &c., of this Lodge recently held their sixth annual picnic. The party started from the Bolton Street station at 7.20 a.m. for Salford, and thence to London Road, Manchester, en route for Stoke and Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, where breakfast was awaiting them at the Borough Arms Hotel. After breakfast the party proceeded in wagonettes to Keele Park (the seat of Mr. R. Sneyd), where they were shown through the grounds and gardens, which were seen to great advantage. The party then proceeded through Billington Park on to Trentham Park (the seat of the Duke of Sutherland). After spending an hour or two in the grounds, the party returned to the wagonettes and drove to Stoke, where they were shown through Minton's Pottery Works, and the manufacturing process was thoroughly explained to them. The party then returned to the Borough Arms Hotel, Newcastle, for tea, and proceeded on their homeward journey, leaving Newcastle at 7.5 p.m. and Stoke (by the London and North Western Manchester express) at 7.17, arriving at London Road Station at 8.15 p.m. The party were timed to arrive at Bury at 10 o'clock, and good time having been kept during the whole of the day, a most enjoyable trip was thus brought to a close.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 191.

THE brethren of this Lodge, had a very enjoyable picnic on Wednesday, the 20th ult., to Lancaster, Morecambe, and Silverdale, and the party, which included several brethren from other Lodges and friends, left Knowsley Street Station in two saloon carriages at 6.32, and arrived at Lancaster shortly after nine. They sat down at 9.20 to a substantial breakfast at the King's Arms, and the party then proceeded in conveyances to Morecambe, where they stayed half-an-hour. Afterwards they proceeded to Silverdale, where they had

luncheon at the Silverdale Hotel. After an hour's stay they left for Lancaster, arriving there a little after five, and sat down to a first-class dinner, served in best form, during which a band, engaged by the owner, played. Previous to leaving Lancaster by the 7.21 train, some of the party visited the beautiful Williamson's Park, while others strolled round the town. The party arrived at Bury at 9.10 p.m. The outing was thoroughly enjoyed, the weather being all that could be desired. The heavy rain on the previous day made the roads practically free from dust, at the same time brightening the lovely foliage on the route through which the party drove.

EVERTON LODGE, No. 823.

AT the Masonic Hall, Hope Street, Liverpool, in the presence of a large number of brethren, Bro. Edwin Kite was, on Wednesday, the 20th ult., installed as Worshipful Master. The ceremony of installation was most efficiently performed by Bro. John Mantle, the retiring Master, his successor to the chair being presented by Bros. J. J. Boyle P.M. Treasurer and J. M. King P.P.G.D. D.C. Having been duly installed, Bro. Kite proceeded with the investiture of his Officers, as follow :—Bros. Mantle I.P.M., W. S. Guibert S.W., Thos. W. King J.W., J. J. Boyle P.M. Treasurer, W. Spencer Secretary, T. C. Millington S.D., Jabez Oates J.D., W. Maddox P.M. D.C., A. B. Ewart Organist, J. Bennett I.G., L. G. Davey, J. A. Griffiths, J. F. Bulmer, G. H. Welch, T. Harper Stewards, W. H. Ball Tyler, and J. Galley P.M. Charity Representative. A hundred and forty brethren subsequently sat down to dinner, and the after proceedings were enlivened by the musical contributions of Bro. Eaton Batty, G. Thierry, Richard Brown, G. Smith, T. Harper, J. Redhead, C. Porter, and A. B. Ewart. On behalf of the members of the Lodge, Bro. Kite presented a Past Master's apron, collar, and jewel to Bro. Mantle.

PRINCE ARTHUR LODGE, No. 1570.

ON the 27th ult., the members held their annual outing, when, to the number of 30—although considerably more were expected—they travelled by special train to Mold, which was reached about 11 o'clock. They made the Black Lion Hotel their headquarters, and having partaken of light refreshments, they were at 1.30 conveyed by road to Ruthin, in vehicles supplied by Mr. William Wright, of the Boar's Head Livery Stables. The weather proved gloriously fine, and the drive was consequently much enjoyed, and upon their return to Mold the brethren and their friends, nothing loth, sat down to an excellent tea at the Black Lion Hotel, the catering of Mr. and Mrs. P. Maddox being highly praised. Shortly after 8.45 the special conveying the trippers steamed out of Mold Station, and thus ended what was unanimously voted a most delightful day.

