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## THE BOYS' SCHOOL ELECTION.

FRIDAY, the 14th April, is the day appointed for the Quarterly Court of the supporters of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and on this occasion twenty-three candidates out of an approved List of forty-nine will be elected to fill vacancies in the School. As a consequence, when the poll is declared, we shall have no less than twenty-six candidates who will have to contest future Elections, provided, of course, that the age limit has not been exceeded. There are happily but six candidates where this will apply, and we trust each of these will receive the necessary support. We will take these six candidates first. They are represented by Nos. 5, 14, 16, 18, 44 and 49. No. 5, Frank Edward Hobden, is one of two children dependent on their friends. Both parents are dead. The father was a member of the Lodge of Friendship, Sussex, who died in 1884, having subscribed to his Lodge for 18 years. The lad has already contested one Election, where he secured 270 votes. The Province of Sussex will doubtless look after his interest on this occasion. No. 14, Wilfred Jenkins, is the son of a schoolmaster, who died in July 1885, after having subscribed to Lodges 995 and 1398 for something over 19 years. He was Worshipful Master and a founder of the latter Lodge. The mother has five children dependent on her for support. The lad comes forward under the auspices of the brethren of West Lancashire. No. 16, Gerald Brine Marston, hails from Dorsetshire. His father subscribed for 16 years to Lodges 137 and 1146, and died in May 1892, leaving six children dependent on his widow. He was a Life Governor of the Boys' School. No. 18, John Wing Holmes, is the son of a deceased member of the Humber Lodge, No. 57. He is dependent on his mother. The father was a subscribing member to his Lodge for seven years. No. 44, James Frederick Archer, is another West Lancashire case, his father having subscribed to No. 1256 until his death, which took place in October 1890, for a period of fourteen years. There are five children in this case, who are dependent on their step-mother. No. 49, Sydney Main Hall, comes from Hants and the Isle of Wight. His father subscribed to Lodges 903 and 1321 for 28 years, and died in December 1892, leaving his widow with three children to provide for.

We will now touch on the number of votes brought forward. These amount in the aggregate to 7,616, and are accredited to the first twelve cases on the List. Of these votes no less than 4,060 are placed to the credit of London cases. Here is another evidence of the great disadvantages under which London works for want of organisation. Surely one of these three candidates could have been passed at the last Election were the brethren more in touch with each other. The Provinces set a splendid example in this direction, and we trust that the time is not far

distant when this example will be more generally followed.

As regards the remaining cases we do not see anything special to refer to. The balloting papers give but little detail. Each case will receive the attention of its particular coterie, and we look forward to a busy and exciting time of it while the Election is in progress. We can only regret that so many approved candidates will have to await their future chances of securing the benefits of the Institution.

There is one other feature to which we have been asked to draw attention. All votes for the Girls' School Election must be polled on the Thursday. On previous occasions several parcels have been useless for exchange purposes through being kept in hand too long.

## SOME MASONIC OBSERVATIONS.

By Richard Vaux. Committee on Masonic Correspondence for the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

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### CIRCUMSCRIBED.

OUR Fraternity is circumscribed to its own members. It has its own teachings. It is bound by its own obligations to defined duties. In the "field of human benefactions" our Lodges are not jealous of others, and as we "run no race with other organizations for public favour," we can make no effort of our own for such an ephemeral advantage. Freemasonry is a stranger to all desire for "public favour." In the words of the Great Light, let us rather strive by "well doing to put to silence the ignorance of foolish men." This is the surest way to secure that "public favour" of earnest, sincere, intelligent and thoughtful men.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

District Deputy Grand Masters are the direct special representatives of the Grand Master. He alone should appoint his own representatives. They act for him. They possess certain official capacities. They are the eyes and the tongue of the Grand Master. They are only responsible to him. It seems to be an unwise policy as well as unsound in principle. A duty and a responsibility divided in accountability for duty performed engenders strife, it may be, at all events, a loose, uncertain, and hesitating judgment.

### A PYRAMID.

Our brethren of the Grand Lodge of Illinois have begun the erection of "the Masonic Fraternity Temple," at the city of Chicago. The frontispiece of the copy of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge for 1891 is embellished with a picture of what the gigantic and magnificent structure will be when finished. It is a mammoth. To say it is indicative of that *ism* of Freemasonry, "keeping up to the progress of the day," would not fully or fitly describe it. It is one of the instances of the proverb in progress; to see it is its only description. We do most

earnestly congratulate our brethren of Illinois on the energy, spirit and zeal they have manifested in undertaking to build, as the builders of our Craft in the aforesaid never would have believed, a possible structure. It is not a castle, nor a cathedral. The Egyptians would not have conceived it as a mausoleum. They would have rather assigned it to the era of the pyramids. It is a pyramid. May it last as long as that immortal pile, and pyramid of Geza. May the true Freemasons, the inheritors and conservators of the mysteries, symbols, landmarks and principles of Freemasonry, in joy and gladness, in peace and harmony, congregate in this Masonic Fraternity Temple for ages to come.

#### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

Schools of Instruction may be made of great service to the Craft. The acquirements for the teachers are necessarily of a high order. Unless the teachers are taught, their teachings may lack the essence of instruction. In Masonry it is of high moment that the instruction given to the Craft should be based on the fundamental principles accepted as the true foundation of Freemasonry. Once comprehend the symbology of Freemasonry, and apply the meaning conveyed in these symbols to the work and ritual, and the teachers in these Schools of Instruction will be guides as well as teachers. From our experience, we doubt if any valuable instruction can be given, to benefit the members of Lodges, if this is not the method adopted. To tell how the bye-laws of Grand Lodge, or those of a subordinate Lodge, are to be carried out is important; but to instruct in the great principle of Freemasonry demands a larger and more thorough knowledge of the history of the Craft, and a trained study of the traditions, symbology and landmarks which have come down to us from the aforesaid. If this teaching could be carefully imparted to even a few Masons who would devote themselves to learn, the consequence would be of the most signal benefit to Lodges and members. Let it ever be known that the mere "work" of the floor is but physical action, unless the eternal spirit of the symbolic teaching permeates it as its true, necessary interpretation.

#### MASONIC MONITORS.

We condemn as unmasonic all kinds and sorts of printed Masonic Monitors. If there are not enough members in Grand Lodge, or Past Masters of subordinate Lodges, to learn the work and ritual of Freemasonry, then the death of ancient Masonry will not be postponed by printing what none of the laws of Freemasonry permit. Who is to be the judge of what ought to be printed? What means can be adopted for interlining the printed pages with prohibited matter? We have never yet found that Freemasonry under Masonic Monitors was free from objectionable novelties invited by the deviation from the Masonic law as to the publication of what ought never to be made accessible to the profane.

#### DANGEROUS PROGRESS.

When Faith dies, when the Craft has no foundation to rest on, when the established is destroyed, when the principles which constitute the essential doctrines of Freemasonry, that for centuries and by generations have been accepted as true and unalterable, are to be brushed away by any and every doubt of ignorant and unthinking worshippers of modern *isms*, when anything will do as Freemasonry if the thing called "progress" sets up its devastating power over the true and eternal, hallowed and consecrated, teachings of our Fraternity; when these things come to pass, then our ancient and honourable Craft will follow into the abyss where lie the skeletons of profane institutions, which died of "progress" and are buried in oblivion.

#### FRATERNAL CONGRESS.

Such an assemblage would be a sort of "caucus." It would arouse at once the distrust of all Grand Jurisdictions, because it is unknown to Masonic law, the *form* of Masonic government, responsible to nobody, not even to itself, and could never "arrive" at any "result" which could be a "guide-mark" in Masonry. The "questions" such an assembly would "deliberate" upon are those which have no place in Masonry. That of itself is a fatal objection to such a "caucus." The only likely result from such a caucus would be schisms and clandestine Lodges and all sorts of those things called fraternal associations. As a

debating society it might be amusing. The "suggestions" that would be offered for deliberation and debate would excite hostilities in the caucus itself, and the eloquence of the "leading men in all jurisdictions" would be words that unintentionally might stir up strife, contention, and bitterness. Freemasons, true, instructed, enlightened, earnest, faithful, obedient, well trained, would never consent to meet such a convocation for the purposes suggested. Obedience to their obligations would not permit it; that is, obedience to the obligations which true Masons understand would be violated by any deliberation on questions which were not recognized as Masonic or within the legislative power of a Grand Lodge of Freemasons, by the jurisprudence of the ancient Craft. If such questions ever arise, then the only power to deliberate on them is the sovereign, supreme authority of the Grand Lodge, if it would degrade its history by entertaining them.

#### MASONIC CHARITY.

Masonic charity is an incident of Masonic teachings.

A forced support is not the true meaning of Mason's charity.—*Voice of Masonry.*

#### RESPONSIBILITY.

**T**HERE is no funny business in Masonry. It is, from inception to conclusion, a grave, solemn and serious association. Through its ritualistic and esoteric work, nothing of the ridiculous or vulgar facetious finds a place. Its education of the three senses, of hearing, seeing and feeling, is intended to deeply impress the awfully sublime fact of living and dying. Its teachings convey the terrible responsibility man rests under to his Creator: the serious fact of human action in time, leaving its imprint for good or bad in eternity. It teaches the immortality of the soul, and as that soul may be stained by sin or purified by virtue, so will it have to stand the scrutiny of the All-Seeing Eye. It shows that life is but a brief span between two boundless eternities, from whence we came and to whither we go. It teaches us to subdue our passions and perfect our character in all that goes to make virtue triumphant over vice. It is not a religion, a creed, a confession of faith, but a moral philosophy in which man is taught how to do his first works, in preparation for that indwelling grace, which is alone the bestowment of the God which Masonry teaches us to recognise, as revealed in His Word—our Great Light.

Now with such serious labours before us, the injection of folly into sublimely serious thought and action is sinfully absurd.

"No room for mirth or trifling here—  
For ribald laugh and foolish jeer—  
If life so soon is gone;  
If death stands knocking at our door,  
And we must shortly stand before  
The inexorable throne."

Now all this is but prefatory to our protest against making a mock of such a serious thing as Freemasonry by the insertion of mock or side degrees. There are a number of these, but we are pleased to know they are fast falling into disrepute. One in particular, called the "degree of Adam and Eve," is a vile travesty upon Chapter work, and is, we believe, still given in some Chapters in Michigan. Masonry has no use for such nonsense, and the sooner all such be eliminated the better. Masonry is filled with beautiful and exhilarating thought. Among us as a Fraternity is no room for—

"Vain teachers of folly who strive hard to show  
That the sole road above is through dormant below."

Ours is a bright, loving, cheerful philosophy, which recognises the good and the beautiful on earth as a foretaste of the joys of heaven, and invites to the intelligent, cheerful use and not abuse of the creature comforts a loving beneficent Father hath provided. We believe in the happy laugh that kills care; the scintillation of pure wit, the facetious repartee, the humorous dispute, the ludicrous anecdote, story, incident, poem or narrative. We believe in making life happy, pleasurable, joyful, and we ignore the false theory that self-abnegation of the pure and delightful is the proper method to curry favour with Heaven. But we have no place for the vulgar, vile or depraved thought or sentiment. We have no Fraternity with the mockery of our moral tenets. All such are

clandestine, even were they crowned active 33° Masons. Masonry has arrived at the sublimity of its upward progress in climbing the Mount of Wisdom, and it can now afford to say to all incumbrances: "Stay thou there while I worship in this place." The golden gates of the Temple of Knowledge crowning the height to which we seek to attain stand invitingly open. But the impure may not enter there. The inner sanctuary is displayed to the seeker after Truth, but the pure goddess will not be wooed or won by aught else than the pure in heart.

"Who shall ascend unto the hill of the Lord?  
Or who shall stand in His holy place?  
He that hath clean hands and a pure heart  
That hath not lifted up his soul into vanity,  
Nor sworn deceitfully,  
He shall obtain a blessing from the Lord,  
And righteousness from the God of our salvation.

—The American Tyler.

### A MASONIC MEDITATION.

**F**REEMASONRY has been established for generations.

It has maintained its peculiar characteristics.

It has never changed.

Its principles have been maintained.

Its esoteric teachings are unaltered.

Its ritual is essentially as heretofore.

Its ceremonial has been conserved.

Its traditions are given as in the aforetime.

Its Landmarks are indestructible. The devotion of its associates now is as earnest, sincere and impregnable as at the beginning.

The history it has made is unassailed.

The foundations on which it rests are eternal.

These facts will hardly be denied, even among the incredulous profane. Faith in them is the heritage of the true Mason.

What other human institution can make these claims on the intelligent, thinking student of the records time has written on "*now*" as it becomes "*was*."

