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## THE GIRLS SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

WHATEVER may be the result of the 109th Anniversary Festival of the oldest Masonic Charity, to be held on Wednesday next, under the presidency of the Right Hon. Lord Llangattock Prov. Grand Master of the Eastern Division of South Wales, we know there is but one feeling throughout the Craft, and that is that the Institution may be enabled to continue its good work in the future, and even extend the scope of its operations at no very distant date, as the feeling with many of the supporters of the Institutions is that they should progress from year to year, rather than content themselves with a continuation of what has been done in the past.

As we have urged on more than one occasion of late the present is a particularly busy year in connection with Charity Funds of all kinds, and no doubt this will make itself apparent when the result is announced next week, but we hope it will not have such an effect on the total as to cause anything approaching alarm as to the future of the Institution, the work accomplished by which is well known throughout the Craft, and requires no reiteration here.

A certain amount of gloomy anticipation as to the result of next week's Festival has been manifest during the last few days, for the reason that the Board of Stewards is not so strong as usual, but let us hope the deficiency in point of numbers may be more than compensated for by an increase in the average per Steward, so that the Festival of 1897 may not be less satisfactory than its immediate predecessors.

The Annual visitation of Stewards to the Institution will take place on Monday next, when—as is usual on such occasions—the prizes will be distributed to the successful pupils of the year. Lady Llangattock has kindly undertaken the latter duty, and she will probably be supported by the Chairman Lord Llangattock and many others interested in the welfare of the School. The doors of the Institution will be open to visitors at 3.30, the programme of the day commencing with the National Anthem at 4 o'clock, followed by Calisthenic and Marching Exercises, music, &c. Tea and refreshment will be provided after the prizes are distributed, and visitors will also have the opportunity of inspecting the School.

We are desired to draw the attention of our readers to the case of Bro. Edwin Walker, No. 32 on the list of candidates for the Benevolent Institution, who, having omitted to give his qualifications as a candidate may be regarded as not having supported the Institutions, whereas he is a Life Governor four times over for the Benevolent Institution, and a Life Subscriber to the other two funds. As a Past Master and Preceptor of a Lodge of Instruction for the last twelve years he has done much in other ways to support the cause of Masonic benevolence, and we hope his present appeal to his Brethren will meet the reward it deserves.

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The Faith Lodge of Instruction has adjourned for the summer months, the next meeting being arranged for the first Tuesday in October.

## SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

THE Installation meeting was held on Wednesday, at Freemasons' Hall, London, when there was a large attendance. The three chairs was occupied by Earl Amherst Grand H., with Judge Philbrick, Q.C., as H., and Lieut.-Col. Townley Caldwell Prov.G. Superintendent Cambridgeshire as J. The business was of a formal nature, and included the appointment of the following as the Grand Officers for the year:

Comp. The Earl of Lathom	-	-	-	Pro Z.
Earl Amherst	-	-	-	H.
W. W. B. Beach, M.P.	-	-	-	J.
E. Letchworth	-	-	-	Scribe E.
Thomas Fenn	-	-	-	Scribe N.
Sir George D. Harris	-	-	-	Pres. Com. General Purps.
Alderman Vaughan Morgan	-	-	-	Treasurer
Judge Philbrick, Q.C.	-	-	-	Registrar
R. Horton Smith, Q.C.	-	-	-	Deputy Registrar
Sir F. Boileau	-	-	-	Principal Sojourner
Malcom Alex. Morris	-	-	-	Assistant Sojourners
Richard Wilson	-	-	-	
W. Russell	-	-	-	Sword Bearer
Deputy Surgeon-General T. Ringer	-	-	-	Deputy Sword Bearer
G. C. Kent	-	-	-	Standard Bearers
Arthur Stubbs	-	-	-	
V. Kjalmark	-	-	-	
Walter Ebbetts	-	-	-	
Pierrepoint Harris	-	-	-	
Major Newington Bridges	-	-	-	Director of Ceremonies
Frank Richardson	-	-	-	Deputy Dir. of Cers.
Stanley Attenborough	-	-	-	Assistant Dirs. of Cers.
T. A. Bullock	-	-	-	
John Stoker	-	-	-	
E. C. Mulvey	-	-	-	
Walter Martin	-	-	-	Organist
Dr. G. H. Smith	-	-	-	Assistant Scribe E.
W. Lake	-	-	-	Janitor.
Henry Sadler	-	-	-	

## CONSECRATIONS.

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### RICHARD NEWHOUSE CHAPTER.

NOT since the year 1869 has there been a Chapter consecration in the Province of Cheshire. The novelty of the function, together with the popularity of the M.E.Z. Comp. R. Newhouse P.G.Std.B. of England, brought together on Saturday probably a larger gathering of Royal Arch Masons than had ever assembled before at any one time in the Province. The event was the consecration of the Richard Newhouse Chapter, No. 2433, at the Masonic Rooms, Birkenhead.

The Consecrating Officer deputed by H.R.H. the Grand Z. to perform the ceremony was the Hon. Alan De Tatton Egerton, M.P., Grand Superintendent of the Province, who was assisted by Comps. John Armstrong Prov.G.H., James Cookson Prov.G.J., Frederick Broadsmith P.P.G.H., John Fraser Prov.G.S.N., and A. H. Baird Prov.G.D.C. The Provincial Grand Chapter was opened by the Grand Superintendent, after which he, the Grand Officers present, and the Prov.G.H. and Prov.G.J. were all saluted according to their rank.

After prayer and the hymn "Hail Eternal," the Consecrating Principal addressed the Companions on the nature of the meeting, and called on the Prov.G.D.C. to state the wishes of the Companions, and the proceedings they had taken with respect to the Chapter. This proving satisfactory, the Founders were arranged around the banners, when the Prov.A.G. Scribe E. Comp. Ferguson read the Charter, after which the Founders signified their approval of the Officers designated to preside over them. Comp. the Rev. Robert Edwards delivered an oration on the nature and principles of the Institution. The anthem, "Behold how good and joyful" was most effectively rendered by the choir, Comp. Baird being the soloist.

The Chapter was then dedicated and consecrated in the usual form. Afterwards the Grand Superintendent called upon

Comp. F. Broadsmith P.P.G.H. to instal the Principals Designate, Comp. R. Newhouse P.Z. Prov.G.Scribe E. P.G.Std. B.England Z., W. F. Robinson P.Z. H., and Andrew H. Baird Prov.G.D.C. J., who were severally presented by Comp. John Lewis P.Z. P.P.G.Sj, and the three Principals were placed in their respective chairs. The following Officers were all unanimously elected and invested by the M.E.Z.: Comps. D. Jones P.P.G.N. S.E., Rev. G. R. Johnson S.N., Squire Chapman P.Z. Treasurer, Dr. C. S. Brewer Prov.A.G.Sj. P.S., Edmund Marston 1st Assistant S., W. J. Newton 2nd Assistant S., J. H. Jackson Prov.G.O. Org., John Armstrong Prov.G.H. D.C., J. H. Holtaway Janitor, E. W. Armstrong and A. J. Thompson Stewards.

The Provincial Superintendent proposed that a vote of thanks, to be recorded on the minutes, be tendered to Comp. Broadsmith, for the distinguished services rendered by him that day in the conduct of the ceremonies. This was seconded by the M.E.Z., and carried unanimously. Seven Brethren were proposed for exaltation, and twelve Companions as joining members, after which the Grand and Provincial Grand Officers retired in processional order, and the Chapter was closed in due form.

Each of the Founders received a beautiful Founder's Jewel, as a memento of the Consecration of the Chapter.

Subsequently the company adjourned to the dining hall, where an admirable banquet was partaken of. The Loyal toasts were submitted by the M.E.Z., that of the Grand Officers by Comp. John Armstrong Prov.G.H., and responded to by the Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton, M.P., Prov. Grand Superintenden and E. C. Newhouse M.E.Z. The Provincial Officers were proposed by Comp. F. Robinson H., to which the Grand Superintendent responded, and in doing so said he was much gratified at the progress of Masonry in general, but more particularly in the Province of Cheshire. The ceremony of that day was no doubt new to most of those present, as it was to himself. He could have had the assistance of the Grand S.E. Comp. Letchworth, who had kindly volunteered to come from London to Birkenhead, but having accepted the position of their Grand Superintendent he felt it was his duty to discharge to the best of his ability any ceremonies devolving upon him as such. Before resuming his seat, the Grand Superintendent proposed the toast of the Principals, and in doing so pointed out that few Chapters started with such talented and experienced Officers as the Newhouse. The M.E.Z., as the great executive Officer of the Province, was the pivot around which the whole system revolved. His nigh on fifty years active membership of the Order fitted him for any position, and he was supported by a H. of thirty years experience as a Mason, while the J. was a very distinguished P.G.D.C.Cheshire.

Comp. Newhouse, in replying, said it was over forty-one years since he first occupied the position of first Principal of a Chapter. He was extremely gratified when asked to take the office of M.E.Z. in this Chapter, the twentieth in the Province, and the only one consecrated for twenty-eight years. He hoped to see Royal Arch Masonry make still further progress in this, his beloved Province of Cheshire.

Comp. W. F. Robinson H. gave the health of the Installing Officer Comp. Broadsmith P.P.G.H., and, on responding, Comp. Broadsmith said he took it as a great honour to be asked by the Grand Superintendent to assist in the ceremony, and if his efforts had given them satisfaction, he was amply rewarded. Some quarter of a century ago the Companion on his right—Comp. Thomas Drinkwater—initiated him into Freemasonry, making such an impression that from that day to this he had tried to make a daily progress in Masonic knowledge, and would continue to do so. It was so long since they had a Chapter Consecration in Cheshire, viz., the De Tabley, in Birkenhead, in 1869, that amongst the vast numbers present that day only one, Comp. Samuel Jones P.Z. P.P.G.H., who that day had been invested Scribe E. of the Newhouse Chapter, witnessed the former ceremony.

The Masonic Charities was ably proposed by Captain Macnab, and responded to by Comps. T. Annett and Lilley Ellis.—"Macclesfield Advertiser."

#### GORDON LODGE ARK MARINERS.

THE Consecration of this Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners, No. 364, took place at the New Falcon Hotel, West Street, Gravesend, on 24th ult., the following being present:—Rt. Hon. Viscount Dungarvan D.G.M. Prov. G.M. Kent, Bro. Hughes-Hallett D.Prov.G.M., W. Vincent P.A.G.D.C. Eng., J. G. Podgevin P.G.Sec., G. Allen P.C.N. 456, J. W. Nash W.C.N., F. Nicholls P.C.N., G. Peart, G. H. Russell, H. Bagshaw, L. Salt, C. Walker, J. P. White, W. Russell, and R. Urquhart, all of No. 237.

The Grand Lodge having issued the necessary authority, a Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners was duly opened by Bros. W.

Vincent as W.C.N., G. Allen as S.J., G. H. Russell as S.S., Peart as Senior Deacon, Bagshaw as Guardian, and Orum as Warder, when the following Brethren were elevated to the Degree:—W. Barlow, R. J. Beamish, Cobham, F. Hitchens, A. Ronaldson, J. Kerney, J. Simpson, E. B. Wilks, G. Masters, J. A. Axcell, J. Davis, J. Munday, F. A. Jewson, and George Martin.

The Prov.G. Master Viscount Dungarvan then assumed the throne, and appointed Grand Officers as follow:—Bros. G. Allen Japhet, J. Nash Shem, J. P. White Chaplain, J. G. Podgevin Sec., W. Vincent D.C., J. Davis Organist, H. Bagshaw Guardian, J. Orum Warder.

The ceremony of Consecration was then carried out in due form.

Bro. Vincent assumed the throne, and Bro. J. P. White was presented for enthronement. He having answered the necessary questions a Board of Commanders was formed, and Bro. J. P. White enthroned according to ancient custom, with the usual solemn ceremony observed in Ark Masonry.

The following Officers were then appointed and invested:—J. Nash P.C.N., W. Russell Son Japhet, R. Urquhart Son Shem, F. Hitchens Treas., J. Davis Scribe, E. B. Wilks D.C., R. J. Beamish Senior Deacon, G. Masters Junior Deacon, F. A. Jewson Organist, A. Ronaldson Steward, J. Simpson Guardian, G. Martin Warder.

Votes of thanks were tendered to the Grand Officers, also to the Dewar Lodge, No. 237.

