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UNITED GRAND LODGE.

THE Quarterly Communication was held on Wednesday, under the presidency of the Right Hon. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., Provincial Grand Master Hampshire and Isle of Wight, who was supported by Lieutenant-General Laurie, M.P., the Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton, M.P., as Deputy and Past Grand Masters, Viscount Templetown and Sir John Monckton as Wardens, and some five hundred other Brethren.

The Prince of Wales was nominated for the twenty-seventh year in succession for election as Most Worshipful Grand Master, his nominator being Major Fitzgerald. The nomination was received with loud applause.

Colonel T. Davies Sewell nominated Captain John Barlow, and Alderman Alliston nominated Brother Horace Brooks Marshall, for election as Grand Treasurer. Bro. J. H. Matthews was re-appointed and invested as President of the Board of Benevolence.

The Brethren afterwards confirmed the recommendations of the Board of Benevolence and of the Board of General Purposes.

MARK GRAND LODGE.

THE Quarterly Communication was held on Tuesday, at Mark Masons' Hall, under the presidency of the Earl of Euston Pro Grand Master.

The Prince of Wales's acknowledgment of the address of condolence of the Grand Lodge on the death of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha was read, after which a vote of thanks was passed to Viscount Dungarvan for his services as Deputy Grand Master for the last seven years, and a present was made to his lordship of the clothing of his rank of Past Deputy Grand Master. A vote of thanks was also passed to Bro. Imre Kiralfy for the presents of ancient Japanese armour and a Zulu kaross.

Bro. Frank Hanson Senior Grand Deacon, who was abroad on military duty at the time of the Grand Lodge in June, was invested with the clothing of his Office.

Bro. J. Ernest Lane then nominated the Prince of Wales for election to the Office of Grand Master for the sixteenth successive year, and Bro. Thomas Fraser nominated Bro. Harry Manfield for election as Grand Treasurer.

R. M. I. BOYS.

THE Secretary of the Institution has received a letter from the mother of the lad Herapath, who was admitted to the benefits of the Institution at the election in October last, thanking the many Brethren who interested themselves in this Colonial case. As recorded in our issue of the 17th ult. the bulk of the work in support of the lad was undertaken by Bro. A. J. Thomas P.M. 227 Treas. 2772, who was instrumental in polling a large majority of the 8,691 votes which placed the boy second on the poll; over 5,000 of the number being contributed by members of the Eccentric Lodge, in answer to the recommendation of Bro. Thomas. The letter from New Zealand is to the following effect:

Northcote, Auckland, N.Z.

29th October 1900.

Dear Sir,—It was with a feeling of deep gratitude I received a cable from Lord Onslow (on the 15th inst.) who with such generous thoughtfulness apprised me immediately from the 'Poll Office' to the effect "Elected"—Onslow.

Added to this an unknown friend mailed to me an issue of the "Birmingham Post," from the London office, dated 12th ult., containing an appeal (addressed to the Masonic Brethren I take it) for substantial help in the case of the lad Herapath, graciously

identifying us with the Colonies who have manifested a practical love for the Mother Country during the troublous times in South Africa, and showing it to be deemed a fitting opportunity to pay a courteous tribute to New Zealand.

What an unexpected honour to be the recipients of this historical token of the Goodwill and Unity existing between distant peoples! Mere lingual symbols fail to give an adequate idea of our gratitude.

Of one thing I am well-assured, we have your hearty sympathy in the result, and indeed we owe very much to you for the great good resulting from the late election. Accept then, please, our sincere thanks for your disinterested kindness throughout.

Kindly also convey to all our unknown friends in England, in the most fitting manner, our appreciation of their goodness to the Fatherless and Widow, so that we exclaim "The Good Hand of our God is upon us."

I am, Dear Sir, Yours sincerely,

CLARA HERAPATH.

J. M. MCLEOD, ESQ., London.

On the subject of the influence of Masonry in the Army, an officer writes from Malta:—

In reading your issue of last week, I was exceedingly surprised at seeing Masonry blamed for the shielding of officers who have committed grave errors in the war. As a Mason, I can honestly assure you that this must be a gross mistake, emanating from some one utterly ignorant of Freemasonry.

I am aware that it is the popular belief that the Craft assists advancement and shields errors, but never was a greater mistake made. No just man, Mason or not, would do what has been hinted at in your paper; and, with your knowledge of the animal "Man," do you believe that, whatever artificial bond of sympathy may exist, it will keep men from being jealous and suspicious of each other? I can assure you, however reluctant I may feel to own it, that there are very few Masons who do their duty as fellow men towards one another, far less go out of their way to serve or shield them in the manner you suggest.

Judging from what I have seen in the Service, it would be much more to the point to inquire whether the officers shielded in the manner alleged have any engaging lady friends or nice young wives popular with C.O.s, instead of going further afield for the explanation.

Personally, I have never alleged anything in regard to the influence of Masonry in the Army. I am not in a position to express any opinion about it one way or the other. But my letter-box has at various times indicated the existence of a very general feeling that the Craft does exert an undue influence in favour of its members; and I have from time to time made known these suggestions of military correspondents for what they are worth. On the same principle I give the above disclaimer on behalf of Freemasonry.—"Truth."

Brother Horatio Saqui, of the firm of Messrs. Saqui and Lawrence, the well known jewellers of Liverpool Street, has accepted the invitation of the Parishioners of the Bishopsgate Ward to act in the capacity of Common Councilman. He is one of the largest ratepayers in the City; he has also done excellent service by causing the iniquitous tax on lamps to be abolished, a fact which the electorate are not likely to forget at the coming contest. There can be little doubt if Brother Saqui is returned to look after the ratepayer's interests (which he will), he will be the right man in the right place. The election takes place on St. Thomas's Day.

An emergency meeting of the Upton Lodge, No. 1227, will be held on Thursday next, 13th inst., in order to clear off the work that would in the ordinary course have fallen to the January meeting, when, as already announced, the lady friends of the members will be entertained. The work set down on the agenda for next week's meeting includes two raisings, four passings, and the ballot for four candidates for initiation, so that the W.M. Bro. W. J. Carroll will be busily engaged. The meeting is called for 4 p.m., with supper to follow, at 7.30.

CHESHIRE.

AN unusually large and brilliant gathering is expected at Chester, on Monday, 17th inst., on the occasion of the installation of the Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton, M.P., as Provincial Grand Master. The ceremony has been fixed for three o'clock on that date, at the Chester Town Hall. The retiring Provincial Grand Master Earl Egerton of Tatton will preside, and will be assisted in the ceremony by Bro. E. Letchworth Grand Secretary of England, Sir Horatio Lloyd Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire, and other distinguished Brethren. This will be the second visit to Chester of Bro. Letchworth and is looked forward to with no little interest by the local members of the Craft. A banquet will be held at the Town Hall after the ceremony, for which tickets may be obtained of Bro. W. Peers, Town Hall.

THE Provincial Grand Master-designate the Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton, M.P., presided, on the 28th ult., at the annual meeting of the several Cheshire Masonic Benevolent Institutions, held at the Crewe Arms Hotel, Crewe.

Colonel Dean, the retiring Chairman of the Masonic Charity Institution, said it was their pleasure on that occasion to offer their congratulations to the Provincial Grand Master on his having attained to that high position, and on his being with them that day. Much as they regretted the loss of the Earl Egerton of Tatton as their Grand Master—and Lord Egerton had piloted the Province through many difficulties and dangers; placing it in a position very much higher than it had ever stood in before—they were very grateful his lordship had a brother, in two senses of the word, who was able to take up the work for him and for the Province, and he had no hesitation in saying that the Province of Cheshire would still continue to go on and improve under the new Prov.G.M. equally as well as it did under his brother. He might add that the funds of the various Institutions of the Province and the work of the Province had been going on during the year in a perfectly satisfactory manner, so far as the Committees were concerned. He, however, commended to the Lodges in the Province the special fund which had been started to meet the number of deserving cases which it was their object to relieve.

The Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton said it was a privilege to him to be there on that first official occasion, for he was advised that, although not actually installed as Provincial Master, he was practically in possession of all the benefits of the position. It was a great pleasure to him to propose the re-election of Colonel Dean as their Chairman. There was no one in the Province more fit in many ways than he was to take the position of Chairman of the Committee. Colonel Dean knew his work thoroughly, and had that work at heart. Brother L. Ellis seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Colonel Dean, seconded by Bro. James Cookson, Bro. Henry Jackson was appointed Vice-Chairman. The Charity Council were appointed for the various divisions. Several petitions for relief were considered and granted. Bro. Annett was re-appointed Treasurer of the Fund.

A letter was read from Lord Egerton resigning his Trusteeship of the Cheshire Masonic Benevolent Institution. General regret is expressed at this. Bros. C. S. Dean, H. Jackson, and F. Broadsmith were elected Trustees. Bro. Sim was re-appointed Treasurer of the Educational Institution, and Bro. Stevenson as Hon. Secretary.

On the motion of Colonel Dean, seconded by Bro. J. F. May, it was resolved to hold a Festival next year, not only for the benefit of the Benevolent Institutions, but also to commemorate the first year of office of the Hon. Alan de Tatton Egerton as Provincial Grand Master.

DERBYSHIRE.

THE Provincial Grand Master the Duke of Devonshire presided on Thursday afternoon, 29th ult., at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Province. The attendance was very large, representatives being present from each of the Lodges, which now number twenty-seven. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. H. C. Okeover Past J.G.W. Eng. was absent through illness, his duties being performed by Bro. Thomas Cox P.G.A.D.C.

The Lodge was opened with the accustomed formalities.

The Worshipful Masters of the various Lodges then presented their annual reports, showing that the Craft continued to prosper in all parts of the Province.

Bro. Percy Wallis moved the adoption of the report of the Charity Committee, which stated that a case brought forward by the Province from Belper had secured election at the Boys School in April, whilst another case, from the Tutbury Castle Lodge, also supported by the Province, had been successful at the October election. The Province had been represented at the various Festivals during the year as follows: Girls School (six stewards), £200 16s; Boys School (eight stewards), £338 5s; Benevolent Institution (one steward), £10 10s; total, £549 11s. The report of the Audit Committee stated that there was a balance in hand of £307 4s 1d.

Bro. Partridge next proposed the election of Bro. C. D. Hart P.M. Hartington Lodge as Prov. G. Treasurer. Bro. T. Cox seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.

The Masonic Hall Committee of Management was re-elected; as were the representatives of Provincial Grand Lodge on the Charity Committee.