There must, therefore, be in Freemasonry some special vitality, some undefinable spirit or essence, some super-human inherent faculty that has operated to secure such results. Through the ages Freemasonry has lived and maintained its character. When the rise and fall of empires, the revolutions in thought, opinions and forms of government have worked out changes among mankind; when the iconoclasts have broken images, the laws, social order, overthrown many institutions, made martyrs and victims, and immolated many of their devoted adherents, yet Freemasonry lived. Strong, persistent, reliant, filled with faith, and ready for perils, the Craft never faltered in the performance of their duties.

In caves, on the mountain tops the Craft met and obeyed the teachings they had received. Thus did the Brethren conduct their ceremonies.

They were animated by the spirit of a devotion to their association that seemed to partake of a solemn recognition as a revelation. Their social relations, their identification with the people of the country, their responsibilities as units in the communal organisations of which they were part, while rendering them amenable to the profane laws, in no wise weakened the ties or bonds that bound them to the Fraternity of the Craft. They were ever always Freemasons.

Obeys the civil magistrate, engaged in no conspiracy against government, they believed in God and trusted to His care.

These Freemasons were often only a few persons. It may be said, in one sense, their strength came out of their weakness. But no. It was the strength that the history of the past of the Craft made irresistibly potent. It was a faith that had marked the concurrent evidences of the indestructible organization which came to them from the fathers. The quiet pervading courage of the Craftsmen would not desert the Lodge. The principles which were the cementing power of the foundations of Freemasonry were the refuge and defence of the Brethren.

The teachings of the Lodge inspired them. Duty was never to be ignored. The "Great Light" was a lamp to their feet. From it they were never to depart. So long

as they adhered to an obedience without question, they felt safe and secure.

Peradventure they were to take a "*new departure*," there was no promise of continued triumph.

This, Brethren, is your heritage. Your obligations to its commands your strict adherence to the principles and teachings which indelibly mark and make manifest what to say is, as in the generations that have passed, true Freemasonry. This is our heritage. It is worthy of our earnest, sincere and abiding devotion.

Brethren, let nothing separate you from your courageous adherence to every principle which has made your inheritance so glorious.—*Keystone*.

### THE THREE LOOK-WELLS.

**W**E are all familiar with the occurrence of those striking expressions in the installation ceremonies of a Lodge of Masons in which, when the Worshipful Master is installed, he is directed to "look well to the East," while the Senior Warden is instructed to "look well to the West," and the Junior Warden to "look well to the South."

Every bright Mason knows what this means; that these cardinal points of the compass have their esoteric teaching, full of moral instruction. The sun's course in the heavens supplies a good deal of the imagery and symbolism of Freemasonry, and no part of the venerable and mystic system is fuller of instruction and beauty than derived from it.

The Master presides in the East, because he is symbolically the centre and source of that light by which the Lodge works. He presides over the sons of light who look to him for wisdom and guidance. Therefore, he is bid to "look well to the East;" that is, to be himself what his dignified office represents and to worthily represent that Grandest of Oriental Kings, Solomon, King of Israel, whom he personates in the government of the Craft.

This looking to the East for light and guidance is one of the most ancient customs in the history of humanity. All the old historical churches call their sanctuaries—that is, the altar or chancel end of the church—the East; and the turning of the priest or clergyman toward it in solemn ministrations, as in the Holy Communion, for example, is called "the Eastward position."

The old Solomonean Temple, it is true, had a different Orientation. Its centre was turned towards the East, and its sanctuary was in the West, and it was very probable that the reason was because of the tendency to idolatry in the children of Israel. The heathens to the Eastward of Palestine were fire worshippers of Baal or Bel, the Sun God, and therefore King Solomon reversed the position and put the sanctuary in the West to neutralize this heathen tendency. But in the old Christian church, Armenian, Coptic, Greek, Roman, Byzantine and Anglican churches the old Orientation was resumed, and they put their sanctuaries in the East. Their Cathedral churches were built by Freemasons and it was natural that the Lodge and the church should agree in this beautiful symbolization, and that those who work or worship in both should look to the East for light.

The terminology by which two Wardens are placed respectively in the West and South is closely connected with the sun's course in the heavens. Their stations not only indicate the universality of Masonry, which has propagated from East to West, but they also have their bearings from their relations to the Master's chair.

These Officers are the important pillars which support and adorn the Lodge. The Master is the fountain and source of Masonic light, and the Wardens reflect the light in its glory and beauty which the Master sheds upon the Lodge. Therefore we can well see why those who occupy these important and honourable stations should look well to those points of the compass which they are elected to adorn.—*Masonic Review*.

The Masonic Fraternity has never changed its policy. It says to the profane, you must seek in order to know our mysteries. You will not be sought after. The first step is of the highest importance and must be strictly adhered to. Any member of the institution who urges a profane to become a Mason is guilty of conduct unbecoming a true member of our Fraternity, and deserves to be disciplined for so doing.—*South Australian Freemason*.

## NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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ROYAL YORK LODGE, No. 315.

THE annual installation meeting of the brethren of this Lodge took place on Tuesday afternoon, the 7th inst., at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. The chief feature of the meeting was the installation of Bro. Harry Kent as Wor. Master for the ensuing year. The ceremony was impressively performed by the retiring Worshipful Master Brother A. Stanley Cooke, the charges being given by Bros. A. Stanley Cooke, L. B. Styer and J. C. Buckwell. The Worshipful Master appointed his Officers, those present being invested with the insignia of their respective offices; and on behalf of the Lodge the Worshipful Master presented Brother A. Stanley Cooke, the retiring Worshipful Master, with a Past Master's jewel in appreciation of the admirable manner in which he had carried out his duties during the past year. The Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to the banqueting-room, where they sat down to an elegant banquet under the presidency of the newly installed Worshipful Master Bro. Kent. The proceedings were of a very hearty character.

## COMBERMERE LODGE, No. 605.

BROTHER John Frazer was, on the 16th inst., installed W.M. of this Lodge at the Music Hall, Cloughton Road, Birkenhead, in the presence of a numerous company of members of the Lodge and visitors. The retiring Worshipful Master, Brother John Watt, presided, and the ceremony of installation was performed by Brother Grant P.M. of the Lodge. The newly installed Master invested the following brethren as Officers for the ensuing year:—Brothers John Watt I.P.M., Thompson S.W., Jackson J.W., Simm Treasurer, O. Jones Secretary, Coveney D.C., Reinhardt S.D., W. H. Jones J.D., Cooper Organist, Birkett, Powell, Adam, Tomlinson and Morris Stewards, Holtaway Tyler. During the evening Brother Alexander Moore presented to Brother Watt, on behalf of the members of the Lodge, a handsome P.M.'s jewel, in recognition of his services to the Lodge during the year.

## HARROGATE AND CLARO LODGE, No. 1001.

THE regular meeting of the above Lodge was held on Friday, the 10th instant, at the Masonic Hall, Harrogate, the following being present—Brothers Walters W.M., Thompson P.M. Treasurer, Booty Secretary, Davey S.D., Bell J.D., Spinks I.G., Linskill and Turner Stewards, Child and Bungay Tylers, J. B. Griffiths, B.A., I.P.M., Bodman P.M., Lawrence P.M., Marsh P.M. P.P.G.O., Marshall P.M., Smith P.M. P.P.G.D.C., Graham P.M. 521, Watson P.M. 61, Richardson 2059, and Wood 1001. The Lodge was opened, the minutes read and confirmed, and the ballot taken for Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, which proved unanimous in favour of Brother J. A. Macnab, who expressed his thanks for the high compliment paid him. Bro. Thompson P.M. was re-elected as Treasurer. A special feature of the evening's business was a lecture given by Brother William Watson P.P.G.S. of Works and Hon. Librarian of West Yorkshire, his subject being—"Freemasonry in England down to A.D. 1813." The lecturer illustrated his address with many rare and interesting books and curios, and kept the brethren in rapt attention during his highly instructive and interesting lecture. A special vote of thanks was accorded him for his kindness in attending to entertain the brethren with his admirable discourse. The Lodge was closed, and afterwards the supper was held in the banqueting room, where the rest of the evening was spent in social harmony, duly honouring the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts. The installation ceremony takes place on Friday, 14th April.

## PRINCE OF WALES LODGE, No. 1035.

THE annual ball of the above Lodge, held on Wednesday evening, the 15th inst., was a most successful gathering, and a substantial addition to the funds of the West Lancashire Masonic Charities is expected. Brothers Peters W.M., Wells S.W., and N. Davies J.W., with a strong list of Stewards, attended to the comfort of the guests. Brother John Davies I.P.M. was presented during the evening with a massive marble clock, the gift of the Officers and Brethren of the Lodge. Dancing was kept up until a late hour to the strains of Mr. Rowlands' band. The catering was attended to in his usual excellent way by Brother Eberle.

## METHAM LODGE, No. 1205.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge was held on the 20th instant, at the Metham Masonic Hall, Caroline Place, Stonehouse, to instal Bro. Quartermaster-Sergeant Facey, R.M.L.I., as the W.M. for the year ensuing. There was a large attendance of members of the Lodge and visiting brethren, Bro. Facey being an old and respected Mason. The Installing Officers were Bros. Powell P.P.G. Treasurer, Trout, Dickson P.P.G.D.C., Sitters, Dunn P.G. Steward, Perring, all Past Masters of 1250, assisted by the following Board of Installed Masters:—Bros. the Rev. Dr. Lemon, Jew, Pike, Cross Past Provincial Officers; Perkins the retiring Worshipful Master, Wilson and King, all of 1205; Lord 1247, Hammett 666, Knight 202, Duckett

593, Cross 1205, P. G. L. Pearce 1247 P.G. Officers; Chapell 156, Pengelly 2025, Hambly 1247, Roberts 159, Stover 159, Thomas 189, Elliott 1247 all Past Masters; Master-Gunner Gurney, R.A., 1247, Evans 1550, Milford 1847, and Graves 189, all W.M.'s. The Officers invested were Bros. Perkins I.P.M., Ambrose S.W., W. J. Pearce J.W., Dickson Chaplain, Cross Treasurer, Dunn Secretary, Maddock S.D., Maunders J.D., Wills I.G., Chanter D.C., Ferguson A.D.C., Stephens Organist, Ewens, Skinner, Blake, and Crews Stewards, and Gidley Tyler. Brother Powell was unanimously re-elected representative of the Lodge on the Committee of Petitions, and Brother Sitters Charity Steward. A handsome 18 carat gold Past Master's jewel was then presented to the Immediate Past Master, Brother Perkins, by Brother Powell on behalf of the members of the Lodge, and referred to the happy time spent by the brethren during Brother Perkin's year of office. The jewel bore the following inscription:—

"Presented by  
the members of Metham Lodge, 1205,  
to BROTHER G. PERKINS as a token of their fraternal regard,  
1892-3."

Brother Perkins suitably replied. The annual banquet of the Lodge will take place at the Masonic Hall, Plymouth, on Monday evening next.

## SOLWAY LODGE, No. 1220.

THE annual meeting for the purpose of installing the Worshipful Master of this Lodge was held on Monday evening, the 6th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Aspatria, Cumberland, and attracted a large gathering of brethren from the various Lodges of the Province, the Worshipful Master elect Brother Dr. H. J. Webb being very popular amongst an extended circle of the Craft. Brother Webb, having been an initiate of Lewis, No. 872, his Mother Lodge was well represented at the meeting. A number of letters of apology had been received from eminent brethren, amongst them being one from Bro. Dalrymple P.M. 872 and 1660 P.P.G.S.W. Provincial Grand Secretary, who regretted his inability to be present. Besides the Officers and members of the Lodge, the following were present:—Bros. Burgess P.M. 327 P.P.G.D.C., Gowan P.M. 1989 P.P.G.S.B., Dr. J. F. Muir P.M. 872 P.P.G.J.D., Bewes 327 P.P.G.J.W., Hayton 1532, Mitchell P.M. 371, Johnston W.M. 872, Annison W.M. 371, Clark 327, Rumney S.W. 1989, Fowler J.W. 872, Wren S.W. 371, Hall 327, Brown J.D. 872, Bell 1989, Leach J.W. 371, Hope Junior Warden 327, Atkinson Past Master 872, and Messenger Tyler 371. The installing Masters were Brothers Frank Richardson I.P.M. P.G.R., and Pontin P.M. 327 P.P.G.P., and on Brother Webb being duly installed, he appointed and invested the following as his Officers:—Brothers Forester S.W., Askew J.W., Frank Richardson Treasurer, Ponton P.P.G.P. Secretary, Rev. C. H. Gem P.P.G.C. Chaplain, Tait S.D., Dr. W. Edwards J.D., Timperley I.G., Frear and Reid Stewards, and Railton Tyler. On the conclusion of the Lodge business, Brother Webb invited the brethren to the Station Hotel, where a banquet had been prepared by Brother Frear, the genial host of this well-known hotel. The menu was in every sense first-class, and Brother Frear was highly complimented on this, the first, occasion of his catering for the Craft. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts customary at such gatherings received due recognition, and were both heartily proposed and responded to. Several musical brethren contributed songs, which added to the harmony of a most enjoyable evening. The Tyler's toast concluded the proceedings of this rising and prosperous Lodge.