DEE LODGE, No. 1576.

ON Tuesday, 12th ult., in the large iron room at Mostyn House, Parkgate, Bro. George Forester was installed Worshipful Master of this Lodge. The visiting brethren included Bros. James Salmon, Richard Newhouse, J. Pennington, Jones, W. Ritson, T. Litherland W.M., H. Ellis. The ceremony was performed by Bro. J. W. Shaw, the retiring W.M. The following were invested Officers for the ensuing year, viz., Bros. J. W. Shaw I.P.M., John W. Evans S.W., J. M. Gibbs J.W., John Morris Treasurer, John Mayers Secretary, J. F. Fern S.D., R. C. Davies J.D., William Jones D.C., George Edwards I.G., T. Cordery D.C., G. P. Poole and Wm. Taylor Stewards, John Craft Tyler, A. G. Phipps Organist. At the close of the installation ceremony Brother G. F. Bird, on behalf of the Lodge, presented Bro. J. W. Shaw with a Past Master's jewel, on his retiring from office. The musical portion of the ceremony was rendered by the Combermere Glee Party, from Birkenhead. Bro. G. F. Bird was elected Charity Steward for the ensuing year.

OGMORE LODGE, No. 1752.

ON Monday, 25th ult., the new hall built at Bridgend, by the members of the Ogmores Lodge, was formally opened, when there was a large attendance of the fraternity. The hall is situated in Adare Street, and is a striking architectural addition to the main buildings of the town. It was designed by Mr. G. F. Lambert, architect, Bridgend, and built by Mr. Wm. Francis of the same town, at a cost of £1,150, including extras. The building has a front of white brick, and is freely treated with Bath and local stone. The upper rooms, consisting of spacious hall, reception and ante-room, offices, &c., are specially laid out for Masonic use, and on the exterior front, emblems of the Order are displayed. On the basement are three suites of offices, all well lighted and roomy. There are two entrances, the main one leading to a flight of stairs by which the Masonic Hall is reached; the side entrance leads to offices on the ground floor. The Masonic Hall is lighted from the coved ceiling, and it is fitted up specially for the purpose for which it is dedicated. The opening of the hall was fixed for installation day, or annual meeting of the brethren, when the newly-elected Master is duly installed in office for the ensuing twelve months, or until his successor has been appointed and installed in his stead. The choice of the brethren this year fell upon Bro. David McClellan, the Senior Warden of the past year, and from the interest he has taken in the welfare of the Lodge for some years past, there is every reason to believe that his year of office will be a successful one. The Lodge was opened at three o'clock, in the presence of a large gathering of members and visitors, by the retiring Master, Bro. E. T. David. After some preliminaries the ceremony of installation was proceeded with, the onerous duties of Installing Master being ably performed by Bro. T. B. Boucher, a P.M. of the Lodge. At the conclusion the usual congratulations took place; and then Brother

McLellan invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. E. T. David I.P.M., R. Scale S.W., William Francis J.W., James Jones Chaplain, J. Herdman Treasurer, W. Jones Secretary, R. Connibear S.D., W. H. Morgan J.D., R. Emlyn Jones Inner Guard, T. C. Forrester D.C., D. J. Williams Organist, F. W. Nicholls Steward, A. D. Webster Tyler. In addition to the members of the Lodge there were present:—Bros. Marmaduke Tennant D.P.G.M., Hughes P.M. 1753, J. A. Leyshon, T. R. Hunt, H. F. Clarke 883, L. Jenkins, M. G. Roberts, J. L. Jenkins, T. O. Williams, Jno. Lewis, D. Roberts W.M. 36, and among the company were the following Past Masters of the Lodge:—Bros. John Hemming Past Provincial Grand Registrar, L. Behu, J. C. Coath, T. B. Boucher. At the close of the Lodge the brethren repaired to the Wyndham Arms Hotel, where a banquet was well served by Mr. and Mrs. Jones, to which about fifty sat down. After discussion of the report the usual Masonic toasts were given, interspersed with some excellent vocalism, the singers being ably accompanied by Bro. D. T. Williams on the pianoforte.

BROMLEY ST. LEONARD LODGE, No. 1805.