Bros. Viscount Dungarvan, Hughes-Hallett, W. Vincent and J. G. Podgevin were elected honorary members.

The Lodge was then closed and the Brethren adjourned.

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The Tutbury Castle Lodge was consecrated on Wednesday, at Tutbury, by Bro. H. C. Okeover Deputy Provincial Grand Master for Derbyshire. Brother Percy Wallis was installed Worshipful Master.

#### "A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

BRO. ROBERT TOLEMAN, one of the leading tradesmen at Beaminster, Dorset, died on Tuesday, 27th ult., after a brief illness. He was an active member of the local Lodge, a Life Subscriber to the Boys School, and a Life Governor of the Benevolent Institution. He likewise took prominent part in the public life of the town. He was thirty-nine years of age.

ON Saturday, 17th ult., the mortal remains of the late Councillor George Cornish were laid to rest in the cemetery at Bury St. Edmunds. The first part of the burial service was conducted in St. James's Church, where Bro. Owen A. Clark Organist and J.D. of Royal St. Edmunds Lodge, No. 1008, played the "Dead March" in Saul. The large assembly included representatives of the Craft and other Societies, the two Secretaries of the local Lodges carrying between them a handsome wreath as a tribute from the members.

ON Wednesday, 5th inst., two largely attended Masonic funerals took place at South Shields. The first was that of the late Bro. Thomas Smith, hosier and mercer, who died after a brief illness on Sunday. Bro. Smith, who was forty-one years of age, was for some time an overseer of South Shields, and was well-known and much respected. He was a member of the Hadrian Lodge. The cortège, which left the residence in Julian Avenue, was preceded by over a hundred Brethren from the Hadrian, Hilda, and Hedworth Lodges. There was also a very large attendance of relatives and friends. The interment took place in the family burial place in the old cemetery, Westoe Lane. the Rev. Lewis D. Evans, Vicar of St. Aidan's, being the officiating clergy. At the close of the funeral service, the Freemasons' choir, led by Bro. L. Winstone, sang very beautifully the hymn "Days and Moments" and the refrain "May we all meet together in the Grand Lodge above." From the old cemetery the Brethren proceeded to Wentworth Terrace, Westoe Lane, to attend the funeral of their late Bro. S. W. Linsey P.M. and Secretary of the St. Hilda Lodge. Bro. Linsey, who was one of the officials of the Harton Coal Company, was thirty-six years of age. On Saturday last, owing to an abscess forming on the brain, he had to undergo an operation which was successfully performed. He went on satisfactorily until Sunday morning, when a turn for the worse occurred, and he expired on Sunday evening. The interment took place in the new cemetery at Harton. In addition to the Masonic Brethren, a number of the officials of the Harton Coal Company attended. The Rev. C. E. Adamson conducted the funeral service, and the same hymn and refrain as were sung at the old cemetery were rendered. A considerable gathering of the public took place at both cemeteries. Many beautiful floral tributes from friends and the Masonic Lodges were laid on the graves.

## REPORTS OF MEETINGS. INSTRUCTION.

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### ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 167.

THE weekly gathering on Thursday, 29th ult., at the Court House, Harlesden, was taken as the annual meeting of the Lodge, and Bro. F. J. Priest W.M. 1657 Secretary read the Bye-laws in open Lodge, in accordance with the 19th law.

It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously that a very hearty vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes, to Bro. W. Helliier P.M., for his services as Preceptor; to Bro. C. Penny P.M., for fulfilling the duties of Treasurer; and to Bro. F. J. Priest, for the work he had done as Secretary during the past year.

It was proposed by Bro. W. C. Tebbit, seconded by Bro. W. B. Neville P.M., and unanimously agreed to, that Bro. Hillier be re-elected as Preceptor, while Bros. Penny and Priest were re-elected as Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

Bro. Preceptor Hillier in graceful terms referred to the services of Bro. Isaac Cohen, as Secretary of the Dance Committee, and the grand success which crowned the Ladies night, and presented him with a silver cigar case as a token of the Brethren's appreciation. This was suitably acknowledged by Bro. Isaac Cohen.

ON Thursday, 6th inst., the chair was occupied by Bro. F. J. Ortner, supported by Bros. M. Moss S.W., W. B. Neville P.M. J.W., W. B. Hillier P.M. Preceptor, F. J. Priest W.M. 1657 Secretary, G. Chapman Treasurer, W. Handover S.D., G. Pettit J.D., A. Holmes I.G., W. C. Tebbit, Larter P.M., Moore, Peradon, Buck, Wynman, Rose, Williams P.M., Cox P.M., Parker, Atkinson, and Brown, with Bro. C. E. Batchelor as a visitor.

Bro. Larter having offered himself to be passed to the 2nd degree answered the usual questions, and the ceremony was rehearsed. The Lodge was called off and on. The W.M. gave the explanation of the tracing Board of the degree. Bro. C. E. Batchelor was elected a member, and Bro. Moss chosen as W.M. for next meeting.

The election of Stewards resulted in the choice of Bros. Rose, Neville P.M., Moore, and Hussey P.M., while Bros. Parker, Peradon, and Batchelor were elected Auditors.

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### WESTBOURNE LODGE, No. 733.

AT Bro. Barnes's, Oliver Arms. Westbourne Terrace North, Harrow Road, on Tuesday of last week, Bro. T. W. Mogford W.M., R. J. Rogers P.M. Treas. S.W., C. E. Lilly J.W., H. Dehane P.M. Preceptor, G. D. Mogford P.M. Sec., H. H. Bagnall S.D., H. Crooks J.D., C. Halston I.G., Crow, Thomas, Wynman, Barnes, and others.

Visitor:—Bro. F. S. Benjamin 2119 and 931 (English Constitution) New Zealand.

After a few formalities the Lodge was advanced to the second degree, and Bro. Thomas having answered the usual questions was entrusted and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed. The Lodge was called off and on. Resuming, the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Crow candidate, after which the W.M. gave the ancient charge.

A vote of thanks was recorded on the minutes for Brother Barnes's kindness in handing his votes for the Old People to the W.M.

The popular Treasurer Bro. Robert John Rogers P.M. will preside at next meeting, and the Brethren may expect an exceptional treat. Brethren visitors will receive a hearty welcome.

ON Tuesday, 4th inst., Bro. R. J. Rogers P.M. W.M., Lilly S.W., Major Reed J.W., H. Dehane P.M. Preceptor, G. Mogford P.M. Sec., H. Crookes S.D., C. Halston J.D., G. Weaver I.G., T. Mogford W.M. 2362, Barnes, Beesley, E. C. White, C. Brown, Wortham W.M. 733, W. M. Roberts P.M. 733, Thomas, Wynman, and others.

The ceremony of installation was rehearsed, Bro. H. Dehane acting as D.C., and presenting Bro. C. Brown W.M. 733 as Master-elect. By request Bro. Wortham invested the Officers. Bro. Rogers resumed the chair and rehearsed the ceremony of passing, Bro. White acting as candidate. The Lodge was resumed to the 1st degree and Bro. White was elected a member. Bro. Lilly was elected W.M. for next Tuesday.

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### HYDE PARK LODGE, No. 1425.

BEING Officers' night an exceptionally large attendance assembled at Bro. E. Stevens's, the Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne Terrace, on Monday, when there were present:—Bro. B. Cox W.M. elect 1425 as W.M., John Spink jun. S.W., E. Lewis J.W., H. Campbell P.M. acting Preceptor, H. Dehane P.M. Sec., A. Collman S.D., A. W. Jones J.D., W. E. Collison I.G., A. Robins Steward, J. S. Hayes W.M. 1425, W. Chapple P.M., H. Crookes, Harris, Smith, LeClair P.M., W. Handover, M. Rozenburg P.M., S. G. Thorne, J. W. Bates, J. Wynman, H. C. Martin, C. Riemann.

The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Thorne acting as candidate, and he having answered the usual questions was entrusted, the ceremony of passing being rehearsed. Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and the W.M. invested his Officers, Bro. W. Chapple P.M. acting as Director of Ceremonies.

Bro. H. C. Martin was elected a member, and it was unanimously agreed that a letter of deep regret and sincere condolence should be sent to the relatives of the late Bro. W. Craig P.M. 1425, a member of the Hyde Park Lodge of Instruction since 1874. It was also proposed that a vote of thanks should be put on the minutes, for the kindness shown by Bro. H. Campbell in acting as Preceptor. It was also proposed that a hearty word of thanks be recorded on the minutes for the excellent manner in which the W.M. had performed his duties as Worshipful Master for the first time in this Lodge of Instruction.

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### DE LAMBTON CHAPTER, No. 94.

ON Tuesday, 27th ult., the annual convocation was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Queen Street, Sunderland, the presiding Principal being Comp. J. D. Todd P.P.G.A.S.

The Principals-elect were presented by Comp. Garrick, and were installed by Comp. J. D. Todd P.Z., Comp. W. G. Hetherington being installed as Z., and Wm. Watson as H.

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### ZETLAND CHAPTER, No. 236.

THE members held their annual installation meeting on Wednesday, 28th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Duncombe Place, York, when there was a numerous attendance of Companions, presided over by Comp. C. M. Forbes M.E.Z., supported by his Principals and Officers.

The Chapter having been opened in the usual manner, the ceremony of installation of Principals was proceeded with, Comp. M. Rooke P.Z. installing Comp. the Rev. C. E. L. Wright, M.A., as Z. The other Officers were installed, and two exaltations having taken place, the Auditors' report was received and adopted.

Some other business having been transacted, the Chapter was closed, and the Companions dined together.

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## MARK MASONRY.

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### BOSCAWEN LODGE, No. 101.

THE members met at St. Day, on Monday, 26th ult., and unanimously elected Bro. J. Collins as W.M. for the coming year, and re-elected Bro. W. A. Bennett P.P.G.I.Wks. Treasurer, and Bro. John Paul Tyler.

The Boscawen Lodge of Ark Mariners was afterwards held, when Bro. Percy Chirgwin was unanimously elected W.C.N., Bro. W. A. Bennett re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. John Paul Warden.

The installation festival takes place on 28th June, a joint Committee of both degrees being appointed to make the arrangements.

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### JOHN O'GAUNT LODGE, No. 172.

ON Wednesday, 28th ult., at the annual meeting held at Gainsborough, Bro. Baines P.M. P.Prov.J.G.W. was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year.

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### LEOPOLD LODGE, No. 235.

AN interesting gathering was held in the Masonic Hall, Reading, on Monday, 26th ult., when there were present the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Berks and Oxon Bro. John Tomkins, the Provincial Grand Secretary Bro. W. Ravenscroft P.M., and other visitors. The Worshipful Master Bro. W. G. Millar having opened the Lodge, the Deputy P.G.M. was saluted with due honours, and acknowledged the compliment, after which Bro. Edwin Ifould of the Downshire Lodge, Wokingham, was balloted for, and elected. He was thereupon introduced, and the ceremony of advancement was gone through.

The installation of Bro. Reed S.W. as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year was impressively performed by the W.M.

A handsome Past Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Millar, in recognition of the satisfactory manner in which he had performed the duties of Worshipful Master.

At the close of the Lodge business the Brethren adjourned to the Great Western Hotel, where a banquet was served. The usual Mark toasts were honoured.

## FARMHOUSE AND COUNTRY LODGINGS.

MESSRS. WALTER HILL & Co. have again prepared for the Great Northern Railway Company a handy list of Farmhouse and Country Lodgings to be obtained in towns and villages in Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Derbyshire, Hertfordshire, Huntingdonshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Norfolk, Yorkshire, Cumberland, Durham, Northumberland, Westmorland, &c. The book contains several views of places of interest on the Great Northern and North Eastern Railways, and may be obtained free of charge on application to the Superintendent of the Line, Great Northern Railway, King's Cross Station, London, or at any of the Company's Stations or Town Offices.

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### THE TEACHERS UNION AT SWANSEA.

THE local Freemasons, with the hospitality which has always been characteristic of them, extended a warm and brotherly greeting to the Masonic brethren attending the N.U.T.

Bro. H. G. Davies Worshipful Master of the Indefatigable Lodge, in order to perform this function, called a special or emergency meeting for the 28th ult. He had the support of the Masters of the other local Lodges—the Talbot and Caradoc. The Worshipful Masters of the Glamorgan, Bute, Tennant, Duke of York, and Llangattock Lodges also accepted the invitation to pay an official visit, says the "Schoolmaster."