## PEMBROKE LODGE, No. 1299.

THE annual installation meeting took place at the Sheil Park Hotel, Fairfield, on Thursday, the 16th inst., with Brother John Leech Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The installation ceremony was performed by Brother S. Jones in a most impressive and efficient manner. Amongst the visitors present were Brothers Savage Provincial Grand Treasurer, Jarman 1325, Underwood 238 (S.C.), Milne 1756, Lawton 220, Williams 220, Browne 249, Shield 1294, Littleby 667, W. Jones 220 1299, Armstrong 724, Round 1609, Proctor 667, Peake 1609, Parkes 2335, Robertson 594, Higginbotham 1609, F. Mawdsley late 2290, Whittingham 216, Coates 1609, Kirkham 1609, and Stead 1609. The newly appointed Worshipful Master afterwards invested his Officers for the year:—Bros. Pearson I.P.M., G. R. Jones S.W., Higgin J.W., Vines P.M. Treasurer, Coulthard Secretary, Cousins S.D., E. Parkinson J.D., Jagger I.G., Taylor, Golightly, Snowden, and Hallard Stewards, S. Haden Jones P.M. Director of Ceremonies, Doran Tyler. After the ceremony the brethren partook of an excellent banquet, provided by Brother Saxon. During the evening Brother Leach presented to the I.P.M., Brother Pearson, a valuable Past Master's jewel, also a Past Master's apron, as a mark of esteem and respect; also to Mrs. Pearson, from the members of the Lodge, a valuable tea and coffee set in an oak case. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly proposed by the W.M. and heartily responded to by the brethren. The musical programme was most efficiently rendered by Brothers Shaw, Kirkham, Higginbotham, Hallard, Mawdsley, and Whittingham. Brother S. Haden Jones was also presented with a valuable silver cigarette case as a small token of the valuable services he has rendered to the Lodge for several years as Director of Ceremonies and Preceptor of the Lodge of Instruction; also a gold pencil case to Brother Vines for his services as Treasurer for nearly twenty years.

## OCKENDEN LODGE, No. 1465.

THE annual installation ceremony took place, at Cuckfield, on Wednesday, the 18th inst., when Brother Alice J. Wise was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. After the



formal business of the Lodge had been concluded and the Officers invested, the brethren dined together at the Talbot Hotel, where an excellent banquet was served, about thirty sitting down. The musical programme was ably sustained by the Lewes Orpheus Glee Union, whose vocal contributions considerably enhanced the enjoyment of the evening.

#### ZION LODGE, No. 1798.

**T**HE regular meeting of this Lodge was held at the Grand Hotel, Manchester, on Wednesday, the 8th inst. A very substantial tea preceded the ordinary business of the evening, which was commenced shortly before 7 p.m. After the confirmation of the minutes of the last regular meeting, and the balloting for as a joining member of Brother B. Steele, Brother Alfred de Botton Worshipful Master addressed the usual questions to Brother Walter Marshall, who had expressed a desire to become a Master Mason. These being satisfactorily answered, Brother George Board, in his usual efficient manner, then raised him to the sublime degree, presenting and explaining the working tools, and also delivering the charges. At the festive board which followed, Brother Fisher Immediate Past Master and Brother Rideal Past Master, in trenchant terms, which they know so well how to command, praised the zeal which was being displayed by the young Officers of the Zion Lodge, and promised, in view of the fact that the establishment of an Instruction Lodge had been considered necessary, to do all in their power to meet this want, feeling assured that when summoned to attend they would set a good example by not being absentees. The following were present:—Brothers Alfred de Botton Worshipful Master, John Fisher Immediate Past Master, George Rideal P.M. Senior Warden, Walter Fowden Junior Warden, Simeon Mamelok P.M. Treasurer, Leon M. Levy Secretary, Abraham Libstein Senior Deacon, Alfred Smith Junior Deacon, J. K. Heywood Inner Guard, Geo. Board P.M. P.P.J.D., Julius Arensberg Past Master, Elias Nathan Past Master, B. Steel, Walter Marshall, Alexander Kirkwood, Ed. Roberts Past Master (FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE).

#### ABBEY WESTMINSTER LODGE, No. 2030.

**T**HIS successful Lodge held a meeting on Monday, 13th inst., at the Town Hall, Westminster, S.W. The Lodge was opened at 4.30 p.m., under the presidency of Brother C. C. Piper P.M., Bro. F. J. Smith the Worshipful Master being absent on special business until later in the evening. The following were present:—Bros. W. Borwick S.W., H. J. Hambling J.W., J. Gibson P.M. Treasurer, W. E. Poole Assist. Secretary, J. Hayler S.D., J. E. Smith J.D., T. Berel P.M. 145 as I.G., J. M. Barber Tyler, E. H. Pinto, Kent, Danielli, Flury, Balchin, T. Cocks, Yapp, Barry, Bradford, Hendre, A. Piper W.M. 177, T. W. Davies, and others. After the minutes and routine business had been disposed of, three initiations, one passing and two raisings took place. The election of W.M. for the ensuing year was unanimously in favour of the S.W. Bro. Borwick. Bro. Gibson was re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. J. M. Barber Tyler, vice Bro. Walkley deceased. The death of three members was announced since last meeting, and the resignation of Bro. J. E. Shaud P.M. was received with sympathy and regret. The Worshipful Master was voted a jewel and collar for his ability and interest taken in the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the past year. Letters were read from Bros. W. Bardett Coutts, M.P., P.M. (first Master) P.G.D., Sir F. Seager Hunt, Bart., M.P., P.M., and Rev. J. R. Simpson, M.A., P.G.C., all members of the Lodge, excusing their attendance, being engaged on important business. After the Lodge closed the brethren dined at the Hotel Victoria, Victoria Street, S.W., Bro. F. J. Smith W.M. in the chair, and a very enjoyable meeting was brought to a close about 11 p.m. The toasts were interspersed with songs, recitations and piano solos.

#### HALLAMSHIRE LODGE, No. 2268.

**T**HE regular monthly meeting of this Lodge was held in the Masonic Hall, Surrey Street, Sheffield, on Friday, 16th inst. The Worshipful Master Bro. R. F. Booth presided, and was supported by Bros. C. F. Longden S.W., J. J. Parker J.W., Alfred Reekless Secretary, A. F. Watson S.D., J. W. Phillips P.P.G.O. Organist, Thomas Leighton P.G.T. Tyler, E. S. Tozier P.M., A. H. Allen P.M., G. E. Webster P.P.G.R. P.M., George Edwards P.M., H. Sayer, J. F. Crowley, E. Glossop, J. T. Hill, S. K. Ellis, J. Unwin jun., R. F. Denry, Thomas Cook, Charles Maples, and J. T. Cook. Visiting brethren:—Bros. Charles F. Forshaw, LL.D., S.D. 1214, W. F. Cole S.D. 1239, R. Watts 2263, J. B. Westenholt 1239 P.P.G.T., Thomas Harrison 296 P.P.G.T., S. H. Danhill W.M. 2263, Harry Price P.M. 177, C. A. Mays Steward 2263, and W. T. Father P.M. 139. The Worshipful Master initiated into the arts and mysteries of Ancient Freemasonry Mr. George Simpson, Bro. Parker explaining the working tools and Bro. A. H. Allen P.M. giving the charge. A proposition to subscribe the sum of two pounds annually from the funds of the Lodge to the Sheffield Association of Past Masters was, on the motion of Bro. G. E. Webster P.P.G.R., seconded by the Junior Warden, unanimously adopted. A motion by Bro. Webster, that a Committee comprised of the Worshipful Master, the Senior and Junior Wardens, and Bro. Thomas Cook should be elected to have power to pass plans for an artistic Masonic frame to contain the names of the Past Masters of the Lodge was seconded by the Senior Deacon, and carried. The Lodge was closed in peace and harmony in the first degree, after which the brethren adjourned for refreshment, when the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, interspersed by songs and recitations from the members of the Lodge and the visiting brethren.

#### DORIC LODGE, No. 2359.

**A** MEETING of this Lodge was held at the Didsbury Hotel, Didsbury, on the 11th instant, when the following were present:—Brothers Stretch W.M., Towell I.P.M., Myers S.W., Boothroyd J.W., Veal Secretary, Walker S.D., Thomas J.D., Smith P.M. Director of Ceremonies, Shaw acting Organist, Ward I.G., J. Sharples, Morgan, W. Sharples, and Laurisch Stewards, Wilkinson, Brett, Booth, Barker, Sayers, Shuter, Dearnaley, Worstencroft, J. Smith, F. J. Ratchford, F. B. Ratchford, Kay, and J. Moore, J.P.; also the following visitors:—Brothers C. Heywood 1387 P.G.D.C., J. W. Kenyon 42 P.P.G.S.W., W. Anderton P.M. 1161, and Farrer 2155. The Lodge was opened in ancient form at 3 p.m., after which Mr. E. H. Baldwin and Mr. J. H. Norris were initiated by the Immediate Past Master and the Worshipful Master respectively. The Senior Warden presented the working tools, the Junior Warden delivering the charge. The proceedings terminated with liberal donations to the Charity Box, and a vote to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls of the sum of 20 guineas.

#### DUKE OF YORK LODGE, No. 2449.

**O**N the 9th instant there was a capital muster of members and visitors at the Palatine Hotel, Manchester, to support Brother William T. Schofield W.M. upon the second occasion of the above Lodge being held. He had also a good bill of fare to present, which contained the names of two joining members, viz., Bros. Oates Rush-ton (Peace Lodge, 2269), and Whittle (Strangeways Lodge, 1219), and those of three initiates. The first of these, Mr. Alexander Graham Bryce, gained admittance into our ancient Order under the guidance of the Worshipful Master, who himself essayed to perform the ceremony; the second candidate, Mr. C. Houston, being taken in hand by Bro. S. Mamelok P.M.; and the third, Mr. Thomas Dean Lightfoot, by Brother William Boden P.M. S.W. The whole of the work was well done, and reflected great credit upon all those who took part in it. At the festive board which followed, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were given, and songs and recitations helped to make the evening a very pleasant one. The artistes on this occasion were Bros. Hardicker, Smith, Stott, Bridge, Hopkinson, and E. Roberts. We ought to mention that amongst the visitors were two very energetic Provincial Officers, viz., Bros. W. H. Peak and James W. Abbott, who tendered some excellent advice to the Officers and Members of this the newest Lodge, their remarks being received with every evidence of approval.

**Lodge of Instruction, No. 581.**—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held on Thursday, 9th March. After the minutes of the last regular meeting had been read and confirmed, the ballot was successfully taken for six new members. Brother Cyril H. Beever (Architect Lodge) performed the ceremony of initiation, Brother S. Mills (Wilton Lodge) acting as candidate. The working tool were presented and explained by Brother Harrison acting J.W., and the E.A. charge was delivered by Brother Lingard acting S.W. The chair was then resumed by Brother Schofield W.M. (Lodge of Integrity), who passed into the second degree Brother Grundy. The Lodge was closed at 9.20. There were present:—Brothers H. H. Warcourt P.M. P.P.G.S.D. and Preceptor, Lenard Treasurer, Alfred Hedden P.M. P.P.G.D.D.C. and Secretary, C. H. Beever acting W.M., Lingard acting S.W., Harrison acting J.W., S. Mills W.M., H. G. Barnes W.M., Bamford W.M., Schofield W.M., George Parker W.M., Fred Hilton P.M., William Bee P.M., Simister P.M., Westall, W. Barnes, Peel, Hamnett, Jones, Brown, Lindop, Grundy, Searle, Hepworth, Blunson, Chadderton, George Taylor, Robertshaw, Sam. Luke, Dean, Chalmers, Nathaniel Jones; Visitor—Brother Beckwith. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, the 28th instant, when the ceremony of raising will be rehearsed.

**Kensington Lodge of Instruction, No. 1767.**—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at the Scarsdale Arms Hotel, Edwardes Square, Kensington. Present—Brothers R. H. Williams P.M. Deputy Preceptor, E. W. Dennis W.M., J. W. Barker P.M. S.W., F. A. Barth J.W., F. Craggs P.M. Secretary, H. G. Danby W.M. 1056 S.D., Lewis Beale J.D., J. J. Rumbal I.G.; Bros. W. B. Neville, A. Williams P.M., E. E. Gellowski W.M. 534, J. H. Neville, W. H. Dresden W.M. 1602. The Lodge having been duly opened, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed. The Lodge was opened in the second degree. Bro. Neville offered himself as a candidate for raising; he was examined and entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the third degree and the ceremony rehearsed. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree. Bro. Barker was elected Worshipful Master for the next meeting. A vote of thanks was passed to Brother Dennis for his able working for the first time as Worshipful Master. The Lodge was then closed.

**HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.**—Sudden changes of temperature surely try all persons prone to rheumatism, sciatica, tic, doloureux, and many maladies scarcely less painful, though of shorter duration. On the first attack of stiffness or suffering in any muscle, joint, or nerve, recourse should immediately be had to fomenting the seat of disease with hot brine and rubbing in this remarkable Ointment, which will assuage the uneasiness of the part, subdue inflammation, and reduce the swelling. The Pills, simultaneously taken, will rectify constitutional disturbances and re-ov the strength. No remedy heretofore discovered has proved so effective as the Ointment and Pills for removing gouty, rheumatic, and scrofulous attacks which affect all ages, and are commonly called hereditary.

## THE SECRET DISCIPLINE.

IT was not without effort—not without long and severe testing—that the novitiate attained full knowledge of the ancient mysteries. In pagan associations of a philosophical and semi-religious character, in Hebrew rites and worship, and in the mystic and secret observances of the early Christian Church, there was a preferred class who, having passed through a searching ordeal of time and patience, had been found qualified to receive the sacred mysteries and be admitted to the ranks of those most exalted by reason of their learning, their faith and their discretion.

Just what the methods of testing were we do not know; nor have we any precise information concerning the processes of the "Secret Discipline," of which pagan writers and "the early fathers" of the church make mention. It is evident, however, that much careful training was imposed, many virtues taught, and various duties enjoined, as a preparation for preferment.

Secrecy and silence were pre-requisites to advancement in those ancient systems. The old Egyptians paid special honours to the god Harpocrates, who represented these qualities. They who were masters of the mysteries of Isis declared that they had obtained their rank and knowledge under the seal of silence and secrecy; and it is known that they were subjected to a testing that was long and severe before they were admitted to the full light of the ancient systems.

In the school of Pythagoras, originally, each pupil was required to pass five years in total silence, applying his thoughts to subjects of intellectual and moral science, and to religion. If found faithful and true under the discipline of these years he was admitted to fellowship, obligating himself in the most sacred manner to hold secret the knowledge of the *mysteries* which he had already gained, and which were to be further revealed to him as one well qualified to receive them.

Among the early Christians there were grades and classifications of believers. The greater mysteries were only made known to and participated in by those who constituted an order of "Faithful Brethren." These were informed concerning truths, doctrines, symbols, observances, not revealed to the ordinary believer. Chrysostom, in his writings, makes several allusions to the sacred mysteries, and in one place, after such a reference, says: "The initiated know what we mean."

There was a "discipline of the secret" in the early Christian Church,—an order of preferment in the gaining of desired knowledge and in the practice of certain rites, as well as in the exercise of ecclesiastical authority. There were mysteries not to be revealed except to the worthy and the tried—an inner circle of the initiated and exalted, who were closely associated together by having traversed the same path and having been subjected to like forces of culture and discipline.

Freemasonry has a well understood relation to these ancient systems, and is expressed along an ascending way, the uppermost heights of which can only be gained by painstaking efforts—by diligent study—by the taking of one step after another in the orderly way of procedure. Still there is a call, therefore, for the exercise of silence and secrecy—for the practice of all Masonic virtues and graces—that so progress may be made and admission obtained among the ranks of the Illuminated and Faithful Craftsmen.—*Freemasons' Repository*.

## ONE FEATURE OF MASONIC CHARITY.

CHARITY is a many featured virtue and in all its forms is lovely and of good report. Masons are, thanks be to the Great Architect of the Universe, by no means alone in taking it up as a distinguishing portion of life's work. And yet, without any disparagement of the efforts of other institutions and individuals, it is possible, with pardonable pride, to discover some special points of excellence in our Masonic methods of bringing relief to bear upon the great mass of human misery. Not the least of these is the fact, not often reflected upon, that our charity in general is expended on just that class of the unhappy that is least touched by other agencies, and which nevertheless, needs

help more sorely than any others. Masonry, for the most part, takes under its protecting wing the bitterest of all poverty, that of the sufferer who has known better days. And without the slightest idea of minimising the misery of the ordinary poverty stricken one, surely we are at liberty to say that bitter though the bite of the wolf at the door is at all times, it is doubly so when pinching the man or the woman whose previous training has been altogether the worst for facing the frowns of adverse fortune. The coarsely brought labourer, for instance, hard though his lot may be, suffers little even if he knows not where to turn for a meal, as compared with the anguish of the delicately nurtured lady to whom a reversal of fortune implies being cast adrift on a sea of shame and sorrow that means grief unspeakable. In the one case the daily life has been such that a little more depression is only a shade deeper in poverty, but in other it means utter and entire helplessness, the sting of which is all the sharper because of the persistent efforts which are made to suffer in silence. As a distinguished divine said lately to a deputation of London's unemployed, "there is often an aching heart under a black coat." It is exactly these aching hearts that Masonry steps forward to soothe. From the very fact of those who have a claim upon us having been members of the Craft, it follows that they must at some time or other have been in the enjoyment of the comforts, if not of the superfluities of life. Amidst these they were trained, and it is not their fault that their training is all insufficient when the ship has sailed upon the breakers of life. Probably a pound is spent with more certainty of doing real good when bestowed upon such as these, than if sent to relieve the misery of the teeming thousands of the proletariat. Not that any of our Craft would neglect the multitude if he has wealth at his command, but still we may be pardoned for a little pardonable pride when we reflect that the stream of Masonic Charity goes to water dry places almost untouched by other agencies.—*South African Freemason*.

A CHURCH BENEFACTRESS.—Miss Frances Wakeham, of Marshall, Braintree, who died last week at the age of eighty-one, has bequeathed £10,000 towards the erection and endowment of a new church at Becking, near Braintree. She also leaves several thousand pounds to existing churches and church institutions in the neighbourhood.

There is this year unwonted excitement and activity in the City with reference to the forthcoming election of sheriffs. It is usual for one alderman and one outside citizen to be chosen. On the present occasion two of the latter class are prosecuting an energetic canvass, while it is understood that two if not three of the aldermen are equally anxious to serve.

The Alhambra announces for Monday next, 27th inst., a new and original ballet divertissement entitled "Chicago," invented by M. Agoust, and arranged by M. Grédelue. The music selected and arranged from popular and national airs by G. Jacobi. The scenery is by T. E. Ryan, and the costumes by M. and Mme. Alias (from designs of H. Russell). In this ballet Signorina Pollini, premier danseuse, Miss Hooton, the Almontis, the Agoust Troupe, and others will appear.

The Earl of Carnarvon Lodge of Mark Masons, No. 211, held their installation meeting on the 23rd ult., at Anderton's Hotel, E.C., the Worshipful Master installed on the occasion being Bro. Huish, who afterwards appointed his Officers, as follow:—Bros. P. Monson S.W., Wadham J.W., Dr. Kialmark M.O., G. Gardner S.O., Larter J.O., J. N. Frye P.M. Treasurer, T. C. Walls P.M. Secretary, Beard S.D., and Ellis Tyler.

Never forsake a brother. When enemies gather around, when sickness falls on the heart, when the world is dark and cheerless, it is time to try true friendship. The heart that has been touched with pure gold will redouble its effort when the brother is sad and in trouble. Adversity tries real friendship. Those who turn from the scene of distress prove that interest only moves them. If you have a brother who loves you, who has studied your interest and happiness, be sure to sustain him in adversity. Let him feel that his love is not thrown away.—*Masonic Journal*.

Freemasonry is many sided. It deserves a careful study in all its different features, and only as thus surveyed can its true character and worth be discerned. Especially is there a call for close investigation of truths and principles combined in its unique system of philosophical affirmations and symbolic illustrations. Behind the expression which Freemasonry makes of itself in the ceremonies belonging to the conferring of degrees are rich stores of knowledge available to the intelligent inquirer. The Masonic student is sure of his reward. It has been well said that "in Masonry, one hour of metaphysical study is worth many hours of spectacular instruction. We enjoy a spectacle, especially if it is gorgeous, but we soon tire of it and lose all interest in it. The butterfly will never be a Masonic emblem."

## Obituary.

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### BRO. ROBERT BURNETT.

THERE was a large assemblage at the funeral of the late Bro. Burnett, on Friday, the 17th instant, a number of Masons attending to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of one who had for many years taken an active interest in their work, as well as others by whom the deceased was held in high esteem. It was some thirty years ago that Bro. Burnett was initiated into Freemasonry, at Worcester, and he afterwards became a member of the Beaufort Lodge, No. 103, Bristol, and continued so until a comparatively recent date. He was one of the founders of the Canynge Lodge, No. 1388, in 1871, and was Worshipful Master in 1877. In 1890 he was P.G.S.W. of the Provincial Grand Lodge. He was also a Past 1st Principal of the Beaufort Chapter, and was appointed Provincial Grand Sojourner in the Provincial Grand Chapter in 1889. He took the warmest interest in Masonic Charities; and he was generous in giving practical expression to his sympathy with the needy and distressed. The coffin, which was of polished oak with brass furniture, was covered with handsome wreaths, and it bore an inscription giving the date of the deceased's death—12th March—and his age 73.

### BRO. ALFRED BISHOP P.M. 1892

THE announcement of the death of this well-known brother comes to us in the shape of a surprise, inasmuch as it was quite recently we saw Bro. Bishop in good health. The deceased brother was much respected in the Province of Surrey, more especially in Carshalton. He was a Past Master of the Wallington Lodge, No. 1982, having served the office of Worshipful Master in that Lodge. Brother Bishop was buried on Monday. We offer to our deceased brother's family our sincerest sympathy in their great bereavement.

### BRO. GEORGE JOSEPH WESTBURY.

THIS respected brother died suddenly on Sunday, the 19th inst., from apoplexy, it is believed. Bro. Westbury, who for some time was a commercial traveller, was a prominent Freemason, being a member of the Semper Fidelis Lodge, No. 529, Worcester, and one of the Dudley Lodges, also a Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden. The members of the deceased brother's Lodge attended the funeral.

The day is past and gone for ever when Masonry is looked upon as a secret society, in the general acceptance of the term. Much more is written than is contained in its esoteric teachings. Each year, yea, every day, shows its progress in the field of intellect and letters. Its beauty is found in the thousands of volumes of bright books, which, for the want of a better term, we will name "chips from the quarries." In speaking of the beauties of it as an educational factor, some express the idea that its teachings are of such a nature as to warrant a man in adopting it as his religion. If this were a fact, would the Christian minister, the rabbi, and men of all the religions meet upon its level? It can hardly be presumed that they would. While a high moral code is inculcated, a beautiful system of symbols illustrated, no man can read even between the lines where it is set up as a substitute for religion. When the last sad rites are performed around the open grave, when the dust is about to return to the earth as it was, the Master, in the presence of death, on the very brink of the silent tomb, recommends his Brethren to prepare for that eternity in which our faith is unshaken. Progress is the watchword of the age—superstition and ignorance a thing of the past. A man has but to read the works of any authentic Masonic author to be convinced of the falsity of such rash superstitions, founded on an ungrounded theory, as have been set forth by edict and bull from royal palace and propaganda. As the sun rises and adorns the day, as his rays gild mountain tops, and as he climbs to his meridian glory to beautify all creation, so has this literary light risen until its meridian has been attained.—*Rough Ashlar.*

"At the time of the organisation of the Grand Lodge of England the first Grand Lodge which history mentioned, there was but one degree—that of Entered Apprentice. If the reception of that degree did not then make a Mason there was no Masonry at all until many years after the organisation of that old Grand Lodge. Moreover, in this country, until 1813, Grand Lodges, many, if not most of them, transacted their business in the first degree, and, with few exceptions, if not without any, all of the subordinate Lodges transacted their business in the first degree. We hold that when a man has received the first degree he is a Mason, as much so as when he has received the thirty-three degrees recognised in Masonry."

—*Freemasons' Repository.*

## MASONIC SONNETS.—No. 43.

By BRO. CHAS. F. FORSHAW, LL.D., 295, 1214,  
2417 (E.C.), 24, 761 (S.C.)

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### ON MEETING A BROTHER, AT GRANGE.

Grange hath its charms, of mountain and of sea,  
Of soul-renewing and refreshing air;  
Of brightest landscapes and of pride of lea;  
Its glories are its own, full-bloomed and rare;  
Its scenes to all are pure and fresh and sweet,  
Changeless, yet changeful, full of new surprise;  
And if in Winter's cold or Summer's heat  
Unfailing bliss it gives the poet's eyes.  
What wonder that my heart with rapture glowed,  
And felt a gladness far beyond compare,  
When in dear Hazelwood's sublime abode  
I met by chance a Brother of the Square;  
For all perfection for a little space  
Gave untold joy in this joy giving place.

Winder House, Bradford.

22nd March 1893.

