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THE SCHOOLS QUARTERLY COURTS.

THE Quarterly Courts of the two Educational Institutions will be held next week, that in connection with the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls on Thursday, and that connected with the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys the following day. In each case the business will commence at noon, and the elections—which will take place as usual as soon as the general business is disposed of—will close at three o'clock precisely.

There is really nothing of a special character to be attended to by the Court of the Girls School, for which there are twenty-four vacancies to be filled, from a list of thirty-three approved candidates.

The Governors and Subscribers of the Boys School will have to elect two Trustees to fill the vacancies caused by the death of the Earl of Lathom and Bro. Richard Eve, but inasmuch as there is but two nominations: the Earl Amherst ProG.Master Prov.G. Master of Kent, and the present Earl of Lathom Prov.G.M. West Lancs., the election will resolve itself into a mere formality.

The next matter for consideration will be to decide as to a memorial to the late Bro. Richard Eve, and, considering the very prominent part that Brother took in the affairs of our Boys School, we are not at all surprised to find the subject regarded as being of such paramount importance. It will be a somewhat difficult matter to decide on the actual form of the memorial, as Bro. Eve's well known sentiments in such matters must be regarded. No doubt some useful way can be devised to give effect to what we are sure will be the unanimous wish of the Craft, as it would certainly never do to erect a memorial to the ever active Bro. Eve, of a useless or mere ornamental character. He would certainly never wish public funds so expended.

Progress will then be reported in reference to the erection of the new Schools at Bushey, and the disposal of the property at Wood Green, after which twenty boys will be elected to the benefits of the Institution, from an approved list of twenty-seven candidates, reduced to twenty-six by the withdrawal of one boy for presentation.

TO THE UNINITIATED.

TO the uninitiated we can merely say that we do not wish you to apply for membership in the Order for idle curiosity. There is very little in the Lodge to gratify such a feeling. We do not propose to be bound to you by any ties but such as are consistent with our duties to our God, our country, our families, and ourselves. If you are of the good, however; if your heart is open to the appeal of misery, and you are ready to pour balm into the wounds of the afflicted; if you love man and reverence God, we will joyfully receive you in our ranks, confide in you, honour you, rejoice in your prosperity, visit and comfort you in your afflictions, love and protect those who are dear to you, and at all times and in all places hail you as a Brother.—"Craftsman."

CORNWALL.

THE Provincial Grand Lodge is to assemble on Tuesday, 23rd inst., at 11 a.m., at the Assembly Rooms, Camborne. The only other occasion on which the annual meeting was held in that town was on 23rd August 1888, when, with thirty Lodges in the Province, there were 1,500 members returned. Now, with thirty-one Lodges, there are 2,000 on the roll. There were twenty-four Lodges in 1873, when the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, G.C.V.O., was installed as Provincial Grand Master, the membership then not exceeding 1,000, so that the popularity of the esteemed nobleman who rules the Craft in Cornwall is abundantly demonstrated.

There is no lack of business to be transacted at the forthcoming meeting, much of it being of the usual character, and at noon the Brethren will walk in procession to the Parish Church, where the annual sermon will be preached by the Prov.G. Chaplain. A collection will be taken for local Church and Masonic purposes, and at the conclusion of the Service the procession will be reformed and return to the Hall, when the Provincial Grand Officers will be appointed, and the remaining business proceeded with. The Committee recommend that three annuities and one educational grant be given.

The only arrangements made with the railway company are on the unsatisfactory basis of "a fare and a quarter to parties of not less than ten travelling from any one station, and attending the meeting." The previous system of charging a fare and a quarter for the double journey on production of Masonic clothing was much preferred, and it is hoped will be reverted to in the future, the present arrangements being very inconvenient to the Brethren.

DURHAM.

THE annual Provincial Grand Lodge was held at Durham, on the 26th ult., and was of a very successful character. The weather was beautifully fine, and the gathering and the attendance of Brethren was most satisfactory. The arrangements for the visit of the Provincial Grand Lodge were carried out by a Committee representative of the two principal Lodges meeting in Durham city, viz., the Marquis of Granby, No. 124, and the Norman, No. 1334.

By the kindness of the Rev. Dr. Plummer, Master of University College, the Lecture Hall in Palace Green was placed at the disposal of the Province for the occasion, and formed an admirable meeting place.

The Provincial Grand Lodge met at half past two o'clock, when the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Canon Tristram presided.

Lodge having been opened in due form, the minutes of the Provincial Grand Lodge held at Gateshead, and of the special Provincial Grand Lodge held at Wolsingham were approved.

The Treasurer's statement showed total receipts £920 7s 5d, and a balance of £350 1s 8d.

The report of the Fund Committee showed that the total receipts had been £350 1s 8d. Contributions had been made to the following Institutions:—Hudson Benevolent Fund, 50 guineas; Masonic Education Fund, 50 guineas; Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, 60 guineas; Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, 20 guineas; Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, 50 guineas.

The Charities Committee reported that during the year, owing to circumstances which were entirely beyond their control, there had been a falling off in the amount generally

contributed. During the year the Committee had invested the sum of £805 0s 10d, and there was a sum of £228 16s 6d in hand. There were twenty-eight on the Education and Maintenance Fund, and one male and two widows on the Hudson Benevolent Fund. The total of the invested funds was £6,188 7s 10d. The whole of the report was adopted.

The Acting Provincial Grand Master addressed the Lodge. Canon Tristram referred to the lamented circumstances which compelled him to occupy the chair that afternoon and to the grievous loss which Masonry generally in that Province had suffered by the removal of their much lamented Sir Hedworth Williamson. They knew Sir Hedworth's devotion to Masonry, his general warmth, and his charming, frank, though it might sometimes be thought, brusque manner. But in every position in life, Sir Hedworth was a true, typical English gentleman of the highest stamp, and was intensely devoted to everything in which he took an interest. But most of all they knew how thoroughly he entered into the spirit of Masonry, and how anxious he was that Masonry in that Province should flourish on a true and right basis. Sir Hedworth began his Offices amongst them in 1867, when he was appointed Deputy Provincial Grand Master on the death of the father of English Masonry, the late Bro. John Fawcett, who was the senior Provincial Grand Master of England. Appointed Provincial Grand Master in 1885, on the decease of the late Marquis of Londonderry, his memory would live long amongst them. During his fifteen years connection with them Sir Hedworth saw many changes. During that time nearly fifty per cent. had been added to the membership of the Province, and seven new Lodges had been created. In 1885 the number of Lodges was thirty-one, with a membership of 2,311, and in 1890 they had thirty-eight Lodges, with a membership of 3,350. It was satisfactory to know that the Lodges generally were doing a good work to promote the tenets and principles of good fellowship in Freemasonry. Canon Tristram mentioned that the latest returns showed an increase in members since 1898 after all deductions owing to deaths and removals, of 130, and this increase of 130 was distributed over thirty-five Lodges. This showed that Masonry was growing in proportion to the population. Canon Tristram proceeded to review the various functions of the year, and touchingly referred to the number of deaths which had occurred. He moved that a vote of condolence expressive of their affection and esteem and sympathy with the family of the late Provincial Grand Master, and of the deep loss they had sustained, be sent to Lady Elizabeth Williamson.

Lord Barnard seconded the proposition, which was sympathetically carried.

Bro. William Brown P.M. 48 was, by a large majority, elected Provincial Grand Treasurer.

The appointment and investiture of Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year was as follows:—

Bro. N. W. Apperley	...	Senior Warden
W. N. Cochrane	...	Junior Warden
Rev. H. C. Windley	...	Senior Chaplain
Rev. H. Ellershaw	...	Junior Chaplain
William Brown	...	Treasurer
W. J. Anderson	...	Registrar
R. Hudson	...	Secretary
E. Seaton-Cockell	...	Senior Deacon
Thos. Harrison	...	Ditto
W. E. Brown	...	Junior Deacon
Richard Tinkler	...	Ditto
L. M. Snowdon	...	Supt. of Works
C. T. Johnson	...	Dir. of Ceremonies
John Bennison	...	Dep. Dir. of Cers.
T. Y. Tuck	...	Asst. Dir. of Cers.
Isaac Burrell	...	Sword Bearer
Joseph Rigby	...	Standard Bearer
John Coulthard	...	Ditto
Thomas Laidler	...	Organist
John Joel	...	Assistant Secretary
John C. Bage	...	Pursuivant
Nicholas Lee	...	Assistant Pursuivant
W. F. Oldfield	...	Steward
Julius Jacobs	...	Ditto
Joseph Pringle	...	Ditto
J. O. Rawson	...	Ditto
J. R. Mabane	...	Ditto
Bernard Biggs	...	Ditto
Thomas Grieve	...	Tvler

After the Provincial Grand Lodge a banquet was held in the Castle Hall, the catering being of a very satisfactory character. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and a very successful gathering was brought to a conclusion shortly after seven o'clock. The arrangements of the local Committee were in every way satisfactory.

EASTERN DIVISION SOUTH WALES.

ON Thursday afternoon of last week the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Eastern Division of South Wales was held at the Masonic Hall, Neath, when there was a very large gathering of Brethren from various parts of the county. Lord Llangattock presided, and was supported by his Deputy Bro. Marmaduke Tennant and a number of present and past Provincial Grand Officers.

The Lodge being opened, Lord Llangattock thanked the Brethren for their kind attendance, and the Officers for their support. The various reports were adopted, and a very gratifying account was given of the large sum raised by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master for the Masonic Educational and Widows' Fund this year.

The Provincial Grand Master appointed his Officers, as follow:

Bro. H. P. Charles	...	Senior Warden
W. B. Ferrier	...	Junior Warden
Rev. W. Lewis	...	Senior Chaplain
Rev. J. G. Pagden	...	Junior Chaplain
Chris. Rowland	...	Treasurer
W. J. Jenkins	...	Registrar
Walter Whittington	...	Secretary
I. J. Shilton	...	Senior Deacon
Henry Aldridge	...	Junior Deacon
John Corker	...	Supt. of Works
Charles Downing	...	Dir. of Ceremonies
A. Maurice Bailey	...	Asst. Dir. of Cers.
William Rees	...	Sword Bearer
W. S. Williams	...	Standard Bearer
Rees Jones	...	Ditto
J. P. M. Gaul	...	Organist
A. Steel	...	Pursuivant
W. Phillips	...	Assistant Secretary
A. H. Parker	...	Assistant Pursuivant
Hilton Yates	...	Steward
R. Edwards	...	Ditto
J. W. Chambers	...	Ditto
Michael Davies	...	Ditto
C. A. Careless	...	Ditto

NORTH DEVON UNION LODGE.

THIS new Mark Lodge, No. 540, was consecrated at Ilfracombe, on the 26th ult., by Bro. G. S. Strode Deputy Prov. G.M. acting in the absence of Lord Northcote, who is in India discharging official duties there. The founders of the Lodge are Bros. G. C. Davie W.M.-Des., Rev. R. W. J. Smart S.W., W. Drew J.W., Rev. H. G. Morse, Rev. Thos. Russell, and H. R. Grover.

A luncheon was held at the Ilfracombe Hotel, and in the afternoon the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple.