Among the distinguished brethren who were present to support the Master in the chair were: Bros. Marmaduke Tennant Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the Province and P.A.G.D.C. of England, the Right Hon. the Earl of Jersey Past Senior Grand Warden of England Provincial Grand Master of Oxfordshire, Sir John Jones Jenkins, M.P., P.M. 1323 P. Prov. Junior Grand Warden, Sir John T. D. Llewelyn, Bart., M.P., D. Brynmor Jones, M.P., Provincial Junior Grand Warden, &c.

The Lodge was opened at half-past six, and Masonic work was proceeded with, and then followed an interesting event—the presentation of a very handsome jewel to Brother J. Lindley Smith I.P.M. P.G.Tr., for his past services as Provincial Grand Treasurer. This presentation was made on behalf of the Lodge by Earl Jersey.

His Lordship, in pinning the jewel on Bro. Smith's breast, took the occasion to congratulate him upon the important appointment which had been given him, and expressed the hope that he would live long to serve his country and to wear the jewel which he now presented.

Bro. Smith suitably thanked the brethren and his Lordship for his kind wishes, and in the course of his remarks said that he should ever remember the kindness that he had received at the hands of the Indefatigable Lodge.

Hearty congratulations were tendered to the Worshipful Master by the many representatives of Lodges throughout the kingdom, and the Lodge was then closed. The brethren adjourned to the Grand Hotel to supper, the Worshipful Master presiding, and he was supported by many distinguished brethren.

After the Loyal toasts, Brother Sir John Jones Jenkins, M.P., P.M. P.P.J.G.W., who was most heartily received, submitted the M.W. the Pro Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of England. It afforded him, he said, much pleasure to propose this toast. The Grand Lodge of England stood high in the estimation of all of them, perhaps not so much for its name as for those eminent men who always composed it. They had at its head the Prince of Wales, and it was astonishing how far-reaching Freemasonry was. There they had the Prince of Wales at the head of the greatest Order in the world, closely connected with a very large number of other Orders, whilst he was also Chancellor of the Welsh University. The Pro Grand Master the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Lathom was well-known to a great many of them. They had seen him at Swansea on several occasions, and hoped to see him before long once again in the Province. He had also great pleasure to mention the name of the Earl of Jersey Prov.G.M. Oxfordshire and P.S.G.W. of England. In him they had a nobleman who not only made himself useful in many spheres of life, but whatever he did he did thoroughly. He had heard some rumours that there was a probability of the Earl of Jersey, in the near future, living and spending more time amongst them in South Wales. He was sure that he was only echoing the sentiments of all the members of the Indefatigable Lodge, when he said that he hoped those rumours had some foundation in truth. They all hoped to see more of his lordship in the future than they had in the past. Sir John then submitted the toast, coupling with it the name of the Earl of Jersey.

The Earl of Jersey, in responding, thanked the Brethren for the enthusiastic manner in which they had received the toast, and also Brother Davies, their Worshipful Master, for having kindly invited him to be present to meet the distinguished Brethren whom he had the pleasure of seeing around him. With regard to the Grand Lodge of England, everybody would agree with what Bro. Sir John Jones Jenkins had said that their Pro G.M. was certainly the right man in the right place, and he thought that the men who belonged to the Order were men who studied the interests of Masonry in every part of their territory, and who exercised a far-reaching public influence. He thought also that nothing could please the Grand Lodge more than to know that upon this occasion the Brethren of the Indefatigable Lodge had used the advantages of Masonry to extend their hospitality to those who came to Swansea. There could be nothing pleasanter than to think that they were Masons not of one particular Lodge, but Masons who were always glad to have the opportunity of showing that they belonged to a Brotherhood which was not confined to Lodges, but was universal. Masonry had a wide influence, and they were true Masons when they tried to take advantage of their Masonry to show to others that really they were all upon the same level. In conclusion, the Earl of Jersey expressed the hope that the Brethren who came from other parts of the country would go away impressed with the enthusiastic manner in which Masonry was conducted in Swansea, and also with the hospitality of the Lodge, of which he felt proud that he himself was a member.

Bro. Henry Simons P.M. Treasurer P.P.S.G.W. submitted the Provincial Grand Master and his Deputy. In the course of a few remarks he said it was with great regret that they had to account for the absence of the Prov. Grand Master Bro. Lord Llangattock, who had intended to be present. They were fortunate in having two such good Officers at the head of their Province. Since the Right Hon. Provincial Grand Master had been at the head he had made it a point to be with them at least once a year, whilst he had also made several special visits to Lodges in the Province. Referring to the Deputy Bro. Marmaduke Tennant, who unfortunately had had to leave early to catch his train, he was one whom every Mason in South Wales revered and loved.

Bro. Herbert G. Davies W.M. then felicitously submitted the toast of the evening, the Visitors. He said they were honoured by having around them

visiting brethren representing nearly every class of life and from all quarters of the empire. He could see amongst them members of the House of Peers, House of Commons, and as they still had their I.P.M. amongst them he must include House of Correction, Council of Education, also Brethren whom except upon an occasion such as this they did not particularly desire to meet, viz., barristers and lawyers, met in the common bond of brotherhood. On behalf of his Lodge he tendered to the visitors a most hearty welcome to Swansea, and he felt proud that he had the honour to preside over such an important and unique gathering of Masons in this ancient borough. He could assure the visitors that he was delighted to see them, glad to welcome them, and to extend the right hand of fellowship to Brethren who were engaged in the responsible task of training the future generation. He had much pleasure in coupling with the toast the names of Bro. C. James W.M. 1963; Bro. Councillor J. Welch W.M. 1110; Bro. A. W. Pillinger W.M. 902; Bro. Ernest Gray, M.A., M.P., 2291, who was closely connected with the Educational Scheme of the country, he having been a couple of years back President of the N.U.T. and whom they were glad of the privilege of seeing amongst them that night; Bro. Sir J. T. Dillwyn Llewelyn, Bart., M.P., one whom, whatever might be their political opinions, he felt sure every Swansea Brother highly esteemed and revered—the brethren of his Lodge would be delighted to hear that Bro. Sir John Llewelyn had requested him to propose him as a re-joining member of the Indefatigable; Bro. D. Brynmor Jones, Q.C., M.P., who was a Past Warden of the Kaiser-i-hind Lodge, London, whom they all knew and highly respected, and whom they trusted to have the pleasure of seeing installed as W.M. of the Afan Lodge, of which he had become a joining member; and last, but not least, they had Bro. G. M. E. Hamilton P.M. 1641 also P.M. and Sec. of No. 1446, whose name he had at his own request reserved until the end. Before submitting the toast he could not refrain from acknowledging the courtesy and kindness he had received from Bro. Hamilton, in conjunction with Bro. John Williams P.M., Bryn Mill, and the valuable assistance he had rendered him in getting the members of his Union there that evening in such goodly numbers, and thus making the gathering a grand success. For the information of those who were not connected with the N.U.T., he would inform them that Bro. Hamilton filled the arduous and honorary post of Treasurer to the Union.

Bro. James W.M. 1963, one of the Brethren of the N.U.T., responded in a few happy remarks, in which he expressed, on behalf of the other N.U.T. Brethren present, the pleasure it gave him to thank the Swansea Lodge for the cordial way in which the toast had been received, and also the felicitous way in which it had been moved. He was glad the N.U.T. had been able to furnish forty-five Brethren for the occasion. Amongst that number there were several past Presidents of the Union, several present and past members of the executive, and five out of the six present principal officials of the Union. It had been exceedingly interesting to him to be present, and hear the admirable manner in which the ceremony had been performed, and especially to note the superiority of the method of working the Indefatigable Lodge, as compared with the methods of most of the London Lodges.

Bro. Councillor Welsh W.M. 1110 said he also had been struck with the work of the Lodge, and the way it was carried out. He congratulated the Lodge upon the admirable way this was done, and said the day would be a red-letter one to them. He might say for his own part that when he came to Swansea he was not particularly attracted by the town. On his way to the town last week it was raining cats and dogs, and when he entered it the same process was in progress. He had learnt that it was the habit of Swansea to have rain some thirteen months out of the twelve. The climate, he must say, was moist. It had improved during the conference week, and he hoped the conference would be finished with that éclat which had attended its meetings in all other towns. The gathering that evening was, he thought, unique.

Bro. Pillinger W.M. 902 had been many years a Mason, and thought it an organisation that promoted to the fullest extent that hearty goodwill that should exist between man and man. It embraced every section of society, and encouraged charity in its truest sense.

Bro. Ernest Gray, M.P., said he was only a young member of the Craft, but he had learnt that one of the great fundamental truths of Freemasonry was that of charity, and the Swansea Brethren had that evening given a vivid interpretation of it in its widest sense. The N.U.T. would regard that gathering as one of the most agreeable held in connection with the conference, and no memory would be dearer to them than that which they would hold of the great kindness shown to them that evening.

Bro. Sir J. T. D. Llewelyn, Bart., M.P., said it was with mixed feelings that he addressed them. He felt that he had been a very bad Mason, but he was there that evening because he desired to support the Worshipful Master and Brethren in Swansea in the very cordial reception they had given to the Brethren of the Craft who came from outside Swansea, and who were paying a visit on this most interesting occasion. He himself was, many years ago, a member of the Indefatigable Lodge, but had had to leave it because the great distance between his home and the place of meeting prevented him carrying out the duties of the Craft as he should have liked. He afterwards maintained the deepest desire to try and bring an educating influence to bear on his poorer Brethren of other branches, and to enable them to put into a more satisfactory financial position those branches of the same Brotherhood as that in which the Indefatigable Lodge had set a notable and successful example. In what he had done to promote the interests of his poorer Brethren, he had tried to live up to the great standard which had been set for so many years by the Freemasons of England. He deeply regretted not having been an active member of the Indefatigable Lodge, but he should be only too glad to do what he could to promote the best interests of the Craft in Swansea.

Bro. D. Brynmor Jones, Q.C., M.P., said the Lodge was not only indefatigable but efficient. He was pleased that they had been able to get together in Swansea that week so many worthy Masons, and as a visitor to the Lodge he most cordially thanked the Worshipful Master for the kind and enthusiastic reception that had been extended him.

Bro. G. M. E. Hamilton, in thanking the Brethren for the enthusiastic manner in which they had received his name, also expressed his gratitude to the W.M. and Bro. P.M. John Williams for having so kindly arranged to hold an Emergency Lodge for the benefit of the members of his Union. The same thing had been attempted in other towns where the N.U.T. had held their annual conferences, but upon a much smaller scale, owing to the matter not having been taken in hand until close upon the date of their visits. Never had they received such a grand and brilliant reception, and it was a red-letter day in the history of the Masonic Brethren connected with the Union. With respect to the work of the Indefatigable Lodge, he would not state that he had ever seen it done better, but he most emphatically assured them that during all the years he had been a Mason, he had never before seen it done as well. On behalf of the N.U.T. Brethren, he had very great pleasure in asking the W.M. to accept a cheque for £10 10s, towards his list as Festival Steward to the 109th Anniversary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, at which Bro. Lord Llangattock his Provincial Grand Master would preside.

The Worshipful Master feelingly thanked Bro. Hamilton for the gift, and then submitted the toast of the Lodges of the Province. He said they had been honoured with the presence that evening of the Worshipful Masters of the Glamorgan, Bute, Tennant, Duke of York, and Llangattock Lodges, all of Cardiff; also of the Loyal Cambrian, Merthyr; but unfortunately, owing to their having had to leave early to catch their trains, he regretted being unable to couple their names with the toast. It was one which he felt sure they would receive in a right hearty manner, as to whatever Lodge one might go to throughout this large Province, he was always sure to receive a right hearty welcome, and he did not think a warmer fraternal feeling existed between Lodges in any Province more than in the Eastern Division of South Wales. In the absence of the W.M. of the Talbot Lodge he called upon their esteemed Bro. J. R. Leaver P.M. Treasurer of that Lodge, and Bro. Owen Owen, of the Caradoc Lodge, to respond.