The nineteenth annual report and statement of accounts of the directors of the Sheffield Masonic Hall Co., Limited, for the year ending 31st December 1892, is satisfactory. The net profit for the year is £137 7s 10d, as against £200 15s 10d for the preceding year; but it is to be noted that the cost of laying down a pitch-pine floor in the dining room, and of installing the electric light have been paid for out of income; and also that the receipts have increased by £32 17s. An endeavour has been made to obviate the drafts in the Lodge room, and we are glad to hear this has been partially successful. The amount standing to the credit of revenue account is £270 1s 1d, and the directors recommend a dividend of 2s 6d per share on the called-up capital of the Company, which will absorb £139 5s (being 3½ per cent. for the year), paying 2½ per cent. per annum on calls in advance, and carrying the balance to next year's account.

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ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, MARCH 29th.

To LIVERPOOL, MANCHESTER, Holhead and North Wales, Chester, Northwich, Blackburn, Bolton, Wigan, Preston, Southport, Blackpool, Crewe, Nantwich, Stafford, Batley, Dewsbury, Huddersfield, Leeds, Bradford, Halifax, Oldham, Runcorn, Ballybridge, Stockport, Warrington, Widnes, Buxton, Lancaster, Morecambe, Carnforth, and the English Lake District, &c., returning Tuesday, April 4th.

ON THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 30th.

To Leamington, Kenilworth, Warwick, Coventry, Birmingham, Walsall, Dudley, Wolverhampton, &c., returning April 3rd or 4th.

To the Trent Valley Line, Leicester, Nuneaton, Rugby, South and Central Wales, Newport (Salop), Shrewsbury, Wellington, Macclesfield, Leek, Stoke, Stone, Uttoxeter, Oswestry, Montgomery, Newton, Dolgelly, Barmouth, Aberystwyth, Aberdovey, Towy, Portmadoc, Pwllheli, Criccieth, Harlech, &c., returning Tuesday, April 4th.

ON THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 30th.

To Carlisle, Dumfries, Castle Douglas, Kirkcubright, EDINBURGH, GLASGOW, &c., returning Easter Monday, April 3rd.

For times, fares, and full particulars see handbills, which can be obtained at the Company's Town Parcels and Receiving Offices.

### EASTER HOLIDAYS, 1893.

TICKETS for all principal places on the London and North Western system, available from either Euston or Kensington (Addison Road), and dated to suit the convenience of passengers, can be obtained at the Spread Eagle Office, Piccadilly Circus, and other principal Town Receiving Offices of the Company, at Messrs. Gaze & Sons' Offices, 142 Strand, W.C., 4 Northumberland Avenue, and 18 Westbourne Grove, and at the Army and Navy Co-operative Society's Stores, 105 Victoria Street, Westminster, as well as at the Railway Stations.

On Thursday, March 30th, a Special Express will leave Willesden at 2.55 p.m. for Bletchley, Northampton, Rugby, Trent Valley stations, and Stafford. The 4.10 p.m. Express from Euston to Kendal will be extended to Windermere, and have a connection to Morecambe. Special Expresses will leave Euston at 4.20 p.m. and 6.50 p.m. for Birmingham, calling at Willesden, Rugby, Coventry, and Stechford.

On the same date the 12.0 Midnight Train from Euston will be extended from Warrington to Preston on Good Friday Morning, arriving Preston 6.2 a.m. A train leaves Preston at 8.25 a.m. for Lancaster, Carnforth, and the Furness Line.

On Good Friday, March 31st, the 5.15 a.m. Newspaper Express Train from London (Euston Railway) will run to Northampton, Rugby, Nuneaton, Tamworth, Lichfield, Rugeley, Crewe, Birmingham, Stafford, Shrewsbury, Warrington, Runcorn, Liverpool, Manchester, Wigan, Preston, Lancaster, Carnforth, Oxenholme, Kendal, Windermere, Tebay, Penrith, Carlisle, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Perth, and Aberdeen. A Train will leave Manchester at 9.30 a.m. for Wigan, where passengers for Preston and the North can join the Newspaper Train.

On Friday night and Saturday morning, March 31st and April 1st, the 11.41 p.m. and 12.5 a.m. Trains from Carlisle will run as usual. The 12.5 a.m. will call at Oxenholme and Carnforth.

The other trains generally on Good Friday will run as on Sunday, with the exception of the 10.40 a.m. Crewe to Holyhead, and 11.40 a.m. Holyhead and Chester, which will not be run.

On Bank Holiday, Easter Monday, April 3rd, the Express Trains leaving Euston 12.0 noon and 4.0 p.m. will not be run; passengers will be conveyed by the 12.10 noon and 4.10 p.m. trains respectively. The 4.30 p.m. Train from London will also be discontinued; passengers will be conveyed by the 5.0 p.m. train, except those for Peterboro', Market Harboro', Melton Mowbray, Nottingham, and the G.N. line, Wellingboro', Thrapston, &c., who must travel by the 3.15 p.m. Train from Euston. Numerous Residential Trains in the neighbourhood of important Cities and Towns will not be run. The Dining Saloons between London and Liverpool and London and Manchester will not be run on Monday, April 3rd, but those between London and Glasgow will be run as usual.

For further particulars see Special Notices issued by the Company.

G. FINDLAY, General Manager.

Euston Station, March 1893.

## GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

### EASTER HOLIDAYS.

ON MARCH 27th. and following days, CHEAP THIRD CLASS RETURN TICKETS, available for use on March 30th to April 3rd inclusive, and return to April 5th inclusive, will be issued at PADDINGTON, Victoria, Battersay, Chelsea, West Brompton, Kensington (Addison-road), Uxbridge-road, Hammersmith, Shepherd's Bush, Latimer-road, Notting-hill, and Westbourne Park, to Bath, Bristol, Exeter, Plymouth, Falmouth, Penzance, Weymouth, and other stations in the South and West of England. The tickets will be available by all trains.

EXCURSION TRAINS will leave PADDINGTON as under:—

THURSDAY, March 30th, 7.45 a.m.—For BARNSTAPLE, Ilfracombe, EXETER, PLYMOUTH, and other stations below Exeter, to return April 6th, 7th or 8th. Also for Cirencester, Gloucester, Cheltenham, &c.; to return April 3rd, 5th, 6th or 7th.

8.10 a.m. for OXFORD, BANBURY, Leamington, BIRMINGHAM, Wolverhampton, Shrewsbury, Hereford, Manchester, Chester, Birkenhead, Liverpool, &c.; to return April 4th, and from certain stations at option on April 3rd.

12.0 noon.—For Bath, Bristol, WESTON-SUPER-MARE, Taunton, Minehead, Wells, Yeovil, Bridport, Dorchester, Weymouth, &c.; to return April 6th, 7th or 8th.

GOOD FRIDAY, 9.20 a.m.—For Maidenhead, READING, OXFORD, &c.; to return same day. Oxford passengers can also return April 3rd.

SATURDAY, April 1st, 1.5 p.m.—For Bath, Bristol, &c., to return April 3rd or 5th.

EASTER MONDAY, 7.10 a.m.—For Bath, Bristol, Weston-Super-Mare, &c.; to return same day or April 5th.

7.20 a.m. for Cirencester, Gloucester, Cheltenham, &c.; to return same day or April 5th, 6th or 7th.

7.40 a.m.—For Maidenhead, READING, Hungerford, &c.; to return same day.

For times, particulars as to issue of tickets at Receiving Offices, &c., see Pamphlet.

HY. LAMBERT, General Manager.



## MIDLAND RAILWAY.

### EASTER HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS.

#### EARLY ISSUE OF TICKETS.

**T**HE Booking Offices at ST. PANCRAS and MOORGATE STREET Stations will be open for the issue of tickets all day on Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, March 29th, 30th, and April 1st.

Tickets to all principal places on the Midland Railway and beyond, available from St. Pancras, and dated to suit the convenience of passengers, will be issued at the principal West End and City Receiving Offices of the Company, including 415 West Strand, 5 Charing Cross (corner of Northumberland Avenue), 1 Shaftesbury Avenue, Piccadilly Circus; 33 Cannon Street, 195 Oxford Street, 13 Aldersgate Street, also at Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son's Tourist Offices, as well as at the Railway Stations.

#### EASTER EXCURSIONS.

On THURSDAY, March 30, CHEAP TRAINS will be run from London (St. Pancras and City Stations) to MATLOCK, Buxton, MANCHESTER, LIVERPOOL, Bolton, BLACKBURN, Bury, ROCHDALE, Oldham, Barusley, Wakefield, LEEDS, BRADFORD, York, HULL, SCARBOROUGH, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Lancaster, Morecambe, the LAKE DISTRICT, and Carlisle; Leicester, Birmingham, Nottingham, Derby, Newark, Lincoln, Burton, Staffordshire Potteries, &c. Tickets will be available for returning on April 4.

On THURSDAY, March 30, a CHEAP FOUR DAYS' TRIP will also be run to EDINBURGH, GLASGOW, Ayr, Kilmarnock, &c., leaving St. Pancras, 9.30 p.m.

Tickets and Bills may be had at the Midland Stations and at the above named offices.

GEO. H. TURNER, General Manager.

Derby, March 1893.

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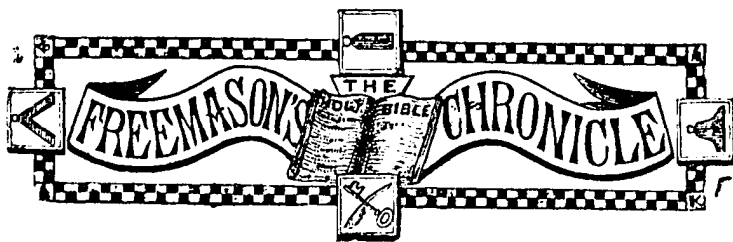
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**G**OSSIP ABOUT FREEMASONRY; its History and Traditions. A Paper read by Bro. S. VALLENTINE, P.M. and Z. No. 9, to the Brethren of the Albion Lodge of Instruction, 2nd November 1889.

Free by post of W. W. MORGAN & SON, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville.



SATURDAY, 25TH MARCH 1893.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

**A** MEETING of this Provincial Grand Chapter was held at the Lion Hotel, Cambridge, on Tuesday, the 14th instant, for the despatch of Masonic business. Comp. R. Towuley Caldwell Grand Superintendent presided, and of the Provincial Grand Officers appointed in 1891 the following were present:—Comps. C. Geldard 859

H., W. H. Jarrold 88 S.E., G. Cole 441 S.N., J. V. Pryor 88 1st A.S., J. Sheldrick 441 2nd A.S., Frank Piggott 88 Std. Bearer, and C. H. Ellis 88 Janitor.

The attendance also included Comps. B. Chennell acting J., J. S. Youngman, F. Dewberry, Oliver Papworth, A. E. Chaplain, L. R. Tuttielt, W. P. Spalding, W. B. Money, J. Fuller, H. King, W. Bray, M. Cox, W. H. Francis, A. Morrell, G. Chennell, and others.

The Treasurer's accounts were shown to be in a healthy state.

The Grand Superintendent appointed and invested the following Provincial Grand Officers:—

Comp. W. Bray 809	...	H.
J. S. Youngman 441	...	J.
W. H. Jarrold 88	...	S.E.
J. V. Pryor 89	...	S.N.
A. E. Chaplain 88	...	Treasurer
J. Sheldrick 441	...	Registrar
F. Piggott 88	...	P.S.
Mark Cox 809	...	1st A.S.
W. H. Francis 859	...	2nd A.S.
W. P. Spalding 88	...	Sword Bearer
E. M. Money 859	...	Standard Bearer
H. E. Greef 441	...	Director of Ceremonies
F. Dewberry 441	...	Organist
C. H. Ellis 88	...	Janitor

The revised bye-laws were considered and adopted, with slight verbal alterations.

Upon the motion of Comp. O. Papworth, it was agreed to vote £10 to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, to be placed on Comp. B. Chennell's list.

The Provincial Grand Chapter was then closed, and the Companions adjourned to banquet.

## KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

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### LOYAL BRUNSWICK PRECEPTORY.

**T**HE annual convocation of this Preceptory and Priory of Malta was held on Thursday, 16th instant, at Stonehouse. Frater G. Dunsterville the E.P. elect was installed. Frater J. R. Wilson was the Installing Officer, assisted by Fraters J. Du-Pre, S. Jew, J. H. Keats, F. Crouch, and J. Wallis. The Officers appointed were—J. R. Wilson I.P.E., F. R. Thomas Const., A. Tront Marshal, Rev. Dr. T. W. Lemon Chaplain, J. H. Keats Treasurer, A. J. Verdi Registrar, E. Aslat Sub-Marshal, J. Leonard C.G., A. Weightman Standard Bearer, Sholto H. Ilare Almoner, J. Gidley Guard.