The Prov. Grand Master then appointed and invested his Officers for the ensuing year, as follow:

BRO. J. A. Arnold	...	Senior Warden
R. A. Little, M.A., LL.D.	...	Junior Warden
Rev. J. E. Jagger	...	Senior Chaplain
Rev. E. C. Collier	...	Junior Chaplain
W. A. Stamford	...	Registrar
C. D. Hart	...	Treasurer
W. Naylor	...	Secretary
J. W. Chambers	...	Senior Deacon
H. L. Somerset	...	Junior Deacon
W. Eaton	...	Supt. of Works
H. Offiler	...	Dir. of Ceremonies
J. E. Sutton	...	Asst. Dir. of Cers.
C. A. Holloway	...	Sword Bearer
F. Allfrey	...	Standard Bearer
W. Peel	...	Ditto
Edwin Walker	...	Organist
Percy Wallis	...	Assistant Secretary
W. Wilk	...	Pursuivant
W. H. Bass	...	Assistant Pursuivant
E. J. Hulse	...	Steward
A. H. Snape	...	Ditto
R. Faulkner	...	Ditto
A. Harrison	...	Ditto
Allen Baum	...	Ditto
W. J. Hoibrook	...	Ditto
A. Slinn	...	Tyler.

The Provincial Grand Master said that, before the Lodge closed, he should like to express the very great regret which he and all present felt at the illness which had prevented the attendance of Brother Okeover. His Grace concluded by moving that a vote of sympathy be forwarded on behalf of the Lodge. Bro. Naylor seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Provincial Grand Master then referred to the report of the Masonic Hall Committee, and to the fact that the freehold was now absolutely the property of the Lodge. The Hall, although suitable in a great many respects, stood in need of some extension and alteration. He believed its utility might be greatly increased by some structural alteration, not of a very expensive character, and it was desirable that an expression should be given by the Lodge, and that as the present appeared to be a suitable time the Masonic Hall Committee should be requested to take the matter into their consideration and report to the Prov. G. Lodge. His Grace added that on returning to the chair after some years absence he was happy to find, as he had always found, that Masonry was flourishing, and prospering to a very great extent in the Province. He attributed that in a high degree to the exertions and ability of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and to the able assistance he had received from the Provincial Officers.

The Lodge was then closed with the usual formalities, and many of the Brethren subsequently attended a banquet in the lower Hall.

The Duke of Devonshire, responding to the toast of his health, recalled the fact that his Grand Mastership extended over practically the whole of his public career, he having been appointed forty-one years ago, two years after he became a Member of the House of Commons. He could only hope that he had displayed greater diligence and efficiency in the discharge of his public duties than he was conscious of having applied to Freemasonry. He saw from the report of the proceedings a year ago that Bro. Okeover referred to

the war on which they had just entered, and the disastrous character of which was just beginning to force itself upon them. Unfortunately, Bro. Okeover's hope then that the war might be brought to a speedy termination had not been realised. He thought, however, it might be said that this year they met under decidedly superior circumstances; that at last they were able to see some prospects of the termination of the war that had weighed so heavily upon them, during the last twelve months. He observed that in the reports of most of the Lodges reviewed that afternoon, reference was made to the assistance that had been given to the various funds for the relief of those who had suffered through the war. They must not, however, flatter themselves that their work in this respect was wholly at an end. It must not be imagined that a war of this magnitude could be brought to a close without making many claims on their sympathy and practical support.

EAST LANCASHIRE.

THE half-yearly meeting of this Provincial Grand Lodge was held on the 30th ult., in the Town Hall, Salford. The Prov.G.M. Lord Stanley, M.P., being still in South Africa with Lord Roberts, his lordship's Deputy Bro. C. R. N. Beswicke-Royds presided, and the Warden's chairs were occupied by Bros. C. D. Cheetham and G. Norris Midwood. Bro. Kershaw P.Prov.G.W. acted as Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

There was a large attendance, the whole of the 113 Lodges in the Province being represented. Bros. W. E. Clegg, of Oldham, J. Holden, and Archie Wilson, of Manchester, were elected the Auditors of the Provincial Grand Treasurer's accounts.

Bro. Jas. Newton Prov.G.Secretary read the report of the Charity Committee. It recorded that in May last the Committee succeeded in electing two old Brethren upon the funds of the Royal Masonic Institution for Aged Freemasons, and also polled 1,100 votes for a third candidate whom they hoped to place on the funds of the Charity next year. In October last they succeeded in electing three boys to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

Bro. Cheetham P.Prov.S.G.W., in moving the adoption of the report, made an urgent appeal for strenuous efforts on the part of the Lodges to carry the election of Bro. Captain John Barlow, of Bury, as Grand Treasurer of England. The Office is the only one in the Grand Lodge which is open to election, and which is not filled by selection on the part of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. Bro. Barlow was being opposed by an excellent Brother from Middlesex, said Bro. Cheetham. There had been an unwritten law under which the Grand Treasurer's Office had been held alternately by a London Brother and a Provincial Brother. A year ago Bro. Barlow stood aside for a Provincial Brother, and it would only be right this year to elect him as a London Brother, because, although connected with their own Province of East Lancashire, he was a London Mason by initiation, and by many ties. It was hoped that as many representatives of Lodges of East and West Lancashire, Yorkshire, Cheshire, and other Northern Provinces as possibly could would go up to the election in March next, and secure Bro. Barlow's return. On the subject of the elections secured by the Charity Committee during the year, Bro. Cheetham mentioned that the votes of the Province for the Boys and Girls Schools combined amounted to only some 7,000. Seeing that 17,000 were needed to elect the three boy candidates from East Lancashire, it showed that the representatives of the Committee did their work right well in the way in which they obtained the return of votes formerly borrowed from them and borrowed votes from other Provinces.

The motion having been seconded and agreed to Bro. Cheetham further moved that the sum of one hundred guineas be granted from the Provincial Grand Lodge funds to the Male Fund of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and their Widows. He said the Institution appealed very feelingly to them because, although they were occasionally without boy or girl candidates, he believed they had every year one candidate or more in the form of an old Brother or a Brother's Widow. There was not a Province in the country that held more votes for that Institution than their own, and the donation which he proposed would mean an addition of forty votes. The

Acting Deputy Provincial Grand Master seconded the motion, and it was agreed to.

Bro. Cheetham had yet another motion, of which he had given notice. It was that £20 be voted to the funds of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Education and Benevolent Institution. He spoke of the Festival to be held next year in aid of this local organisation, stating that Lord Stanley had promised to preside on the occasion, and reminding them that by a Festival of the kind in 1895 a sum of £4,413 was raised, which amount it was hoped would be considerably increased in 1901. In connection with the undertaking a concert had been promised by the members of the Minnehaha Minstrel Lodge.

This motion was adopted, and after a few words from the Provincial Grand Master in the chair, the Lodge was closed with customary formality.

ROYAL ARCH.

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CORNWALL.

THE annual meeting of this Provincial Grand Chapter was held on Friday, 23rd ult., at the Star Hotel, Saltash, the Right Hon. the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe Grand Superintendent being in the chair. There was a good attendance, representative of the whole Province.

The financial statement showed receipts amounting to £81 2s 9d, including a balance of £45 15s 9d last year. After meeting the expenditure, including £86 5s voted to Charities, there remained a balance of £26.

Comp. F. A. Rawling P.Z. 1071 was elected Prov.G. Treas., after which the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe invested the other Provincial Officers, as follow:

COMP. P. Colville Smith 331	...	H.
E. Forbes Whitley 331	...	J.
B. F. Edyvean 320	...	Scribe E.
W. H. Huddy 510	...	Scribe N.
P. Coath 557	...	Registrar
T. P. Tonkin 330	...	Principal Sojourner
J. Hill 970	...	1st Assist. Soj.
J. A. Bersey 1164	...	2nd Assist. Soj.
R. P. Couch 121	...	Sword Bearer
W. W. J. Sharp 75	...	Standard Bearer
R. T. Meadows 1071	...	Dir. of Ceremonies
W. Coulter 557	...	Assist. Dir. of Cers.
S. Trehane 970	...	Organist
J. C. R. Crewes 331	...	Assist. Scribe E.
J. P. Thorn 1071	...	Janitor.

Ten guineas was voted to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, five guineas to the Girls School, and five guineas to the Cornwall Masonic Annuity and Benevolent Fund.

Subsequently the Companions lunched together, the Grand Superintendent again being in the chair. The usual Loyal and Arch toasts were honoured. The Earl of Mount Edgcumbe was generally congratulated on his restoration to health, whilst hearty appreciation of his Masonic services, not only to the Province, but throughout the kingdom, was expressed.

ESSEX.

THE annual meeting of this Provincial Grand Chapter was held at Colchester on Tuesday of last week, under the presidency of his Honour Judge Philbrick, Q.C., Prov. Grand Superintendent.

All the Chapters in the Province were represented, and the report of the Board of General Purposes showed that the number of registered Royal Arch Masons was 357, against 341 last year.

The Board recommended a grant of £10 10s to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at the Festival of which the Earl of Warwick is to preside; and concluded by regretting the resignation of one of its members, Comp. G. H. Finch, who had been on the Board since its formation in 1883.

The new Board was elected as under: Comps. J. J. C. Turner, W. E. Dring, and G. Cowell. Comp. Andrew Durrant was re-elected for the eighteenth time as Provincial Grand Treasurer, and the other Officers for the year were appointed.

The Provincial Grand Superintendent congratulated the Companions on the prosperous condition of the Order in the

Province, and said there was a prospect of a new Chapter being formed at Shoburness. He also announced that the next annual meeting would be held at Chelmsford.

WEST YORKSHIRE.

THE half-yearly meeting of this Provincial Grand Chapter was held under the auspices of Sincerity Chapter, No. 61, in the Masonic Hall, St. John's Place, Halifax, on the 28th ult. Comp. R. Wilson P.G. Soj. presided.

In consequence of the death of Comp. E. Pickersgill, of Wakefield, Prov. G. Registrar, since the last meeting of the Chapter, Comp. R. M. Kerr, of Halifax, was invested with the insignia of the Office.

The Prov. acting G. Supt., in an address, referred to the history of Royal Arch Masonry. He said that the earliest known record of a Chapter in West Yorkshire was a minute dated 9th January 1765, relating to a proposition to form a Lodge, taken from the minutes of Probity Lodge, Halifax. It was, indeed, the earliest record of the kind in the North of England, with the exception of that relating to York. A Chapter was formed in Rotherham in 1780 (the records of some of its proceedings were still in existence), and in 1817 there were twenty-one West Yorkshire Chapters on the roll. The Provincial Grand Chapter was opened at Dewsbury in May 1858. The late Dr. Fearnley was the first Grand Superintendent. Of the Officers invested on that occasion only two survived, Comps. D. Salmond and H. Smith. In the Province there were now forty-five Chapters, with over 1,600 members.

Comp. W. Watson, the Hon. Librarian, stated that he was about to make an appeal to the Brethren of the Fraternity for funds to reproduce some of the valuable manuscripts contained in the library.

A vote of thanks to the Sincerity Chapter concluded the proceedings.

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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Helmet and Spear. Stories from the Wars of the Greeks and Romans. By the Rev. A. J. Church, M.A. Illustrated (5s).—Seeley and Co., Limited.

SPECIALISM, as Grant Allen once reminded us, is rampant of late. This is surely as it should be, for if a writer has made one subject his "special study" he can with greater propriety ask time and attention of his readers. The Rev. A. J. Church has written so many volumes on subjects concerning classical antiquity that readers hardly need our assurance regarding the uniform excellence of these sketches and stories from Roman and Grecian history. A more useful gift-book—whether intended for a boy or a girl—could hardly be selected; for the reader who carefully masters the general drift of these stories will have laid a very promising foundation for a clear understanding of the great struggles so eloquently depicted by the author. We wish this book had been ours "in the days when we were young."