THE ordinary meeting of this Lodge was held on Tuesday, 19th ult., at the Bromley Vestry Hall, Bow Road, E., when there were present Bros. Tom Green W.M., W. Maxfield Mead S.W., George E. Ward J.W., John Collier Treasurer, William J. Roberts Secretary, John Bussey J.D., W. Horne D.C., G. H. Fennell Assistant D.C., A. S. Bird Steward, Ben. Johnson I.P.M. and J. Bailey P.M.; also Bros. George W. Holmes, T. W. Pealling jun., J. D. Walker, D. T. Blanchard, James Absalom, F. Thornton, S. Moss, J. Chinnery, F. Marriott, H. W. Boorer, R. J. Boorer, G. J. Burrows, J. R. Jennings, J. Boorer, W. G. Shadrake, George Ives, and C. Hopson. Among the Visitors were Bros. C. J. D'Oyley Mears P.M. 1076 and 299, F. H. Gouch W.M. 781, C. Chivers 65, James Spraggs S.D. 865, J. J. Tyler 898. The Lodge was opened promptly and in due form, and after the confirmation of the minutes the Lodge was advanced to the second degree, when Bros. Absalom and Blanchard were examined. Lodge opened in third degree, and Bros. Absalom and Blanchard were entrusted with the sublime degree of M.M. Lodge resumed to the first degree, Bros. J. P. Jennings and G. J. Burrows answered the usual questions, and were advanced to the degree of F.C. The Charity Jewel, which was unanimously voted by the Lodge at the last meeting, was now presented to Bro. Johnson by the W.M., on behalf of the brethren. After the Lodge was closed the evening was spent in harmony, to which Bros. Bussey, Spraggs, Thornton, H. Boorer, and Burrows contributed capital songs, being accompanied at the piano by Bro. Percy Jackman, the Organist.

ROYAL CLARENCE LODGE, No. 1823.

THE anniversary of the consecration of this Lodge was celebrated on Wednesday, the 20th ult., the opportunity being taken to combine with it the annual banquet, postponed from the installation night in consequence of the lamented death of Prince Albert Victor, K.G., &c. After the opening of the Lodge, the Secretary read a letter from Bro. Tracy Provincial Grand Secretary, announcing the acceptance of the invitation given by the Lodge at Felixstowe in the following communication from the Provincial Grand Master, "I shall be very pleased to hold the Provincial Grand Lodge at Claro next year," a notification which was heartily welcomed. At the banquet the Worshipful Master was supported by Bro. the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, the Immediate Past Master, and a large proportion of the Officers and Members of the Lodge.

UNITY LODGE, No. 1868.

THE annual picnic in connection with this Lodge took place on Thursday, the 21st ult. Gisburn, in the picturesque neighbourhood of Ribblesdale, was the place selected, and a goodly number of Craftsmen with their lady friends turned up. The journey was made by saloon coaches, and on arrival luncheon was served at the Ribblesdale Arms, at eleven o'clock. A stroll was afterwards made in Gisburn Park and Grounds, and later a drive to Bolton for Bolton Hall and Gardens and Sawley Abbey was much enjoyed. After tea, partaken of at Gisburn, a successful photographic group of the party was taken by Mr. J. Wrigley, and trucks were made for home. The outing was most thoroughly enjoyed by all who went. One incident of the day should not be overlooked. During the drive to Bolton the carriages had to be left for a time, so that Bolton Hall could be viewed. The pedestrian journey necessitated the crossing of the river Ribble, and at a narrow and shallow part of the stream, to save a walk of two miles to the plank bridge, the cavaliers waded through with their fairer friends in their arms. The heroic conduct of the ladies under the circumstances was worthy of every commendation.

GALLERY LODGE, No. 1928.

ON Saturday, the 30th ult., about eighty members of this Lodge and their lady friends were entertained at Henley Park, near Guildford, by Baron Henry de Worms, M.P., and Baroness de Worms, on the occasion of their annual picnic. The party travelled in saloon carriages from Waterloo, and alighted at Brookwood, whence they were driven to the Baron's seat, about four miles distant. On arrival they were welcomed by Baron and Baroness de Worms, and then dispersed to enjoy the beauties of the gardens and grounds. After luncheon Baron de Worms proposed the toast of the only press Lodge in the world, coupled with the name of Bro. Peacock, who having responded, gave the health of the host and hostess, which was

heartily received. The afternoon was spent by the guests in fishing and boating on the lake, tennis, golf, &c., and in further exploring the neighbourhood. An al fresco tea was provided in front of the mansion, and the company were afterwards driven back to Brookwood, to catch the train for London, having had a most enjoyable outing.