### ROYAL VETERANS' PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY OF MALTA.

**A**T the annual convocation of this Preceptory and Priory of Malta, held on Friday, the 17th instant, at Plymouth, Sir Knight J. Kinton Bond the E.C. elect was installed by P.E.C. Sir Knight W. Trevena, assisted by P.E.C.'s Sir Knights J. Wallis, J. R. Lord, J. B. Gover, J. R. Wilson, G. Dunsterville. The Officers appointed were: Sir Knights J. Wallis I.P.E.C., A. Roberts 1st Captain, J. W. Cornish 2nd Captain, W. H. Dillon Registrar, J. R. Lord Treasurer, the Hon. H. V. Duncombe Expert, T. C. Lewis Prelate, Grey Skipworth C.L., C. Watson Standard Bearer, J. Bendle 1st Hr., E. Binding 2nd Hr., W. H. Phillips Guard. The V.E. Provincial Prior, Dr. Lamou, presented to the Preceptory three silver Knight Templar emblems, mounted and framed.

### BRO. STEVENS' LECTURE AT BIRMINGHAM.

**U**NDER the patronage of Bro. J. T. Collins, Deputy Provincial Grand Master for Warwickshire, Brother James Stevens P.M. P.Z., of London, delivered a lecture on the Ritual, Ceremonial, and Symbolism of Craft Masonry at the Masonic Hall, New Street, Birmingham, on Thursday evening, the 16th instant. There was a fair attendance of local brethren. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master presided, and the arrangements for the meeting were under the direction of Brothers A. W. Adams P.M. 1644 and Preceptor of the General Lodge of Instruction for Birmingham, F. G. Swinden P.M. 887 and Prov. G.S.E. Warwickshire, and H. E. Maynard of the Athol Lodge, No. 74. Amongst those present and representing their respective Lodges were Bros. W. J. Ginder W.M., W. P. Hoskins J.W., C. Lee P.M., G. J. Mewis P.P.G.S.D. Treasurer, E. C. Newey Secretary, F. J. Collins J.D., J. Anslow 74; F. J. Pepper P.M. P.P.G.S.W. Staffs., H. Payton P.M. 482, F. Hughes 482, J. T. Smith J.D. 473, Spearpoint 587, H. Denne 587; G. P. Locker P.M., A. E. Parkes P.M., C. Lamsdale Secretary, W. E. Thomasson S.D., and W. R. Brooke of 739; Dr. A. Price S.W., G. D. Wilmot I.G., and W. H. Rollason 887; A. Pearson P.M., Hans Graff S.W., T. W. F. Newton Secretary, and W. Bate 938; W. Dingley 1016, F. C. Taylor P.M. and Secretary 1163, T. Waite S.W. 1163, W. Holman P.M. 1180; J. Howlett W.M., F. Powell J.D., and W. Hale Director of Ceremonies of 1180, Jno. Tidmarsh P.M. and Secretary 2163; W. Jordan, J. T. Sadler, T. Jones, E. Johnson, W. F. Davies, J. Hughes, and H.

McKean of 2385, and many others. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, in introducing the Lecturer, stated that he had been requested by the Provincial Grand Master Lord Leigh, who had expressed his regret that other engagements prevented his personal attendance, to preside on his behalf. He felt assured, from the good report which had preceded Brother Stevens' visit to Birmingham, that the brethren were about to hear matter of considerable interest and importance in relation to the working of the ceremonial and ritual of Craft Masonry, and claimed their attention on the lecturer's behalf. Brother Stevens, after acknowledging the hearty reception accorded to him, then commenced an elaborate exposition of the present day ritual and symbolism of Lodge work, pointing out, in some instances, divergences from the original scheme which here and there prevail, and in others lucidly explaining, by the aid of carefully prepared diagrams and illustrations, the connection of numerous symbols throughout the several degrees, and the true interpretation of the allegories which veil the science. Although his extempore address was delivered without hesitation or interruption for a space of time extending considerably over two hours, the attention of his audience was rivetted throughout, and the brethren would willingly have listened further had it been reasonable to expect more. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master was obliged to leave during the lecture, but before doing so expressed his full satisfaction with the portion he had heard and courteously offered his acknowledgments to the lecturer. Brother F. G. Swinden Provincial G.S.E. presided during the short remainder of the evening, and on the termination of the lecture said—"I have great pleasure in proposing a very hearty vote of thanks to Brother James Stevens for the most interesting and instructive lecture which he has delivered this evening. As it is now getting late my remarks must be few, but they will be none the less sincere. I wish there had been a larger gathering, but two reasons may be given for the absence of many who would have highly appreciated such an admirable exposition and explanation of ritual work,—one, the very short notice that we have had, and the other that Brother Stevens was, comparatively speaking, not well known to most of you. But I can assure Brother Stevens that when he next comes to our City (I hope that will be soon) he will have a much larger audience; for all who have heard the lecture this evening will carry away with them the desire not only to be present themselves on a future occasion but to bring other brethren with them. Further, should Brother Stevens visit any of our Lodges in Birmingham he will be pleased to find that the ritual is being carried out on the lines of the Emulation Lodge of Improvement, London, this being the result of our own Lodge of Instruction under the able Preceptorship of Brother Adams P.M." The proposal was accepted by acclamation, Bro. J. F. Pepper promising that Brother Stevens should be heard in Staffordshire, in which Province he might be assured of a hearty welcome. The brethren then separated, much pleased with the evening's proceedings.

#### SOCIAL MEETING AND BALL AT PERTH.

ON the 17th inst., the annual social meeting and assembly in connection with Lodge No. 122 was held in the Lodge-room, Parliamentary Close, Perth. At the social meeting there were over 150 persons present, presided over by Brother John Mackenzie I.P.M. After tea, vocal and instrumental music was given by the Misses Fyfe, Miss Fraser, Miss Nelson, Miss Thompson, Miss Alexander, and Messrs. E. R. Broome, H. G. Mitchell, and J. W. Broome. Brother Knight gave a recitation, which greatly delighted the audience. The Rev. A. J. B. Baxter and Bailie Alexander delivered interesting addresses. At the assembly which followed there were fifty couples. Mr. W. M. Smith was master of the ceremonies, and the music was supplied by Donaldson's Quadrille Band. Mrs. Harley was purveyor.

#### REVIEWS.

All Books intended for Review should be addressed to the Editor of the *Freemason's Chronicle*, Belvidere Works, Hermes Hill, Pentonville, London, N.

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*Masonic Calendar for the Punjab District for the year 1893.* Edited by Bro. Capt. J. H. Leslie, R.A., D.G. Steward Punjab. Bombay: Printed at the Education Society's Press, Bynulla.

It is with pleasure we receive a copy of this well-compiled and useful calendar, and from what we have seen of it, it will prove highly valuable to the Fraternity in the Punjab District. We feel sure that such a work as this is much wanted, not only for reference among the members of Lodges in the District, but for the use of new comers. We must commend Bro. J. H. Leslie for the care he has displayed in the compilation of the calendar, and we trust he will have the hearty support of all the brethren of the Punjab District.

*The Dorset Masonic Calendar for 1893.* Compiled by Bro. Jno. A. Sherren, F.R. Hist. S. Weymouth: SHERREN & SON, 79 St. Mary Street.

This calendar, which is compiled and published by Bro. Sherren, under the authority of the Provincial Grand Master of Dorset, is as carefully and tastefully got up as usual. No pains have been spared to make the present edition accurate with the latest appointments to date, and Bro. Sherren is to be complimented on the success achieved. The brethren of Dorset ought truly to be thankful to the compiler for the trouble he has undoubtedly been under to complete the work.

#### EASTER RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.

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##### GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

THE Great Western Railway Company issue ordinary as well as Excursion tickets at their City and West End Offices during the whole week preceding Easter for use on any day up till 1st April. Tickets can also be obtained at Victoria, Kensington (Addison Road), Aldgate, the stations on the Hammersmith and City Line, and at most of the stations on the Metropolitan and District Railways.

The Booking Office at Paddington station will be open for the issue of tickets the whole day on the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, before Easter.

Cheap tickets at special low fares and available from 30th March to 3rd April will be issued from London to Bath, Bristol, Exeter, Plymouth, Falmouth, Penzance, Yeovil, Dorchester, Weymouth, and certain other stations in the South and West of England. On Thursday, 30th March, an excursion reaching Exeter in 5½ hours, and Plymouth in 8 hours, will leave Paddington at 7.45 a.m. Excursions will also be run on the same day to Bristol, Weston-Super-Mare, Taunton, Yeovil, Weymouth, Oxford, Birmingham, Shrewsbury, Chester, Cirencester, Gloucester, Cheltenham, &c. On Good Friday, cheap trains will run to Maidenhead, Reading, Oxford, and other riverside stations. On Saturday, 1st April, an excursion will run to Bath and Bristol, and on Monday excursions, will be made to Maidenhead, Reading, Bath, Bristol, Cirencester, Gloucester, Cheltenham, &c. In addition to these excursions, cheap trains will be run to London from most of the provincial towns, and between the principal centres of population.

On the Wednesday and Thursday before Easter most of the long distance trains will be duplicated; the first portion as a general rule will take passengers for the longest distances and the second those for less distant places, but both trains will stop at the usual places.

On Good Friday, the trains will run as on Sundays, except that the 5.30 a.m. newspaper train will run as far as Oxford, Exeter and Swansea, calling at the usual intermediate stations, and connecting at Oxford with trains to the Worcester, Birmingham and Wolverhampton districts.

##### MIDLAND RAILWAY.

ON Good Friday, the trains on the Midland Railway will run as appointed for Sundays, with the following exceptions:—The Newspaper Express leaving St. Pancras at 5.15 a.m. will run to Bedford, Leicester, Nottingham, Derby, Sheffield, Leeds, Manchester and Liverpool. The Up Night Express leaving Edinburgh at 9.45 p.m., Glasgow at 10 p.m., and Carlisle at 12.53 a.m. for London, will run on Good Friday night, 31st March, and Saturday morning, 1st April, the same as on ordinary week-days. The 3.32 a.m. Carlisle to Stranraer, and 5.50 p.m. Stranraer to Carlisle, in connection with steamers to and from Ireland, will run on Good Friday the same as on ordinary week-days. To prevent inconvenience and crowding, the booking offices at St. Pancras and Moorgate Street Stations will be open for the issue of tickets all day on Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, March 29th, 30th, and April 1st. Tickets to all principal Stations on the Midland Railway will also be issued beforehand at their principal West End and City Receiving Offices, including 445 West Strand; 5 Charing Cross (corner of Northumberland Avenue); Piccadilly Circus; 495 Oxford Street; 33 Cannon Street, and 13 Aldersgate Street, &c., &c.; also at Messrs. Cook & Son's Tourist Offices. The Tickets obtained at these offices will be available from St. Pancras Station, and will be issued at the same fares as charged at that Station, and dated to suit the convenience of passengers. Cheap Excursion trains will be run from London to Leicester, Nottingham, Newark, Lincoln, Birmingham, Burton, Derby, Manchester, Blackburn, Bolton, Rochdale, Oldham, Liverpool, Sheffield, Leeds, Bradford, Scarborough, Newcastle-on-Tyne, the Furness District, Carlisle, &c., &c., on Thursday, 30th March, returning the following Tuesday, and from London (St. Pancras) to Edinburgh, Glasgow, &c., returning the following Monday night, and tickets for joining these trains at St. Pancras Station can be obtained on the two days previous to the running of the trains at the above-named offices. Cheap Excursion Trains for six days will also be run to London from Carlisle, Bradford, Leeds, Sheffield, Liverpool, Manchester, Lincoln, Newark, &c., &c., on Thursday, 30th March, from Bradford, Leeds, Sheffield, Manchester, &c., for two or four days, and from Burton, Derby, Nottingham, Birmingham, Leicester, &c., for one, four, or five days, on Good Friday. Passengers will be booked by these trains at cheap fares to Brighton, and other South Coast Stations, and to the Continent; those for the Continent having the privilege of returning by any ordinary train within 16 days. Cheap three days' trips will also be run to London, on Saturday, 1st April, from Colne, Blackburn, Bolton, Rochdale, Oldham, Manchester, &c., on Easter Monday, single day trips from Burton, Derby, Nottingham, Leicester, Northampton, Bedford, Luton, St. Albans, &c., and a one or two-days' trip from Birmingham and the South Stafford District.