MASONIC RIFLE MATCH.

THE two Gavels given by Bro. Major G. Lambert Past Grand Sword Bearer of England, late Queen's Westminster R.V., were shot for at Ilford, on the 20th ult. The conditions provide that ten men shall shoot, eight to count; seven shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards. The teams to consist of past and present members of Volunteer regiments being now members of the Lodge. The following were the results:

FIRST GAVEL.

QUEEN'S WESTMINSTER.		LONDON RIFLE BRIGADE.	
Bro. Vicars S.W.	95	Bro. Tayton	100
Surrey	95	Wright	92
Hollis	92	Walker	90
Gering	88	Ward	86
Kingdon P.M.	84	Latham	69
Birks	82	Lintott	68
Stanley	76	Potter	77
Dumeril	72	Morris	45
	684		627

Counted out Bro. Collins 44, and Bro. Bernan 41.

SECOND GAVEL.

BLOOMSBURY.		VICTORIAS.	
Bro. Marshall	97	Bro. Kingdon	99
Barter	94	Billinghurst	83
Cowtan	85	S. Wilkinson	82
James	83	W. E. Wilkinson	80
Healy	80	Robinson	75
Hardcastle	79	Ansell	67
Fowler	77	Keison	58
Tellis	65	Belsham	49
	660		593

MASONIC LIBRARIES.

THE second session of the Library Association was held last week, at University College, Bristol, Sir Edward Fry presiding, when a paper on "Masonic Libraries" was read by Mr. Samuel Smith, city Librarian of Sheffield, who said the subject had not hitherto received the attention which it deserved, for Masonic libraries had been formed by Masonic Lodges and private collectors who were Freemasons in all parts of the world.

The first Masonic library was that of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and it was the pride of every American Freemason. It contained valuable curios, proceedings, addresses, sermons, diplomas, charters, manuscripts, jewels, medals, all the standard works on Freemasonry, histories of the Craft, also rare and valuable works conveying information respecting Masonic personages and events, rituals and ceremonies, and the laws and regulations of the Order. There was also a semi-Masonic department and a general library of valuable works of reference on art, architecture, archæology, mythology, crusades, chivalry, &c. A collection had also been made of local books, and this was known as the Iowa Department. The building was a strictly Masonic library building, and the only one of its kind in the world.

Other American libraries were those of the Grand Lodges of Kentucky, New York, Wisconsin, &c. The library of the Grand Lodge of England was contained in a magnificent new room specially provided in the Freemasons' Hall. The collection comprised upwards of 7,000 volumes and a large number of engravings, medals, and other Masonic coins. The library of the Lodge Quatuor Coronati, No. 2076, London, was most valuable and extensive. It contained about 5,000 books, pamphlets, and objects of interest to the Craft, and the books were issued to members on loan for an indefinite time, under certain conditions.

Under the loving guidance of Bro. W. Watson, of Leeds, the Province of West Yorkshire had formed a large Masonic library, and Bro. Watson was also the possessor of a fine private collection. Bro. Thorp, of Leicester, had charge of the library in Freemasons' Hall, Leicester, and had succeeded in making that collection one of the best in the Provinces. In Hull, renewed interest was being taken in the small library possessed by the Craft. The Reference Library at Wigan had a division devoted to Masonry, which originated in a valuable donation of books made by Lord Crawford in 1880. Mr. Folkard, the librarian, had privately printed a catalogue of the section. The catalogue of "Books, Manuscripts, Articles, Engravings, Aprons, and other curios relating to Freemasonry, and now forming the Worcestershire Masonic Library and Museum," issued in 1891, was a handsome volume of nearly 200 pp. Other Masonic libraries, colonial, foreign, private, &c., were instanced. Most of the famous Lodges had their printed histories. It was gratifying to know that nearly all the Masonic libraries had Masonic Literary Societies in connection with them, and their objects and results were recorded in the shape of printed or written volumes of "Transactions." The high aims of true Freemasonry were then briefly dealt with.

I have just heard of the curious manner in which the body of a soldier and Brother of the Craft under the Irish Constitution was identified on the battlefield in South Africa. The details came to the young man's family last week in confirmation of the official report, from Lieutenant Ferrar, of the 6th Mounted Infantry, who relates that during the march of General Hunter's column out of Lindley on the 12th August, the Lieutenant's company formed the left flank guard to the column, and when passing "Yeomanry Hill," where the Irish Yeomanry were cut up some two months previously, they found a few bodies in British uniforms. One of them wore a gold Masonic finger-ring, with the inscription inside, "Presented by a few friends to T. Lecky, Bloomfield Factory, on joining the Imperial Yeomanry, 1900." The body of Brother Lecky and of the others were recently buried, the Chaplain of the Highland Brigade being requisitioned to conduct the funeral service. "Poor fellows," adds the Lieutenant, "they all died game, as the ground around was covered with empty cartridge-cases." Bro. Thomas Lecky, whose identity was proved through wearing the gift ring with Masonic emblem, belonged to Belfast, and was a member of the Abercorn Lodge, No. 114 (I.C.). He was a great favourite among his fellows, and I learn from Bro.

Julius Keenan J.D. 221 (I.C.) that Bro. Lecky was presented with other gifts previous to his departure as a unit in the great fighting force in South Africa, and that the Brethren of the Abercorn Lodge showed their appreciation of their soldier-Brother by presenting him with a purse of sovereigns. At a recent meeting of the Abercorn Lodge it was resolved to commission the execution of an oil painting of Bro. Lecky, in uniform, to be presented to his sorrowing parents as a memento of the high esteem in which he was held by his Brethren in Freemasonry.—"The Mallet," in "Glasgow Evening News."

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The members of the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 1035, Liverpool, assembled on Thursday, 20th ult., to wish God-speed to Bro. J. T. Gardner I.G., on his leaving that city for Leamington. The W.M. Bro. T. Hurst, in a very appropriate speech referred to the high esteem in which Brother Gardner was held, and hoped he would accept a presentation from the members, consisting of a pair of bronze marble horses for himself, and a gold bracelet for Mrs. Gardner. Bro. Gardner suitably replied, and the meeting closed with "Auld Lang Syne."

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A correspondent of the "Lancet" points out there are two "medical" girl candidates (Nos. 17 and 24 on the list), and one "medical" boy candidate (No. 13), for this month's elections to the two Educational Institutions, and he asks those who are Brother Masons as well as brothers in the medical profession to support them. He has reason to think that previous appeals in the same direction have done much good. We hope he may be equally successful on this occasion.

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The meetings of the Citadel Lodge of Instruction, No. 1897, have been resumed at the Farleigh Hotel, Amhurst Road, Stoke Newington (on Fridays, from 8 to 10 p.m.), and those of the Brondesbury Lodge of Instruction, No. 2698, at the Earl Derby, 155 High Road, Kilburn (on Mondays).

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The Doric Lodge of Instruction, No. 933, has resumed its weekly meetings, at the Princess Alice, Romford Road, E., the gatherings being held on Friday evenings, under the Preceptorship of Bro. A. Calver.

"A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

BRO. FRANCIS LUGET, head of the firm of Luget Brothers, Exeter, died at his residence, Pinhoe, on the 27th ult. Deceased, who was about fifty years of age, was well known in Devonshire and in many parts of Cornwall. He was Past Master of St. John Craft Lodge, as well as of St. George Mark Lodge, P.Z. of St. George Royal Arch Chapter; and a P.Prov.G. Organist in Mark and Chapter. Bro. Luget took a great interest in the parochial affairs of Pinhoe, both as a churchwarden and chairman of the Parish Council, an office he held for many years. In Exeter his energies outside his business were chiefly devoted to political work, he being a Director of the Constitutional Club Committee, a member of the House Committee of the club, and an active worker in St. Mary Major's Ward.

THE funeral of Bro. John Leftwich, a well known and highly esteemed resident at Cowes, took place on Friday afternoon, 21st ult. When the coffin was brought to the chancel step Bro. T. W. Faulkner took up a place at the head and Bro. J. C. Airs at the foot as Senior Past Masters of the Medina Lodge. A long line of carriages and representatives of Freemasons, Oddfellows, and other sections of the community made its way to the Cemetery, with signs of mourning at shop windows and the windows of private houses on every hand. Followers were increased in number at the Cemetery gates, and a large concourse of people gathered round the grave as the committal prayers were impressively read.

BRO. ELLIS PICKERSGILL, Solicitor, a prominent official of the West Riding County Council at the County Hall at Wakefield, and who also acted as crier of the West Riding Sessions Court, expired on Thursday, 25th ult., in a sanatorium in Somerset. The deceased had for some months past been suffering from Bright's disease and diabetes, and about two months ago he went to the West of England in the hope of recruiting his health. He was a well known Mason, a noted angler, a good Churchman, and a staunch Conservative.

NEW MASONIC CLUB.

IT will interest members of the Craft to learn that a Freemasons Club for the neighbourhood of Richmond (Surrey) is now in course of formation. Several Provincial towns have such Clubs, and one has long been talked of in Richmond, but hitherto the difficulty has been to obtain suitable rooms. This has been overcome by the spirited action of Mr. Hampton in erecting the excellent premises now almost completed in Sheen Road. Here it is intended to establish what will be essentially a "welcome club" for the many Masonic visitors and residents in Richmond, and indeed in the Thames Valley.

Acting under legal advice, it has been found necessary to form a limited liability Company, with a capital of £2,000 in £1 shares, to carry out all that is intended, but the commercial garb thus necessarily assumed to comply with the Act of Parliament, by no means represents the social and Fraternal feeling which the promoters have at heart. In proof of this, it may be mentioned that there is an Honorary Secretary and Honorary Solicitor, and the Directors intend to accept no fees or other remuneration for their services. On the other hand, it is hoped that the Club will be able to assist the Masonic Charities. The Directors are Brethren well known in Richmond and the locality. Councillor Aldin (whose success as one of the founders and Chairman of the Committee of the Richmond Horse Show is a guarantee of fitness) is the Chairman, and he is joined by Major-General Guyon, Alderman Blasby, J.P., Mr. S. Abell, Mr. Breadmore, Mr. Hornby, Mr. Metzner, and Mr. F. R. Robinson, with Alderman Skewes-Cox (M.P. no longer, but probably to resume that distinction next week) as Honorary Solicitor, and Mr. Axten as Honorary Secretary.

The membership of the Club will be confined to Masons, whether subscribers to Lodges at the present time or otherwise, and the subscription, so as to suit all Masonic pockets, is fixed at a guinea a year. The entrance fee, until 15th October, when the share list closes, will be represented by the taking up of one or more of the £1 shares, but after that date the entrance fee will probably be increased. Already more than two hundred of the Brethren have promised to become members, and to take up over £1,200 of the capital. The money will, of course, be used in furnishing and fitting up the Club rooms, which will be rented from Mr. Hampton, and which promise to be very comfortable and attractive—forming, in fact, a sort of Masonic home not only for local residents, but for the many Brethren who visit Richmond for boating, cricket, football, golf, and other purposes.