The Windfairies and other tales. By Mary de Morgan. With illustrations by Olive Cockerell (5s).—Seeley and Co., Limited.

WHAT a literature the fairies have inspired? The world of fairyland is, we fear, becoming rapidly depopulated, but we trust a few able writers may yet be left to tell of maidens who are born as beggars, but marry kings; or who, like Lucilla in the volume before us, live first in a windmill by the sea and grow in wisdom and in stature until the happy day when they marry some noble sailor and live in a little cottage within sight of the tossing waves. There is some clever writing in this book, and some pretty stories so well told that we could wish them longer. Perhaps the "Gipsy's Cup" is the most entertaining of these pleasant fictions; but readers will decide this question for themselves. "Tastes differ," as Macaulay said of the verses of Warren Hastings, and possibly the story of "Dumb Othmar" will appeal more strongly to many—particularly to young ladies. The volume is elegantly bound.

A Noah's Ark Geography. A true account of the travels and adventures of Kit, Jum-Jum, and the Cockyolly Bird: faithfully set forth and pictured by Mabel Dearmer (6s).—Macmillan and Co., Limited.

YOUNG folk are in clover now-a-days. This Christmas, to judge from the publishers' lists, they are to live in the lap of luxury. The volume before us, like the beautiful lady in Coleridge's poem, is . . . *meant to dream of*. As regards printing, illustrating, and binding it has had that lavish attention which is seldom bestowed save on an edition de luxe. Fortunately, the matter which Miss

Dearmer has provided for the edification of young readers is good also, and if there is a child who can wish to remain ignorant as to the doings of the Cockyolly Bird and the Polar Bear, or of the Sea Lion or the three Kangaroos, we can only remark, with the critic of old, that "we do not envy him his insensibility." This is a very cheap book at 6s and will certainly receive its full share of praise during the festive season.

At the foot of the Rainbow. A Tale of Adventure. By M. H. Cornwall Legh. Illustrated by J. Jellicoe (2s).—Wells Gardner, Darton and Co.

A STORY of adventure written in a very entertaining and fluent style. We are shown the castle and the hut, the cavern and the treasure, the ocean and the desert island—surely no reasonable person can doubt that we have here what Shakespeare would describe as "variety of scene enough." The illustrations are equally suggestive of many adventures, and really illustrate the text. The volume is also attractively bound, and should please everybody.

Ben Cramer: Working Jeweller. A Tale for Boys and Girls. By Stella Austin. Illustrated (2s).—Wells Gardner, Darton and Co.

ANOTHER admirable little gift-book. All lovers of story books know and appreciate the volumes issued by this well known publishing house, and the stories which they have sent us this season are no whit inferior to their predecessors. On the whole, this is perhaps the best. The tone of the writer is healthy and vigorous, her morals are obvious and worth remembering, and her style is of that easy, chatty description so deservedly popular with many readers. It is "a tale for boys and girls" and they should certainly read it.

MESSRS. METHUEN promise a very fine edition of "The Early Poems of Lord Tennyson." Mr. J. Churton Collins will provide an introduction and notes, and Mr. W. E. F. Britten ten photographic illustrations. This should be a sumptuous gift-volume, and a very acceptable present to all lovers of the greater English poets. The same publishers are about to add one more to the many editions of "John Halifax, Gentleman," and to commence a new series, to be entitled "Little Biographies."

MESSRS. GREENING AND CO. will shortly publish "The After Taste," by Compton Reade, a brother of Charles Reade. They also promise, as two new volumes in their series "English Writers of To-day," a study of Bret Harte, by Mr. T. Edgar Pemberton; and of Algernon Charles Swinburne, by Mr. T. Wratishaw.

MESSRS. C. P. PUTNAM'S SONS have issued "Thomas Henry Huxley," by P. Chalmers Mitchell, M.A. The work is illustrated with portraits, and is published at 5s.

MESSRS. CONSTABLE'S "Library of Travel and Biography" contains some really valuable books, at 6s each, including "The Alps from End to End," by Sir W. M. Conway; "The Kingdom of the Yellow Robe," by Ernest Young; "Among the Himalayas," by Major L. A. Waddell, LL.D.; "Farthest North," by Fridtjof Nansen, and other works.

MR. T. FISHER UNWIN advertises "Five important Christmas Novels." Their titles are "Vanity," by "Rita"; "Edward Barry," by Louis Becke; "Trinity Bells," by Amelia E. Barr; "Robert Orange," by John Oliver Hobbes; and "The Devil's Half-acre," by "Alien." These novels are 6s each; they are already published, and are, we understand, selling largely. Attention is further drawn to the "Story of the Nations"—perhaps the most entirely satisfactory series of short histories obtainable at an equal price. This grand work already numbers fifty-five volumes, at 5s each.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

The World-Wide Atlas of modern Geography, Political and Physical. Containing one hundred and twenty-eight plates, and complete index. With an introduction by J. Scott Keltie, LL.D., etc. Fifth edition (7s 6d).—W. and A. K. Johnston.

The Captain. A magazine for Boys and "Old Boys." Vol. iii.—April to September 1900 (6s).—George Newnes, Limited.

Daddy's Girl. By L. T. Meade. With thirty-seven illustrations by Gordon Browne (3s 6d).—George Newnes, Limited.

The Herb-Moon. A Fantasia. By John Oliver Hobbes (6d).—George Newnes, Limited.

NEW MUSIC.

Edwin Ashdown, Limited.—Sweetheart be mine: Song by Anthony McDonald, music by Alice Borton. O Loving Heart: Words and music by A. Burns Nelson. The Cavalier's Toast: Song by Bernard Bagnall, music by Bernard Streathfield. If we should meet: Song by Ernest Alfieri, music by Frank Lambert. In Victoria's Name: Quick march for the pianoforte, by Dudley Clinton. The Battle Eve March: By Edward St. Quentin. Maypole Dance: For the pianoforte, by Leonard Gautier. Graceful Dance: For the pianoforte, by Leonard Fowles. Dance Espagnole: Pour piano, par Arnoldo Sartorio. A Secret Meeting: Intermezzo for the pianoforte, by S. Translateur.

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Forsyth Brothers.—The Croppy Boy's Lament: An Irish Folk-song, recorded by Dennis O'Sullivan, and arranged by Mary Carmichael. Lullaby: Words by G. J. Whyte Melville, music by Arthur Hervey. How many times do I love thee?: Words by Thomas Lovell Beddoes, music by William Y. Hurlstone. Who Can Tell? Words by Fritz B. Hart, music by William Y. Hurlstone. Sabbath Reverie: For the pianoforte, by B. Mansell Ramsey. Rustic Dance: For the pianoforte, by A. W. Locke. Lullaby: For pianoforte, by B. Mansell Ramsey. Deuxieme Baracolle: For the pianoforte, by S. Prus Szczepanowski. Nocturne: For the pianoforte, by Alfred Redhead. Musical Miniatures for piano, by B. Mansell Ramsey: No. 1, A Little Minuet; No. 2, A Galop round the Garden.

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W. Morley and Co.—A Memory: Song by Maud Theo. Bello, music by James Philip. The Land of Fancy: Song by "Anon," music by James Philip. The World's Awakening: Song by Edward Teschemacher, music by Noel Johnson. Cornflowers: Pour piano par Leona Lacoste.

Orsborn and Co., Limited.—The River of Life: Words and music by Joseph H. Adams. The Night Alarm: Words by Southwell Alvey, music by Theo. Bonheur. Britain's Glory: Song by Alfred Hyatt, music by M. Piccolomini. The Muleteer: Words and Music by Joseph H. Adams. A Sweet Girlie: Song by Stanley Brown, music by Clifford Morgan. Mammy's Barn Dance: By Carl Malemberg. On Active Service: By E. Boggetti. Florinda: Graceful dance for the pianoforte, by Carl Malemberg. Serenata Pizzicato: For the pianoforte, by E. Boggetti.

Reid Bros. Limited.—Neptune's Toll: Descriptive song by H. W. G. Fisher, composed by W. H. Jude. The Brave Patrol: Song by A. Horspool, music by Theo. Bonheur. Cavalry March: For the piano, by W. H. Jude. Bicycle Race: For the pianoforte, by Paul Graener.

G. Ricordi and Co.—Parted: Song by Fred. E. Weatherley, music by F. Paolo Tosti. Roses in June: Song by Clifton Bingham, music by Edward German. 'A Sciantosa: March arranged by E. Kaiser, on the popular song by S. Gambardella.

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Charles Tuckwood.—The Queen's Own: Song by J. Anthony McDonald, music by Joseph H. Adams. The Everlasting Song: Words by Clifton Bingham, music by Edward St. Quentin.

Bid me return: Song by Clifton Bingham, music by J. Michael Watson. Were I the Rose: Song by Alfred H. Hyatt, music by M. Piccolomini. Eastern Dance: Morceau Caracteristique, composed for pianoforte by Theo. Bonheur.

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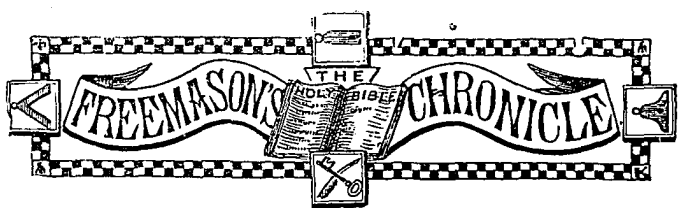
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SATURDAY, 8TH DECEMBER 1900.

LORD ROBERTS AND THE CRAFT.

AN emergency meeting of the Lodge of Edinburgh (Mary's Chapel), No. 1, was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on the 29th ult., for the purpose of conferring honorary membership on Field Marshal Lord Roberts of Kandahar, and Captain Hearn, of the South Staffordshire Regiment, Past Grand Sword Bearer of Scottish Freemasonry in India, and Past Grand Sword Bearer of England. There was a large attendance of Brethren.

On the motion of Bro. W. W. Robertson Worshipful Master, seconded by Dr. Dickson, honorary membership was unanimously conferred on Lord Roberts and Captain Hearn, and the latter took the customary obligation.

The Secretary Bro. R. Wood Hawks read the following letter from Lord Roberts:

Army Headquarters, Pretoria,
 21st October 1900.

Dear Sir and Brother,—I am in receipt of your letter of 14th September, and must apologise for being obliged, owing to press of work, to send you a dictated reply. I am much honoured by your request that I should become an honorary member of your ancient Lodge, and most gratefully accept. I shall hope to be able to visit Edinburgh before very long, and have an opportunity, when signing the roll, of thanking the members of your Lodge personally for the honour they have done me.

Believe me, yours very truly,
 (Signed) ROBERTS.