WESTERN DISTRICT UNITED SERVICE LODGE, No. 2258.

THE annual meeting was held on the 20th ult., at Stone house Surgeon-Major W. Allan May, A.M.S., the W.M. elect was installed. Bros. Major C. B. G. Dick P.G.S.W. the retiring W.M., S. Jew P.P.G.T., and Lieutenant and Quartermaster W. Powell P.P.G.T. were the Installing Officers, and the Board of Installed Masters also included Brothers D. Cross P.P.G.T., R. Dickson P.P.G.D.D.C., E. Binding P.P.G.O., H. S. Best 2258, J. R. Lord P.P.G.T., J. Ninness P.P.G. Registrar Cornwall, E. Aitken-Davies P.P.G.S. of Works, T. Gibbons P.P.G.O., P. J. Dunn, A. Trout, G. Perring and G. Perkins 1205, W. Allsford and J. Oldfield 202, and W. Bartram 1331. The Officers invested were Bros. Major Dick I.P.M., J. Davidson S.W., Lieutenant-Colonel G. Vernon J.W., S. Jew Chaplain, D. Cross Treasurer, W. Powell Secretary, W. J. Fry S.D., A. J. Verdi J.D., Surgeon Collingwood, R.N., Director of Ceremonies, Taylor Assistant Director of Ceremonies, E. Binding Organist, Sergeant Dooley I.G., Hall and Brebner Stewards, and J. Gidley Tyler. Bro. Jew was re-elected the representative of the Lodge at the Committee of Petitions and Charity Steward.

LIVERPOOL MASONIC HALL.

A NUMEROUSLY attended meeting of the members of the Liverpool Masonic Hall Committee was held on the 22nd ult., at headquarters in Hope Street, Liverpool, the chair being taken by Bro. J. Beesley. The committee unanimously granted permission for a conversazione to be held in the hall at a convenient date, with the view of raising money for the purpose of improving the internal arrangements in several material respects. The improved sanitary condition of the building, it was stated, was now being carried out with great efficiency, and it is hoped that before winter the Masonic Hall will be numbered amongst the healthiest and most attractive structures in Liverpool.

AN EVENING WITH THE GRAND MASTER OF CANADA.

A LECTURE was delivered on the 12th May, in the Freemasons' Hall, Manitoba, by Bro. John Ross Robertson, Grand Master of Canada. A large number of the Craft assembled, filling the hall, and the lecture exceeded expectations, being full of Masonic information and filled with witty anecdotes and allusions that though occupying over two hours the audience was not wearied, and the vote of thanks tendered the lecturer was so manifestly sincere and enthusiastic as to be a real compliment to the lecturer.

Bro. Robertson dwelt upon the origin and history of Freemasonry, and in this part of his subject he sifted the evidence and presented the various records. Turning to more modern Masonry, the history of Masonry in England and Canada was dealt with, and a mass of facts presented so interspersed with humorous anecdotes and quaint records of old Lodges as to make a really dry record a very interesting relation.

After the lecture a number of the brethren assembled at the Manitoba Hotel, where a banquet had been prepared in honour of the Grand Master. Bro. Bell Grand Master of Manitoba presided, and after the removal of the cloth toasts were proposed, the first being the Queen and the Craft, which was duly honoured, Bro. Rigg leading in the National Anthem.

This was followed by the toast of the evening, the Grand Lodge of Canada, coupled with the name of Bro. J. Ross Robertson, who responded in a lengthy speech. He recalled his previous visits to Manitoba in 1870 and 1885, in both of which periods the province was in a state of disturbance, and created much amusement by his description of his experiences in these times. Turning to more serious subjects he dwelt upon the state of Masonry, and in this connection offered suggestions that excited no less attention and were no less impressive that they were interspersed with flashes of humour. The universal comment was that Grand Master Robertson's visit is the most pleasing event that has taken place in connection with Masonry in Manitoba for many years. Bro. Robertson informed his audience this visit was the last of 340 visits that he has made in connection with Masonry during his two years' term of office, and he professed his satisfaction with the cordiality of his reception here.