Ample provision is being made for social and Masonic requirements. There is a Lodge room, 40ft. by 26ft., and an ante-room, 31ft. by 12ft., with the necessary cloakrooms, kitchens, and lavatories. The banquetting hall is 63ft. by 26ft., and is provided with platform, retiring rooms, vestibule, &c. It is satisfactory to learn that this will be available for public purposes, for a room of this description is much needed in Richmond, and many of our philanthropic, religious, and other societies will gladly avail themselves of it as a place in which to hold their meetings. There is a billiard room 37ft. by 26ft., a library 26ft. by 21ft., and various other Club rooms, besides offices, for letting off separately. The project is one which commends itself to local Freemasons, and we have no doubt they will give it their hearty support.—"Richmond Times."

CRUMLIN MASONIC HALL.

ABAZAAR of two days duration, held in connection with this Hall, in one of the principal rooms of the building, was opened on the 21st inst., by Mrs. W. Ellison Macartney. Although the Hall has been in existence fully seven years or so, the total cost of erecting it, a sum of about £1,000, has not yet been completely paid, and the object of the sale is to raise £250 to free the building of debt. The Hall is a commodious and fine-looking building, and every assistance ought to be extended to the members in their laudable efforts to establish the Masonic Order on a firmer basis in the district, about sixty members at present comprising the total strength of the Lodge, says the Belfast "Northern Whig." The bazaar arrangements were carried out by a Ladies' Committee, who entered into the undertaking with an enthusiasm which was highly praiseworthy, and the tasteful appearance of the room in

which the sale was held indicated how gracefully and successfully they had accomplished the task assigned to them.

Bro. John Laird, who was called to the chair, on the motion of Bro. John Bolton, seconded by Bro. D. M'Clenaghan, said he thanked those present for asking him to take the chair on the auspicious occasion. They must admit on looking round the Hall that the Masonic body in Crumlin was in a thriving way, and that they had a large number of friends. The appearance of the Hall was creditable to the Ladies' Committee in connection with the bazaar, and, now that their work was finished, they asked their assistance to free the building of debt. They had present with them that day Mrs. Macartney, who had kindly consented to open the bazaar. Mrs. Macartney was the wife of their well-known member for the South Parliamentary Division of Antrim. He had been their member—their popular member—for a great many years, and, he hoped, would be their member for a great many years to come. He had to apologise for Mr. Macartney's absence. Owing to official duty which called him to London he could not possibly attend the bazaar, as he would have liked to, but they had a very good representative in Mrs. Macartney, who had been residing amongst them for the last two months, and who, as they knew, had made herself very popular indeed. Some people thought there could be nothing good or great done outside Belfast or other large cities, but that day they saw a fair sample of what the ladies of Crumlin could do and the ladies of Glenavy. He hoped they would all be very willing to help to clear off the debt on that fine Hall, and that not only those interested in the Masonic body would assist, but that the Orangemen would also lend them support. He had great pleasure in asking Mrs. Macartney to open the bazaar on that occasion, and he was sure she would be received as she deserved.

Mrs. Macartney was received with applause on rising to declare the sale open. She said it was a great pleasure to her to come that day to open the bazaar, as she had been asked to do some long time ago. She observed so many charming articles on the stalls that she was just longing to go round and see what they were like, so, without detaining them longer, she would pronounce the bazaar to be open, and she hoped it would be a great success. Dr. J. H. Carson's little daughter—Meta J. G. Carson—gracefully handed Mrs. Macartney a bouquet of delicate flowers.

Dr. J. H. Carson proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Macartney, and was pleased to have the opportunity of doing so on account of her own popularity since she had come amongst them, and her husband's popularity of long standing. Mrs. Macartney came there, he believed, at personal inconvenience, having put aside a number of engagements to be present, and therefore they felt particularly pleased. He was very warmly interested in Masonic affairs, and would, he was sure with all other Masons, consider it a disgrace that that debt should rest on a prosperous Masonic body.

THE COMING SEASON.

AFTER the vacation, the Masonic Lodges, Chapters, and Mark Lodges of the metropolis will commence the new season next week. The "Calendar," published "under the authority of the United Grand Lodge of England, and by command of the M.W. Grand Master," of course contains the list of those Lodges and Chapters only which were warranted prior to the publication of the book last November, and to the number of meetings in October, November and December next will have to be added the regular meetings of several of the new Lodges, besides "Lodges of emergency," which the pressure of business, caused in many instances by the large number of candidates seeking to enter the Order, necessitates. But apart from this, what are called "regular meetings," or those meetings which are specified in each Lodge's Warrant, and which occur before the middle of December, will be sufficient to make a very good show in each day's list of gatherings.

The season opens with a good prospect of success, and among the pre-Christmas meetings will be several for the annual installation of the new Worshipful Masters. As the principal business of Parliament is Supply, so the chief end and object of Freemasonry is charity, and as most new Worshipful Masters take up a Stewardship for one or other

of the three Central Masonic Charitable Institutions, and get the support both of their Lodges and the individual members of those Lodges in donations to their lists, Masonic benevolence is not likely to suffer any diminution during the coming season, notwithstanding that in the past season the Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows, the Girls School, and the Boys School, have in subscriptions alone received out of the pockets of the Craft in round figures an approach of £60,000. This particular feature—the predominant feature—of the Masonic Brotherhood, not only has increased in prominence of late years, but it appears to be growing rapidly and to be encouraged by the new Masters as well as by the old Past Masters of Lodges, and to be taken up and pursued with vigour by novitiates as soon as they learn what the fundamental theories of Masonry lead up to.

The propagation of the Divine theme of charity, and the carrying of it into practical effect are not likely to be lost sight of in the new session. The election of twenty-four out of a list of thirty-three girls on 11th October, to be boarded, housed, clothed, and educated until sixteen years of age in the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and of twenty boys out of a list of twenty-seven, on 12th October, for the same benefits until fifteen years old in the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, will probably stimulate the members of the Order to render further aid to the Educational Institutions, while the appallingly long list of decayed Brethren and Widows of deceased Brethren who are seeking for the annuity of £40 for the men and £32 for the widows given by the Masonic Benevolent Institution will of itself be the mainspring for setting at work the charitable efforts of the Brethren on behalf of this Association.

Among the regular meetings at headquarters which occur in the remaining months of the last year of the nineteenth century are the monthly meetings of the Board of Benevolence on 24th October, 21st November, and 19th December, the Quarterly Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons on 7th November, and the Quarterly Communications of Grand Mark Lodge on 4th December, and of United Grand Lodge on 5th December, at both of which the Prince of Wales will be nominated for election as Most Worshipful Grand Master, in the latter case for the twenty-seventh successive year, and in the former instance for the sixteenth year. In both the Grand Mark Lodge meeting and in United Grand Lodge, a Grand Treasurer will also be nominated for election in March 1901. In United Grand Lodge there will be at least two candidates proposed for the high office now held by Mr. Harry Manfield. The two candidates already known will be Mr. Horace Brooks Marshall, the son of the Grand Treasurer for 1884-5, and Captain Barlow, both of whom have attached to their Masonic services a brilliant record of work on behalf of Masonic benevolence. Sheriff Alfred H. Bevan (Barclay, Perkins and Co.), who was Grand Treasurer for 1899-1900, held the unique position in the annals of Freemasonry of Grand Treasurer of the Craft, of the Royal Arch, and of Mark Masonry in England in one and the same year. Grand Lodge will meet at six instead of seven in the evening in conformity with the motion of Mr. J. Whitaker Burgess unanimously carried on 5th June and confirmed on the 5th inst.

A recess of three weeks duration at the end of the year will intervene in the meeting of Masonic bodies before the remainder of the then current season will be proceeded with, but from the resumption of Masonic work in January 1901, the important events of the Quarterly Courts of the Schools, the Festival of the Benevolent Institution in February, when the Earl of Warwick will preside, the election of Grand Master of the Mark and Craft Degrees in March, the elections to the Schools in April, the annual meeting of the Benevolent Institution and election of annuitants in May, the installation of the Prince of Wales on 24th April in the Craft, and on 1st May in Grand Chapter, the 113th Festival of the Girls School, with Earl Amherst for President, the installation of the Grand Master in the Mark on 4th June, and the 103rd Anniversary of the Boys School on 26th June, with Mr. W. W. B. Beach in the chair, will take place before the new Masonic season will be brought to a close. The annual festival of the Benevolent Fund of the Mark Degree will take place in July, and will consequently be out of the season.—"Morning Advertiser," 28th September.

LOGIC CLUB.

THE winter season of this popular Club of Instruction will begin to-morrow (Sunday), at the regular quarters, the Cavendish Rooms, Mortimer Street, W., at 11.15 a.m. precisely, when the ceremony of Initiation will be rehearsed by the following Brethren and Officers of the Club: A. G. Neville M.-E. 2739 W.M., M. Rees W.M. 1584 S.W., J. H. Barnes S.W. 2127 J.W., Robert Manuel P.M. 1196 I.P.M. Preceptor, R. D. Cummings P.M. and Sec. 2168 Treas., J. Percy Fitzgerald P.M. 2168 &c. Sec., R. G. Robinson I.P.M. 1531 S.D., G. Paxton J.W. 435 J.D., Harry Nicholls P.M. and Sec. 2127 D.C., M. Miroy S.D. 19 I.G., D. Tovey 2771 Candidate, W. Foxton 19 Tyler. The Musical arrangements are in the hands of the Musical Committee, and a most interesting and instructive meeting is anticipated.

It is not our custom to refer to or in any way interfere in matters unconnected with Freemasonry, but we imagine an exception may be made in the case of the dispute between the Great Eastern Railway Company and their staff, which has been brought to so satisfactory a termination through the good offices of Bro. John F. S. Gooday. The labour of adjusting so gigantic an issue must have been enormous, so as to deal with fairness to the men and justice to the shareholders, and we may sincerely congratulate Brother Gooday upon the result of his efforts, which averted a very serious inconvenience to the public.

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To celebrate the removal of the Burdett Coutts Lodge of Instruction, No. 1278, to new quarters at the "Admiral Keppel," High Street, Shoreditch, Bro. Ben DaCosta has consented to work the Fifteen Sections there on Wednesday evening next, the 10th inst., commencing at 7 p.m. He will be supported on the occasion by Bros. D. Moss P.M. 1349 P.D.G.S.B. Transvaal as I.P.M., L. A. DaCosta P.M. 1349 as S.W., and M. DaCosta P.M. 1349 as J.W. Bro. Jas. Smith P.M. 933 is the Preceptor of the Lodge, and Bro. R. Chitson the Secretary.

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A QUARTERLY COURT of the Governors and Subscribers will be held at FREEMASONS' TAVERN, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on FRIDAY, the 12th day of October 1900, at Twelve o'clock noon precisely, for the transaction of the ordinary business of the Institution; To Elect Two Trustees; To consider the question of a Memorial to the late V.W. Bro. RICHARD EVE; To receive a Statement from the Board of Management respecting the progress in the Building of the (Bushey) New Schools, and the disposal of the Wood Green property, and to Elect 20 Boys from an approved List of 27 Candidates, reduced to 26 by the withdrawal of—

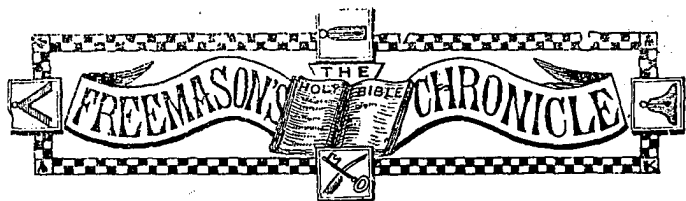
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The Ballot for the Election of Boys will be open at One o'clock, or so soon as the General Business of the Court shall have terminated, and will close at Three o'clock precisely.