Captain Hearn (who is a candidate for the vacant office of Grand Secretary for Scotland) afterwards delivered a lecture on "Freemasonry in Ladysmith during the Siege, and in Northern Natal." The Captain was present at the Battle of Talana Hill, and after the retreat from Dundee he was shut up in Ladysmith throughout the siege. He was Secretary of the Craft Lodge there, and Master of the Mark Lodge, which held their meetings regularly during that trying time. He narrated his experiences during the siege, and gave extracts from his diary and from the minutes of the Masonic

meetings which were held. On one occasion, he said, eighty members were present at the Lodge meeting, and almost all wore Her Majesty's uniform. During the early period of the bombardment, the Charter of the Lodge was left in charge of one of the Office Bearers, Lieutenant A. C. M'Lachlan, of the 18th Hussars, and the books were buried, but on a representation by many enthusiastic Masons, the books were disinterred, and meetings were held at stated times during the siege.

A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Captain Hearn for his address. At the close of the lecture a collection was taken for the Grand Lodge Annuity Fund.

THE GRAND SECRETARYSHIP OF SCOTLAND.

THE Special Committee appointed by the Grand Lodge of Scotland to consider the applications for the vacant office of Grand Secretary, in succession to Bro. D. Murray Lyon, agreed on the 30th ult. to present the following list of six, from sixteen candidates, to the Special Meeting of Grand Lodge called for Thursday, 13th inst., to make the appointment:—Brothers J. M'Naught Campbell, Glasgow, Past Grand Bible Bearer and Provincial Grand Secretary for Glasgow City; Captain George Hearn, of the South Staffordshire Regiment, Past Grand Sword Bearer of Scottish Freemasonry in India and Past Grand Sword Bearer of England; Allan Mackenzie, Edinburgh, Chairman of the Finance Committee of Grand Lodge; John M. Martin, Edinburgh, Past Prov. Grand Master of Dumbartonshire; David Reid, Grand Treasurer and Past Provincial Grand Secretary of Glasgow City; and D. Crauford Smith, Prov. Grand Secretary of Perthshire East.

Bro. Rev. T. Winckley was recently presented with a gold watch and a sovereign purse as a token of the respect and esteem of the members of the Buxton Lodge, No. 1688, on his leaving Buxton.

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We may remind our readers that the Fifteen Sections are to be worked on Tuesday evening next, 11th inst., in the Yarborough Lodge of Instruction, to be held on this occasion at Bro. Butlin's Red Lion and Spread Eagle, 94 High Street, Whitechapel, commencing at 7 o'clock, and when we mention that Bro. T. Cowell P.M. 2615 and 1816 will occupy the chair, supported by Bros. D. Moss P.D.G.S.B. Transvaal as I.P.M., L. A. DaCosta as S.W., and B. DaCosta as J.W., it may be inferred that the ritual in this case will be expounded in a most perfect manner and afford much instruction to Visiting Brethren.

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Only let Masonic practice keep close step with Masonic principles and teachings, as we think it is now striving to do, and none of us can tell what glorious achievements the future will see emblazoned on its triumphant banner of "peace and good will among men."—Corriellus Hedges, Mont.

"A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

THE remains of the late Bro. W. Edwards, A.R.C.O., of Pall Mall, Hanley, were interred in Hanley cemetery on Saturday, 24th ult. In the procession were representatives of the Menturia Lodge (Hanley), No. 418; and the Sutherland Lodge (Newcastle), No. 460; and other Lodges of Freemasons, and of the Foresters' Society. A very large number of wreaths were sent from sympathising friends.

THE proprietor of the Crown Hotel, Morecambe, Brother John F. Willan, died on Thursday night of last week, at the early age of forty-four. Bro. Willan went from Windermere to Morecambe as station master at the old Poulton Lane Station, on the L. and N.W. Railway, but subsequently became lessee of the refreshment bars on the Central Pier, and when the Company was reconstructed four years ago he was appointed a Director. He held that position up to his death, being present at the annual meeting of shareholders so recently as Saturday, 24th ult. On the retirement of Mr. Duxbury from the Crown Hotel some years ago, Bro. Willan took over that hostelry. He was a prominent member of the local Lodge of Freemasons.

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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CRAFT: METROPOLITAN.

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Prudent Brethren Lodge, No. 145.

THE regular meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, on Tuesday, 27th ult., Bro. T. P. Warwick W.M. presiding.

Mr. Thomas B. Jackson was initiated into Freemasonry, and Bros. Overington, Darlison, Beavan, and W. H. Smith passed to the degree of Fellow Craft.

The next business was to elect a Master and Treasurer for the ensuing year. A letter was read from Bro. E. W. Brown S.W., expressing regret at being unable to serve the Lodge as Master at present, but hoping that on a future occasion the Brethren would elect him. The ballot for Master proved unanimous in favour of the Junior Warden Bro. A. B. Bayfield. Bro. E. R. Smith P.M. was re-elected Treasurer. Bros. A. Menzler and A. L. Langton were appointed Auditors.

A Past Master's jewel was unanimously voted to the Worshipful Master for his valuable services during the past year.

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Rose Lodge, No. 1622.

THE regular meeting was held on Saturday, 1st, at the Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, under the presidency of Brother George Thompson P.M. W.M., who is to be congratulated on the altogether admirable manner in which he conducted the affairs of the Lodge. He was well supported by his Officers, who contributed to the general effect by the perfect way in which they performed their respective parts. They were Bros. Henry Potter I.P.M., R. Brambleby S.W., J. Cohen J.W., Isaac Dunn P.M. Treasurer, John T. Loader P.M. P.Z. Secretary, C. H. Mayo S.D., W. J. Frampton J.D., T. Smith I.G., Francois E. Choveaux Organist, James Parr and W. Wisdom Stewards, J. Whiteman Tyler; with Past Masters T. Pickett, W. E. Jeffrey, J. M. Ballard, H. Vickery, W. Dawson Dir. of Cers., and others, also Bros. A. Brown, J. Higgs, H. Tolley, R. Sobel, G. Clark, E. Taylor, J. Reap, J. Hight, F. Wright, A. Searle, E. Seaman, P. T. Block, H. A. Potter, R. Wren, J. Drayner, A. J. Johnson, A. Bradgate, C. Isaacs, and several others.

Among the Visitors were Bros. Crowe, Bonnie Doon Lodge, No. 611 (S.C.), Colombo, Ceylon; W. G. Hodgson P.M. 2468, J. Rowland, G. Barclay J.W. 857, J. Pearce 1556, A. Hisikie S.D. 1320, W. J. Newstead S.D. 1973, G. A. Newson 765, J. Walford 706, S. Isaacs 2589, J. A. Wild 1987, Valentine Hill 1641, G. Richards 1056, G. Hall S.W. 158, F. T. Hanse, A. Taylor, V. Robbins, Wilkinson P.M., J. Wynman, &c.

After the regular opening of the Lodge the minutes were confirmed, and then Bro. Paul Theodore Block, who had been initiated at the previous meeting, was examined. He answered the questions to the satisfaction of the Worshipful Master and was entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the second degree, and he was passed a Fellow Craft.

The Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and two gentlemen were proposed as candidates for initiation at the next meeting. Heartly good wishes were tendered, and the W.M. proceeded to close his Lodge, whereupon the Brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where an excellent and most enjoyable repast was served by the hostess Mrs. Venables.

At its conclusion the usual Loyal toasts were honoured, after which Bro. Henry Potter I.P.M. proposed the health of the W.M.—the chief of the Rose Lodge. It was quite unnecessary, he felt, for him to point out all the good qualities of their Worshipful Master. No fancy words were needed, as they had known him for some time, and had recognised the excellence of his working. The ceremony he had performed that night had been done to perfection, and had given further proof of his qualifications for his position. The toast was heartily honoured.

The W.M. replied, thanking Bro. Potter for his kind remarks. The Immediate Past Master had offered him a great temptation to make a long speech, but he felt the little work he had had to perform that day was hardly worth noticing. He was glad, however, it had given satisfaction. He had specially to thank the I.P.M. for the most excellent programme he had provided for their enjoyment that evening. He felt convinced he would receive every attention and consideration from that Brother as well as the other Past Masters and Brethren generally, and in conclusion most sincerely thanked all for the cordial manner in which the toast had been received.

The I.P.M. now, by desire of the W.M., had very much pleasure in proposing the toast of the visitors, enumerating the different guests who were present. On behalf of the W.M. and Brethren of the Rose Lodge he tendered them a most hearty welcome, hoped all had enjoyed their visit, and that they would have the pleasure of seeing them again on some future occasion.

Bro. J. Crowe replied, thanking the members for their very kind reception. It had been a pleasure to him to witness the excellent working of the W.M., and to see such a number of Past Masters present. He had experienced a real Masonic treat at the Lodge meeting, and in return assured the W.M. and Brethren

that if any of them could pay a visit to his Lodge on the little Island of Ceylon he could promise them a most hearty welcome from the Masonic Brethren there.

Bro. Wilkinson P.M. returned thanks for having been coupled with the toast. He regretted not having been able to be present at the working of the Lodge, but was so well acquainted with the capabilities of the W.M. that he could appreciate the encomiums passed upon him.

Bro. Walford followed, expressing his delight at being present. The working, if little of quantity, had been good in quality.

Bro. Hodgson followed, and in a humorous speech acknowledged his indebtedness to the W.M. and Brethren for their kind reception. He particularly complimented the two Wardens on their performances that day, and the Senior Deacon on the way in which he had discharged his duties in the ceremony of passing. With such Officers and with such a Master as was at the head of the Lodge they certainly had bright prospects in view, and it seemed certain they would make the Rose Lodge one of the most prosperous in South London.

Bro. G. Hall S.W. 158 added his thanks. He had had the pleasure of being present on the night when the members had made a presentation to Bro. Loader P.M. Sec., and was then very much impressed with the way its affairs were managed. That evening also the ceremony had been impressively performed, and he felt he could well take the Rose Lodge as an example should he rise to the dignity of Master in the Lodge of which he was at present Senior Warden.

Other of the Visitors also responded to the toast.

The W.M. next presented, in complimentary terms, the toast of the Past Masters, Treasurer, and Secretary. He had much pleasure in the knowledge that the Lodge had several prominent Past Masters; on the night of his installation no less than twelve such were present, and it was not many Lodges—or at least Lodges of their age—which could boast as much. Their Treasurer Bro. Dunn was one of the best. He was well known in the parish of Camberwell; and he also took great care of the Lodge funds. The W.M. next specially referred to the Secretary and other among the Past Masters, one and all of whom, he felt, entertained the best feelings towards him, as was also the case with the Brethren generally.

Bro. Potter I.P.M. returned thanks on behalf of the Past Masters. Anything they did was really a labour of love, and he felt sure he could promise that anything they did at the present they would continue to do in the future. The W.M. had referred to parish affairs. He was proud of being Mr. Councillor Potter, of Stepney, was proud to say his fellow workers there were mostly Freemasons, and proud indeed that he was one of them.

Bro. Treasurer followed, congratulating the W.M. on his performances on behalf of the Lodge that day. So long as the Brethren placed the same confidence in him as they had hitherto done he should be well rewarded.