Bro. Leaver returned thanks in a telling speech, and said how pleased he felt at being able to welcome so many distinguished visitors to Swansea. Bro. Owen Owen also suitably responded, and in the course of his speech said that the remarks of Bro. Councillor Welsh, as to Swansea weather, reminded him of a rhyme reflecting the opinion prevailing outside Swansea with regard to Landore. It ran as follows:—

“A devil once riding through Landore  
Was asked what he thought of that fine old place of yore:  
Quoth Satan: ‘By the smell and the stink  
I am not very far from home, I should think!’”

On the motion of Bro. S. Meech, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Worshipful Master, who, in responding, expressed the hope that his successor in office would be Bro. J. T. Davies, their esteemed Assistant Director of Ceremonies.

The Rev. A. A. Matthews also delivered a few remarks, in which he praised the Brotherhood of Freemasonry.

A Jewish Brother, head master of a school in London, spoke of the great cordiality which had been extended to him during his visit at Swansea.

The Tyler Bro. G. Bullerwell having given the Tyler's toast, and the company having drunk the health of Host Pitt, the proceedings were brought to a close.—“Craftsman.”

### COLCHESTER MASONIC HALL.

A VERY strong Committee has been formed for the purpose of providing a suitable Masonic Hall for Colchester, where the want of such a building has long been felt. With this view, the property formerly used as a Savings' Bank, at 3 Church Street North, has been purchased at a cost of £750, and conveyed to Trustees, and Bro. F. Whitmore, Architect, of Chelmsford, has prepared plans for the adaptation of the premises. The estimated cost of the necessary alterations, additions, and furniture is about £1,250, which, added to the purchase money, makes the amount of Capital required not less than £2,000. To raise this sum it has been decided to issue 2,000 Debentures of £1 each, repayable by drawings as funds allow. The advantage of this mode of raising the money over a mortgage being that the capital will gradually be reduced by repayments; and that eventually the Hall will be free.

These Debentures are offered to any Member of the Craft; but a condition will be inserted that should a Debenture Holder wish to realise his holding, it should be first offered to one or other of the Colchester Lodges, or a Member of the same. The Debentures will be secured upon the Hall, which is a valuable freehold property in the centre of Colchester, and out of the nett profits arising from letting the same one moiety will be set apart annually for the payment of interest and the remaining moiety for the redemption of Debentures. Bro. T. J. Ralling P.M. Sec. 51 Prov.G.Sec. Essex is one of the Secretaries of the Trust.

### AN EVENING IN THE GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND.

(By one who was there.)

AS the “Grand Lodge above” is the Valhalla of every true Freemason, so is a position in the Grand Lodge of England the highest aspiration of every working Mason as a visible recognition of services rendered. Such positions must of necessity come to the few, and there are hundreds of thousands who can never hope to attain them. The latter have to be content with a chance of those few appointments in the hands of the Grand Master of the Province in which they have been working, and happy even if they get those. But Wednesday evening last will be memorable amongst the Freemasons of North Staffordshire in general, and of Longton in particular, as the first occasion within living memory, or possibly the records of the past also, in which a North Staffordshire Mason has been honoured by his Royal Highness the Grand Master (or any of his predecessors) with such a recognition. I refer to the appointment of Mr. Geo. C. Kent, the Town Clerk of Longton, who has by his labours won for himself a position in Grand Lodge, and who will, I feel assured, worthily sustain the dignity conferred upon him.

To enter Grand Lodge, even as a right, is not by any means easy to accomplish, for there are qualified and unqualified presenting themselves, and the portals are most jealously guarded. However, having stood the test and secured the necessary “open sesame,” I took my place.

The Grand Master himself was not present, consequently the duties pertaining to the office were discharged by the Pro Grand Master the Earl of Lathom, dignified, courteous, and respected and beloved by all with whom he comes in contact. It was his lordship's duty to announce that the Grand Master had been pleased to reappoint him to the position he had previously held, and the popularity of that appointment was quickly demonstrated by the hearty applause of the Brethren. Others were announced in quick succession, each one receiving a more or less hearty greeting as became his standing in the Craft, and the wide or circumscribed circle of his acquaintances, but when the name of the new Grand Chaplain was announced there

was an outburst almost equal to that accorded to Lord Lathom himself. The one thus honoured was the Very Rev. S. Reynolds Hole, Dean of Rochester, known far and wide, and one of the most popular men of the day. The Masonic clothing may add importance to his figure, but his life will add lustre to the Craft. Another popular appointment was that of Mr. Bancroft, the eminent actor, whose classic features (if physiognomy is a true index of character) give a guarantee that the badge he wears will never be disgraced by him.

It was not to be expected that Mr. Kent would receive such an ovation as the two last mentioned Brethren, for Provincials do not make the same wide circle of acquaintances as those who are working week by week in London, nevertheless the hearty greeting given him showed that the metropolitan members of the Craft are not slow in acknowledging the worth of those whom it has pleased the Grand Master to honour, and additional pleasure was thereby given to those who were present from our own district.

That the Diamond Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, the patron of the Craft, should be characterised by a Masonic function, is only consistent with tradition and custom. Such an event would scarcely be complete without an official recognition by the Brotherhood, and Lord Lathom satisfied those present by announcing that the gathering would take place in the Albert Hall, on the 14th of June.—“Longton Times,” 30th April 1897.

### MASONIC TUTORS.

AMONGST curious occupations that of “Masonic tutor” is one but little known to the general body even of the educated public, and yet both in London and the provinces there are many gentlemen who gain a handsome living by it.

To understand this occupation rightly, it must be said that many people who have become Freemasons are so impregnated with enthusiasm in the cause that they aspire to attain high honours as office-bearers and masters in the craft, and to these a masonic tutor—who is thoroughly posted in all the forms and ceremonies of masonry and in its literature and history—is invaluable. Then again, in the case of masons who have all the enthusiasm but little of the time to master the intricacies of the Craft, a ready tutor is of the greatest convenience.

These tutors are, of course, members held in high esteem by their masonic brethren, though frequently they are men whose success in other directions has not been altogether in accordance with their own merits, and, being thorough Masons, they are recommended as tutors.

Some of them have dozens of pupils at a time, and the occupation generally is a somewhat lucrative one, the pupils usually belonging to a class that can afford to pay liberally. All the members of the royal family who are Masons—and very enthusiastic Masons they are—have been coached in the way described.—“Anecdotes.”

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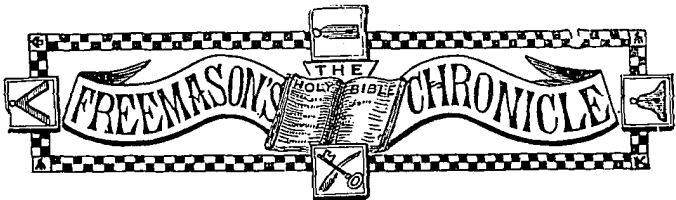
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SATURDAY, 8TH MAY 1897.

**THE DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS.**

**T**HE Empire Lodge, No. 2108, under the auspices of distinguished Officers of Grand Lodge, purpose entertaining such of the Indian and Colonial guests as may belong to the Craft who are visiting this country for the Diamond Jubilee Festivities. The banquet will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Monday, 14th June, after the great meeting at the Albert Hall. The authorities at the Indian and Colonial Offices, and the various Agents-General, are affording cordial assistance. Communications from Indian and Colonial visitors are invited by the Treasurer, Bro. Lennox Browne, 15 Mansfield Street, Portland Place.

**T**HE St. David's Lodge, No. 2226, Rhymney, will celebrate the record reign on Thursday, 17th June, with a church parade, followed by a special Masonic Service, at St. David's Church at 3.30 p.m., to which the general public will be admitted. Afterwards, a banquet will take place, concluding with a Ladies' evening. The arrangements are in the hands of an energetic Committee, and everything will be carried out in the best way possible.

**T**HE Brethren of the Hounslow district will not be behind in showing their loyalty in a practical and sympathetic manner during the Jubilee festivities. A movement is on foot amongst them to hold a special service at one of the local Churches on the Sunday either preceding or that following the 22nd June, on behalf of the funds of the Hounslow Hospital. This is the most definite of any of the proposals that have yet been made in the Hounslow and Heston districts for celebrating the great time.

The acquisition of a Recreation Ground for Hounslow is too remote as yet to be considered as a probable event of the Diamond year, although there is every hope that it will ultimately be brought about. Among other suggestions have been the renovation of Heston Church, the building of a tower for St. Stephen's Church, and the erection of a clock tower at the Hounslow Fountain, but nothing of a tangible nature has yet been decided upon with regard to these matters. It is generally supposed that some sort of a demonstration or fete will be organised for Jubilee Day itself.

**NEW TEMPLE AT EBBW VALE.**

**T**HE interesting ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new Masonic Temple at Ebbw Vale—to be erected in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee—was performed on Thursday, 29th ult. The Provincial Grand Master Colonel Chas. Lyne conducted a special Provincial Grand Lodge at the Glyn Ebbw Lodge room, Central Hall Buildings, where a procession was formed, and proceeded through the main thoroughfare to the site of the new building. There was a large attendance of Brethren from all parts.

The Provincial Grand Master, at the request of Bro. M. J. S. Lyons W.M. of the Glyn Ebbw Lodge, proceeded to lay the stone. Underneath it was placed a brass plate, bearing the inscription:

This stone was laid by

COLONEL CHARLES LYNE R.W.P.G.M.,

29th April 1897.

M. J. S. LYONS W.M. Glyn Ebbw Lodge, No. 2556.

Col. Lyne was presented with a silver trowel, suitably inscribed. The procession was afterwards re-formed, and proceeded to the Central Hall, where the special Provincial Grand Lodge was closed.

The luncheon was provided in the Literary and Scientific Institute. The architect of the building is Mr. J. P. Davies, and the builder Mr. S. T. Davies, Ebbw Vale.

The attention of subscribers to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution is particularly directed to the case of Bro. T. Knowles, No. 55 on the list of candidates. He was for twenty-five years a watchmaker in King Street, Hammersmith, and through chronic asthma and rheumatic gout has been compelled to cease work. He and his wife are sixty-six years of age, and through provident habits are in possession of 7s 9d per week, this being their whole income from every source. Brethren are most earnestly asked to support this case, and to send any votes they may have to Bro. Arthur Williams, 83-85 Hammersmith Road, Secretary of the West London Masonic Election Association.

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The "universality of Freemasonry," so often insisted on by the members of the mysterious Craft, and, in a lesser degree, the universality of the name of Smith, were alike illustrated at the great gathering at Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday evening last, when the Grand Officers for the year were appointed and invested by Lord Lathom, presiding as Pro Grand Master for the Prince of Wales. The Grand Officers themselves were chosen indifferently from almost every walk of English society, and represented Lords, Commons, divinity, law, medicine, surgery, music, drama, army, finance, and trade, while the Deputy Grand Registrar, the Grand Organist, and one of the Assistant Grand Secretaries all rejoiced in the name of Smith.—"World."

**REVIEW.**

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The Freemasons' Calendar and Directory for the Province of Essex, 1897.

The thirteenth annual issue of this calendar appears under the editorship of the Provincial Grand Secretary, who has carefully compiled the information usually given in such works, making a particular feature of the record of votes held in the Province for the three Institutions of the Craft. In pursuance of a recommendation from the Essex Board of General Purposes the Calendar this year contains portraits and brief sketches of the Brethren who have devoted so much time and trouble to the work of the Charity Committee, since the formation of that body, by attending at the elections and negotiating the voting power of the Province. Accordingly we have faithful representations of Bros. Richard Clowes P.G.St.B. P.P.S.G.W., H. E. Dehane P.P.S.G.D., E. Shedd P.P.G.R., and Bro. F. A. White P.P.G.R., while another whom it was intended to similarly honour—Bro. Frederick Wood P.P.S.G.W.—is omitted, because the editor was unable to obtain his portrait. These memorials of active workers are a welcome addition to the many other useful purposes to which such Provincial Calendars can be adapted, and will no doubt become popular in years to come.

## REPORTS OF MEETINGS.

We shall be pleased to receive particulars of Masonic meetings for insertion in our columns, and where desired will endeavour to send a representative to report Lodge or other proceedings.

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## CRAFT : PROVINCIAL.

## LODGE OF INTEGRITY, No. 163.

THE regular meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Manchester, on Wednesday, the 28th ult., Bro. Herbert A. Owles W.M. The principal business of the evening was that of raising Bro. T. R. Jackson to the sublime degree of M.M., the ceremony being undertaken by Bro. R. Alf. Hepworth P.M., assisted by the W.M., who presented and explained the working tools to the candidate.