By order, J. M. McLEOD, Secretary.

LONDON, 4th October 1900.

*** The 103rd ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL will be held on 26th JUNE 1901, under the distinguished Presidency of the Right Hon. W. W. BRAMSTON BEACH, M.P., R.W. Prov. Grand Master for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, Trustee of the Institution. The services of Ladies and Brethren as Stewards on the occasion are earnestly solicited, and will be gratefully acknowledged.



SATURDAY, 6TH OCTOBER 1900.

LONDON'S CHIEF MAGISTRATE.

THE Lord Mayor-elect of the city of London is Brother Alderman Frank Green, who is well known in Masonic Circles. He is a Past Grand Deacon of England, and was one of the founders of the Alliance Lodge, No. 1827, of which he is a Past Master. We wish him a successful term

ERRONEOUS OPINIONS.

SOME members of the Craft are of the opinion that Freemasonry is a Religious Institution, and that in it is all the religion that is needed, both for time and eternity; while others claim that in Freemasonry there is no religious teaching.

Some assert that Freemasonry is only a man's club, and has little or nothing beyond its social features; while others are of the opinion that it is a luxury to be enjoyed only by the wealthy.

The assertion is sometimes made that Freemasonry differs from other organisations in that it is only social, while they are social and charitable. These latter seem to forget that the charity of other organisations is obligatory, while that of Freemasonry is spontaneous and voluntary.

The former editor of the "Keystone," the late Bro. Clifford P. MacCalla, referring to Religion and Freemasonry, said: "While, to our mind, it is clear that Freemasonry is neither a religion, nor a good-enough substitute for a religion, it is eminently religious, as both its history and ritual prove. The creed of Freemasonry is absolutely religious. This creed may be briefly stated in these words: Faith in God, Hope in immortality, and Charity for all mankind, but especially for our Brethren in the Craft."

The ritual of Freemasonry is also religious. The lessons which it inculcates are founded upon the teachings of both the Old and New Testaments, which together, as contained in the Holy Bible, constitute the First Great Light of Freemasonry.

One of the best articles we have ever read on the subject of Religion and Freemasonry is the following, copied from the address of the M.W. G. Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, delivered at its one hundred and tenth Annual Grand Communication, June 1891:

"During the year I have received personal communications and marked copies of newspapers, calling my special attention to the subject of 'Religion and Freemasonry,' and 'The Church and Freemasonry.'

"It has been my purpose to fairly and fearlessly meet every legitimate inquiry touching the merits of our Institution. I am therefore ready to meet this inquiry and proclaim what I honestly believe to be the true doctrine of every Free and Accepted Mason who practises in deed, not professes in word, the religious teaching which is the bulwark of our strength and perpetuity.

"I differ from those Masonic writers and orators who purposely abstain from mentioning Religion in connection with Freemasonry, or who frequently make the statement that there is no Religion in our Institution.

"I boldly proclaim with all the force of language at my command that there is Religion in Freemasonry. Not the narrow Religion of sect or creed, but that broad Religion which teaches 'Thou shalt have no other gods before me;' that Religion which teaches us from childhood to old age reverently to say 'Our Father which art in heaven;' that Religion which teaches us to protect and preserve the Great Light in Masonry which is given as a 'rule and guide for our faith and practice.' And so long as the ten thousand Lodges exist in this fair land of ours, so long will ten thousand Holy Bibles be preserved, as silent but all-powerful witnesses before the world that there is Religion in Freemasonry.

"Our Grand Institution lives, moves and has its being in that beautiful and broad Religion which conveys to us the command, 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy mind and with all thy strength, and thy neighbour as thyself.' Does not this declare with great force and power the truth we so love to teach, 'The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of man?'

"Freemasonry becomes a part of Religion, because it teaches 'Faith in God, hope in immortality, charity to all mankind.' Freemasonry becomes a part of Religion, because it teaches 'Duty to God, to your neighbour, and yourself.' These eternal principles, vital to our very existence, should at all times be proclaimed to and by the Craft with no uncertain sound; and especially should the candidate be given to understand in thunder tones that he is expected to lead a religious life; that he violates his vows if he does not live upright before God and man. He should be taught that Freemasonry and Religion are so interwoven that it is nothing less than criminal for him to make application to become a member of the Fraternity if he be an immoral man, if he be a profane man, if he be an irreligious man, lacking in love for his fellows and devoid of the love of God in his heart.

"We are grateful that the Craft has been controlled by such a spirit in the past, and that its teachings have brought us to the present high plane of honour and usefulness, which was the ambition of our Masonic fathers and is our brightest hope.

"Lest I be misunderstood, I will here state explicitly that 'Religion and Freemasonry' should not be confounded with 'The Church and Freemasonry.' We should never seek to unite the Church and State, nor should we seek to unite the Church and Freemasonry. Keep separate; each working in its own way for the good of a common cause.

"I am utterly opposed to that class of Freemasons—thank God, we have few—who state that the Lodge is good enough church for them, and that to be a good Mason is to be a good church member. Away with that doctrine! I am as zealous a Mason as lives, and yet with all my zeal I desire here and now to record my belief that there are two things over, above, and beyond Freemasonry—one, the Church; the other, the family. Never substitute Freemasonry for the Church. Let us have a common religious platform where all Free and Accepted Masons can meet; in addition to this, let us have a Church where each individual Mason may select his Church home. I also insist with equal sincerity and solemnity that no Brother should ever substitute for Freemasonry some unknown, uncertain, unmeaning, unbelievable theory under the guise of so-called religious progress. Let us have complete, earnest, honest faith and belief in Religion, and let it be firmly and forever interwoven with Freemasonry.

"Brethren, this Grand Lodge has ever remained true and steadfast to these religious principles which were born of God, and not created by man. And so long as we stand firm in the faith, our Institution will stand firm as the Rock of Ages. Give no heed to the word or creed of finite man, whose judgment may be biased by passion or prejudice. The definition of religion by the infinite God is sufficient to enlighten us here and to guide us to the glory of the hereafter."—"Keystone."

Books of the Day.

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Books, Music, &c. intended for review, should be addressed to the Editor of the Freemason's Chronicle, at Fleet Works, New Barnet.

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The Atlantic Ferry. Its Ships, Men, and working. By Arthur J. Maginnis, M.I.C.E. With numerous illustrations, diagrams, and plans. Third edition, revised and enlarged (7s 6d).—Whittaker and Co.

THE story of the crossing of the Atlantic is an important one in the history of human progress. Perhaps there is hardly another subject in the whole range of our national history that so well shows what can be accomplished by enterprise and perseverance. We have a masterly book in the "Atlantic Ferry," and we do not often find a work covering an equal amount of ground so well executed from all standpoints. As the writer remarks at the outset, it is only about sixty years since the sailing clippers were the predominant craft crossing the great Atlantic highway. The first chapter, dealing with the early steamers and their runs across the "herring pond" will probably most interest readers who are not of a mechanical turn of mind; but the subsequent chapters, describing the construction and comparative merits of the many famous "liners," are of most value to the class of readers for whom the "Atlantic Ferry" was written. The illustrations are so many and so clear that they form a valuable series of pictures, and they are deserving of warm praise from all interested in the records of these floating palaces. We need hardly remind our readers that this is one of a class of books for which Messrs. Whittaker are deservedly famous. We hope this new edition may have the circulation which it merits.

A Millionaire of Yesterday. By E. Phillips Oppenheim. Illustrated by Stanley L. Wood (3s 6d).—Ward, Lock and Co., Limited.

THE man who does not enjoy a story from the pen of Mr. E. Phillips Oppenheim is past praying for. The book before us is as fluent and masterly a piece of writing as we expected to find it, although, on the whole, we do not think it so uniformly entertaining as "Mysterious Mr. Sabin." Trent is hardly an original character, nor is DaSouza quite so firmly sketched as Mr. Sabin; but the story has many merits, and should enjoy a great sale. There are some passages of good descriptive writing, too, as may be seen by anyone who is not running as he reads. The weaknesses of Monty are skilfully revealed, and the transformations in the character of Trent would have been too difficult a subject for the many who wield a less facile pen than Mr. Oppenheim. We have been trying to decide wherein this writer's great strength lies, but somehow the answer has eluded us. It is not to be found in the narrative itself, or in the characters, if regarded as original creations; but rather, as we suppose, in a general happiness of treatment which makes the men fit the scene of their actions. Mr. Oppenheim, for instance, can hardly spin so good a "yarn" as Mr. Guy Boothby, nor has he, so far as we are aware, created so great a phenomenon as the "Pharos" of his rival; yet we do not hesitate to say that, of the two men, Mr. Oppenheim is the greater writer. Messrs. Ward, Lock and Co. must have some exceedingly sagacious "readers," for they have recently issued volume after volume of prose-fiction certainly of a very high order.

New Century Library (2s net per vol.).—T. Nelson and Sons. The Works of CHARLES DICKENS.—Vol. vi., **Barnaby Rudge**. Vol. vii., **Dombey and Son**. Vol. viii., **David Copperfield**.

NEED we introduce these three old friends with any formal phraseology? We may rather take a leaf from the book of an Irish critic, who said that everybody reads these volumes, and the people who do not are ashamed to own it. No doubt the "Pickwick Papers" and "The old curiosity Shop" are even greater favourites with the many; but we could hardly name another three of Dickens's works so well calculated to show his discernment of character and versatile abilities. Moreover, each of the volumes before us contains at least one of Dickens's wonderful eccentrics; for in "Barnaby Rudge" we meet Mr. Tappertit, who divides his attention between his slim legs and the fair Miggs; in "Dombey and Son" with Captain Cuttle, his hook, and his perennial advice to overhaul the book; and in "David Copperfield" with the worthy Peggotty and his unique residence. The peculiar merits of this edition—the beauty of the typography and the wonderful small compass in which so much is compressed—have been pointed out by us on several former occasions. Those who do not secure copies of Messrs. Nelson's "New Century Library" are certainly missing a good opportunity.

Cycling in the Alps. With some notes on the chief passes. By C. L. Freeston, with twenty-four full page drawings by A. R. Quinton (5s).—Grant Richards.