Bro. Loader Secretary thanked the W.M. for having coupled his name with the toast. He had seen every Master instal his successor in the Lodge, and hoped to be with them for many more years. He was at all times at their service.

The toast of the Officers was next given from the chair. The W.M. was proud to say they had admirably fulfilled their duties. The Senior Warden particularly had rendered him great assistance, and any Lodge might be proud to have such an Officer. Brother Cohen, their J.W., was a good Mason and a good worker. The W.M. said he had seen him on the Monday and Thursday in Instruction Lodges, occupying the position of Master, and he had then shown he knew the ritual of Freemasonry well. No matter what Office he was called upon to fill he was always ready. The other Officers of the Lodge were equally proficient. The toast was acknowledged.

The Tyler's toast concluded the meeting, which throughout had been of the most enjoyable description.

A capital musical programme was provided, under the direction of Bro. F. E. Choveaux, those who favoured the company including Mrs. H. A. Potter, who sang very sweetly "A summer's night," and was heartily applauded. Bro. Victor Metcalfe gave a violin solo. Miss Lizzie de Few some pretty songs, Bro. H. A. Potter a humorous song, Bro. Valentine Hill a laughable recitation, and Mr. Antonio Metcalfe also gave some excellent songs.

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Bishopsgate Lodge, No. 2396.

THE ordinary meeting was held on Monday, 26th ult., at the Great Eastern Hotel, Bishopsgate Street, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master Bro. Thomas Robinson.

The Worshipful Master initiated Mr. Stephen Scudamore and Dr. Alfred Allport, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. into Freemasonry. The charge in the first degree was well delivered by the Immediate Past Master Bro. Mead.

The Worshipful Master offered himself as Steward for the next Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, in May 1901, and the Secretary offered himself as Steward for the Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.

After this the Lodge was closed, and the Brethren adjourned to a banquet.

The usual toasts followed. Brother E. C. Mulvey P.G.P. responded to the toast of the Grand Officers, and complimented the Lodge on the way in which the work had been done, and on the admirable support always given to the Masonic Charities.

Bro. Mead I.P.M. proposed the toast of the Worshipful Master, remarking that he told the Brethren the last time the Lodge met that, if they came to see the working of the Worshipful Master, they would be pleased. From what they had seen that evening, he was sure they would say that the way in which the W.M. had carried it out was a credit to the Lodge and to himself.

Bro. Thomas Robinson W.M. responded, and said that when he was elected Master he made up his mind to go through the chair with credit, and to do the work as well as possible. The Immediate Past Master was an example to him, and he hoped to set an example to those who were to follow. He was Bishopsgate bred and born, and had carried on business in Bishopsgate. When the Bishopsgate Lodge was started, wishing to be connected with everything associated with the ward, he desired to become a Freemason, and he was therefore initiated. Shortly St. Thomas's Day would come round, and he hoped on that day to become more connected than ever with Bishopsgate.

Bro. Mead responded to the toast of the Immediate Past Master.

Bros. Stephen Scudamore and Dr. Alfred Allport acknowledged the toast of the Initiates, the latter stating that there were two things he had in his mind when he joined the Craft—one was charity, the other good fellowship. Of charity he could say nothing because his knowledge was yet to come; but as to good fellowship he might say he had been overwhelmed with congratulations and welcomes.

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Lodge of Faith, No. 581.

THE regular meeting was held at the Bradford Hotel, Mill Street, Manchester, on Wednesday, 21st ult., Bro. Dr. E. Evanson Jones W.M.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, Bros. Arthur Walter Taylor and Joseph Tilley were raised to the sublime degree of M.M., the latter by Bro. Chas. H. Griffiths P.M. and the former by Bro. F. R. Radcliffe P.M. Secretary.

An election of Officers afterwards took place, Bro. S. Andrew S.W. being unanimously chosen as Worshipful Master-elect, and Bro. Hy. B. Brown P.M. as Treasurer.

A proposition by Bro. J. H. Smith P.M. "that the sum of two guineas be paid annually for the use of the Lodge room," was carried.

Bro. C. D. Cheetham P.M. 993 Prov.G. Senior Warden, who was a visitor on behalf of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution, gave some very valuable information as to the position and work of that Institution. The usual festive board followed, Loyal and Masonic toasts being agreeably interspersed with songs, recitations, &c., contributed by Bros. C. H. Griffiths P.M., Dr. C. Carruthers, J. T. Moorhouse, and E. Roberts P.M. 1459, &c.

The installation of Bro. Andrews will take place on Wednesday, 19th inst.

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Ellington Lodge, No. 1566.

INSTALLATION OF BRO. JAMES MOORE.

THE annual meeting was held in the Town Hall, Maidenhead, on Wednesday evening, 28th ult., when, in the presence of a large gathering of the Craft, Bro. James Moore was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year.

The customary banquet followed, and the visitors included Brethren from Windsor, Reading, High Wycombe, and other Lodges. A number of toasts were honoured and an excellent programme of music was provided, under the direction of Brother Herbert Schartau P.M. P.P.G. Organist Middlesex, assisted by Bro. W. R. Maxwell.

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Kirkdale Lodge, No. 1756.

INSTALLATION OF BRO. JOHN A. GEE.

THE annual installation took place on the 28th ult., at the Skelmersdale Masonic Hall, Kirkdale. There was a very large attendance of members and visitors.

The Worshipful Master-elect was Bro. John A. Gee, and the duties of installation were ably carried out by Bro. John O. Ellams W.M.

At the banquet which followed, the usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and Bro. John O. Ellams was presented, in recognition of his great services to the Lodge as W.M. during the past year, with a Past Master's jewel, Past Master's clothing and a jewel of office, and an exceedingly handsome case of table cutlery for Mrs. Ellams.

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Albert Victor Lodge, No. 1773.

INSTALLATION OF BRO. ALEX. H. SELLERS.

THE annual meeting and Festival of St. John took place on Saturday, 17th ult. On this occasion, by way of experiment, it was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Manchester, instead of the Town Hall, Pendleton, as previously. The meeting was very well attended.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, Bro. Alex. H. Sellers J.W. Worshipful Master-elect was installed into the chair of K.S. by the retiring Master Bro. Wm. Woodeson, who was ably assisted by Past Masters Thomas Threlfall P.Prov.G.P., who presented and explained the working tools of the various degrees; R. Duxbury P.P.G.S.B., who invested the Officers; W. T. Blease; T. T. Sefton D.C.; Wm. Mosley and T. M. Brown.

The following is a list of the Officers for 1901: Bros. G. L. Hardcastle S.W., J. H. Burton J.W., Rev. Wm. C. Edwards-Rees, M.A. Chaplain, F. Townson P.M. Treas., Wm. Mosley P.M. Sec., T. T. Sefton P.M. D.C., Jas. Stewart S.D., W. Robinson J.D., J. B. Kenyon I.G., J. Hart Org., A. T. Mills Dep. Org., J. Harrop

P.M. P.P.G.D. Charity Representative, Blore, Oakley, Ireland, Massey, and Statham Stewards.

After the installation, the Brethren adjourned to the handsome dining room of the institution, where the Festival of St. John was held, Loyal and Masonic toasts being pleasantly relieved by songs, recitations, &c.

Bro. Wm. Woodeson I.P.M. proposed the health of the newly-installed W.M., enumerating his good qualities, and congratulating the Brethren upon the fact that they had secured his services for twelve months.

Bro. Sellars W.M. replied, saying that from the bottom of his heart he thanked the Brethren for placing him in such a high position, and giving him as it were a place in the Cabinet, which he hoped to fill with credit. If any difficulty should arise, he would have the wisdom of Bro. Woodeson to fall back upon.

Bro. Sellars then proposed the health of the I.P.M. and Installing Master, and said he had a pleasant duty to perform, namely that of presenting to him, on behalf of the Brethren, a Past Master's jewel, which he hoped he would live long to wear. The jewel was inscribed as follows:—

Presented to

BRO. W. WODESON P.M.,

by the Brethren of the Albert Victor Lodge, No. 1773.

Nov. 17th 1900.

Bro. Woodeson I.P.M. thanked the Brethren for their gift, and took the opportunity of paying a very high compliment to his Officers, all of whom had given him every possible assistance. He regretted that their annual function was not graced by the presence of Bro. Samuel Statham, the grandfather of the Lodge, who was always a welcome figure at their meetings.

Other toasts followed, that "to all poor and distressed Masons" being given by Bro. Gilbert L. Hardcastle S.W.

During the evening Bros. Harry Perry P.P.G.D., and Evan Williams P.P.G.Supt. of Works, who had attended on behalf of the East Lancashire Systematic Masonic Educational and Benevolent Institution, spoke very eloquently in advocacy of the claims of this Institution, and also explained the efforts which were being made for a special festival to be held during the forthcoming summer.

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Anfield Lodge, No. 2215.

INSTALLATION OF BRO. ARTHUR BARBER.

THE annual festival was held on Thursday evening, 22nd ult., at the Sandon Hotel, Oakfield Road, Anfield, when Bro. Arthur Barber was installed in the chair. The ceremony was most impressively rendered by the W.M. Bro. Amos Studdart.

After the ceremony the company adjourned to the Alexandra Hotel, Dale Street, Liverpool, where a recherche banquet was served by Bro. Harry Heard P.M., and after the usual Loyal toasts had been honoured a well-arranged musical treat was provided by Bros. Nelson, Jackson, A. Weber, H. D. Jay, Ben Roberts, J. Humphrey, W. A. McGuffie, W. Chambers, John Bain, and Frank Lott Musical Director.

During the evening, Bro. Barber presented Bro. Studdart Immediate Past Master with a Past Master's jewel, together with the necessary clothing, as a mark of esteem and appreciation of the members for the admirable manner in which he had conducted the business of the Lodge during the year just closed.

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Confidence Lodge, No. 193.

MANY were the Brethren who assembled at the Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street, on Wednesday, 5th inst., and it being Officers' night the chair was occupied by Bro. Simeons, with Bros. Fells S.W., Metcalfe Baillie J.W., Bushell S.D., Green J.D., Collins I.G., Spice Preceptor, and Goovearts acting Secretary.

The ceremonies of the three degrees were rehearsed, the first and second in duplicate. Bro. Simeons was in good form, and the Brethren felt sorry that his term of Office as W.M. in the Mother Lodge was shortly to expire; he has endeared himself to all; the soft melodious accents of his voice, his sweet kind smile, the emphatic solemnity of his rendering the ritual, his Fraternal grip to all, and aimable greeting will live long in the hearts of the Confidence Brethren, and all who attend the Lodge of Instruction.

Bro. Cohn was elected to occupy the chair next Wednesday, and we have no doubt he will be well supported.