The other toasts proposed were Craft Masonry, responded to by Bro. Goggin P.D.D.G.M. in his happy and appropriate manner; Capital Masonry, which was eloquently responded to by Bro. Thomas Robinson; Templar Masonry, which was assigned to Bro. F. F. Westbrook; the Ancient Scottish Rite, acknowledged by Bro. William Grant W.M., and several other Masonic toasts, duly responded to, finished, at a late hour, a very pleasant gathering.—*Manitoba Free Press.*

The St. Alphonsus's Lodge, Solihull, on Tuesday, the 19th ult., arranged an excursion to Towkesbury, and brethren belonging to other Lodges in the Province and friends were guests on the occasion. The party took train to Worcester, and from thence went down the Severn on a steamer to Towkesbury. The Abbey and other places of interest were visited, and dinner was partaken of at the Swan Hotel. Birmingham was reached on the return journey at half-past ten.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

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

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Saturday, 6th August.

Council, Boys' School, F.M.H., 3

149 Peace, New Masonic Hall, Meltham
308 Prince George, Rooms, Bottoms, Eastwood
1223 Amherst, Amherst Arms Hotel, Riverhead
1929 Mozart, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon

Monday, 8th August.

1789 Ubiqne, Masonic Hall, Air Street, W.

40 Derwent, Castle Hotel, Hastings
61 Probity, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax
75 Love and Honour, Royal Hotel, Falmouth
104 St. John, White Lion Hotel, Stockport
151 Albany, Masonic Hall, Newport, I.W.
240 St. Hilda, Freemasons' Hall, South Shields
284 Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley
292 Sincerity, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
298 Royal Brunswick, F.M.H., Sheffield
297 Witham, New Masonic Hall, Lincoln
302 Hope, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
307 Prince Frederick, White Horse, Hebden Bridge
408 Three Graces, Private Rooms, Ilworth
433 Hope, Swan Hotel, Brightlingsea
467 Tudor, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham
481 St. Peter, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
589 Druids of Love and Liberty, M.H., Redruth
613 Unity, Masonic Hall, Southampton
665 Montagu, Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
671 Prince of Wales, Thomas Arms Hotel, Llanelli
797 Hauley, Hauley Hall, Dartmouth
893 Meridian, National School Room, Millbrook
949 Williamson, St. Stephen Sch., Monkwearmouth
1621 Hartington, Masonic Hall, Barrow-in-Furness
1174 Pentangle, Sun Hotel, Chatham
1221 Defence, Masonic Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds
1350 Fernor Hesket, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1436 Sandgate, Masonic Hall, Sandgate
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury
1474 Israel, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1542 Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Castleford
1576 Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton
1592 Abbey, Suffolk Hotel, Bury St. Edmunds
1611 Eboracum, Masonic Hall, St. Saviourgate, York
1618 Handyside, Zetland Hotel, Saltburn-by-Sea.
1966 Fidelity and Sincerity, Wellington, Somerset
1977 Blackwater, Blue Bear Hotel, Maldon
R.A. 89 Royal Cheshire, Ashley Arms, Dukinfield
R.A. 100 Friendship, Crown and Cushion, Great Yarmouth
R.A. 422 All Saints', Masonic Hall, Gainsborough
R.A. 2068 Portsmouth Temperance, Speedwell, Commercial Road, Landport
M.M. 9 Fortescue, Masonic Hall, South Molton

Tuesday, 9th August.

126 Silent Temple, Cross Keys Inn, Burnley
131 Fortitude, Masonic Hall, Truro
184 United Chatham of Benevolence, Old Brompton, Kent
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
272 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Main Ridge, Boston
449 St. James, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax
473 Faithful, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
495 Wakefield, Masonic Hall, Wakefield
503 Belvedere, Star Hotel, Maidstone
510 St. Martin, Masonic Hall, Liskeard
603 Zetland Masonic Hall, Cleckheaton
626 Lansdowne of Unity, Town Hall, Chippenham
696 St. Bartholomew, Anchor Hotel, Wednesbury
726 Staffordshire Knot, North Western Hotel, Staff.
779 Ferrers and Ivanhoe, M.H., Ashby-de-la-Zouch
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidcup
903 Gosport, India Arms Hotel, High St. Gosport
1024 St. Peters, Masonic Hall, Maldon
1260 Gilbert Greenall, Masonic Rooms, Warrington
1369 Bala, Plas Coch Hotel, Bala
1414 Knole, Masonic Hall, Sevenoaks
1545 Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Northgate,
1713 Wilbraham, Walton Institute, Walton
2099 Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay
2222 Frederick West, Castle Hotel, East Molesey
2324 Horwich, Bridge Hotel, Horwich, Lancashire
R.A. 70 St. John's, Hayshe Mas. Tem. Plymouth
R.A. 265 Judea, Masonic Club, Keighley
R.A. 276 Essex, White Hart, Chelmsford
R.A. 289 Fidelity, Mas. Hall, Carlton Hill, Leeds
M.M. 15 St. George's, Masonic Hall, Exeter
M.M. 162 Dover & Cinque Ports, Royal Oak, Dover

Wednesday, 10th August.