##### LONDON AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.

THE London and North Western Railway Company announce that the ticket offices at Euston, Broad Street, Kensington, and Willesden Junction will be open throughout the day, from Monday, 27th March, to Monday, 3rd April, inclusive, so that passengers wishing to obtain tickets for any destination on the London and North Western Railway can do so at any time of the day prior to the starting of the trains. The tickets will be dated to suit the convenience of passengers. Tickets for all the principal stations on the London and North Western system and its connections can be

obtained at any time (Sundays and Bank Holidays excepted) at the usual town receiving offices of the Company. The tickets obtained at these offices will be available from either Euston or Kensington (Addison Road), and will be issued at the same fares as are charged at Euston. They can also be obtained at Gaze & Sons' Tourist Offices, 142 Strand, 4 Northumberland Avenue, 18 Westbourne Grove, W., and at the Army and Navy Co-operative Society's Stores, 105 Victoria Street, Westminster, at the same fares as at Euston Station. On Thursday, 30th March, a special express will leave Willesden at 2.55 p.m. for Bletchley, Northampton, Rugby, Trent Valley Stations, and Stafford; a special train will leave Birmingham for Rugby at 4.5 p.m., calling at Coventry, and passengers for Coventry and Rugby will not be conveyed by the 4.0 p.m. express from Birmingham; the 4.10 p.m., Euston to Kendal, will be extended to Windermere, and have a connection to Morecambe; special express trains will leave Euston Station at 4.20 p.m. and 6.50 p.m., for Birmingham, calling at Willesden Junction, Rugby, Coventry, and Stechford, arriving at Birmingham (New Street) at 7.0 and 9.35 p.m. respectively; the 12.0 midnight train from Euston will be extended from Warrington to Preston on Good Friday morning, arriving at Preston at 6.2 a.m. A train leaves Preston at 8.25 a.m. for Lancaster, Carnforth, and the Furness Line. On Good Friday, 31st March, the 5.15 a.m. Newspaper Express train from London (Euston Station) will run to Northampton, Rugby, Nuneaton, Tamworth, Lichfield, Rugeley, Stafford, Crewe, Birmingham, Shrewsbury, Warrington, Runcorn, Liverpool, Manchester, Wigan, Preston, Lancaster, Carnforth, Oxenholme, Kendal, Windermere, Tebay, Penrith, Carlisle, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Perth, and Aberdeen. A train will leave Manchester at 9.30 a.m. for Wigan, where passengers for Preston and the North can join the Newspaper train. The 4.30 p.m. train, Carlisle to Preston, will be extended to Wigan, Liverpool, St. Helens, Tyldesley, and Manchester. The 10.40 a.m., Crewe to Holyhead, and 11.40 a.m., Holyhead to Chester, will not be run. The 8.45 a.m. train, Whitehaven to Maryport and Carlisle, will leave at 8.50 a.m. An additional train will leave Workington for Keswick and Penrith at 9.15 a.m., in connection with the 8.50 a.m. train from Whitehaven. The return train will leave Penrith for Keswick and Whitehaven at 6.25 p.m. A special train will leave Whitehaven for Cockermouth at 7.30 p.m. A special will leave Cockermouth for Workington at 8.40 p.m. A service of trains will also be run on the Cleator Joint Line between Whitehaven, Marron Junction and Sellafield (for particulars see local announcements). With the above exceptions, the trains of the Company on Good Friday will run as on Sundays. On Friday night and Saturday morning, 31st March and 1st April, the 11.41 p.m. and 12.5 a.m. trains from Carlisle will run as usual; the 12.5 a.m. will call at Oxenholme and Carnforth; the 12.10 a.m., Holyhead to Crewe, 4.30 a.m., Holyhead to Chester, and 2.25 a.m., Chester to Liverpool, will not be run on Saturday morning, there being no boats from North Wall or Greenore on the evening of Good Friday. By special arrangement with the Postmaster-General, a sleeping saloon for first class passengers and an ordinary carriage for first, second, and third class passengers will be attached to the 8.30 p.m. Postal Express from London (Euston Station) on Good Friday night, 31st March, for the conveyance of passengers booked from London to Dumfries, stations on the Portpatrick and Wigtownshire Railways, Stranraer, Larne, and stations in Ireland on the Belfast and Northern Counties Railway. On Bank Holiday, Easter Monday, 3rd April, several of the residential trains to and from the City, St. Albans, Watford, and Kensington will not be run. The 10.10 a.m., Birmingham to London, will call at Rugby, Bletchley, and Cheddington, in addition to usual stoppages, and will arrive later in London. The 2.0 p.m., Birmingham to London, will call at Brandon, Rugby, Northampton, Blisworth, and Leighton, in addition to usual stoppages, and will arrive later in London. The 12.0 noon and 4.0 p.m. trains from Euston will leave at 12.10 noon and 4.10 p.m. respectively. The 4.30 p.m. train from Euston will not run. Passengers will be conveyed by the 5.0 p.m., except those for Peterboro', Market Harboro', Melton Mowbray, Nottingham, and the Great Northern Line, who, on this date will travel by the 3.15 p.m. train from Euston. The 8.0 a.m., Wolverhampton to Euston, 8.10 a.m., Rugby to Euston, 3.5 p.m., Crewe to Stafford, 6.25 p.m., Stafford to Rugby, will not be run. The 7.30 a.m., Birmingham to London, will run via Northampton and Blisworth, and call at Wolverton, Leighton, and Cheddington, in addition to its ordinary stoppages, reaching Euston 10.35 a.m. The 12.0 noon from Liverpool to London will travel via Northampton and Blisworth. The 6.58 p.m., Stafford to London, will call at Lichfield about 7.20 p.m. The dining saloons between London and Liverpool and London and Manchester will not run on Monday, 3rd April, but those to and from Glasgow will be run as usual. Numerous residential trains will also be discontinued, the particulars of which will be advertised locally.

The Company also announce that they will run excursions to and from London and Wolverhampton, Leamington, Coventry, Walsall, Leicester, Macclesfield, Stoke, Stone, Liverpool, Manchester, Chester, North Wales, Shrewsbury, Hereford, Oswestry, Preston, Wigan, Blackpool, Morecambe, Carlisle, the Lake District, Scotland, and other places on the occasion of the Easter Holidays.

Bro. Fred Hughes is the newly installed Worshipful Master of the Lion and Lamb Lodge, No. 192. The other Officers of the Lodge are Bros. Isaac M. Mower I.P.M., James Smith S.W., T. W. Fisher J.W., Thomas Cohn P.M. Treasurer, Henry Legge P.M. Secretary, Robert Sarson S.D., G. R. Hunter J.D., Reuben Albaston I.G., G. F. J. Goodes P.M. Director of Ceremonies, A. J. Holmes Steward, and C. Couchman Tyler. At the installation meeting a jewel was voted to the Immediate Past Master, while Brother G. Abbott P.M. was presented with a very handsome diamond stud on his retirement, after many years' service from the office of Secretary.

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## 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, 25th March.

1297 West Kent, Crystal Palace, Sydenham  
1584 Loyalty and Charity, Star and Garter, Kew  
1679 Henry Muggersidge, Anderton's, Fleet Street  
1706 Orpheus, Holborn Restaurant, W.C.  
R.A. 1622 Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.

1462 Wharfedale, Rose and Crown Hotel, Penistone  
1531 Chiselhurst, Bull's Head Hotel, Chiselhurst  
1579 St. James, George Hotel, Enfield  
1777 Royal Hanover, Town Hall, Twickenham  
2421 Carrington, Crown Hotel, Amersham  
R.A. 1777 Royal Hanover, Town Hall, Twickenham

## Monday, 27th March.

1 Royal Somerset House and Inverness, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

26 Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, W.  
28 Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
79 Pythagorean, Ship Tavern, Greenwich  
183 Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street  
222 St. Andrews, Albion Aldersgate Street  
902 Burgoyne, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street  
905 De Grey and Ripon, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

1632 Stuart, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
1745 Farringdon Without, Holborn Viaduct Hotel  
1828 Shepherds Bush, Ladbrooke Hall, Notting Hill  
1910 Shadwell Clerke, Mark Masons' Hall, W.C.  
2396 Bishopsgate, Great Eastern Hotel, E.C.

R.A. 25 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 188 Joppa, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham Street  
R.A. 1201 Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
M.M. 5 Mallet and Chisel, Bridge House Hotel, S.E.

48 Industry, Masonic Hall, Gateshead  
61 Prohibity, Freemasons' Hall, Halifax  
62 Social, Queen's Hotel, Manchester  
85 Faithful, Swan Hotel, Harleston  
89 Unanimity, Astley Arms, Dukinfield  
148 Lights, Masonic Rooms, Warrington  
264 Nelson of the Nile, Freemasons' Hall, Batley  
408 Three Graces, Masonic Room, Haworth  
433 Hope, Swan Hotel, Brightlingsea  
467 Tudor, Freemasons' Hall, Oldham  
491 Royal Sussex, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
557 Loyal Victoria, Masonic Hall, Callington  
613 Unity, Masonic Hall, Southport

1110 Tyrian, Gildredge Hotel, Eastbourne  
1177 Tenby, Masonic Hall, Tenby, Pembroke  
1218 Pr. Alfred, Commercial, Mossley, Manchester  
1280 Walden, Rose and Crown Hotel, Saffron Walden  
1325 Stanley, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1642 Legiolium, Masonic Hall, Castleford  
1575 Clive, Corbet Arms, Market Drayton  
1600 Hamilton, Masonic Hall, Alford  
1688 Buxton, Palace Hotel, Buxton  
1752 Ogmere, Wyndham Arms H., Bridgend, Glam.  
1753 Obedience, White Hart, Okehampton  
1861 Claremont, Masonic Hall, Croydon  
1991 Agricola, Masonic Rooms, Castlegate, York  
2187 Adur, Assembly Rooms, Henfield  
2267 Powell, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
2363 Minnehaha Minstrels, Victoria Hotel, Deansgate, Manchester  
2429 Research, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester

R.A. 241 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
R.A. 827 St. John's, Masonic Temple, Dewsbury  
R.A. 889 Dobie, Griffin Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames  
R.A. 1045 Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham  
R.A. 1237 Enfield, George Hotel, Enfield  
M.M. 146 Moore, Athenæum, Lancaster

## Tuesday, 28th March.

14 Tuscan, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
46 Old Union, Holborn Viaduct Hotel  
92 Moira, Albion, Aldersgate Street  
141 Faith, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
145 Prudent Brothers, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
165 Honour and Generosity, Inns of Court Hotel  
186 Industry, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
205 Israel, City Terminus Street Hotel, E.C.  
269 Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, W.

1158 Southern Star, Bridge House Hotel  
1348 Ebury, Regent M.H., Air Street, W.  
1441 Ivy, Surrey M. Hall, Camberwell New Road.  
1744 Royal Savoy, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
2108 Empire, Criterion, Piccadilly  
2424 St. Stephen's, Green Man Assembly Rooms, Dartmouth Row, Lewisham.

R.A. 21 Cyrus, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street  
R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Ship & Turtle, Leadenhall St.  
R.A. 228 United Strength, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.

160 True Friendship, Old Ship Inn, Rochford  
253 Tyrian, Masonic Hall, Gower St., Derby  
299 Emulation, Bull Hotel, Dartford  
310 Unions, Freemasons' Hall, Carlisle  
484 Faith, Gerard's Arms, Ashton-in-Makerfield, Newton-le-Willows

597 St. Cybi, Masonic Hall, Holyhead  
624 Abbey, Hall, Union St., Burton-on-Trent  
759 Dunheved, Masonic Hall, Launceston  
954 St. Aubyn, Ebrington M.H., Devonport  
679 Four Cardinal Virtues, Royal Hotel, Crewe

1016 Elkington, Masonic Hall, Birmingham  
1052 Callander, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
1214 Scarborough, Station Hotel, Batley  
1358 Torbay, Lodge Rooms, Polsham, Paignton  
1390 Whitwell, Masonic Hall, Millom  
1479 Halsey, Town Hall, St. Albans  
1482 Isle of Axholme, Masonic Hall, Crowle,  
1506 Ellington, Town Hall, Maidenhead

1609 Dramatic, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1636 St. Cecilia, Royal Pavilion, Brighton  
1650 Rose of Raby, Scarth Man. Hall, Staindrop  
1675 Antient Briton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
1678 Medway, Masonic Hall, Tonbridge  
1726 Gordon, Assembly Rooms, Bognor  
1831 Duke of Connaught, F.M.H., Landport  
1902 St. Cuthbert, King's Arms Inn, Bedlington  
1942 Minerva, Public Hall, Fenton, Staff.  
2001 Narberth, Rutzen Hotel, Narberth  
2025 St. George, St. George's Hall, Stanchouse  
2328 Albert Victor, F.M.H. St. Swinourgate, York.  
2358 Mona, M.H., Castletown, Isle of Man.  
2405 Ionic, Masonic Rooms, St. Helen's, Liver.

R.A. 103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
R.A. 124 Concord, F.M.H., Old Elvet, Durham  
R.A. 721 Grosvenor, Masonic Chambers, Chester  
R.A. 815 Blair, Town Hall, Hulme, Manchester  
R.A. 960 Sir George Elliot, M.H., Cardiff  
R.A. 1094 Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool  
K.T. 110 Plains of Tabor, Swan Hotel, Colne

## Wednesday, 29th March.

898 Temperance in the East, 6 Newby Place, Poplar  
1768 Progress, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.  
R.A. 135 Mount Lebanon, Ship and Turtle, E.C.  
R.A. 1471 Islington, Coca Tavern, Highbury.