ON Wednesday of last week the meeting was as usual a full one. Bro. Fells S.W. of the Mother Lodge occupied the chair during the first degree, and rehearsed the ceremony of initiation in a perfect and impressive manner, Bro. Done being candidate. Bro. Cohn, who it is rumoured will shortly be W.M. in his own Lodge was S.W., and afterwards occupied the chair and rehearsed the ceremony of passing in a faultless style, Bro. DaCosta being candidate. Bro. Carr occupied the J.W. chair with much credit, Bro. Collins as S.D. needs no instruction. Other Officers were Green J.D., Rowland I.G., Metcalfe Baillie acting Secretary, Spice I.P.M. Preceptor, Hattersley Steward.

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Yarborough Lodge, No. 554.

ON Tuesday, at Bro. Butlin's, the Citizen, Houndsditch, Bros. J. Cohn W.M., Andrews S.W., Mahany J.W., T. Cowell P.M. Prec., D. McNish P.M. Sec., L. DaCosta P.M. S.D.,

Lotheim J.D., Robson I.G., Rev. E. Spero, Butlin, Wynman, Smith, and others.

Lodge was opened to the second degree, Bro. Smith was examined, and the third ceremony rehearsed. Lodge was closed down and Bro. Smith worked the first section of the second lecture the questions being put by Bro. Lotheim. Both Bros. Cohn and Smith were most efficient in their duties.

Rev. Bro. Spero 205 and Bro. G. Smith 2615 were elected members. Bro. Cowell P.M. proposed that in consideration of Bro. Latham having discharged the duties of Treasurer for three years he be elected an Honorary Member, and this suggestion having been unanimously supported was acknowledged.

Bro. Andrews was elected W.M. for the 18th inst., next Tuesday it being arranged that the Fifteen Sections shall be worked, as noted in another part of this issue.

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New Concord Lodge, No. 813.

THE cordiality and true Masonic characteristics of the Mother "New Concord" Lodge are equally apparent in the Instruction Lodge working under its sanction, as was manifest on the occasion of our visit to its meeting last week, held at the Farleigh Hotel, Amherst Road, Stoke Newington, on Wednesday. The chair was occupied by Bro. W. E. Jeanes as W.M., with Bros. H. Parsons S.W., E. G. Platt W.M. 1327 J.W., A. Jones S.D., J. Chalk J.D., W. C. Lightfoot I.G., H. G. Gush P.M. Prec., J. A. Powell Treas., B. Barton J.D. 2552 Sec., C. Smallman, J. Wynman, and H. Reid.

The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing, for which Bro. C. Smallman, of the Henry Muggeridge Lodge, offered himself candidate and answered the preliminary questions. Bro. Gush worked the first section of the second lecture, assisted by the Brethren. The Lodge was opened in the third degree, and closed to the second, when Bro. Powell Treasurer worked the fourth section of the lecture.

The ritual was excellently rendered throughout, and this is hardly to be wondered at when we take into consideration the well known ability of the Preceptor Bro. Gush, who certainly does everything in his power to teach the ceremonies, &c. to perfection.

ON the 5th inst., Bros. Reed W.M., W. E. Jeanes S.W., H. Parsons J.W., J. A. Powell Treas. acting Preceptor, B. Barton J.D. 2552 Sec., J. Wynman J.D., Allen I.G., C. Smallman.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Barton acting as the candidate, after which that Brother worked the first and second sections of the lecture.

Bro. Powell proposed that a letter of sincere condolence and sympathy be sent to their Preceptor Bro. Gush, who had just lost his mother, and at the same time availed himself of the opportunity of expressing the indebtedness of the members to Bro. Gush, and the hope that he might be long spared to afford the Lodge the benefit of his Preceptorship.

A vote of thanks was passed to the W.M. of the evening, congratulating him on his performance in the chair, for the first time in any Lodge.

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City of London Lodge, No. 901.

ON Tuesday, at the King's Arms, Shoreditch, Bros. J. Jeffries W.M., H. P. Hill S.W., Almond J.W., W. H. Haylock P.M. Prec., W. R. Haylock W.M. 901 Sec., Knight J.D., Purkiss P.M. I.G., Witham, G. Smith, J. Wynman.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, the charge being given, with Bro. Witham acting as the candidate. The second ceremony was rehearsed, with the same Brother as candidate, the W.M. giving the full explanation of the working tools and tracing board.

We compliment Bro. Jeffries on his working and may here say we regard it as subject for regret that the Tracing Boards are not more regularly explained in our Lodges. It would be far better to go through one degree in its entirety each time of meeting than to give parts of two or three, except so far as regular opening up and closing down is concerned.

Bro. P. H. Hill was elected to preside on Tuesday next.

Bro. Haylock Secretary announced that the annual supper would take place at an early date, further particulars in regard to which will be announced later on.

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Hyde Park Lodge, No. 1425.

ON Monday of last week, at Bro. Stevens's, the Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne Terrace, Bishops Road, Bros. J. H. Beardon I.G. 1425 W.M., A. Collman W.M. 1425 S.W., F. Spink J.W., H. Dehane P.M., &c. Sec., A. Joop S.D., H. C. Martin J.D., F. Green I.G., L. J. Powell W.M. 2246, W. H. Handover I.P.M. 1642, G. E. Harris W.M. 1894, C. S. Mote P.M. 1732, T. E. Jackson, F. Henderson, F. Marchant, A. R. Taylor, W. Daniell, J. Wynman, J. P. Hurdley 1706.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Taylor acting as candidate. The Lodge was then opened in the second degree. Bro. Henderson was examined, and the ceremony of raising was gone through. The Lodge was resumed to the first degree.

Bro. J. P. Hurdley 1706 was elected a member, and Bro. A. Collman W.M. 1425 W.M. for the next meeting.

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Woodrow Lodge, No. 1708.

ON Monday, at Bro. Rudderforth's (Stone's) Restaurant, Pantons Street, W., Bros. J. W. Simeons W.M. 193 W.M., J. E. Culverhouse S.W., J. G. Lobb J.W., C. Woodrow P.M. Prec., W. H. G. Rudderforth P.M. Treas., T. Burgess S.D., G. W.

Lacy J.D., F. A. Grille I.G., Gabriel Jacquin, J. Cunningham, A. H. Higgins, J. Wynman, G. Coop P.M. 141, &c.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bros. Cunningham and Higgins acting as candidates. The Lodge was advanced to the second degree, and Bro. Culverhouse S.W. was presented as W.M.-elect, Bro. G. Coop taking the chair of S.W. After the obligation the Lodge was further advanced, and the W.M. was installed and saluted. The Lodge having been resumed to the first degree Bro. J. W. Simeons delivered the three addresses in grand style. The new W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of passing, Bro. Cunningham being the candidate.

Bro. G. Coop P.M. 141 was elected a member and W.M. for Monday next.

ON the 26th ult., Bros. Woodrow W.M., Burgess S.W., Culverhouse J.W., Rudderforth P.M. Treas., J. W. Simeons W.M. 193 Sec., G. W. Lacy S.D., J. A. Grille J.D., J. G. Lobb I.G., J. Stephens P.M. P.D.P.G.D.C., G. Baker, G. E. Genet, A. Higgins, J. Ollington, B. A. Calot, A. Menn, J. Wynman, A. Myall, &c.

The W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of installation, Bro. J. W. Simeons being presented as W.M.-elect. He was duly installed and saluted, and invested the Officers. Bro. Woodrow in a most perfect manner delivered the three addresses, the Lodge was resumed to the second degree and Bro. Calot answered the questions leading to the third and was entrusted. The Lodge was advanced, and the ceremony of raising was gone through.

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Kensington Lodge, No. 1767.

AT the weekly meeting on Tuesday, 4th inst., a large number of Brethren were present, although the weather was of the most disagreeable character; the Lodge room at the Town Hall Tavern, Kensington, W., was filled to its utmost capacity. Bro. T. W. Blott P.M. was in the chair, supported by Bros. L. J. Powell P.M. S.W., L. Woods J.W., W. Hillier P.M. Prec., F. Craggs P.M. Sec., T. Golby S.D., J. H. Cumming P.M. J.D., J. Ellerdane I.G., Arthur Williams P.M., H. Dresden P.M., J. H. Neville P.M.

The Lodge being opened, Bro. Golby was called upon to work the second section of the first lecture, and the next item was the explanation of the tracing board in the first degree by Bro. Wood. As this is not frequently rehearsed it was heartily approved of by the Brethren, and Bro. Wood was congratulated on the way in which it was delivered. Bro. Blott vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Arthur Williams who, after opening the Lodge to the third degree resumed to the second. The ceremony of installation was then rehearsed, Bro. Powell being placed in the chair; the ceremony being performed by Bro. A. Williams, who gave the three addresses in a magnificent manner, this Brother being noted for his elocutionary powers. Bro. Blott then resumed his position of W.M.

Bros. Woods and Golby were unanimously elected members, and Bro. Powell chosen W.M. for the next meeting.

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Hammersmith Lodge, No. 2090.

WE are pleased to notice the popularity of this Lodge of Instruction since its removal to the beautiful quarters at Wycombe Hall, Hammersmith Road, and must thank Bro. Currie the spirited Proprietor, for the great pains he takes to make the Brethren comfortable at their weekly meetings. The electric lighting, hot water warming, and perfect ventilation of the Hall might well be copied by many Hotel Proprietors.

On Wednesday, 28th ult., the chair was taken promptly at 7.45 p.m. by Bro. Lichenburg, who was supported by Bros. M. F. Wilkins S.W., Arthur Williams P.M. J.W., Gale Sec., J. Warren Treas., W. Hillier P.M. Prec., W. Cave S.D., Woods J.D., A. Ellenden I.G.; we also noticed amongst the numerous company: Bros. H. J. Cousins P.M., W. Handover P.M., J. H. Cumming P.M., Lewis Beale, J. Hallam, G. T. Meek, W. Atkinson, J. Youngsen, W. H. Cave, Canning, Rev. Greenwood, and Sprague.

The ceremony of initiation was gone through, the candidate being Bro. Atkinson, after which the Lodge was called off and on. It was then opened to the third degree, and resumed to the first, after which the second section of the lecture was worked by the Brethren, under the Preceptor's direction.

Bro. Wilkins was elected to preside at the next meeting.

Both the Preceptor and Junior Warden spoke in high terms of the way Bro. Lichenburg had gone through his work, more particularly as a few years since he was unacquainted with the English language, and a vote of thanks to him was placed on the minutes. We must not let the opportunity pass without thanking Bro. H. Warren for his kindness in looking after the creature comforts of all visiting and regular Brethren.

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Royal Victorian Jubilee Lodge, No. 2184.

LATE TERRIERS.

CONSIDERING the unfavourable weather there was a good meeting on Wednesday afternoon of last week, at the Dover Castle Hotel, Westminster Bridge Road, those present including Bros. F. Napoli W.M., B. Cohen S.W., Percy Gayer J.W., A. Darch P.M. Prec., W. J. Newstead Sec., W. Willshire S.D., T. F. Strutt W.M. 1679 and 2664 J.D., J. Cohen I.G., Dauning, Wynman, and others.

The Lodge was advanced to the third degree and resumed to the first, when the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Strutt making an excellent candidate. The ceremony of investiture of Officers followed. The Lodge was resumed to the third degree, and the first section was worked by Bro. B. Cohen, with the assistance of the Brethren.