CYCLISTS have reason to be gratified by the increasing attention bestowed upon them by our publishers. If they stray from the right path they will soon have only themselves to blame. Mr. Freeston has probably had more experience in Cycling literature than any other author, and has here given us an exceedingly useful book. He has spared no pains in arranging his material to the best advantage, and we can offer no better advice to the cyclist who intends taking a Swiss tour than to allow Mr. Freeston to be his guide. Moreover, there is good descriptive writing in "Cycling in the Alps" and so many excellent prose-vignettes of villages and of mountain scenery that he who cycles not at all, nor ever punctures tyre, may pass a pleasant hour in turning its pages. Mr. Freeston has succeeded in

making us fall in love with his subject, and we can well believe that the ride from the Upper Engadine to the Lecco end of Lake Como is one long, delightful dream. We wish we could speak equally well of the illustrations, but think they might have been better. We trust the book will sell so largely that the publisher will be tempted to issue others of a similar character.

The Humours of a Hydro. By Dagney Major. Second edition (1s).—Skeffington and Son.

THIS little book cannot be described as a boon and a blessing to men. The only "humour" we can discover in it reminds us at times of Southey—perhaps the poorest jester who ever put pen to paper. If it be true that the prosperity of a jest lies in the ear of the hearer we can only express our surprise that a second edition of this fun has been called for. For while we can quite understand that a few folk bought in expectation of being amused we cannot believe that a single adult has found what he sought. We are the more sorry to express this opinion because the subject has great possibilities for humorous treatment, and we feel that the writer has lost a good opportunity. As it is, no critic of any acumen would admit that "humorous" literature can be written on the principles here exemplified. "The Heavy-eyed man," with his oft repeated "Eh? What?" the Puffy man with his "very good that, eh?" and the Feline man seeking for the eternal hair, are in truth but a sorry trio of entertainers. Dagney Major must try again; and if he is successful we shall most cordially welcome his next book.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

History of the Lodge of Edinburgh (Mary's Chapel), No. 1. Embracing an account of the rise and progress of Freemasonry in Scotland. By David Murray Lyon, Secretary to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, Corresponding member of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, M.M. Ayr St. Paul, P.M. Ayr St. James. Tercentenary Edition.—Gresham Publishing Co.

The Settlement after the war in South Africa. By M. J. Farrelly, LL.D. (10s net).—Macmillan and Co.

The Chase of the Ruby. By Richard Marsh (3s 6d).—Skeffington and Son.

Philip Winwood. A sketch of the domestic history of an American Captain in the war of Independence; embracing events that occurred between and during the years 1763 and 1786, in New York and London: written by his enemy in war, Herbert Russell, Lieutenant in the Loyalist forces. Presented anew by Robert Neilson Stephens. Illustrated by E. W. D. Hamilton (6s).—Chatto and Windus.

New Century Library (2s net per vol.).—T. Nelson and Sons. The Works of WILLIAM MAKEPEACE THACKERAY.—Vol. vi., **The Book of Snobs**, Christmas Books, and Sketches and Travels in London.

China of To-day or The Yellow Peril. Illustrating the principal places, incidents, and persons connected with the crisis in China. Edited by Commander Charles N. Robinson, R.N. (5s).—George Newnes, Limited.

Khaki in South Africa. An album of pictures and photographs illustrating the chief events of the war under Lord Roberts, with a chronological history (5s).—George Newnes, Limited.

On Tuesday next Bro. Charles Wyndham will produce a new play by Henry Arthur Jones, at his theatre in Charing Cross Road.

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After a lapse of many years, Bro. L. DaCosta P.M. 1349 has consented to work the Fifteen Sections at the Israel Lodge of Instruction, No. 205, at the Rising Sun, Globe Road, Bethnal Green, on Sunday, 28th inst., at 6 p.m. prompt. This is practically the opening night of the season, and it is hoped there will be a specially strong attendance as a consequence.

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We are pleased to hear that Bro. D. Murray Lyon's services to Scottish Freemasonry have been recognised in a substantial manner, he having been granted as a retiring allowance his full salary of £600 a year as Grand Secretary of that Jurisdiction. Our worthy Brother is in his eighty-second year, and we trust will live for many years yet to enjoy his well deserved retirement. He has filled the office of Grand Secretary for twenty-four years, and under his management the affairs of the Scottish Grand Lodge have prospered greatly. That they are now in a very flourishing condition is shown by the fact that when he was appointed in 1877 there was a debt against Grand Lodge of £20,000, which has been converted into a credit balance of £80,000. Bro. Murray Lyon is a recognised authority on all matters connected with Freemasonry, and he is the author of a history of the Craft of Scotland. The candidates for the vacant office are Bro. David Reid Grand Treasurer, Bro. Allan Mackenzie, Edinburgh; and Bro. MacNaught Campbell, Glasgow.

REPORTS OF MEETINGS.

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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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Chough Lodge, No. 2264.

INSTALLATION OF BROTHER CHARLES FROHLICH.

THE annual festival of this Lodge took place on Thursday of last week, at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street, E.C., when Bro. Alfred Haynes W.M. presided, and was supported by Bros. Charles Frohlich W.M.-elect S.W., J. A. Smith J.W., E. T. Edwards P.M. Treas., J. W. Dewsnap P.M. Sec., W. G. A. Edwards P.M. S.D., G. H. Ingle J.D., W. J. Sowden D.C., L. Schneiders I.G., Turle Lee Organist, Walter B. Marcus P.M., W. Vincent Jull P.M., George Scott Miller P.M., H. Saqui P.M., J. F. Percival P.M., T. Bowler P.M. Tyler, and many other of the members of the Lodge.

The Visitors included Bros. C. H. Crowther 2261 P.P.G.D.C. W. Yorks., F. Stotzer S.W. 238, F. Medhurst 1692, R. C. Harris 65, P. Gray W.M. 1597, M. Pinto Leite J.W. 1584, H. Massey P.M. 619 and 1928, J. Jacobson 2313, C. Harrer P.M. 238, W. W. Morgan 177, Henry Franckiss 2454, John Sandbrook 1929, F. C. Forward 1693, F. R. Deacon 1321, Emil Schreier 1558, H. E. Frances 1861 P.P.G.D. Surrey, H. Van Gelder 2432, S. F. Thomas 1776, H. Pink 1558, R. Burghoults S.D. 2148, W. W. Fletcher 2570, F. J. Holdsworth S.W. 1538, J. P. Rogers P.M. 70 105 1550 Prov. G.S.B. Devon, H. Peirce P.M. 1599, C. H. Goldsmith 1597, &c.

After the opening of the Lodge the report of the Auditors was postponed until the October meeting, all the members of the Lodge not being present. The balance-sheet showed the Lodge to be in an excellent financial condition, there being more than £200 in hand upon the General Fund, and more than £120 to the credit of the Benevolent Fund.

The installation of the new Worshipful Master was regularly carried out by his predecessor in the Office, the veteran Bro. H. E. Frances acting as D.C., and presenting Bro. Charles Frohlich as W.M.-elect.

The latter Brother having been regularly installed, proclaimed, and saluted appointed his Assistant Officers, as follow: Bros. J. A. Smith S.W., W. G. A. Edwards P.M. J.W., E. T. Edwards P.M. Treas., J. W. Dewsnap P.M. Sec., G. H. Ingle S.D., L. Schneiders J.D., W. J. Sowden I.G., J. Turle Lee Organist, J. H. Mullerhausen and Thos. J. Ive Stewards, T. Bowler Tyler.

The addresses having been delivered, congratulations were tendered the new W.M., who proceeded to close the Lodge, whereupon the Brethren repaired to the Pillar Hall of the Hotel, where the installation banquet was partaken of.

At the conclusion of the banquet grace was sung, and then the W.M. proposed the first toast. He said Her Majesty the Queen had endeared herself to all her subjects, at home as well as in the colonies, but especially so to the Freemasons of England. In her sixty years reign she had really made herself beloved by all classes, and she certainly deserved all the respect that was shown her. The sixty years of her reign had brought the country forward in the eyes of the whole world.

In submitting the health of the Grand Master the W.M. said the Prince of Wales was a Mason, and a true Mason in every respect. They might congratulate themselves, and the Prince of Wales could also congratulate himself, on having been so long spared to occupy his high position, and to have escaped the mad acts of the youth who recently sought to injure him. The Prince of Wales did all he could for Freemasonry, especially its Charities, and he had indeed endeared himself to all the members of the Craft, as well as to the colonies, and even to foreign countries. He trusted he might live long to reign over the Freemasons of England.

In proposing the toast of the ProG.M., the Deputy, and the rest of the Grand Officers present and past the W.M. said the Brethren had heard from the I.P.M. that in Freemasonry some must rule and teach, others must learn, submit and obey. So it was that they, as a Lodge, must have some superior Lodge to govern over them, and direct their course. The impression of every visitor to Grand Lodge was that the Officers appointed to preside over the Craft were the right men in the right place; they were not put there for mere ornament, but to act in the interests of the Craft, and especially of its Charities—they really deserved the toast so often proposed in their honour.

Bro. Alfred Haynes I.P.M. proposed the health of the W.M. He said that in their Worshipful Master he was quite sure they had one who would hand down the traditions of the Chough Lodge in all their integrity, and to their entire satisfaction. The W.M. had been connected with the Chough Lodge almost since its commencement, and had passed through the minor Offices with credit to himself and satisfaction to all the members. Although the Lodge had had many excellent Masters, he felt that not one of them would have upheld the traditions of the Lodge better than Bro. Frohlich would do during the ensuing year.

The W.M. tendered thanks to the members of the Lodge, for having given him the opportunity of presiding over them for the next twelve months. He also thanked the I.P.M. for saying, or trying to say, what advantages he possessed or ought to possess.

He occupied a unique position that night, in being the first foreign born Brother who had attempted to preside over the destinies of the Chough Lodge, and speaking for himself he was sure the Lodge would not suffer at his hands, as he would do his duty and do all he could for the welfare of the Lodge. Years ago he was called upon to do his duty as a soldier, but when he stood in front of the French cannon, when he entered some of the French towns, or when on return to his native country he took part in the march past before the Grand Duke of Hesse, and the Grand Duchess the daughter of their beloved Queen, he confessed he did not feel so proud as at the moment when he was placed in the chair of the Chough Lodge. He would strive to strengthen the good feeling and Brotherly love among them, and sincerely thanked them for the confidence shown in him.

In proposing the next toast the W.M. said he could not think of any greater satisfaction for a Worshipful Master in the chair than to have to propose the health of his outgoing Master and a personal friend, such as was the case with him that night in Bro. Alfred Haynes, who had proved himself a worthy ruler in the Lodge. It was gratifying to know they were that day in a better position than ever known in the history of the Lodge, and that he had finished his duties as Master that night by efficiently performing no light task. The Brethren must have seen that Bro. Haynes had the interest of the Lodge at heart, and this was recognised at the last meeting, when, as they were aware, it was decided that a Past Master's jewel should be presented him in recognition of his services in the chair. He regarded that jewel as a most exquisite piece of workmanship, and it afforded him the greatest of pleasure to present it to Bro. Haynes, with the best wishes of the members. He trusted that when he wore it he would think kindly of the Brethren. He trusted he would always be proud of wearing the Past Master's jewel of No. 2264—the Chough Lodge. The jewel was inscribed as follows:—

Presented to

BRO. ALFRED HAYNES,

in consideration of his valuable services as Worshipful Master, 1899-1900, by the Brethren of the

CHOUGH LODGE.