At the festive board which followed, songs were given by Bros. Owles W.M., Ben Williams P.M., R. W. Nuttall, J. H. Kirkland 344, and others.

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## STAFFORDSHIRE KNOT LODGE, No. 726.

THE installation of Bro. the Rev. S. Wickham Jones, M.A., P.P.G. Chaplain took place in the Oddfellows' Hall, Stafford, on Wednesday, 21st ult. There was a large gathering of Brethren, and the only matter for regret was that neither the Earl of Dartmouth Provincial Grand Master, nor Lieut-Col. Bindley his Deputy, was able to be present. The installation ceremony was impressively performed by Bro. James T. Marson the retiring W.M., assisted by Bro. J. E. Evans I.P.M.

The Earl of Dartmouth wrote that he was unable to be present, owing to the pressure of other duties upon his return home after an absence abroad of six weeks. Lieut-Col. Bindley wrote that nothing but ill-health kept him away. He mentioned with satisfaction that the money for the cot in the Wolverhampton Orphanage had been subscribed without hurting the Provincial Grand Lodge funds.

In the course of the proceedings in Lodge Bro. J. E. Evans was presented with a Past Master's jewel, on behalf of the Lodge, as a token of the appreciation in which his services were held during the period of his Mastership. The presentation was made by Bro. J. T. Marson.

Bro. Harston presented the Lodge with a silver print photograph of Lord Dartmouth, wearing his Masonic insignia. The portrait is handsomely framed in oak, is an admirable likeness, and a fine specimen of modern photography.

The Worshipful Master signalled his entrance upon office by presenting the Lodge with a charity offertory box of carved oak, in the form of a pedestal with broken column. The donors were cordially thanked for their generosity. The collection for the charities amounted to £21 7s 6d.

In the evening the installation banquet was held at the Swan Hotel. The Worshipful Master presided, and after an excellent and well-served dinner, provided by Miss Perks, the manageress of the hotel, the time-honoured toast of the Queen and the Craft was given from the chair, the W.M. referring in happy terms to the Queen's thoughtful care for the sick and the suffering in this wonderful year of her Diamond Jubilee. The toast was drunk with musical honours.

The Rev. O. M. Holden was called upon to respond for the Provincial Officers, and was able to speak in some sense as a veteran, having known considerably over thirty years of Masonic life at Oxford, in Jersey, and in Staffordshire. He paid a cordial tribute to Lord Dartmouth's services to Masonry in the Province, and his remark that his lordship possessed the distinguishing trait of his family—an earnest desire to do his duty in all the relations of life—was greeted with warm approval. Dr. Willmore also responded, and spoke with great satisfaction of the high position which is now occupied by Staffordshire in Freemasonry.

Bro. Marson proposed the Worshipful Master, of whom he said, that he had been a zealous student of the Masonic ritual and traditions, and a most generous supporter of the Charities, and they felt sure that he would be a most excellent Master of the Lodge. They wished him a happy and successful term of office in that great year of the Diamond Jubilee.

The Worshipful Master, in responding, acknowledged the kindness and courtesy which he had met with during the six years that he had been connected with Masonry, and referred with pride to the fact that, though a young Mason, he had on several occasions been called upon to undertake important duties as Provincial Chaplain. He mentioned that some consideration had been given as to whether the Staffordshire Knot Lodge should do anything to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee, and it had been thought that the best thing they could do would be to help the Staffordshire General Infirmary, in the reconstruction of which £17,000 had been spent. He should be glad, he added, to receive contributions from any of the brethren towards that object.

The Masonic Charities was proposed by Bro. Nevitt, and responded to by Bro. Wormal, the Charity Steward.

The Rev. Dr. Gordon gave the Installing Master, and Bro. Marson, in replying, referred to the interesting fact that this was the 60th anniversary of the installation of his father, who is, no doubt, the oldest Past Master in Staffordshire. He was, he added, the third James Marson who had occupied the chair in that Lodge, which was a personal recollection of which he was very proud.

Several other toasts were honoured. During the evening songs were given by Bro. Sidney Dean, and dramatic recitals and humorous songs by Mr. Frank Northall.

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## PELHAM LODGE, No. 1303.

THE annual installation took place at the Freemasons' Hall, Lewes, on Friday, 30th ult., when Bro. F. R. Bruce, of Uckfield, was installed as W.M. for the year. The installing Officer was Bro. W. Wright P.P.J.G.W., and the outgoing Master Bro. J. C. Berry was awarded the customary jewel.

In the evening the brethren dined together at the White Hart Hotel, to the number of nearly thirty. A pleasing programme of music was given by Miss Bruce (daughter of the W.M.), who has a charming soprano voice, Miss Blanche Day, Mr. W. N. Barnard, and Master F. T. Langridge. Mr. Horace Jackson was at the piano.

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## WOLSELEY LODGE, No. 1993.

THE annual meeting and Festival of St. John the Evangelist (for which a special dispensation had been granted by the Provincial Grand Master)

took place at the Freemasons' Hall, Cooper Street, Manchester, on Saturday, the 1st inst., Bro. Walter Taylor W.M. There was a capital attendance.

Lodge having been duly opened and advanced, Bro. William Harris P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. assumed the principal chair as Installing Master, he being supported by Past Masters L. J. Griffiths as S.W., John Hatton as J.W., and Charles Crowther as I.G. Bro. Walter Taylor W.M. as Deacon introduced Bro. William Sharp S.W. Worshipful Master-elect to receive the benefits of installation. The ancient Constitutional questions were read to Bro. Sharp, which he duly answered, and the ceremony proceeded. The working tools of the third, second, and first degrees were presented and explained by Past Masters W. W. Siddell, Griffiths, and Taylor respectively, whilst the principal addresses were in the capable hands of Past Masters Crowther, N. T. Holyoak, and Griffiths, the final one to the Brethren generally being excellently rendered by Bro. Harris.

The newly-installed Master invested his Officers, who were addressed by Bro. Siddell P.M. These were as follow :—Bros. George Hargreaves S.W., T. C. Newey J.W., Wm. Harris P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. Treas., John Hatton P.M. Sec., L. J. Griffiths P.M. D.C., Wm. McGaffin S.D., Alfred Ugden J.D., Henry Holt I.G., J. G. Pittam Org. and S.Std., G. H. Consterdine, Samuel Dearden and Henry Beattie Stewards, W. W. Siddell P.M. Charity Representative.

Bro. Harris having announced the completion of the ceremony of installation, Bro. Sharp W.M. took command of the Lodge, and the usual business was proceeded with. It was very gratifying for us to hear that the Lodge is likely to increase in numbers, the names of two intending candidates having been read to the meeting, and these gentlemen will probably be initiated at the next regular assembly.

Bro. Siddell announced that at the last board meeting of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution he had been successful in obtaining a substantial grant for a little girl 7 years of age, in whom the members were interested, the same to be extended on her behalf until she attains the age of 14 years.

Hearty good wishes having been expressed by visitors, the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony, at an early hour, a reception of ladies and Brethren being afterwards held in the Lodge Room by the W.M. All then adjourned to the banquetting room, where a substantial repast had been provided, after which various Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured.

The Worshipful Master, in introducing the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, spoke of her record reign, adding that her exemplary conduct had endeared her to the hearts of her subjects.

The toast of the Provincial Officers was responded to by Bro. J. W. Millward P.M. 992 P.P.G.Supt. of Works.

Bro. Taylor I.P.M. proposed the health of the W.M., in a very neat and effective speech, wishing him a successful and prosperous year of office.

Bro. Sharp W.M., in responding, said he felt proud that the Brethren had elected him to such an exalted position as that of Worshipful Master of the Wolseley Lodge, for he felt, as it was natural to do under such circumstances, that he must have gained the respect of its members. This he would endeavour to maintain by performing the duties imposed upon him to the best of his ability.

Bro. Sharp then proposed the health of Bro. Taylor I.P.M. He said the duties of the latter had expired, and his work was done, but still he would never be forgotten. His sincere hope was that they might ever be as amicably disposed towards each other as had previously been the case. In marking his valuable services to the Lodge, its members had been unanimous, and wished to do it substantially, and on their behalf he had very great pleasure in presenting to him a Past Master's jewel, of elegant design, hoping at the same time that he would be spared for many years to appear among them and wear it. The jewel, which bore in the centre the crest of the Lodge, in gold and enamel, contained the following legend :—

Presented to

BRO. WALTER TAYLOR P.M.,

by the Brethren of the Wolseley Lodge, No. 1993, for past services.

1st May 1897.

Bro. Taylor responded, saying it gave him very great pleasure to have received from his Brethren such a handsome indication of their appreciation of services rendered by him. He felt that his efforts had been made with but one end in view—and he hoped he had been successful—that of trying to do his work to the satisfaction of the members of the Lodge.

During the evening it was announced that Bro. George Hargreaves S.W. had a few words to say, and he accordingly addressed the assembled company as follows :—“Worshipful Master, Brethren, ladies and gentlemen,—I have the distinguished honour this evening of being elected to perform a very pleasing duty, namely, to make a presentation on behalf of the Wolseley Practice Lodge and Past Masters to our Worshipful Preceptor Bro. Past Master Holyoak, as a slight recognition of the valuable services he has rendered to this Lodge during the past two years. Many times, to my personal knowledge, has he come down at great inconvenience to give us the benefit of his Masonic knowledge and experience for the credit of his Mother Lodge, and I think many of you will agree with me when I say that through his endeavours we have a rank and file that will bear comparison with any in the Province. Brethren, it is such unselfish actions as these that we delight to honour. Brother Past Master Holyoak, allow me, on behalf of the Past Masters and Brethren of the Wolseley Practice Lodge, to present you with this small jewel. The intrinsic value is not great, but it carries with it to our minds something more valuable than gold or precious stones, that is an expression of the love and esteem of your Brethren, and I sincerely hope that you will live long to wear it as an honour to yourself and a credit to the Wolseley Practice Lodge.”

The jewel (a Past Master's) was inscribed with these words :—

Presented to

BRO. N. T. HOLYOAK P.M. PRECEPTOR,

by the Brethren of the Wolseley Instruction Lodge, No. 1993.

1st May 1897.

Bro. Holyoak briefly replied, saying he had no idea that anything like this was about to take place. He, however, thanked them most heartily for the gift, which he would honour as long as he lived.

Bro. Harris introduced the toast of the visitors, saying he hoped they, as well as their lady friends, had enjoyed themselves. The warmest feelings of their hearts went out to the visitors, and on behalf of the Officers and members of the Wolseley Lodge, he proposed their healths, which was drunk in a most enthusiastic manner.

Bro. John W. Thompson P.M. 1534 P.P.G.St.Br. responded, speaking very highly of the work of the Installing Master.

The musical programme, which was under the direction of Bro. J. Gibson Pittam Organist, was made up of the following items, viz. :—Songs,

"Here's to his health" and "The devout lover," by Bro. R. W. Nuttall, Integrity Lodge, No. 163; "The promise of life" and "The land of home," by Miss Hooson; violin solos, "Romance" (Svensden), "Cavatina" (Raff), and "Tarantella" (Papini), by Mr. J. R. Booth; and recitations, "The Water Mill" and "Scenes from Shakespeare," by Bro. Samuel Gaskell P.M. 163. By the kind permission of Bro. J. Dean P.M., two artistes from the Manchester Grand Theatre of Varieties contributed songs of the usual kind. Altogether a very pleasant, although essentially teetotal, evening was spent.

Besides those above-mentioned we noticed the presence of Bros. Joseph Pogson, E. B. Siddell, Jno. Stephens, Joseph Ridgway, A. T. Siddell, and James Spencer.

Visitors:—Bros. N. Dumville P.M. 2156 P.P.G.S., A. W. Sidebottom I.P.M. 852, E. Webb P.M. 1134, Edward Roberts P.M. 1459, H. Rushworth Org. 325, and W. Hughes 2447. Amongst the letters of apology for non-attendance was the following from the Prov. J.G.W. (East Lancs.):—

1st May 1897.

DEAR BRO. HARRIS,—I regret exceedingly at the last moment to inform you it is impossible for me to keep my engagement with you for this afternoon, a private appointment I had overlooked I find I cannot put off.