86 Loyalty, King's Arms Ho., Prescott, Lancashire  
128 Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury, Lancashire  
163 Integrity, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
487 Royal Sussex of Hospitality, F.M.H., Bristol  
258 Amphibious, Freemasons' Hall, Heckmondwike  
304 Philanthropic, Masonic Hall, Leeds  
311 Wellington, George Hotel, Rye  
372 Harmony, Rolfe Arms, Buileigh Salterton  
380 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley  
387 Airedale, Institute, Saltair, Shipley  
439 Scientific, Masonic Rooms, Bingley  
461 Fortitude, Commercial Hotel, Newton Moor  
533 Eaton, Masonic Hall, Congleton  
555 Fidelity, The Crown, Framlingham  
580 Harmony, Wheatshof, Ormskirk  
606 Segontium, The Castle, Carnarvon  
651 Brecknock, Castle Hotel, Brecon  
697 United, George Hotel, Colchester  
851 Worthing of Friendship, Steyne Assembly Rooms, Worthing

910 St. Oswald, M.H., Ropergate, Pontefract  
996 Soudes, Masonic Hall, East Dereham

1083 Townley Parker, Grand Hotel, Manchester  
1119 St. Bede, Masonic Hall, Jarrow  
1219 Strangeways, Old Boar's Head, Manchester  
1243 Ryburn, M.H., Central Bldg., Sowerby Bridge  
1363 Tyndall, Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, Glos.  
1520 Earl Shrewsbury, Local Bury, Carnock  
1543 Rosslyn, Saracen's Head Hotel, Dunmow  
1544 Mount Edgumbe, Masonic Hall, Camborne  
1645 Colne Valley, Masonic Hall, Slaithwaite  
1714 Albert Edward, Cambridge Hotel, Cambridge  
1775 Leopold, Commercial Hotel, Church  
1783 Albert Edward, F.H., Huddersfield  
1793 Sir Charles Bright, Clarence Ho., Teddington  
1797 Southdown, New Inn, Hurstpierpoint, Sussex  
1808 Suffield, Angel, North Walsham  
1954 Weald of Kent, Boro' Auc. Rooms, Tinterton  
1953 Prudence and Industry, George Hotel, Somerset  
1959 Stirling, Mkt. Hall, Cleator Moor, Cumberland  
2044 Smith Child, Town Hall, Tunstall, Staff.  
2186 Strigill, Masonic Hall, Nelson St., Chesham  
2270 Thornham, Half-way House, Thornham

R.A. 409 Stortford, Chequers, Bishop Stortford  
R.A. 625 Devonshire, Norfolk Arms Hotel, Glossop  
R.A. 750 Friendship, M.H., Whitecliffe, Colchester  
R.A. 2109 Prince Edward, Ass. Hall, Heaton Moor  
M.M. Howe, Masonic Hall, New St., Birmingham  
M.M. 174 Athol, Masonic Hall, Birmingham

## Thursday, 30th March.

General Committee Girls' School, F.M.H. 1.  
22 Neptune, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.  
1524 Duke of Connaught, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.  
1816 Victoria Park, London Tavern, Fenchurch St.  
2192 Highbury, Cock Hotel, Highbury, N.  
2264 Chough, Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.

39 St. John the Baptist, F.M.H., Exeter  
111 Restoration, Freemasons' Hall, Darlington  
116 Royal Lancashire, Swan Hotel, Colne  
203 Three Grand Principles, M.H., Dawsbury  
275 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield  
276 Good Fellowship, White Hart, Caustonford  
283 Amity, Grey Mare Hotel, Haslingden  
286 Samaritan, Green Man Hotel, Bacup  
332 Virtue & Silence, White Lion, Huddersfield  
337 Candour, New M.R., Uppermill, Saddleworth.  
350 Charity, Railway Hotel, Moses Gate, Kearsley  
361 Industry, Norfolk Arms, Hyde, Cheshire  
426 Shakespeare, Masonic Hall, Spilsby, Linc.  
449 Cecil, Sun Hotel, Hitchin  
450 Cornubian, Freemasons' Hall, Hayle  
456 Forrester, Town Hall, Uxoxeter  
472 Friendship & Sincerity, To. Hall, Shaftesbury  
590 La Cesaree, Masonic Temple, Jersey  
630 St. Cuthbert, Masonic Hall, Howden  
636 D'Oyle, Masonic Hall, Morpeth  
659 Blandon, Mechanics' Institute, Blyth  
710 Pleiades, Masonic Hall, Totnes  
781 St. John, Old Bell, Dursley  
787 Beaureper, Lion Hotel, Belper  
807 Cabell, Masonic Hall, Norwich  
904 Phoenix, Masonic Hall, Rotherham  
966 St. Edward, Literary Institute, Leek

1000 Priory, Middleton Hotel, Southend-on-Sea  
1032 Townley Parker, Town Hall, Chorley  
1151 St. Andrew, Masonic Hall, Tywardreath  
1164 Eliot, Masonic Hall, St. Germans, Cornwall  
1166 Clarendon, Wellington Hotel, Hyde  
1235 Phoenix of St. Ann, Town Hall, Buxton  
1313 Fernor, Masonic Hall, Southport  
1322 Waverley, Queen's Arms, Ashton-under-Lyne  
1519 Albert Edward, Albion, near Accrington  
1576 Dee, Union Hotel, Cheshire  
1578 Merlin, Masonic Hall, Pontypridd  
1630 St. Michael, Queen's Hotel, Coventry  
2269 Peace, Masonic Hall, King St., Wigan.  
2029 Granite, Narborough Hotel, Narborough  
2091 Castleberg, Ashfield Hotel, Scitlo

2189 Ashburton, Masonic Hall, Ashburton  
2342 Easterford, Angel Hotel, Kildare  
2414 Wychwood, Private Rooms, Bedford  
R.A. 57 Humber, Freemasons' Hall, Hull  
R.A. 303 Benevolent, Holland's Row, Taigamouth  
R.A. 1130 De Mowbray, George Hotel, M. Mowbray  
R.A. 1235 Phoenix of St. Ann, Court Hotel, Buxton  
M.M. 32 Union, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester  
K.T. 34 Albert, 23 Ann Street, Rochdale

## Friday, 31st March.

318 True and Faithful, Freemasons' Hall, Helston  
401 Royal Forest, Hark to Bury, Staff.  
404 Watford, Freemasons' Hall, Watford  
445 Fidelity, Pomfret Arms Hotel, Towcester  
460 Sutherland of Unity, Castle Hotel, Newcastle under-Lyme  
516 Phoenix, Fox Hotel, Stowmarket.  
586 St. Germain, M.H., the Crescent, Selby  
652 Holme Valley, Victoria Hotel, Huddersfield  
712 Lindsay, Masonic Hall, Louth  
810 Craven, Victoria Buildings, Skipton  
951 Prince of Wales, M.H., Stow-on-the-Wold

1034 Eccleshill, Freemasons' Hall, Eccleshill  
1074 Underley, Masonic Hall, Kirkby Lonsdale  
1108 Royal Wharfedale, Masonic Rooms, Otley  
1224 Stour Valley, Masonic Hall, St. Lucy, Suffolk  
1303 Pelham, Freemasons' Hall, Lwias  
1385 Gladsmuir, Red Lion, Barnet  
1391 Commercial, Freemasons' Hall, Leicester  
1435 Annesley, Masonic Hall, Nottingham  
1739 Carnarvon, Market Hall, St. Asaph  
1822 St. Quintin, Bear Inn, Cowbridge, Glam.  
2078 St. Lawrence, Masonic Hall, Scanthorpe

R.A. 212 Magdalen, Guildhall, Doncaster  
R.A. 471 Silurian, Freemasons' H., Newport, Mon.  
R.A. 897 Loyalty, Masonic Buildings, Hull Street, St. Helens

R.A. 945 Abbey, Council Chambers, Abingdon

## Saturday, 1st April.

1622 Rose, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell  
1949 Brixton, Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton

149 Peace, New Masonic Hall, Malmham  
209 Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor  
308 Pr. George, Station Hotel, Brooms, Eastwood  
336 Benevolence, Jolly Sailor Inn, Murple  
444 Union, Courtenay Arms, Starcross  
1146 De Moulham, Mowlem Institute, Swanage  
1223 Amherst, Amherst Hotel, Rivorhol  
1338 Canynge, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol  
1458 Truth, Wheatshof Hotel, Manchester  
1466 Nova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton  
1494 Felix, Mire Hotel, Hampton Court  
1550 Prudence, Freemasons' Hall, Plymouth  
1929 Mozart, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon  
2450 Loxfield, Maiden's Head Hotel, Uckfield  
M.M. 14 Prince Edward's, Station Hotel, Sandhill

## INSTRUCTION.

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## Saturday, 25th March.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7'30  
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.,  
193 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8  
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E.,  
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
1364 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, 27th March.

22 Neptune, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7'30  
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8  
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St.,  
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7  
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8  
243 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon  
392 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge  
543 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8  
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7'30  
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8  
1339 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, 292 Whitechapel Road, E., 7  
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury,  
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hotel, Victoria Park, 7'30  
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7'30  
1535 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney  
1608 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, Deacon's Tavern, Walbrook, 7  
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8  
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8  
2030 Abbey Westminster, Town Hall, S.W., 7'30  
2192 Walthamstow, Chequers Hotel, High Street, Walthamstow, 8  
2427 Hampden, Hampden House, St. Pancras, 8

## Tuesday, 28th March.

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  
463 East Surrey Lodge of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 8  
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8  
581 Old Boar's Head, Manchester  
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7'30



753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8  
 820 Lily of Richmond, Station Ho., 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  
 1446 Mount Edgecombe, Three Stags, Lambeth Rd., 8  
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30  
 1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich  
 1473 Bootle, 146 Berry Street, Bootle, 6  
 1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, Borough High St.  
 1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8  
 1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N.  
 1767 Kensington, Scarsdale Arms Ho., Kensington  
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7  
 1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8  
 2146 Surbiton, Maple Hall, Surbiton  
 2411 Clarence and Avondale, M.H., Leytonstone, E.  
 Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6:30  
 R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8  
 R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8  
 R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

### Wednesday, 29th March.

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  
 228 United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8  
 538 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8  
 594 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  
 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  
 1631 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8  
 1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30  
 1791 Cretton, Wheatshenaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8  
 1922 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8  
 1963 Duke of Albany, 153 Battersea Park Road, 7:30  
 2208 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8  
 R.A. 177 Domatic, 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, 30th March.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30  
 147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8  
 263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.  
 733 Westbourne, 112 Queen's Road, Bayswater, 8  
 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  
 902 Burgoyne, King's Arms, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C., 8  
 1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W.  
 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 Courts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8  
 1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8  
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledn, 7:30  
 1426 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30  
 1558 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 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8  
 1622 Rose, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8  
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30  
 1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 5:30  
 1744 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8  
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7:30  
 1977 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, 31st March.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6  
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8  
 167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park,  
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30  
 765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8  
 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  
 1293 Royal Standard, Castle, 81 Holloway Rd., N., 8  
 1365 Clapton, G.E. Hotel, Liverpool Street, 7  
 1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8  
 1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex, 7:30  
 1642 E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8  
 1677 Crusaders, Northampton Arms, Goswell Road  
 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, 1st April.

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  
 1293 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8  
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7  
 1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8  
 1634 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7  
 2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30  
 R.A. Sinai, Red Lion, King Street, Regent St., W.

Accompanied by the Prince of Wales, the Empress Frederic visited the Imperial Institute on Wednesday, and was conducted over the building by his Royal Highness the President, the Lord Chancellor Chairman of the Governing Body, and Sir Frederick Abel Organising Secretary.

A party of experts witnessed a series of experiments with a new rifle at a range in the neighbourhood of London on Tuesday. The inventors assert that it is superior in all respects to the pattern of magazine rifle at present adopted by the Government. It was proved to be capable of discharging 80 to 100 rounds of ammunition in a minute.

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EASTER AND THE VOLUNTEERS.—It has been decided that, in addition to the mobilisation of Volunteer brigades, commencing early next week, at Chatham, Brighton, Eastbourne, and Canterbury, there shall be a field day, occupying the men on Easter Monday only, for some of those corps which are reserving themselves for the longer mobilisation at Aldershot in August, arrangements have been made for the operations proposed to be held in the country North of London, between Muswell Hill and Enfield. Colonel Routledge will muster the 2nd and 3rd Volunteer Battalions of the Royal Fusiliers in Regent's Park early in the day.

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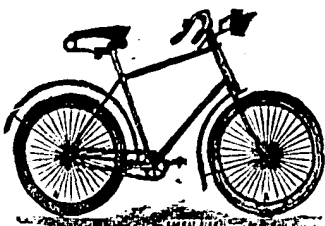
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