Bro. Haynes replied. He scarcely knew how to express thanks for the kind remarks and the warm reception that had just been accorded him. During his Masonic career—extending over some ten years in that Lodge—he had endeavoured to do his duty as a Mason, and to fill the Offices which had fallen to his lot to the best of his ability. He appreciated to the fullest their great kindness, and the jewel they had been pleased to present to him, and hoped to be able to further the interests of the Chough Lodge to the end of his days. It was his Mother Lodge, and he revered it. He promised that whatever he could do to advance its interests he would be pleased to undertake.

The next toast was that of the Visitors. The W.M. said Visitors to the Chough Lodge were at all times welcome, and the members desired to show them how they appreciated their presence. He hoped the guests that evening had been satisfied with the work in the Lodge, as well as the little refreshment they had been able to since accord them, and that one and all would thoroughly enjoy their visit.

Bro. Crowther was the first to respond. He considered it an honour to be present that evening, and was very glad he had kept in London to enjoy the meeting that day. The working he had witnessed in Lodge was much like their own—what he was accustomed to in the Province of West Yorkshire—and he was pleased to be able to congratulate the Officers on the way in which they had performed their respective tasks. He was sure other Brethren of Huddersfield would have been as pleased as he was to have been present that night, and that they would also be delighted to welcome any members of the Chough Lodge who could pay them a visit there.

Bro. Rogers said he hoped, and trusted, and believed, that the Worshipful Master would be well supported by the Officers and Brethren of his Lodge during his term of Office. It was certainly a unique experience to him to find a German presiding over a Metropolitan Lodge, but he predicted nothing but satisfaction as the result. Speaking to the members of the Chough Lodge, he felt he might say—how few of you know the history of the Cornish Chough? The Chough was not extinct, it was there that day—but the difficulty was to find it! Their Bro. Sowden put him in mind of the Cornish Chough—a Brother ever ready to give timely warning of approaching danger, ever ready to do a kindly turn, but if asked to say a word detrimental to anyone would be found to be, not at home. Our Brother spoke of his experiences at Lodges abroad, quoting one assembly he had taken part in at Gibraltar, where many nationalities and classes were represented, and concluded with an appreciative reference to what he had seen that night in the Chough Lodge.

Bro. Peirce followed. As Secretary of the Chough Lodge of Instruction he was pleased to be able to state that Lodge was a success, in proof of which he might quote the fact that they had already sent up thirty guineas to the Charities, although the Lodge had only been established since the beginning of January—and beyond this they had another five guineas ready to be forwarded. They were thankful, and proud of their Mother Lodge, and hoped the Brethren thereof would also be proud of the Instruction Lodge working under their sanction.

Bro. Harrer was pleased to be able to congratulate one of his countrymen on his position as head of the Chough Lodge. The Lodge of which he was a Past Master—the Pilgrim, No. 238—enjoyed the distinction of being the only Lodge under the English Constitution whose members were allowed to work in their own language, and also to carry on the work in accordance with the German ritual. During his Mastership the Waldeck Lodge was

established, and its members thought they also would be allowed to work in the German language, but the Prince of Wales would not give the sanction—and, he felt, he was justified in so ruling.

Bro. Holdsworth also responded to the toast.

The W.M. now submitted the health of the Past Masters of the Lodge. He felt they had in those Brethren the pillars of the Lodge. They were indeed most worthy Brethren—worthy Masons, and men who stuck to the Chough Lodge through thick and thin.

Bro. Marcus responded. The Past Masters felt very proud of the encouragement they received from the Lodge, and he felt the members should also be proud of having so good an array of Past Masters present that evening. The Past Masters of the Lodge felt they were indeed in the sere and yellow leaf, but they had a lasting interest in the Lodge, and looked upon its present position with every satisfaction.

Bro. Jull tendered his thanks for all the kindnesses he had received in the Lodge, and hoped he should always deserve and receive similar treatment.

Bro. Saqui said that was the first time he had responded as a Past Master of the Lodge. True, during the past year he had been its Immediate Past Master, but that was the first day he had really taken a place in the ranks of Past Masters. He had heard a great deal about the sere and yellow leaf being inseparably associated with the Past Masters, and now that he had really joined their ranks he felt there was nothing in all he had heard in that connection. Why then terrify a man, and lead him to think there was something awful in joining the roll of those who had passed the chair? For himself, he could assure them he felt no difference, and he was as determined as ever to do what he could for the interests of the Lodge and the welfare of its members.

The W.M. next submitted the toast of the Treasurer and Secretary, whom he regarded as two most important Officers in a Lodge if it was to be worked successfully. In Bro. Edwards, their Treasurer, they had a worthy and esteemed Brother, and he congratulated him—and the Brethren also—on his being again elected to the Office. He was a Brother who could certainly be relied on to look after the finances of the Lodge. In their Secretary the Brethren had indeed a worthy Freemason, one who had devoted a great amount of time and attention to the Craft and their Lodge in particular. He was indeed pleased in having Bro. Dewsnap still in office as Secretary, and congratulated him, and he felt all the members did, on his appearance there that night, after the long spell of ill health he had experienced.

The toast of the Officers of the Lodge and that by the Tyler brought the list to a conclusion, and terminated a very successful meeting in the history of the Chough Lodge.

The Musical arrangements of the evening were under the able direction of Bro. Turtle Lee Organist of the Lodge, who was assisted by Miss Alice Schneiders, Miss Florence Glover, Bro. H. Franckiss (whose rendering of "Lend me your aid" was particularly fine), Bro. John Sandbrook, and Herren C. Wastel and H. Herbst, who gave some excellent solos and duets on the zither.

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Egyptian Lodge, No. 27.

ON Monday, at the King's Arms, Beech Street, Barbican, E.C., Bros. Edward Parker W.M., Y. Bolton S.W., S. Simon J.W., H. Hall P.M. Prec., R. W. Smith P.M. Treas., H. J. Grimdale acting Sec., E. G. Chapman S.D., L. Dredge I.G., J. Wynman, and others.

The Lodge was opened up and the third ceremony was rehearsed, Bro. Wynman, as the candidate, being first examined and entrusted.

Bro. Bolton was elected W.M. for Monday next.

Confidence Lodge, No. 193.

THE members held their usual meeting at the Bunch of Grapes on Wednesday evening, when the Lodge was well attended, chiefly by Brethren of the Mother Lodge. It was Officers night, and all the Officers attended to take part in the duties, with the exception of the Inner Guard, whose duties were taken by Brother Done.

It was with deep regret the members learnt that in consequence of the change of management the accommodation so generously provided by Bro. Goovearts would be no longer available for Lodge meetings. Those present paid a high compliment to Bro. Goovearts for the admirable manner in which for so long a time he had catered for them, and made the Bunch of Grapes like home.

It was decided to continue the meetings in the immediate neighbourhood. Due notice will be given to all members on selection of a suitable habitation.

The Worshipful Master rehearsed the first and third degrees, his beaming face and kindly smile, and the sweet though emphatic manner in which he delivered the ritual rendered it solemn, pleasant, and instructive.

The Mother Lodge holds its first meeting of the season on Monday next, when no doubt we shall be represented as usual.

Finsbury Park Lodge, No. 1288.

THE first of a proposed series of musical services took place at this Lodge on Saturday, at the Old Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., when Bro. H. Hill P.M. Preceptor presided over a large assembly, and was supported by Bros. Rawlinson acting I.P.M., John Thorn S.W., H. J. Abrahams J.W., W. Syckelmoore P.M. Treas., C. W. Austin P.M. 160 Sec., W. H. Pocklington P.M. Mus.

Director, A. J. Davis S.D., Coley J.D., T. Bean I.G. Others present were Bros. J. Hume, Moore P.M., T. C. Edmonds P.M., Foster, Sargood, Taylor P.M., F. Linfoot, Lewis, Johnson, Wynman, &c., the total attendance being between fifty and sixty members and visitors.

The Lodge being regularly formed was opened with musical accompaniment. The minutes were confirmed, Lodge was advanced, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of raising, with Bro. G. H. Paine as the candidate.

Lodge was resumed to the first degree and Bros. W. Rolfe 2202, W. Wilson 1288, E. Loeb 2374, J. Maurice Steward 65 and J. Heilbron 2353 were elected members, each acknowledging the compliment.

Bro. Rawlinson acting I.P.M., in complimentary terms proposed a vote of thanks to Bro. Hill, for his excellent rendering of the ceremony of raising; this was seconded by Bro. T. Bean I.G., and carried. Bro. Hill thanked the Brethren. He considered it a matter of duty to render any assistance that might be required in the interests of the Lodge. He had done the work to the best of his ability and hoped, now that the Instruction Lodge had started again for the season, that the Brethren would attend the meetings as regularly as possible. He felt they ought to specially thank their Musical Director Bro. Pocklington for the excellent assistance he had rendered, and for the valuable addition he and the Brethren of the choir had made to the working that evening.

Bro. Pocklington, on behalf of the choir, and for himself thanked the W.M. for his very kind remarks. He was pleased to hear their efforts had been appreciated.

Bro. C. W. Austin P.M. Sec. asked the Brethren to support the meetings. It was their intention to work ceremonies and sections each Saturday evening, with the exception of those evenings on which it had been arranged to hold Musical Ceremonies, viz.: 24th November, 23rd February, and 27th April next.

The following professional Brethren supported the Musical Director:—W. Wheeler P.M., W. Syckelmoore P.M. Treas., J. Dew, A. Wilson, E. Baker, J. Johnson, and Windsor Organist.

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West Smithfield Lodge, No. 1623.

INAUGURATIVE SUPPER OF THE WINTER SEASON.

THE opening supper in connection with this Lodge of Instruction took place on Wednesday evening of last week, at the City Scotch Stores, 27 Knighttrider Street, there being thirty Brethren present.

The Lodge was opened at 6.30 p.m. in the three degrees, and closed to the first, when Bro. J. Ord, of the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 908, Brisbane, was unanimously elected a member.

The Lodge was then closed and the Brethren adjourned to the dining-saloon, where the tables were not only laid out so ornamentally as to be a credit to the Host Bro. J. R. L. Daish, but the various dishes were so well served, and so delicious, that the praises of the Brethren could not be otherwise than unanimous.

Bro. Charles J. Pratt I.P.M. 1623 presided in his usual merry style, while Bro. J. Hoffmann J.D. 1623 Sec. of the Lodge of Instruction occupied the Vice-Chair. Amongst the Brethren present we may mention Bro. F. P. Weinel P.M. 1828 and J.W. 1745, who is one of the Pillars of the Lodge, and is the untiring and genial Preceptor, which qualities have endeared him so much to the Brethren. There was also present the newly appointed W.M. of 1623 Bro. C. A. Barter, a regular supporter; Bro. J. Gordon, M.D., P.M. 1769 and 1924, Bro. J. M. Murphy, and W. R. Witt, both P.Ms. of 1745; Bros. Thomas Powell, Etherington Smith, Chas. Strong, and Horace Reynolds, who are respectively S.W., J.W., S.D., and J.D. of No. 2182, perhaps better known as the "Lyric" Vocal Quartette, who contributed considerably to the enjoyment of the evening by their excellent rendering of many charming solos, duets, and glees. Bro. T. Powell was responsible for the duties of Musical Director, for which he is famous. Bro. Stanley Galpin kept the Brethren in roars of laughter by his capital sketches "In the Suburbs" and "Who's that a' calling," while Bros. Pratt, Daish, etc. also assisted in solos. Bro. A. Milne proved an acquisition at the Piano, and the Supper having also turned out a financial success, the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction can only be congratulated on their steady progress and good work.