Please express to your incoming W.M. my best wishes for a very happy and prosperous year of office, and to you and the Brethren I wish a very pleasant afternoon and evening.

With kind regards,

Very fraternally yours,

C. D. CHEETHAM.

#### WEST LANCASHIRE CENTURY LODGE, No. 2349.

THE annual meeting took place in the Masonic Hall, South Shore, Blackpool, on the 26th ult., when the various Officers for the year were invested.

Bro. Chas. R. Hardman W.M., assisted by Bro. Heywood, was the Installing Master, and he regularly placed Bro. Edmund Taylor P.M. in the chair of the Lodge.

After the business the members adjourned to the South Shore Hotel, where an excellent repast was provided by Host Harrison. An interesting toast list was afterwards gone through.

#### MINNEHAHA MINSTREL LODGE, No. 2363.

THE regular meeting took place at the Victoria Hotel, Manchester, on Monday, the 26th ult., Bro. Fred Hilton P.M. P.P.G.D.C. W.M. There was a good attendance. After the reading and confirmation of minutes, Bro. F. W. Wollaston P.M. P.P.G.A.D.C. Chaplain read one of the ancient Constitutional charges, this being followed by the passing of Bro. Frank Albert Slowe to the degree of F.C. by the W.M.

At the festive board, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and enthusiastically received, that of the candidate being introduced by Bro. M. Thomas P.M. P.P.G.D. Secretary, who, after stating that Freemasonry was one of the finest institutions ever invented, considered that what Bro. Slowe had gone through ought to be a lesson to him, as showing that nothing was likely to befall him which he need fear; he would in fact even have something to guide him aright. Bro. Slowe responded.

Amongst other toasts, the W.M. proposed that of the Officers, and took the opportunity of thanking them for the support they had given him. Bros. Edwyn A. Smith S.W., and F. Todd I.G. responded.

Bros. Wollaston, Todd, Sam Luke S.D., S. H. Stubbs J.D., W. H. Purdy Organist, C. Mercer, G. R. Ward, and Edw. Roberts P.M. 1459, contributed songs, an exceedingly joyous evening being spent.

#### TRAVELLERS LODGE, No. 2609.

THE members celebrated the first installation since the consecration in May last, by Bro. E. Letchworth Grand Secretary, on Saturday, 24th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Chester, the new W.M. being Bro. Thomas Owen P.M. 1432 P.P.G.A.S. Salop.

Bro. Owen, who served the office of S.W. in the year just closed, and who was unanimously elected Master at the March Lodge, was presented by Bro. Alfd. Parkes P.P.G.S. Wks. acting I.P.M., to Bro. Wm. Peers P.G.S.D., who conducted the whole of the installation ceremony in an impressive manner in the presence of nearly every member of the Lodge, and of a goodly number of visitors.

Letters containing good wishes were read from the Grand Secretary of England, the Provincial Grand Master Lord Egerton of Tatton, the Deputy P.G.M. Sir Horatio Lloyd, the Prov. Grand Secretary Bro. Richard Newhouse, and Bro. Geo. H. Brown P.G.S.W., the latter of whom sent a liberal donation for the charity box.

At the conclusion of the installation ceremony, the W.M. invested his Officers for the year.

The usual installation banquet followed.

After the toast of the Prince of Wales M.W.G.M. had been honoured in customary fashion, Bro. Owen called for a shilling collection in aid of the Prince of Wales Diamond Jubilee Nursing Fund, to be sent through the "Daily Telegraph." Every one of the 49 brethren present responded to the invitation.

Later in the proceedings the W.M., on behalf of the Officers and brethren, presented Bro. Peers with a beautiful jewel as a mark of the Lodge's appreciation of his signal services as first Master. The jewel, which was of gold, had upon it representations of a train and a steamship—in allusion to the title of the Lodge—and constituted a really artistic decoration. Before Bro. Peers was allowed to express his acknowledgments, Bro. M. C. Sunter rose, and on behalf of himself and seven other brethren who had been initiated, passed, and raised by Bro. Peers, asked his acceptance of an umbrella, with ivory handle and silver mounting, and of a malacca cane, also with silver mounting and ivory handle, bearing the inscription:

To BRO. PEERS.

First W.M. of 2609, from Initiates, 1896-97.

Bro. Sunter, in allusion to the recent Town Hall fire, expressed a hope that the umbrella would prove impervious to the downpours even of the Chester Fire Brigade. As to the stick, that had been a favourite form of presentation from earliest times, for did they not read that Eve presented Adam with a little walking Cain?

Bro. W. Peers, who was not a little touched by the kindness of the brethren, expressed his thanks.

Several toasts followed, and during the evening the W.M. announced that the first year of the Lodge's existence had resulted in eight initiates and six joining members being added to the roll.

The toast list was interspersed with some capital songs.

## METROPOLITAN.

#### WELLINGTON LODGE, No. 548.

THE last regular meeting for the session was held on Wednesday, 14th ult., at Cannon Street Hotel, under the presidency of Bro. H. W. Wybourn W.M.

The ceremonies of the three degrees were duly worked. Several candidates were proposed for initiation, and the Lodge voted five guineas to the Prince of Wales Hospital Fund. At the close the Brethren sat down to refreshment, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts being honoured.

#### BISHOPSGATE LODGE, No. 2396.

THE annual installation meeting was held on Monday, 26th ult., at the Great Eastern Hotel, under the presidency of Bro. D. A. Romain Worshipful Master. There was a large attendance of other members, and several visitors.

After the formal opening of the Lodge, and the adoption of the report of the Audit Committee, which was highly favourable, Bro. T. Robinson proposed, and Bro. W. Newman J.W. and W.M.-elect seconded, the following motion:—"That a testimonial be presented to W. Bro. Milton Smith by the Brethren, and that the Lodge do contribute the sum of ten guineas to the fund to be raised." The motion, which was carried unanimously, was the outcome of a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Lodge to present the retiring Secretary Bro. Milton Smith with a testimonial in recognition of his valued services during the first six years of the existence of the Lodge. The speeches in the proposing and seconding of the resolution were highly complimentary, says the "City Press," and testified to the untiring energy and laborious exertions of Bro. Milton Smith on behalf of the Lodge.

After this duty had been performed, Bro. Robert Larchin was asked by the W.M. to perform the ceremony of installation. Bro. Larchin therefore took the chair, and installed Bro. William Newman J.W. as Master of the Lodge for the ensuing twelve months.

Bro. D. A. Romain was invested with the collar of Immediate Past Master, and afterwards was presented with a valuable jewel of a P.M. Bro. Romain acted as Director of Ceremonies throughout the installation.

The Brethren invested as the Officers for the year were Bros. Woolf Jacobs S.W., Edgar H. Mead J.W., Rev. J. L. Davids Chaplain, A. J. Hollington, C.C., Treasurer, A. E. Pridmore, C.C., Secretary, Gilbert Mead S.D., T. Robinson J.D., C. Jarratt I.G., W. R. Caldwell Moore, C.C., D.C., Dr. F. J. Haskins P.G.Org. Herts P.P.G. Org. Essex Organist, A. P. Little Std., and R. H. Goddard P.M. Tyler.

Before the Lodge was closed, Bro. Jacobs P.M. proposed, and Bro. T. Robinson J.D. seconded the Bishop of Marlborough, rector of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, as a joining member of the Lodge. This concluded the Lodge business, and the company adjourned to an excellent banquet.

The toast of the Queen and the Craft led the W.M. to say that Masonic loyalty caused the Brethren to desire that the Great Architect of the Universe might pour down on the Queen the continual dew of His blessing, and grant Her many years of peace.

In giving the toast of the Grand Master, the W.M. expressed the hope that the Brethren would not forget the "Diamond Jubilee baby" (the Duchess of York's daughter, born last Sunday).

Bro. C. F. Hogard responded to the toast which included the Grand Officers present and past, and said that he thought it would be found when the list of new Grand Officers to be appointed the next Wednesday was made known that the Prince of Wales had made a good selection. Another Masonic celebration would take place later on, when His Royal Highness would appoint several Brethren to past rank, and he hoped that some of the Brethren whom he saw now before him would be among the recipients of the honour.

Bro. D. A. Romain I.P.M., in proposing the health of the W.M., described Bro. Newman as a highly esteemed Mason. To every Bishopsgate man Brother Newman was as well known as the perennial quarter day; he came regularly, and as regularly as quarter day came Brother Newman was to be seen. Brother Newman was known to everyone throughout the ward, not only in his public but in his private capacity, and in both capacities he was beloved and respected. He had known Bro. Newman for as many years as he had been in the ward of Bishopsgate, and he had known him only in one way, as a thoroughly upright man, a man whose word could be taken, a man whose word was to be trusted. It was such men as he that they required to fill the position of W.M. of the Bishopsgate Lodge, because the Bishopsgate boys were proud of their ward, and everything associated with it. The choice that had fallen on Brother Newman he was sure they would not regret, as Bro. Newman would use every effort in his power to make the Lodge a success. He had been a member of the Lodge from the very first, and was one of the first initiates. Since then he had been a regular attendant at all the meetings of the Lodge, and had taken a keen interest in everything appertaining to it. In conclusion, the speaker prophesied for the W.M. a very brilliant year of office.

Bro. Newman W.M., in acknowledging the toast, said that whatever he undertook to do he did it with earnestness, and that carried him through. The honour which the Brethren had conferred upon him was the highest honour they could confer upon any Brother. He felt it as such, and he realised the responsibilities cast upon him. During his year of office he should do his very best, weak and feeble although his effort might be, to further the interests of the Lodge. He relied on every Brother to assist him. He was born in Bishopsgate, almost on the spot on which he now stood; and he was a Bishopsgate Mason because of the Bishopsgate Lodge. He doubted if he should have been a Freemason if the Bishopsgate Lodge had not been founded.

Bro. Larchin responded to the toast of the Installing Master.

Bro. Church, Bro. Gerrish, and the Bishop of Marlborough responded to the toast of the Visitors, the last-named Brother thanking Bro. Robinson, churchwarden, for introducing him to the Lodge. He trusted that the Brethren would extend to him Brotherly kindness, good-will, and love, just so long as, and no longer than he proved himself to be a faithful servant of the Great Architect of the Universe, and a true Brother among themselves.

Bro. D. A. Romain responded to the toast of the I.P.M. and the Past

Masters, and the remaining toast was that of the Treasurer, the Secretary, and the Officers. When this had been given and responded to, Bro. R. Goddard gave the Tyler's Toast, which brought the proceedings to a close.

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LEWISHAM LODGE, No. 2579.

AT the meeting of this Lodge, held on Saturday, the 10th ult., at the Parish Hall, Ladywell, fifty-seven Brethren were present, including fifteen visitors.

There was business in the three degrees, Bros. T. Till, J. McLanachan, W. N. Pennington, W. E. T. Bennett, T. H. Warland, W. H. Howells, and F. W. Thomas being raised to the third degree, Bro. H. A. Phillips passed to the second, and one candidate initiated. The ceremonies were impressively rendered by the W.M. Bro. Charles Lamb.

Votes of thanks were accorded to Bro. C. Sims I.P.M. for a case to hold the banner, and to Bro. W. C. Tyler for a polished oak box to contain the Lodge album. This Lodge having grown so rapidly, it has been found necessary to increase both the initiation and the joining fees, of which proposed alteration due notice was given by the Treasurer Bro. H. Visger P.M. 1601, &c.

Two new members were proposed, and subsequently the Brethren sat down to dinner. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and an excellent programme of music rendered under the direction of Bro. C. W. Wilkes Org. A collection for the Prince of Wales Hospital Fund realised £2 13s 6d.

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GUARDIAN LODGE, No. 2625.

VERY successful meeting of this newly-consecrated Lodge was held on Thursday of last week, at the Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street, under the presidency of Bro. J. Tollworthy P.M. Worshipful Master, who was supported by Bros. W. Shurmur acting I.P.M., H. V. Clements S.W., T. A. Bullock J.W., W. J. Johnston, C.C., Treasurer, W. R. Caldwell Moore, C.C., P.M. Secretary, A. E. Pridmore, C.C., S.D., R. Harvey Barton I.G., H. Weber Brown D.C., H. W. Shartau Organist, E. Ardley and C. Farris Stewards, J. A. Priddle, R. Clarke, W. Vincent, H. Bird, C.C., W. Chapman, W. P. Abbott, and Osborne Headley Abbott.