ON the 5th inst., Bros. F. Napoli W.M., T. Holmes P.M. S.W., Percy Gayer J.W., A. Darch P.M. Prec., J. W. Newstead Sec., P. Page S.D., C. Hill J.D., W. Wilson I.G., J. Wynman, T. F. Strutt W.M. 1679, Newton, &c.

The Lodge was opened in the three degrees and resumed to the first, when the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Page taking the place of candidate. The W.M. then changed places with the S.W., who resumed the Lodge to the second degree, when Bro. Hill was examined and entrusted. The ceremony of raising was rehearsed.

Bro. T. Holmes P.M. was elected to preside at the next meeting and a letter was ordered to be sent to Bro. Voigt, Manager of the Hotel, thanking him for the handsome curtain he had put in front of the Lodge room, for the convenience of the Brethren.

Bro. Darch informed the Brethren that the Fifteen Sections would be worked in the Lodge on Tuesday evening next.

After the closing of the Lodge a ballot was taken in connection with the Benevolent Association, with the result that Bro. P. Page became the possessor of a Life Subscribership.

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Hugh Owen Lodge, No. 2593.

AN excellent meeting was held on Friday of last week, at the Frascati, Oxford Street, when we had the pleasure of seeing Bro. J. Bedford W.M. of the Duke of Connaught Lodge in the chair, assisted by Bros. W. Thomas S.W., J. B. Schrader J.W., Holland P.M. Preceptor, Nicholls P.M. Treas., C. J. Ridgway S.D., W. Spencer J.D., A. Taylor I.G., Hunt P.M. 2353, J. Wynman, and several others.

Bro. Crisp was examined and entrusted, the Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. Bro. Hunt P.M. was examined and entrusted for the higher degree, the Lodge was further advanced, and the ceremony of raising was gone through. Both these ceremonies were perfectly and impressively rendered.

The W.M. made some very appropriate remarks with regard to the kindness they always received from Bro. Holland, their Preceptor, and also thanked the Brethren for allowing him to rehearse the two ceremonies. As Worshipful Master of the Duke of Connaught Lodge he said how delighted he should be to see the Brethren at its next meeting at Anderton's Hotel; they could rest assured they would receive a most hearty welcome.

We tell you, Brothers, that your blue Lodge is the foundation upon which all Masonry rests, and through it your charities are done. It is the blue Lodge that builds your widow and orphan asylums, and it is the blue Lodge that cares for your sick and distressed, and buries your dead. It is the blue Lodge that lays your corner-stones for all public buildings, and says to the world we are the same who laid the corner-stone of the capitol of this country, led on by the immortal Washington.—Bun F. Price.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK.

Monday.

- 5 St. George & Corner Stone, F.M.H.
- 29 St. Alban, Albion
- 59 Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall
- 193 Confidence, Anderton's Hotel
- 957 Leigh, Freemasons' Hall
- 1305 St. Marylebone, Criterion Restaurant
- 1670 Adelphi, Freemasons' Hall
- 2030 Abbey, Town Hall, Westminster
- 2094 Elthorne and Middlesex, Cafe Royal
- 2394 Galen, Freemasons' Hall
- 2454 Guildhall School of Music, Holborn R.
- 2565 Royal Rose, Hampstead Road
- 2632 Byfield, Great Eastern Hotel
- 40 Derwent, Castle, Hastings
- 68 Royal Clarence, F.M.H., Bristol
- 75 Love and Honour, F.M.H., Falmouth
- 88 Scientific, Lion, Cambridge
- 104 St. John, Mechanics Inst., Stockport
- 105 Fortitude, F.M.H., Plymouth
- 106 Sun, F.M.H., Exmouth
- 133 Harmony, F.M.H., Faversham
- 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
- 262 Salopian, Music Hall, Shrewsbury
- 292 Sincerity, Adelphi, Liverpool
- 296 Royal Brunswick, F.M.H., Sheffield
- 297 Witham, Masonic Rooms, Lincoln
- 303 Benevolent, F.M.H., Teignmouth
- 314 Peace and Unity, Bull, Preston
- 330 One and All, F.M.H., Bodmin
- 339 Unanimity, Crown, Penrith
- 379 Honour, F.M.H., Bath
- 411 Commercial, F.M.H., Nottingham
- 422 Yarborough, M. Rms., Gainsborough
- 481 St. Peter, F.M.H., Newcastle-on-Tyne
- 587 Howe, F.M.H., Birmingham
- 589 Druid of Love & Liberty, Redruth

- 632 Concord, F.M.H., Trowbridge
- 643 Royal, Foord's, Filey
- 665 Montagu, F.M.H., Lyme Regis
- 671 Prince of Wales, F.M.H., Llanelli
- 721 Independence, F.M.H., Chester
- 797 Hauley, Hauley Hall, Dartmouth
- 827 St. John, Masonic Tem., Dewsbury
- 884 Derwent, Town Hall, Wirsborough
- 893 Meridian, F.M.H., Millbrook
- 941 De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford
- 1069 United Brothers, F.M.H., Portsmouth
- 1149 Dorking, Public Hall, Dorking
- 1174 Pentangle, Sun, Chatham
- 1221 Defence, F.M.H., Leeds
- 1237 Enfield, George, Enfield
- 1253 Travellers, Queen, Manchester
- 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
- 1452 St. Margaret, Royal, Lowestoft
- 1474 Israel, F.M.H., Birmingham
- 1477 Sir Watkin, F.M.H., Mold
- 1496 Trafford, Western, Moss Side
- 1505 Emulation, F.M.H., Liverpool
- 1564 St. John, F.M.H., Woking
- 1611 Eboracum, F.M.H., York
- 1618 Handyside, Riv. Rms., Saltburn-by-Sea
- 1730 Urnston, Victoria, Urnston
- 1748 Castlemartin, Assembly R., Pembroke
- 1792 Tudor, The Institute, Harborne
- 1802 Vernon, Exchange Bldgs., E. Retford
- 1852 Forest, Town Hall, Mansfield
- 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
- 2034 Masfield, Institute, Moseley
- 2144 De Tatton, Town Hall, Altrincham

The Theatres, &c.

- Avenue.—8, A Previous Engagement. 8.45, A Message from Mars. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 3.
- Comedy.—German Plays.
- Covent Garden.—On Friday, Fancy Dress Ball.
- Criterion.—8.20, A Charitable Bequest. 8.50, The Noble Lord. Matinée, Saturday, 3.
- Daly's.—8.15, San Toy. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Drury Lane.—7.45, The Price of Peace. Matinée, Wednesday (last day).
- Duke of York's.—8.30, The Swashbuckler. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Gaiety.—8.15, The Messenger Boy (Second edition). Matinée, Saturday, 2.
- Garrick.—8, A pair of Knickerbockers. 8.40, The Wedding Guest. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Globe.—8, A Little Supper. 8.30, The Gay Pretenders. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Gt. Queen Street.—8.15, A Boer Meisje. 9, The Private Secretary. Matinée, Saturday, 3.
- Haymarket.—8.30, The Second in Command. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.30.
- Her Majesty's.—8.30, Herod. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Lyceum.—8, The Three Musketeers. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.
- Lyric.—8, Florodora. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Prince of Wales.—8.30, English Nell. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.30.
- Royalty.—8.30, Mr. and Mrs. Daventry. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 3.
- St. James's.—8.30, The plot of his Story. 9, The Wisdom of the Wise. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 3.
- Savoy.—8, Pretty Polly. 8.30, Patience. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Shaftesbury.—8.15, The Casino Girl. Matinée, Saturday, 2.30.
- Strand.—8.15, Punctured. 9, In the Soup. Matinée, Wednesday, 3.
- Vaudeville.—8.15, Did you ever send your wife to Camberwell? 9, Self and Lady. Matinée, Wednesday and Saturday, 3.
- Wyndham's.—8.20, Mrs. Dane's Defence. Matinée, Wednesday, and Saturday, 2.30.
- Alexandra.—Next week, 8, The wrong Mr. Wright.
- Opera House, Crouch End.—Next week, The Degenerates.
- Surrey.—Next week, 7.45, The day of reckoning.
- Standard.—7.45, In London Town.
- Alhambra.—8, Variety Entertainment, Soldiers of the Queen, &c.
- Aquarium.—Varied performances, World's Great Show, &c., daily.
- Empire.—8, Variety Entertainment. Sea-side, War Pictures, &c.
- London Pavilion.—7.30, Variety Entertainment. Saturday, 2.15 also.
- Oxford.—7.30, Variety Entertainment. Saturday, 2.15 also.
- Palace.—7.45, Variety Entertainment. New American Biograph, &c. Saturday, 2 also.
- Royal.—7.30, Variety Company. Saturday, 2.30 also.
- Tivoli.—7.30, Variety Entertainment. A Galaxy of Stars. Saturday, 2.15 also.
- Egyptian Hall.—3 and 8, Mr. J. N. Maskelyne's entertainment.
- London Hippodrome.—2 and 8, Varied attractions. Siberia, &c.
- St. James's Hall.—8, Mohawk and Moore and Burgess Minstrels. Matinée, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 3.
- Crystal Palace.—Varied attractions daily. Café Chantant, &c.
- Madame Tussaud's (Baker Street Station).—Open daily. Portrait models of modern celebrities, &c.
- Polytechnic.—3, Our Navy.

- 2185 Ardwick, Moseley, Manchester
- 2197 Spencer Walpole Temperance, Douglas
- 2370 Carnarvon, Public Hall, Leyland
- 2382 Loyal Hay, Hay
- 2457 St. Anne's, St. Anne's-on-Sea
- 2487 St. Michael, Crown, Stone
- 2584 Queen Victoria, Con. Club, Cheetham

Tuesday.