Again we beg to invite those who are anxious to make themselves perfect in the ritual and tenets of the Craft to pay a visit to this Lodge, where they will be well received; the Meeting Nights are Wednesdays, at 27 Knighttrider Street, at 7 p.m. prompt.

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Perseverance Lodge, No. 1743.

AN exceptionally good meeting was held on Monday, at 7.30 p.m., at the Brown Bear, Aldersgate Street, E.C., those present including Bros. G. Herbert Burns W.M., R. Perry S.W., Sprague J.W., Humphreys P.P.G.S.D. Prec., G. S. Dauntton P.M. Treas., P. Groner Sec., Sharpe S.D., A. Herbert Burns J.D., Millard I.G., A. Marshall, Collins, Campbell, Pepper, Poole, Cathie, Timmins, A. Spiegel, Franklin, Powell, Corkner, Hawkins, Cook, Milman, W. Brown, J. Wynman, and others.

After the usual formalities the Lodge was advanced and Bro. R. Perry was presented as W.M.-elect by Bro. G. S. Dauntton P.M., who made an excellent D.C. Bro. Perry having taken the obligation was installed and saluted, after which he invested the Officers, which work was done in good style. Bro. G. Herbert Burns P.M. afterwards delivered the three addresses. The Lodge having been resumed to the first degree the Preceptor announced that as Bro. Burns had to shortly instal his successor in the Mother Lodge the ceremony of installation would be repeated on Monday next. He further proposed a vote of thanks and congratulation to Bro. Burns, for the ability he had displayed that day in the work of the Lodge, and this having been agreed to, Bro. Burns replied, thanking the

members for their mark of appreciation. He was delighted to hear he had given satisfaction, and hoped to do even better at the next rehearsal.

Bros. Mossman, Unthank, and Broomhead were elected members, and tendered thanks for the compliment.

Brondesbury Lodge, No. 2698.

THE first meeting of the session was held at the Earl Derby, High Road, Kilburn, on Monday, those present including Bros. Harold Coxen W.M., H. Dunaway S.W., T. H. Palmer J.W., J. Gawthrop P.M. S.D., Browne J.D., J. Horstead I.G., A. F. Hardyment P.M. Prec., R. J. Campbell P.M. Treas., T. Bore W.M. 1275 Sec., Payne Organist, G. D. Fraser, G. Coxen, J. Golby, W. G. Coxen, H. Willsmer, M. Spiegel P.M. P.Z., Smith P.M., and Curtis.

The first and second ceremonies were rehearsed, Brothers Willsmer and Golby candidates.

Bro. H. Dunaway was elected W.M. for the next meeting.

Strand Lodge, No. 1987.

INAUGURAL DINNER.

FOR some time past a desire has been expressed among the members of the Strand Lodge that a Lodge of Instruction should be formed in connection therewith, and on Tuesday, 2nd inst., the first meeting was held, and the Lodge successfully inaugurated. Convenient and extremely comfortable quarters have been provided at the Salisbury, 91 Strand, and the Lodge, which is open to visitors, will be held every Tuesday evening, from 7 to 9 p.m.

At the inaugural dinner Bro. Jackson P.M. occupied the chair,

and in proposing the principal toast—the Strand Lodge of Instruction—stated that Brother Rapley had kindly undertaken to act as Preceptor pro tem., and he felt sure that he and the Secretary Bro. Chas. E. B. Kibblewhite would have the hearty support of all the Past Masters and members of the Strand Lodge.

In replying to the toast of the Secretary, Bro. Chas. E. B. Kibblewhite stated that no effort would be wanting on his part to make the Strand Lodge of Instruction a great success, and a place of meeting not only for the members of the Strand Lodge, but for the Masons of London.

The health of the Visitors and that of the Chairman concluded the toast list, which was varied by an excellent musical programme.

UNDER the patronage of Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, the Westminster Orchestral Society is about to commence its sixteenth season. At the forthcoming Orchestral Concert, the programme will, as usual, include several new works of interest by British composers. In response to the wish of many music lovers resident in the country to assist in the patriotic and valuable work the Society has so long carried forward, the Committee have decided to enrol a limited number of Country Members at a nominal fee of half a guinea a year, in return for which subscription such members are entitled to receive the Society's publications and, when visiting London, the privileges of one guinea Members. Applications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Algernon Rose, Town Hall, Westminster. Such Membership should be found of especial benefit to Conductors, and Secretaries of Provincial Musical Societies desiring information concerning suitable orchestral works by British composers, or information regarding British soloists and players generally.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK.

Monday.

- 58 Felicity, Princes Restaurant
- 59 Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall
- 193 Confidence, Anderton's Hotel
- 957 Leigh, Freemasons' Hall
- 1305 St. Marylebone, Criterion Restaurant
- 2030 Abbey, Town Hall, Westminster
- 2094 Elthorne and Middlesex, Cafe Royal
- 2632 Byfield, Great Eastern Hotel
- 40 Derwent, Castle, Hastings
- 68 Royal Clarence, F.M.H., Bristol
- 75 Love and Honour, F.M.H., Falmouth
- 102 Unanimity, King's Arms, N. Walsham
- 104 St. John, Mechanics Inst., Stockport
- 105 Fortitude, F.M.H., Plymouth
- 106 Sun, F.M.H., Exmouth
- 151 Albany, F.M.H., Newport, I. of W.
- 189 Sincerity, Town Hall, E. Stonehouse
- 237 Indefatigable, F.M.H., Swansea
- 240 St. Hilda, F.M.H., South Shields
- 292 Sincerity, Adelphi, Liverpool
- 296 Royal Brunswick, F.M.H., Sheffield
- 297 Witham, Masonic Rooms, Lincoln
- 302 Hope, F.M.H., Bradford
- 303 Benevolent, F.M.H., Teignmouth
- 307 Prince Frederick, Hebden Bridge
- 314 Peace and Unity, Bull, Preston
- 330 One and All, F.M.H., Bodmin
- 339 Unanimity, Crown, Penrith
- 411 Commercial, F.M.H., Nottingham
- 543 Cleveland, F.M.H., Stokesley
- 589 Druid of Love & Liberality, Redruth
- 632 Concord, F.M.H., Trowbridge
- 643 Royal, Foord's, Filey
- 665 Montagu, F.M.H., Lyme Regis
- 699 Boscawen, F.M.H., Chacewater
- 721 Independence, F.M.H., Chester
- 797 Hauley, Hauley Hall, Dartmouth
- 884 Derwent, Town Hall, Wirksworth
- 893 Meridian, F.M.H., Millbrook
- 941 De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford
- 985 Alexandra, F.M.H., Sutton Bridge
- 1174 Pentagle, Sun, Chatham
- 1221 Defence, F.M.H., Leeds
- 1237 Enfield, George, Enfield
- 1272 Tregenna, F.M.H., St. Ives, Cornwall
- 1282 Ancholme, Masonic Rooms, Brigg
- 1302 De Warren, White Swan, Halifax
- 1350 Fermor Hesketh, F.M.H., Bootle
- 1380 Skelmersdale, Town Hall, Liverpool
- 1402 Jordan, Masonic Temple, Torquay
- 1408 Stamford & Warrington, Stalybridge
- 1436 Castle, F.M.H., Sandgate
- 1449 Royal Military, Mas. Tem., Canterbury
- 1477 Sir Watkin, F.M.H., Mold
- 1486 Duncombe, F.M.H., Kingsbridge
- 1505 Emulation, F.M.H., Liverpool
- 1611 Eboracum, F.M.H., York
- 1618 Handyside, Priv. Rms., Saltburn-by-Sea
- 1730 Urmston, Victoria, Urmston
- 1792 Tudor, The Institute, Harborne
- 1885 Torridge, F.M.H., Great Torrington
- 1914 St. Thomas, Harecastle, Kidsgrove
- 1948 Hardman, Queen's Arms, Rawtenstall

- 1952 High Peak, Tn. H., Chapel-en-le-Frith
- 1966 Fidelity & Sincerity, M.H., Wellington
- 1977 Blackwater, Blue Boar, Maldon
- 2144 De Tatton, Town Hall, Altrincham
- 2185 Ardwick, Moseley, Manchester
- 2187 Adur, Assembly Rooms, Henfield
- 2376 Carnarvon, Public Hall, Leyland
- 2382 Loyal Hay, Hay
- 2457 St. Anne's, St. Anne's-on-Sea
- 2584 Queen Victoria, Con. Club, Cheetham

Tuesday.

- 167 St. John, Jack Straw C., Hampstead
- 180 St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall
- 211 St. Michael, Albion
- 228 United Strength, Guildhall Tavern
- 255 Harmony, Greyhound, Richmond
- 781 Merchant Navy, Town H., Limehouse
- 824 Ranelagh, Criterion Restaurant
- 917 Cosmopolitan, City Terminus Hotel
- 933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel
- 1196 Urban, Freemasons' Hall
- 1269 Stanhope, Surrey Masonic Hall
- 1593 Royal Naval College, Ship, Greenwich
- 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall
- 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion Restaurant
- 1668 Samson, Cafe Royal
- 1602 Kingsland, Holborn Restaurant
- 1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern
- 1891 St. Ambrose, St. James's Restaurant
- 1969 Waldeck, Freemasons' Hall
- 2427 Hampden, Hampden House, N.W.
- 2546 Rahere, Frascati
- 2622 Beach, Horns, Kennington Park
- 80 St. John, F.M.H., Sunderland
- 93 Social, 47 St. Giles Street, Norwich
- 126 Silent Temple, Bull, Burnley
- 131 Fortitude, F.M.H., Truro
- 184 United Benevolence, New Brompton
- 241 Merchants, F.M.H., Liverpool
- 272 Harmony, F.M.H., Boston
- 284 Shakespeare, F.M.H., Warwick
- 293 King's Friends, Lamb, Nantwich
- 319 New Forest, Visitors Hall, Lymington
- 371 Perseverance, F.M.H., Maryport
- 373 Socrates, George, Huntingdon
- 378 Loyal Welsh, F.M.H., Pembroke Dock
- 386 Unity, Town Hall, Wareham
- 448 St. James, F.M.H., Halifax
- 473 Faithful, F.M.H., Birmingham
- 494 Virtue and Honour, F.M.H., Axminster
- 495 Wakefield, F.M.H., Wakefield
- 496 Peace and Harmony, St. Austell
- 573 Perseverance, Drill Hall, Hales Owen
- 593 St. Ann, Masonic Rooms, Alderney
- 603 Zetland, F.M.H., Cleckheaton
- 606 Segontium, F.M.H., Carnarvon
- 626 Lansdowne of Unity, Chippenham
- 650 Star in the East, Gt. Eastern, Harwich
- 696 St. Bartholomew, Anchor, Wednesbury
- 723 Panmure, F.M.H., Aldershot
- 764 Harbour o'Refuge, M.H., W. Hartlepool
- 877 Royal Alfred, Masonic Temple, Jersey
- 897 St. Helens of Loyalty, St. Helens
- 903 Gosport, India Arms, Gosport