Committee R.M.B.I., Freemasons' Hall, 3

1260 John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

54 Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Rochdale
125 Prince Edwin, White Hart Hotel, Hythe
128 Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury, Lancashire
148 Antiquity, Bull's Head, Bradshawgate, Bolton
191 St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Bury, Lancashire
204 Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
210 Duke of Athol, Bowling Green Hotel, Denton
225 St. Luke's, Coach and Horses Hotel, Ipswich
274 Tranquillity, Boar's Head Inn, Newchurch
281 Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Church St., Launce
288 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
290 Huddersfield, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield
363 Keystone, New Inn, Whitworth
387 Airedale, Masonic Hall, Westgate, Shipley
483 Synapathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
615 St. John and St. Paul, Prince of Wales, Brith
625 Devonshire, Norfolk Hotel, Glossop
666 Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town
750 Friendship, Freemasons' Hall, Cleckheaton
854 Albert, Duke of York Inn, Suaw, near Oldham
2018 Shakespeare, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford

1060 Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tarnworth
1091 Erme, M.H., Chapple Place, Ivybridge, Devon
1091 Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1209 Lewises, Royal Hotel, Runsgate
1248 Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
1342 Walker, Hope and Anchor, Byker, Newcastle
1356 Toxteth, 80 North Hill Street, Liverpool
1363 Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Glos.
1393 Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1403 West Lancashire, Commercial Hotel, Ormskirk
1421 Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Bromton
1431 Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham
1517 Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1643 Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hobburn-on-Tyne
1645 Colne Valley, Lewisham Hotel, Slough
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent
1731 Trinity, Golden Lion Hotel, Rayleigh
2006 Tilbury, King's Arms Hotel, Grays, Essex
2156 Arthur Sullivan, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester
2259 St. Nicholas, Peace Hall, W. Yorkshire
2291 Wervtree, Coffee House, Church Road
2389 Avondale, King's Arms, Middleswich, Cheshire
R.A. 20 Royal Kent of Antiquity, Sun, Chatham
R.A. 77 Hermes, Clarendon Hotel, Gravesend
R.A. 86 Lebanon, Masonic Hall, Prescott
R.A. 280 St. Wulstan, M.H., 95 High St., Worcester
R.A. 298 Unity, 23 Ann Street, Rochdale
R.A. 333 Royal Preston, Preston
R.A. 350 Meribah, Church Hotel, Kearsley
R.A. 393 Berwick-upon-Tweed, M.H., Parade, B. T.
R.A. 499 Stortford, Chequers, Bishop Stortford
R.A. 506 Mundy Grove, Boat Inn, Shipley Gate
R.A. 673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

Thursday, 11th August.

2417 Bolingbroke, M.H., Northcote Road, Clapham

35 Medina, 85 High Street, Cowes
97 Palatine, Masonic Hall, Sunderland
139 Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
215 Commerce, Commercial Hotel, Haslingdon
333 Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
339 Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Sunderland
348 United Brethren, Royal Oak, Clayton-le-Dale
369 Limestone Rock, Swan and Royal, Clitheroe
456 Foresters, Town Hall, Uttroter
469 Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, Spalding
732 Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
971 Trafalgar, Masonic Hall, St. James St., Batley
991 Tyne, M.H., Wellington Quay, Northumberland
1145 Equality, Red Lion, Accrington
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1273 St. Michael, Masonic Hall, Sittingbourne
1416 Falcon, Masonic Hall, Thirsk
1514 Thornhill, Masonic Hall, Lindley
1583 Corbet, Whitehall, Towyn
1597 St. Giles, Royal Oak, Hotel, Cheadle
1697 Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot
1782 Machen, Swan, Colehill
1992 Tennant, Masonic Hall, Cardiff
2189 Ashburton, Masonic Hall, Ashburton
2234 Onslow, St. Nicholas Parish Hall, Guildford
2285 Eden, M. Rooms, Portland Sq., Worthington
2321 Acacia, Masonic Hall, Darley St., Bradford
2342 Easterford, Angel Hotel, Kelydon
2343 Sir William Harpur, Ass. Rooms, Bedford
R.A. 51 Patriotic, Three Cups Hotel, Colchester
R.A. 254 Trinity, Queen's Hotel, Coventry
R.A. 337 Confidence, Masonic Hall, Upper Mill
R.A. 461 Hwlford, M.H., Haverfordwest
R.A. 723 Panmure, M.H., Barrack Rd., Aldershot
K.T. 21 Salamanca, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax

Friday, 12th August.

38 Glamorgan, Masonic H., Working St., Cardiff
458 Aire and Calder, Masonic Rooms, Goo's
526 Honour, Star and Garter Hotel, Wolverhampton
662 Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, W. Bromwich
1001 Harrogate and Claro, Mas. Hall, Harrogate
1087 Beaudesort, Assembly Ro., Leighton Buzzard
1121 Wear Valley, Masonic Hall, Bishop Auckland
R.A. 81 Royal York, Doric Place, Woodbridge
R.A. 304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds
R.A. 406 De Sussex, Masonic Hall, Newcastle
R.A. 1001 Harrogate and Claro, M.H., Harrogate
K.T. 4 Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Huddersfield

Saturday, 13th August.

1685 Guelph, Red Lion, Leytonstone
1637 Unity, Railway Hotel, Harrow
2069 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds
2096 George Price, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon
M.M. 14 Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Stanfield

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Saturday, 6th August.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
170 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1361 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney,
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, W.
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

Monday, 8th August.

22 Loughborough, Golden 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
190 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon
362 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
549 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, 212 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall, Canterbury,
1490 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7:30
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7:30
1545 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney
1603 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

Tuesday, 9th August.

25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
74 Athol, M.H., Severn Street, Birmingham, 6:45
141 Faith, 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, Camden Town, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
551 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, Sidcup, 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
1475 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6
1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.
1638 Brownrigg, Alexander Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav. N.
1830 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. 1612 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbrooke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 10th August.

3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
30 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30
65 Prosperity, Old Parr's Head, Knightbridge St.
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 8
223 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
538 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
591 Downshire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
720 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, 7
781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Burdett Rd., 7:30
813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Rd. 8
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
902 Burgoyne, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1356 Toxteth, 140 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30
1475 Peckham, 518 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Hornsea, 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 Creation, Wheatshen, Shepherd's Bush, 8
1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8
1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7:30
2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8
R.A. 177 Domestic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
R.A. 720 Panmure, 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, 11th August.

141 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30
147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
263 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 Wolseley, Rotherhithe New Road
890 Hornsey, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
1158 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
1178 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, S.E. 7
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7:30
1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Eastern Hotel, Commercial Road, Limehouse, E., 7:30
1278 Burdett Coutts, Swan, Bethnal Green Rd., 8
1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7:30
1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30
1559 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 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 Covens Garden, Criterion, W., 8
1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
1625 Tredegar, 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
1996 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, 12th August.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
187 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
780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, 8
834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7:30
1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8
1298 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, Ladbroke 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, 13th August.

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
1289 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1361 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8
1824 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30
R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.



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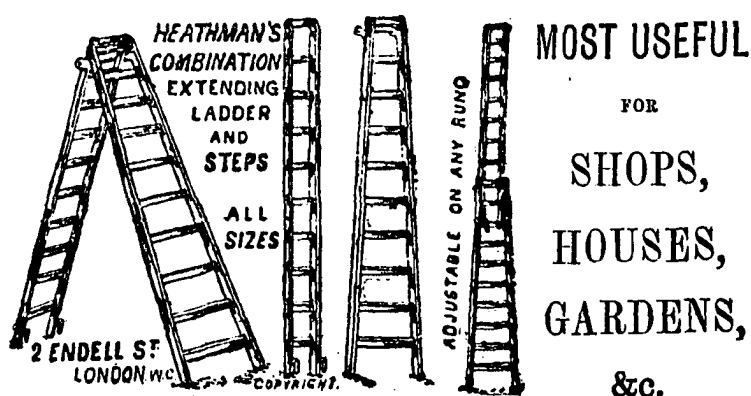
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