- 96 Burlington, Albion
- 180 St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall
- 198 Percy, Ship and Turtle
- 211 St. Michael, Albion
- 228 United Strength, Guildhall Tavern
- 235 Nine Muses, Grand Hotel, Charing C.
- 781 Merchant Navy, Town H., Limehouse
- 834 Ranelagh, Criterion Restaurant
- 933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel
- 1190 Urban, Freemasons' Hall
- 1593 Royal Naval College, Ship, Greenwich
- 1004 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall
- 1693 Kingsland, Holborn Restaurant
- 1769 Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern
- 1969 Waldeck, Freemasons' Hall
- 2546 Rahere, Frascati
- 2622 Beach, Horns, Kennington Park
- 80 St. John, F.M.H., Sunderland
- 93 Social, 47 St. Giles Street, Norwich
- 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
- 386 Unity, Town Hall, Wareham
- 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
- 502 Rectitude, F.M.H., Rugby

503 Belvedere, F.M.H., Maidstone
 506 Mundy Grove, Boat Inn, Shipley Gate
 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
 686 Jerusalem, F.M.H., Bristol
 696 St. Bartholomew, Anchor, Wednesbury
 723 Panmure, F.M.H., Aldershot
 764 Harbour o' Refuge, M.H., W. Hartlepool
 771 Windsor Castle, F.M.H., Windsor
 877 Royal Alfred, Masonic Temple, Jersey
 892 Royal Edward, Royal Oak, Leominster
 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
 1197 Nyanza, F.M.H., Ilminster
 1250 Gilbert Greenall, Lion, Warrington
 1267 Kenlis, Oddfellows Hall, Egremont
 1373 St. Hubert, F.M.H., Andover
 1414 Knole, Parish Room, Sevenoaks
 1476 Blackpool, F.M.H., Blackpool
 1528 Fort, F.M.H., Newquay
 1545 Baildon, Masonic Rooms, Baildon
 1560 Albert Edward, F.M.H., Leicester
 1713 Wilbraham, Walton-on-the-Hill
 1837 Lullington, F.M.H., Wilmington
 1847 Ebrington, Masonic T., E. Stonehouse
 1883 William of Wykeham, Winchester
 1942 Minerva, Public Hall, Fenton
 2086 Dacre, Lyric Hall, Stevenage
 2090 Ethelbert, Masonic Rooms, Herne Bay
 2104 Whitwell, F.M.H., Stockton-on-Tees
 2134 Wilberforce, F.M.H., Hull
 2164 St. Germans, Peel Castle, Peel
 2256 Warner, Royal Forest, Chingford
 2324 Horwich, Bridge, Horwich
 2357 Barrv. Royal, Cadoxton-Juxta-Barry
 2475 Border, White Hart, Blackwater
 2477 Colne, Greyhound Inn, Wyvenhoe
 2521 Noel-Money, Oatlands, Weybridge
 2529 Abbey, F.M.H., Whalley
 2550 St. Aldhelm, F.M.H., Branksome
 2582 Lewisham, Blue Gates, Smethwick
 2600 Stanlev. Bull, Preston
 2680 King's Court, F.M.H., Gillingham
 2708 Holmes, F.M.H., Wigan
 2709 Royal York, F.M.H., Nailsworth
 2714 Temperance, F.M.H., Liverpool
 2723 Heaton, 232 Shields Road, Byker
 2790 Merton, Boys' Club, Merton

Wednesday.

Committee R.M. Benevolent Inst., at 4.
 3 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall
 11 Enoch, Freemasons' Hall
 13 Union Waterloo, F.M.H., Plumstead
 15 Kent, Freemasons' Hall
 136 Good Report, Albion
 548 Wellington, City Terminus 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
 2410 Æsculapius, Cafe Royal
 2581 Empress, Cafe Royal
 2620 Cavendish, Royal Palace Hotel
 2698 Brondesbury, Earl Derby, Kilburn
 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
 244 Yarborough, Masonic Temple, Jersey
 250 Minerva, F.M.H., Hull
 274 Tranquillity, Boar's Head, Newchurch
 277 Friendship, F.M.H., Oldham
 281 Fortitude, F.M.H., Lancaster
 288 Harmony, F.M.H., Todmorden
 290 Huddersfield, F.M.H., Huddersfield
 323 Concord, Florist, Stockport
 320 Brotherly Love, F.M.H., Yeovil
 498 Royal Standard, Dudley Arms, Dudley
 567 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

731 Arboretum, F.M.H., Derby
 750 Friendship, F.M.H., Cleckheaton
 755 St. Tudno, F.M.H., Llandudno
 851 Worthing of Friendship, Worthing
 854 Albert, Duke of York, Shaw
 1005 Zetland, Bell, Gloucester
 1018 Shakespeare, F.M.H., Bradford
 1031 Fletcher, F.M.H., Birmingham
 1060 Marmion, 14 Church St., Tamworth
 1064 Borough, Bull, Burnley
 1088 Royal Edward, Mas. Club, Stalybridge
 1094 Temple, F.M.H., Liverpool
 1101 Grey Friars, F.M.H., Reading
 1112 Shirley, F.M.H., Southampton
 1125 St. Peter, F.M.H., Tiverton
 1135 Concord, Masonic Temple, Ilfracombe
 1140 Ashton, Reform Club, Heaton Moor
 1181 De la Pole, F.M.H., Seaton
 1209 Lewises, Royal, Ramsgate
 1220 Solway, F.M.H., Aspatria
 1242 Tynwald, F.M.H., Douglas
 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
 1465 Ockenden, Ass. Rs., Haywards Heath
 1582 St. Idloes, Llanidloes
 1588 Prince Leopold, Angel, Stretford
 1643 Perseverance, M.H., Hebburn-on-Tyne
 1700 Trindrush, Corn Exchange, Witney
 1734 Trinity, Golden Lion, Rayleigh
 1798 Zion, Grand, Manchester
 1848 Ferrum, F.M.H., Middlesborough
 1855 St. Maurice, Working Hall, Plympton
 1879 Lord Warkworth, F.M.H., Amble
 1895 Thames, F.M.H., Henley
 1932 Whitworth, F.M.H., Spennymoor
 1947 Stanfold, Town Hall, Hove
 1958 St. George, F.M.H., Portsea
 2016 Shalden, Assembly Rooms, Alton
 2046 Robinson, F.M.H., Maidstone
 2156 Ar. Sullivan, Boar's Head, Manchester
 2183 Royal Hampton Court, Hampton Ct.
 2259 St. Nicholas, Masonic Rooms, Thorne
 2284 Smyth, F.M.H., Grimsby
 2294 Wavertree, Coffee House, Wavertree
 2389 Avondale, King's Arms, Middlewich
 2423 St. Mark, Hare & H's, Connah's Quay
 2483 Hadrian, Devonshire, Bexhill
 2540 Ember, Castle, East Molesey
 2583 St. Thomas, F.M.H., Tibshelf
 2591 St. Mary, Town Hall, New Shoreham
 2727 St. Audrey, F.M.H., Ely
 2758 Fylde, Palatine, Blackpool

Thursday.

House Committee, Girls School, at 4.30.
 19 Royal Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel
 238 Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall
 263 Bank of England, Albion
 534 Polish National, Freemasons' Hall
 860 Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel
 1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern
 1558 Duke of Connaught, Surrey Mas. Hall
 1708 Plucknett, Woodside Hall, N. Finchley
 1791 Creation, Freemasons' Hall
 1804 Coborn, Vestry Hall, Bow
 1820 Sir Thomas White, Cafe Royal
 1987 Strand, Criterion Restaurant
 2047 Beckenham, Public Hall, Beckenham
 2730 Cutlers, Cutlers' Hall, Warwick Lane
 35 Medina, F.M.H., Cowes
 50 Knights of Malta, Hinckley
 97 Palatine, F.M.H., Sunderland
 112 St. George, F.M.H., Exeter
 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
 216 Harmonic, Adelphi, Liverpool
 333 Royal Preston, Castle, Preston
 344 Faith, Ram's Head, Radcliffe
 369 Limestone Rock, Swan, Clitheroe
 381 Harmony & Industry, M.H., Darwen
 437 Science, F.M.H., Wincanton
 442 St. Peter, F.M.H., Peterborough
 477 Mersey, Mas. Chambers, Birkenhead
 546 Etruscan, F.M.H., Longton
 561 Zetland, F.M.H., Guisborough
 586 Elias De Derham, F.M.H., Salisbury
 588 St. Botolph, Corn Exchange, Sleaford
 725 Stoneleigh, Craven Arms, Coventry
 732 Royal Brunswick, Pavilion, Brighton
 739 Temperance, F.M.H., Birmingham
 784 Wellington, Public Rooms, Deal
 816 Royd, Falcon, Littleborough
 945 Abbey, Council Chamber, Abingdon

971 Trafalgar, F.M.H., Batley
 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
 1098 St. George, Temper. Hall, Tredegar
 1099 Huyshe, F.M.H., Stoke
 1143 Royal Denbigh, Town Hall, Denbigh
 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
 1204 Royd, F.M.H., Malvern
 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.
 1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton
 1495 Arkwright, New Bath H., Matlock Bath
 1514 Thornhill, F.M.H., Huddersfield
 1515 Bertie, F.M.H., Oxford
 1583 Corbet, Whitehall House, Towyn
 1592 Abbey, F.M.H., Bury St. Edmunds
 1697 Hospitality, Royal, Waterfoot
 1741 Montgomerie, King's Head, Diss
 1750 Coleridge, Public Hall, Clevedon
 1863 Priory, F.M.H., Tynemouth
 1911 De La Pre, F.M.H., Northampton
 1915 Graystone, Foresters H., Whitstable
 1992 Tennant, Masonic Temple, Cardiff
 2038 Portcullis, St. Mary's Chapel, Langport
 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
 2420 Ferdinand de Rothschild, Aylesbury
 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
 2649 Sir Francis Drake, F.M.H., Plymouth
 2722 Edward Terry, Barnes

Friday.

Board of Management, Boys School, 2.30.
 134 Caledonian, Ship and Turtle
 157 Bedford, Freemasons' Hall
 177 Domatic, Anderton's Hotel
 780 Royal Alfred, Star & Garter, Kew Bdge.
 1201 Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall
 1559 New Cross, Hotel Cecil
 1997 John Carpenter, Albion
 2399 Ordnance, F.M.H., Plumstead
 2552 Stoke Newington, Stoke Newington
 2593 Hugh Owen, Frascati
 2736 Nil Sine Labore, Criterion
 2740 Comrades, Holborn Restaurant
 36 Glamorgan, F.M.H., Cardiff
 81 Doric, Private Room, Woodbridge
 170 All Souls, F.M.H., Weymouth
 458 Aire and Calder, F.M.H., Goole
 516 Phoenix, Fox, Stowmarket
 526 Honour, Star & Garter, Wolverhampton
 680 Sefton, Adelphi, Liverpool
 786 Croxteth United Service, Liverpool
 815 Blair, Town Hall, Hulme
 916 Hartington, Queen's, Eastbourne
 1001 Harrogate & Claro, F.M.H., Harrogate
 1087 Beaudesert, Ass. Rs., Leighton Buzzard
 1102 Mirfield, F.M.H., Mirfield
 1121 Wear Valley, F.M.H., Bishop Auckland
 1289 Rock, Masonic Chambers, Birkenhead
 1428 United Service, F.M.H., Landport
 1605 De la Pole, F.M.H., Hull
 1661 Newton, F.M.H., Newark-upon-Trent
 1676 St. Nicholas, Cen. M.H., Newcastle-o-T.
 1715 A. J. Brogden, M.H., Grange-o-Sands
 1983 Martyn, Town Hall, Southwold
 2359 Doric, F.M.H., Chorlton-cum-Hardy
 2554 Manchester, F.M.H., Manchester
 2558 Furnival, F.M.H., Sheffield
 2594 Old Priory, Masonic Rooms, Beeston
 2608 Headingley, Parochial Institute, Leeds
 2660 Crane, George, Cranbrook
 2674 Ravensworth, F.M.H., Gateshead
 2677 Calcaria, Masonic Rooms, Tadcaster

Saturday.

1139 South Norwood, South Norwood Park
 1641 Crichton, Frascati
 1732 King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel
 1126 Oakwood, Sale Hotel, Sale
 2035 Beaumont, F.M.H., Kirkburton