- 954 St. Aubyn, Mas. Hall, Morice Town
- 1021 Hartington, F.M.H., Barrow-in-Fur.
- 1073 Greta, Keswick Hotel, Keswick
- 1120 St. Milburga, Tontine, Ironbridge
- 1138 Devon, F.M.H., Newton Abbot
- 1168 Benevolence, F.M.H., Sherborne
- 1197 Nyanza, F.M.H., Ilminster
- 1250 Gilbert Greenall, Lion, Warrington
- 1267 Kenlis, Oddfellows Hall, Egremont
- 1476 Blackpool, F.M.H., Blackpool
- 1522 Olicana, New Masonic Hall, Ilkley
- 1528 Fort, F.M.H., Newquay
- 1545 Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Baildon
- 1587 St. Giles, Town Hall, Cheadle
- 1713 Wilbraham, Walton-on-the-Hill
- 1837 Lullingstone, F.M.H., Wilmington
- 1847 Ebrington, Masonic T., E. Stonehouse
- 1942 Minerva, Public Hall, Fenton
- 2099 Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay
- 2104 Whitwell, F.M.H., Stockton-on-Tees
- 2124 Wilberforce, F.M.H., Hull
- 2222 Frederick West, Castle, East Molesey
- 2324 Horwich, Bridge, Horwich
- 2357 Barrv. Royal, Cadroxton-Juxta-Barry
- 2582 Lewisham, Blue Gates, Smethwick
- 2689 King's Court, F.M.H., Gillingham
- 2708 Holmes, F.M.H., Wigan
- 2714 Temperance, F.M.H., Liverpool
- 2723 Heaton, 232 Shields Road, Byker

Wednesday.

Committee R.M. Benevolent Inst., at 4.

- 3 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall
- 15 Kent, Freemasons' Hall
- 87 Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel
- 147 Justice, Ship, Greenwich
- 548 Wellington, City Terminus Hotel
- 749 Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel
- 1228 Beacontree, Guildhall Tavern
- 1260 John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall
- 1538 St. Martins-le-Grand, Holborn Rest.
- 1586 Upper Norwood, White Hart, Up. N.
- 1766 St. Leonard, Great Eastern Hotel
- 1815 Penge, Clarence Hall, Penge
- 1964 Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
- 2362 Bloomsbury Rifles, Chenies Street
- 2410 Æsculapius, Cafe Royal
- 2470 Telegraph Cable, Hotel Cecil
- 2528 Lancastrian, Hotel Cecil
- 2620 Cavendish, Royal Palace Hotel
- 2765 Earl's Court, Royal Palace Hotel
- 54 Hone, Spread Eagle, Rochdale
- 84 Doyle's Fellowship, F.M.H., Guernsey
- 128 Prince Edwin, Bridge Inn, Bury
- 146 Antiquity, F.M.H., Bolton
- 187 Roy. Sussex Hospitality, M.H., Bristol
- 204 Caledonian, F.M.H., Manchester
- 225 St. Luke, F.M.H., Ipswich
- 250 Minerva, F.M.H., Hull
- 274 Tranquillity, Boar's Head, Newchurch
- 281 Fortitude, F.M.H., Lancaster
- 288 Harmony, F.M.H., Todmorden
- 323 Concord, Florist, Stockport
- 372 Harmony, F.M.H., Budleigh Salterton
- 387 Airedale, Saltaire Inst., Shipley

- 483 Sympathy, Royal Clarendon, Gravesend
 533 Eaton, F.M.H., Congleton
 555 Fidelity, Crown, Framlingham
 557 Unity, Woolpack, Warwick
 654 Peveril of the Peak, F.M.H., New Mills
 661 Fawcett, F.M.H., Seaham Harbour
 666 Benevolence, Wes. School, Princetown
 679 St. David, F.M.H., Aberdare
 730 Ellesmere, F.M.H., Chorley
 851 Worthing of Friendship, Worthing
 854 Albert, Duke of York, Shaw
 906 Royal Albert Edward, F.M.H., Bath
 1005 Zetland, Bell, Gloucester
 1018 Shakespeare, F.M.H., Bradford
 1024 St. Peter, F.M.H., Maldon
 1031 Fletcher, F.M.H., Birmingham
 1064 Borough, Bull, Burnley
 1088 Royal Edward, Mas. Club, Stalybridge
 1094 Temple, F.M.H., Liverpool
 1112 Shirley, F.M.H., Southampton
 1125 St. Peter, F.M.H., Tiverton
 1140 Ashton, Reform Club, Heaton Moor
 1181 De la Pole, F.M.H., Seaton
 1209 Lewises, Royal, Ramsgate
 1220 Solway, F.M.H., Aspatria
 1248 Denison, F.M.H., Scarborough
 1273 St. Michael, F.M.H., Sittingbourne
 1331 Aldershot Camp, So. Westn., Aldershot
 1342 Walker, F.M.H., Newcastle-on-Tyne
 1356 Toxteth, 80 North Hill St., Liverpool
 1398 Baldwin, Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
 1400 Curwen, F.M.H., Workington
 1520 Earl Shrewsbury, Council H., Cannock
 1543 Rosslyn, Saracen's Head, Dunmow
 1544 Mount-Edgcumbe, F.M.H., Camborne
 1588 Prince Leopold, Angel, Stretford
 1643 Perseverance, M.H., Hebburn-on-Tyne
 1645 Colne Valley, F.M.H., Slaithwaite
 1734 Trinity, Golden Lion, Rayleigh
 1798 Zion, Grand, Manchester
 1808 Suffield, Angel, North Walsham
 1848 Ferrum, F.M.H., Middlesbrough
 1855 St. Maurice, Working Hall, Plympton
 1879 Lord Warkworth, F.M.H., Amble
 1932 Whitworth, F.M.H., Spennymoor
 1947 Stanford, Town Hall, Hove
 1958 St. George, F.M.H., Portsea
 2156 Ar. Sullivan, Boar's Head, Manchester
 2294 Wavertree, Coffee House, Wavertree
 2389 Avondale, King's Arms, Middlewich
 2423 St. Mark, Hare & H's, Connah's Quay
 2483 Hadrian, Devonshire, Bexhill
 2583 St. Thomas, F.M.H., Tibshelf
 2591 St. Mary, Town Hall, New Shoreham

Thursday.

- 206 Friendship, Ship and Turtle
 238 Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall
 860 Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel
 879 Southwark, Bridge House Hotel
 1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern
 1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N.
 1558 Duke of Connaught, Surrey Mas. Hall
 1599 Skelmersdale, Ship and Turtle
 1708 Plucknett, Woodside Hall, N. Finchley
 1791 Creton, Freemasons' Hall
 1804 Coborn, Vestry Hall, Bow
 1820 Sir Thomas White, Cafe Royal
 1987 Strand, Criterion Restaurant
 2047 Beckenham, Public Hall, Beckenham
 2090 Hammersmith, Vestry Hall, Hammer.
 2754 Thomas-a-Becket, Old Kent Road
- 35 Medina, F.M.H., Cowes
 97 Palatine, F.M.H., Sunderland
 130 Royal Gloucester, M.H., Southampton
 132 Unity, F.M.H., Ringwood
 139 Britannia, F.M.H., Sheffield
 191 St. John, Knowsley, Bury
 215 Commerce, Commercial, Haslingden
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 546 Etruscan, F.M.H., Longton
 561 Zetland, F.M.H., Guisborough
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 588 St. Botolph, Corn Exchange, Sleaford
 625 Devonshire, F.M.H., Glossop
 732 Royal Brunswick, Pavilion, Brighton
 739 Temperance, F.M.H., Birmingham
 816 Royd, Falcon, Littleborough
 973 Royal Somerset, F.M.H., Frome
 991 Tyne, F.M.H., Wallsend
 1035 Pr. of Wales, Skelmers. Hall, Liverpool
 1055 Derby, Victoria, Manchester
 1061 Triumph, County & Com., Lytham

- 1099 Huyshe, F.M.H., Stoke
 1144 Milton, George and D., Ashton-u-Lyne
 1145 Equality, Red Lion, Accrington
 1147 St. David, F.M.H., Manchester
 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool
 1213 Bridgwater, Assembly Rooms, Eccles
 1387 Chorlton, M.H., Chorlton-cum-Hardy
 1416 Falcon, F.M.H., Thirsk
 1429 Albert Edward P. W., Newport, Mon.
 1583 Corbet, Whitehall House, Towyn
 1697 Hospitality, Royal, Waterfoot
 1750 Coleridge, Public Hall, Clevedon
 1863 Priory, F.M.H., Tynemouth
 1915 Graystone, Foresters H., Whitstable
 1992 Tennant, Masonic Temple, Cardiff
 2109 Pr. Edward, Assy. Hall, Heaton Moor
 2132 Egerton, F.M.H., New Brighton
 2217 Windermere, Mas. Room, Windermere
 2227 White Horse, F.M.H., Westbury
 2234 Onslow, F.M.H., Guildford
 2285 Eden, Masonic Rooms, Workington
 2311 St. Alkmund, Victoria, Whitchurch
 2343 Sir W. Harpur, Assy. Room, Bedford
 2428 Gracedieu, F.M.H., Coalville
 2449 Duke of York, Albion, Manchester
 2568 Delaval, Central, Newcastle-on-Tyne
 2606 Fforest, Masonic Rooms, Treharris
 2619 New Brighton, Victoria, New Brighton

Friday.

- 177 Domatic, Anderton's Hotel
 1201 Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall
 1559 New Cross, Hotel Cecil
 1704 Anchor, Cafe Royal
 2399 Ordnance, F.M.H., Plumstead
 2593 Hugh Owen, Frascati
 2736 Nil Sine Labore, Criterion
 2740 Comrades, Holborn Restaurant
- 36 Glamorgan, F.M.H., Cardiff
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 1428 United Service, F.M.H., Landport
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 1676 St. Nicholas, Cen. M.H., Newcastle-o-T.
 1715 A. J. Brogden, M.H., Grange-o-Sands
 1983 Martyn, Town Hall, Southwold
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 2380 Beneventa, Wheatshaf, Daventry
 2554 Manchester, F.M.H., Manchester
 2558 Furnival, F.M.H., Sheffield
 2608 Headingley, Parochial Institute, Leeds
 2674 Ravensworth, F.M.H., Gateshead
 2677 Calcaria, Masonic Rooms, Tadcaster

Saturday.

- 1426 Great City, City Terminus Hotel
 1607 Loyalty, London Tavern
 1612 West Middlesex, Mun. Bldgs., Ealing
 1671 Mizpah, Albion
 1685 Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton
 1743 Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel
 1839 Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall
 2206 Hendon, Midland Grand Hotel
 2369 Cornish, Freemasons' Hall
 2599 Engineer, 33 Golden Square
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