The visitors included Bros. H. Robinson J.D. 2396, E. Witts P.M. 144, Walter Potter P.M. 1260, Herbert J. Capon P.M. 1900, G. J. Barton 1604, D. Greenaway, C.C., 907, Walter Barnett 2030, and F. A. Tollworthy 1769.

The usual preliminaries having been observed, the Lodge was advanced to the second degree, when Bros. Walter Chapman, B.A., Walter Percy Abbott, and Osborne Headley Abbott were passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. Next came the initiation of five gentlemen into the Order, viz., Mr. H. Uren-Olver L.D.S., Mr. W. Oatley, Mr. James Frederick Elgar, Mr. Percy Walter Greenaway, and Mr. Edward Osborn Ardley. Bro. R. Clarke was admitted as a joining member, and four candidates were nominated for initiation.

Other business having been disposed of, the Lodge was closed, the company adjourning to the banquet room, where an excellent dinner was served under the personal superintendence of Bro. Ashby.

The usual Loyal toasts were proposed, as also those in honour of the heads of the Craft, after which Bro. Johnston Treasurer submitted the health of the Worshipful Master. He felt, he said, that a heavy responsibility was thrown upon his shoulders in having to propose the toast, yet, after seeing the way in which the Master had performed his work that day, little was required to be said to ensure the toast being given a hearty welcome by the members of the Lodge. It was useless to be fulsome in speaking of the W.M. as he was a man of great commonsense, and it was not necessary to indulge in flattery, as his merit was well-known and his services were fully appreciated.

The Worshipful Master, in reply, tendered his thanks for the toast and its hearty reception. The present, he remarked, was one of the happiest evenings of his life, for he had had the pleasure of initiating five gentlemen and passing three Brethren in their Lodge. It was a source of great gratification to him to preside over such a meeting as they had had that day, and see how ably the Officers of their new Lodge had supported him in the work. That was but the second meeting of their Lodge, and he felt that the prospects before them were indeed satisfactory. He hoped that at their next meeting, in June, yet further business would present itself.

The next toast was that of the Initiates, which was proposed by the Master, who remarked that they had admitted sons of two worthy Masons—Brothers Greenaway and Ardley—while the other new members also came well recommended.

Brother Uren-Olver, in response, felt the fewer his remarks the more the Brethren would appreciate so young a recruit as himself. For many years he had desired to become a Freemason, but the fact of his having waited was advantageous, inasmuch as it had enabled him to become a member of the Guardian Lodge. Each of the other new members added a few words, Bro. Elgar feeling that the only way in which he could repay their kindness was to carry out the maxims of the Order in as full a manner as lay in his power.

The toast of the joining member was then given and duly acknowledged, after which the W.M. proposed the visitors. The Guardian Lodge was pleased indeed to see so many visitors present on that occasion, and if the guests had spent a pleasant evening the members were glad indeed. From a hint given him he might express the hope that they would soon number at least one of the guests of the evening among their members.

Brother Greenway felt that although he was an old Mason there were many visitors present that evening better able to respond to the toast than he was. He was delighted to think his son had joined a Lodge where the business was done as they had seen it done in that Lodge that day.

Dr. Capon followed. They had before them two phases of life—age and infancy. He, who had been thirty-four years in Freemasonry, being a representative of the one, while their Lodge represented the other, it being, if he might use the phrase, barely short-coated. If they found the Guardian Lodge in its present state in its infancy what might they expect in time to come, when the Lodge was as old in Masonry as himself? The Worshipful Master had done his work in Lodge fearlessly and perfectly, while if he passed from the excellence of the work to the talent that lay latent and occasionally bubbled to the front among the newer members, there was also cause for congratulation; the music they had heard had indeed been gratifying to the listeners, the efforts of the newly made Brother Uren-Olver being particularly pleasing. Several others of the Visitors also responded.

In submitting the Officers of the Lodge the W.M. said that in Brother Clements S.W. they had a past Provincial Grand Officer who was quite efficient to perform any duty he might be called upon to discharge; the Junior Warden was also well up to his work, while both took great interest in all that concerned Freemasonry in general, and the Guardian Lodge in

particular. Reference was also made to the other Officers of the Lodge and then the toast was heartily honoured.

Bro. Johnston Treas. was the first to reply. He did not know why the W.M. should feel he had to be particularly thanked, as all the Officers were anxious to do as well as they possibly could. He had every reason to be gratified at the way in which he had been received.

The Secretary felt that whatever might happen to the Officers the Master was a host in himself. Masonry had always been to him a pleasant study and he yielded to none in his love for the Craft. He was very proud of being in the honourable position of Secretary of the Guardian Lodge, his hopes and aspirations being that it might become one of the best and most successful in London.

Bro. Clements S.W. was pleased to follow in the wake of the two who had preceded him—Common Councillors of the City of London. The Treasurer had told them that the W.M. was the best Master they had ever had, but had not added that he was also the worst; in spite of that fact, however, he felt the Officers would one and all endeavour to follow in the footsteps of the present ruler, and make the Lodge the success it promised to be.

The other Officers having replied the Tyler concluded the proceedings.

There was an abundance of musical talent among the company, Bros. Schartau and Uren-Olver especially contributing to the enjoyment of the meeting.

LINCOLNSHIRE.

EMERGENCY meetings of the Harmony Lodge, No. 272 and of the Franklin Lodge, No. 838 were held in the Assembly Rooms, Boston, on the 29th ult., to receive a visit from the Earl of Yarborough Provincial Grand Master, who was accompanied by Bro. W. H. Sissons Deputy Provincial Grand Master. There was a large attendance of present and past Provincial Officers and other brethren.

CHURCH SERVICE.

BRETHREN of the Bagshaw Lodge, No. 1457, held a Masonic Service at St. John's Parish Church, Loughton, on Sunday, 25th ult., by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. J. W. Maitland, M.A., rural dean. The weather was most genial, and Masous came from far and near to join in the service. The church was filled, and several members of the Craft were unable to be accommodated with a seat. The Brethren wore Craft or Royal Arch clothing, provision being made for them to clothe in the church house, adjoining the church.

The service, which commenced at half-past three, was preceded by a selection of music. An oration was delivered by the Venerable the Archdeacon of Essex (Canon Stevens) Grand Chaplain of England, who based his discourse upon I. Chronicles xvi., 29. After the singing of the hymn "O Lord, how joyful 'tis to see," during which the offertory was taken, the Benediction was pronounced, and then the Masous left the church in procession, whilst the march from Mendelssohn's "Athalia" was played on the organ by Mr. Biding, with orchestral accompaniment. The offertory was for the Loughton Parochial Almshouses—for the repair of which funds are needed—and amounted to about £13.

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LODGE MEETINGS NEXT WEEK.

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- Monday.**
- 5 S. Geo. & C'ner Stone, F.M.H.
  - 58 Felicity, Ship and Turtle
  - 957 Leigh, Freemasons'-hall
  - 1366 Highgate, Midland Grand H't'l.
  - 1670 Adelphi, Freemasons'-hall
  - 1789 Ubique, Criterion
  - 1922 Earl of Lathom, Camberwell
  - 2030 The Abbey, Westminster
  - 2426 Wood Green, Wood Green
  - 2454 Guildhall School Music, Holb'n.
  - 40 Derwent, Hastings
  - 61 Probita, Halifax
  - 68 Royal Clarence, Bristol
  - 75 Love and Honour, Falmouth
  - 85 Faithful, Harleston
  - 88 Scientific, Cambridge
  - 89 Unanimity, Dukinfield
  - 104 St. John, Stockport
  - 105 Fortitude, Plymouth
  - 106 Sun, Exmouth
  - 133 Harmony, Faversham
  - 151 Albany, Newport, I. of Wight
  - 189 Sincerity, East Stonehouse
  - 237 Indefatigable, Swansea
  - 240 St. Hilda, South Shields
  - 264 Nelson of the Nile, Batley
  - 292 Sincerity, Liverpool
  - 296 Royal Brunswick, Sheffield
  - 297 Whitham, Lincoln
  - 303 Benevolent, Teignmouth
  - 314 Peace and Unity, Preston
  - 330 One and All, Bodmin
  - 339 Unanimity, Penrith
  - 408 Three Graces, Haworth
  - 433 Hope, Brightlingsea
  - 467 Tudor, Oldham
  - 481 St. Peter, Newcastle-on-Tyne
  - 587 Howe, Birmingham
  - 589 Druid Love & Lib., Redruth
  - 613 Unity, Southampton
  - 632 Concord, Trowbridge
  - 643 Royal, Filey
  - 671 Prince of Wales, Llanelly
  - 721 Independence, Chester
  - 797 Hauley, Dartmouth
  - 884 Derwent, Wirksworth
  - 893 Meridan, Millbrook
  - 941 De Tabley, Knutsford
  - 1069 United Brothers, Portsmouth
  - 1174 Pentangle, Chatham
  - 1221 Defence, Leeds
  - 1237 Enfield, Enfield
  - 1253 Travellers, Manchester
  - 1286 Bayon, Market Rasen
  - 1302 De Warren, Halifax
  - 1312 St. Mary, Bocking
  - 1350 Fermor Hesketh, Bootle
  - 1360 Skelmersdale, Liverpool
  - 1408 Stamford & Warr'gton, St'y'b'ge
  - 1436 Castle, Sandgate
  - 1449 Royal Military, Canterbury
  - 1474 Israel, Birmingham
  - 1496 Trafford, Moss Side
  - 1542 Legiolum, Castleford
  - 1564 St. John, Woking
  - 1575 Clive, Drayton
  - 1592 Abbey, Bury St. Edmunds
  - 1600 Hamilton, Alford
  - 1611 Eboracum, York
  - 1618 Handyside, Saltburn-by-Sea
  - 1691 Quadratic, Hampton Court
  - 1730 Urmston, Urmston
  - 1792 Tudor, Harborne
  - 1802 Vernon, Retford
  - 1852 Forest, Mansfield
  - 1885 Torridge, Great Torrington
  - 1914 St. Thomas, Kidsgrove
  - 1948 Hardman, Rawtenstall
  - 1952 High Peak, Chapel-en-le-Frith
  - 1966 Fidelity & Sincerity, Wellington
  - 2034 Masefield, Moseley
  - 2144 De Tatton, Altrincham
  - 2185 Ardwick, Manchester
  - 2187 Adur, Henfield
  - 2197 Spencer Walpole Temp., D'glas
  - 2237 Earl of Leicester, Wells
  - 2376 Carnarvon, Leyland
  - 2422 Ebbisham, Epsom
  - 2457 St. Anne, St. Anne's-on-Sea
  - 2487 St. Michael, Stone
  - 2584 Queen Victoria, Manchester
  - 1593 Royal Naval College, Greenwich
  - 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons'-hall
  - 1668 Samson, Café Royal
  - 1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern
  - 2400 Brentford, Brentford
  - 2546 Rahere, Frascati
  - 80 St. John, Sunderland
  - 93 Social, Norwich
  - 131 Fortitude, Truro
  - 160 True Friendship, Rochford
  - 184 United Chatham, New Bro'pton
  - 272 Harmony, Boston
  - 284 Shakespeare, Warwick
  - 319 New Forest, Lymington
  - 366 St. David, Milford
  - 371 Perseverance, Maryport
  - 473 Faithful, Birmingham
  - 484 Faith, Newton-le-Willows
  - 494 Virtue and Honour, Axminster
  - 495 Wakefield, Wakefield
  - 496 Peace & Harmony, St. Austell
  - 502 Rectitude, Rugby
  - 503 Belvedere, Maidstone
  - 567 Unity, Warwick
  - 573 Perseverance, Hales-Owen
  - 593 St. Ann, Alderney
  - 603 Zetland, Cleckheaton
  - 624 Abbey, Burton-on-Trent
  - 626 Lansdowne Unity, Chippenham
  - 650 Star in the East, Harwich
  - 696 St. Bartholomew, Wednesbury
  - 723 Panmure, Aldershot
  - 764 H'rbour of Refuge, W. H'tlep'l.
  - 789 Dunheved, Launceston
  - 814 Parrett and Axe, Crewkern
  - 829 Sydney, Sidcup
  - 877 Royal Alfred, Jersey
  - 892 Royal Edward, Leominster
  - 897 S. Helen of Loyalty, St. Helen's
  - 903 Gosport, Gosport
  - 967 Three Grand Principles, Penryn
  - 979 Four Cardinal Virtues, Crewe
  - 990 Neyland, Neyland
  - 1021 Hartington, Barrow-in-Furness
  - 1073 Greta, Keswick
  - 1138 Devon, Newton Abbot
  - 1214 Scarborough, Batley
  - 1220 Solway, Aspatria
  - 1250 Gilbert Greenall, Warrington
  - 1267 Kenlis, Egremont
  - 1314 Acacia, Bromley
  - 1373 St. Hubert, Andover
  - 1402 Jordan, Torquay
  - 1414 Knole, Sevenoaks
  - 1476 Blackpool, Blackpool
  - 1482 Isle of Axholme, Crowle
  - 1528 Fort, Newquay
  - 1545 Baildon, Baildon
  - 1560 Albert Edward, Leicester
  - 1713 Wilbraham, Walton-on-the-Hill
  - 1782 Machen, Colehill
  - 1823 Royal Clarence, Clare
  - 1837 Lullingstone, Willmington
  - 1847 Ebrington, Stonehouse
  - 1902 St. Cuthbert, Bedlington
  - 2001 Narberth, Narberth
  - 2099 Ethelbert, Herne Bay
  - 2104 Whitwell, Stockton-on-Tees
  - 2134 Wilberforce, Hull
  - 2164 St. Germans, Peel, Isle of Man
  - 2222 Frederick West, East Molesey
  - 2324 Horwich, Horwich
  - 2492 Concordia, Wendover
  - 2559 St. Aldhelms, Branksome
- Tuesday.**
- 167 St. John, Hampstead Heath
  - 235 Nine Muses, Charing Cross
  - 781 Merchant Navy, Limehouse
- Wednesday.**
- Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 4.
  - Festival Royal Masonic Institution for Girls.
  - 3 Fidelity, Freemasons'-hall
  - 13 Union Waterloo, Plumstead
  - 15 Kent, Freemasons'-hall
  - 820 Lily Richmond, Inns of Ct. Ho.
  - 1629 United, Freemasons'-hall
  - 1827 Alliance, Guildhall Tavern
  - 1986 Honor Oak, Upper Norwood
  - 2347 Grafton, Regent Street
  - 2470 Telegraph Cable, Ship & Turtle
  - 54 Hope, Rochdale
  - 84 Doyle of Friendship, Guernsey
  - 86 Loyalty, Prescott
  - 125 Prince Edwin, Hythe
  - 146 Antiquity, Bolton
  - 187 Rl. Sussex Hospitality, Bristol
  - 204 Caledonian, Manchester
- Thursday.**
- 19 Royal Athelstan, Cannon St. Ho.
  - 91 Regularity, Freemasons'-hall
  - 206 Friendship, Ship and Turtle
  - 238 Pilgrim, Freemasons'-hall
  - 534 Polish National, F.M.H.
  - 879 Southwark, Southwark
  - 1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern
  - 1155 Excelsior,
  - 1227 Upton, Great Eastern Hotel
  - 1558 Duke of Connaught, C'mbr'well
  - 1642 Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke-h.
  - 2033 University of London, F.M.H.
  - 2168 Derby Allcroft, St. Pancras
  - 2417 Bolingbroke, Lavender Hill
  - 2509 Barnet, New Barnet
  - 35 Medina, Cowes
  - 50 Knights of Malta, Hinckley
  - 71 Unity, Lowestoft
  - 97 Palatine, Sunderland
  - 116 Royal Lancashire, Colne
  - 130 Royal Gloucester, South'mpton
- Friday.**
- 33 Britannic, Freemasons'-hall
  - 134 Caledonian, Ship and Turtle
  - 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, Islington
  - 1997 John Carpenter, Albion
  - 2399 Ordnance, Plumstead
  - 36 Glamorgan, Cardiff
  - 81 Doric, Woodbridge
  - 170 All Souls, Weymouth
  - 355 R'l. S'x. Emulation, Swindon
  - 401 Royal Forest, Slaidburn
  - 526 Honour, Wolverhampton
  - 445 Fidelity, Towcester
  - 460 Sut'land Unity, N'castle-u-Lyme
  - 516 Phoenix, Stowmarket
  - 566 St. Germain, Selby
  - 652 Holme Valley, Holmfirth
  - 712 Lindsey, Louth
  - 786 Croxeth United Service, L'pool
  - 815 Blair, Manchester
  - 951 Prince of Wales, Stow on'Wold
  - 1001 Harrowgate & Claro, Harr'wg'te
  - 1054 Eccleshill, Eccleshill

- 225 St. Luke, Ipswich
- 244 Yarborough, Jersey
- 258 Amphibious, Heckmondwike
- 274 Tranquility, Newchurch
- 277 Friendship, Oldham
- 281 Fortitude, Lancaster
- 288 Harmony, Todmorden
- 320 Loyalty, Mottram
- 323 Concord, Stockport
- 329 Brotherly Love, Yeovil
- 341 Wellington, Rye
- 368 Samaritan, Sandbach
- 380 Integrity, Morley
- 463 East Surrey Concord, Croydon
- 464 Cambrian, Haverfordwest
- 483 Sympathy, Gravesend
- 498 Royal Standard, Dudley
- 580 Harmony, Ormskirk
- 654 Peveril of the Peak, New Mills
- 661 Fawcett, Seaham Harbour
- 666 Benevolence, Dartmoor
- 679 St. David, Aberdare
- 697 United, Colchester
- 708 Carnarvon, Hampton Court
- 730 Ellesmere, Chorley
- 731 Arboretum, Tamworth
- 755 St. Tudno, Llandudno
- 818 Philanthropic, Abergavenny
- 851 Worthing Friendship, Worthing
- 852 Zetland, Salford
- 854 Albert, Shaw
- 910 St. Oswald, Pontefract
- 1005 Zetland, Gloucester
- 1018 Shakespeare, Bradford
- 1031 Fletcher, Birmingham
- 1060 Marmion, Tamworth
- 1088 Royal Edward, Stalybridge
- 1091 Erme, Ivybridge
- 1094 Temple, Liverpool
- 1101 Grey Friars, Reading
- 1107 Cornwallis, Chiselhurst
- 1112 Shirley, Southampton
- 1125 St. Peter, Tiverton
- 1135 Concord, Ilfracombe
- 1140 Ashton, Heaton Moor
- 1181 De la Pole, Seaton
- 1193 Doric, Wyomndham
- 1209 Lewises, Ramsgate
- 1242 Tynewold, Douglas, Isle of Man
- 1248 Denison, Scarborough
- 1331 Aldershot Camp, Aldershot
- 1342 Walker, Newcastle-on-Tyne
- 1356 Toxteth, Liverpool
- 1363 Tyndall, Chipping Sodbury
- 1398 Baldwin, Dalton-in-Furness
- 1400 Curwen, Worthington
- 1493 Robin Hood, Eastwood
- 1547 Liverpool, Liverpool
- 1576 Dee, Park-gate, Cheshire
- 1582 Llanidloes, Llanidloes
- 1588 Prince Leopold, Stretford
- 1643 Perseverance, Hebburn-on-Tyne
- 1692 Hervey, Bromley
- 1703 Windrush, Witney
- 1715 A. J. Brogden, Grange-o'-Sands
- 1783 Albert Edward, Huddersfield
- 1798 Zion, Manchester
- 1848 Ferrum, Middlesborough
- 1855 St. Maurice, Plympton
- 1879 Lord Warkworth, Amble
- 1932 Whitworth, Spennymoor
- 1947 Stanford, Hove
- 1958 St. George, Portsea
- 2046 Robinson, Maidstone
- 2156 Arthur Sullivan, Manchester
- 2284 Smyth, Grimsby
- 2294 Wavertree, Wavertree
- 2355 Chantrey, Dore
- 2389 Avondale, Middlewich
- 2423 St. Mark, Connah Quay
- 2450 Loxfield, Uckfield
- 2483 Hadrian, Westham
- 2504 Earl of Warwick, Buckh'rst Hill
- 191 St. John, Bury
- 208 Three Gd. Principles, Dewsbury
- 216 Harmonic, Liverpool
- 275 Harmony, Huddersfield
- 276 Good Fellowship, Chelmsford
- 283 Amity, Haslingden
- 318 True and Faithful, Helston
- 332 Virtue and Silence, Hadleigh
- 333 Royal Preston, Preston
- 337 Candour, Uppermill
- 344 Faith, Radcliffe
- 361 Limestone, Hyde
- 369 Limestone Rock, Clitheroe
- 381 Harmony & Industry, Darwen
- 437 Science, Wincanton
- 442 St. Peter, Peterboro'
- 449 Cecil, Hitchin
- 450 Cornubian, Hayle
- 456 Foresters, Uttoxeter
- 469 Hundred of Elloe, Spalding
- 472 F'ship & Sincerity, Shaftesbury
- 477 Mersey, Birkenhead
- 487 Portsmouth, Portsmouth
- 546 Etruscan, Longton
- 561 Zetland, Gnisborough
- 586 Elias De Derham, Salisbury
- 588 St. Botolph, Sleaford
- 630 St. Cuthbert, Howden
- 710 Pleiades, Totnes
- 725 Stoneleigh, Coventry
- 732 Royal Brunswick, Brighton
- 739 Temperance, Birmingham
- 816 Royd, Littleboro'
- 945 Abbey, Abingdon
- 973 Royal Somerset, Frome
- 991 Tyne, Wallsend
- 1035 Prince of Wales, Liverpool
- 1055 Derby, Manchester
- 1061 Triumph, Lancaster
- 1098 St. George, Tredegar
- 1099 Huyshe, Stoke, Devonport
- 1143 Royal Denbigh, Denbigh
- 1144 Milton, Ashton-under-Lyne
- 1145 Equality, Accrington
- 1147 St. David, Manchester
- 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, Liverpool
- 1204 Royd, Malvern
- 1213 Bridgewater, Eccles
- 1235 Phenix St. Ann, Buxton
- 1247 St. John, Plymouth
- 1273 St. Michael, Sittingbourne
- 1587 Chorlton, Chorlton-cum-Hardy
- 1416 Falcon, Thirsk
- 1429 Alb't Edw'd Pr. of Wales, N'p't.
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1102 Mirfield, Mirfield  
1121 Wear Valley, Bishop Auckland  
1224 Stour Valley, Sudbury  
1232 Hereward, Bourn  
1289 Rock, Birkenhead  
1428 United Service, Landport  
1605 De la Pole, Hull  
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1676 St. Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne  
1739 Carnarvon, Swadlincote  
1826 Parthenon, Croydon  
1983 Martyn, Southwold  
2078 St. Lawrence, Scunthorpe  
2554 Manchester, Manchester  
2558 Furnival, Sheffield

Saturday.

1329 Sphinx, Camberwell

1767 Kensington, Kensington  
2041 West Kent Volunteer, Plums'd.  
2308 Viator, Anderton's  
2466 Cheerybles, Freemasons'-hall  
149 Peace, Meltham  
308 Prince George, Eastwood  
336 Benevolence, Marple  
416 Surrey, Reigate  
444 Union, Starcross  
453 Chigwell, Chingford  
811 Yarborough, Brighton  
1126 Oakwood, Romiley  
1326 Lebanon, Feltham  
1556 Addiscombe, Croydon  
1871 Gosling Murray, Hounslow  
2035 Beaumont, Kirkburton  
2318 Lennox Browne, B'khurst Hill  
2381 Bushey Park, Hampton Court  
2437 Downshire, Wokingham  
2508 Thomas Ralling, Chingford

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Gaiety.—8, The Circus Girl. Matinée, Saturday, 2.  
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Shaftesbury.—8, The Yashmak. Matinée, Saturday, 2.  
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Criterion.—8-30, The Physician. Matinée, Saturday, 2-30.  
Globe.—8, Confederates. 9, Mr. Sympkyn. Matinée, Saturday, 3.  
Garrick.—8-15, The Lady Lawyer. 9, My friend the Prince. Matinée, Saturday, 3.  
Princess's.—8, Two little Vagabonds. Matinée, Wednesday, 2-30.  
Grand.—Next week, The Geisha.  
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