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THE GRAND TREASURERSHIP.

ONE of the most exciting contests ever known in connection with the Grand Treasurership of the English Craft was brought to an end on Wednesday, when nearly three thousand Brethren recorded their votes on behalf of one or other of the two candidates who were nominated for the appointment. In the result Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall proved the successful candidate, with 1,558 votes; while Bro. Capt. John Barlow was defeated—but by no means disgraced—with a record of 1,213.

The question of personal voting, its drawbacks and its inconvenience, has come strongly to the fore on this occasion, and already we have received letters—one of which we publish elsewhere—touching upon the subject. As our correspondent argues, it seems positively absurd that personal attendance should be required in order to vote for this, the only Office in the hands of the Craft, and we believe it would only be necessary to propose some adequate means of proxy voting to get the system altered. Surely nothing can be said in favour of continuing the barbarous custom now in vogue, while much may be urged in support of a change to proxy voting.

Capt. Barlow has already signified his intention of going to the poll again next year, and we hope the very large number of supporters he has enrolled for this week's contest may be so increased as to ensure his success on that occasion.

We cordially congratulate Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall on his success; he has worked hard to secure it, and well deserves any honour the Craft can bestow upon him.

Bro. the Bishop of Rochester has been initiated as an Oddfellow.

The regular meeting of the Upton Lodge, No. 1227 will be held on Thursday next, at the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, E.C., at 4.30 p.m. There are four candidates for raising, and six for passing, so that the Worshipful Master Bro. W. J. Carroll will be fully occupied with work during the meeting.

At a recent Masonic meeting a Brother, just returned from the front, prefaced some remarks by saying that of course he had no sympathy whatever with the Boers, but as the result of his personal observation he could say that in places where the Boers had ransacked, pillaged, and ruthlessly destroyed property, they had invariably left the property of Masonic Lodges uninjured. As a matter of fact, in some cases they had signed their names in the books of the Lodges as visiting members, attaching in some cases the initials indicating their rank in the Craft.—“Daily Chronicle.”

The Marquis of Ripon (Past Grand Master) and the Marchioness are to celebrate their golden wedding on the 8th of next month, and the citizens of Ripon have resolved to mark the event by presenting an illuminated address. His lordship is the first Marquis. His predecessors passed through the various degrees from a member of Parliament to an earldom, and the present Marquis received the higher title in 1871. During his political career he has filled many prominent positions, and was also Grand Master of the English Craft until he became a convert to Roman Catholicism. Half a century ago all but a month, he married his cousin, Henrietta, daughter of the late Mr. Henry Vyner, of Gautby Hall, Horncastle, who was for some time Lady of the Bedchamber to the Princess of Wales.

THE BALLOT.

THERE is a great deal of mischievous nonsense for which a wrong understanding of this principle is responsible, says the “Tyler.” Some Masons seem to think that the doctrine means that a Mason must not make known his objections to a candidate, if he has any. Such a theory is absurd. We are a family of brothers, and can discuss as such the admission of new members to the family. We are not afraid of each other, nor malicious toward each other.

The secrecy of the ballot must be protected. We can imagine a case when the appeal to such a right would be valuable, but it is a shelter for extreme cases, not for every day—a cyclone cellar, not a living room. The writer has seen nearly five hundred men brought into his Lodge, and has never yet seen the time when he was afraid to tell everything he knew or believed or had heard or thought about any one of them.

Suppose I bring in a petition in good faith, and it is rejected, and no one vouchsafes to me a reason. My situation is very unpleasant. I am tormented with a dozen suspicions. Am I deceived in my friend? Ought I to be on my guard against him? If so, in what way? Ought I to refuse to lend him money, or to keep my wife from his company? Or is it only that I am not a judge of what is good material? But have I no longer the confidence of my Brothers? Do they think me unworthy of it, or why do they conceal from me their objections? Do they think me so unjust that I would not listen to objections, or so spiteful that I would seek for revenge? Do they think I am mean enough to betray their confidence? Such are some of the reflections that are certain to occur to the unfortunate proposer; and justly. Where a candidate is rejected in silence it is a slap in the face to the Brothers that proposed him, and also to the members of the investigating committee, if they recommended him.

The “Tyler” believes that such conduct arises from a misapprehension of a Mason's duty. It is true that one must not say, “I will black-ball So-and-so.” But with these two exceptions he may say whatever he is man enough to say. He may go to the proposer and say to him, “You are mistaken in the character of So-and-so,” or “There is something about So-and-so which you may not know, and which in my opinion makes him unsuitable material for Masonry”; or “Mr. So-and-so is perhaps entitled to the privileges of Masonry, but he is very offensive to me, and I advise you to get leave to withdraw his petition, and let him send it to some other Lodge.” If for any reason that step is not agreeable, he can go to the Master or to the investigating committee and tell them what he knows, or what they should investigate. There can be but two occasions when it is necessary or proper to silently and secretly cast a black ball: one is when the objector is a coward, and the other when the proposer is a rascal.

In connection with the resolve of the King not to sever his connection with the Freemasons, even although resigning the position of Grand Master, it is interesting to remember that it was in Sweden, and by the King of that country he was first admitted a Freemason. That was thirty-three years ago, and seven years before he was elected Grand Master of England in place of the Marquis of Ripon. It is curious that the King's father, the late Prince Consort, refused to have any connection with Freemasonry. The late Queen, on the other hand, smiled upon the Craft, and on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee Lord Amherst spoke of the Queen's deep interest in Masons, and referred to her as the daughter of a Freemason, the mother of Freemasons, and the patron and helper of the Order.—“North British Daily Mail.”

Festival of the Benevolent Institution.—List of Stewards and Amounts collected.

LONDON.

LONDON.				1507(Ch.)Stiles, Wm. Mason				1515 15 0				2789 Mayer, Daniel				131 5 0			
LODGE				1539 Cannon, W. G.				67 17 0				2796 Kiralfy, Imre				46 14 6			
1	Holden-White, Cecil	21	0 0	1540	Bailey, A. J.			1540	Miles, Wm.	87	3 0	2817	Drummond, Chas. J.	71	18 6				
1	Levy, B. W.			1571	Leach, Percy			1571	Leach, Percy	62	13 6	UNATTACHED.							
2	Hanson, F. S.	21	0 0	1598	Jeffreys, A. W.			1598	Jeffreys, A. W.	47	5 0	Bro. Farnfield, J. A.		10	10 0				
2	(Ch.)*Armitage, W. J. (and 859)	—		1599	Callingham, Walter			1599	Callingham, Walter	113	8 2	Gerards, J. H.		26	5 0				
4	Few, W. R.	15	15 0	1602	Littlewood, W. J. R.			1602	Littlewood, W. J. R.	137	0 6	Thompson, G.							
5	Collard, J. C.	54	0 6	1613	Spiegel, A.			1613	Spiegel, A.	50	0 0	Stephens, James							
8	Duncan, J. Heron	21	0 0	1613	*Hooper, Claud A.			1613	*Hooper, Claud A.	—		Probyn, Lt. Col. Clifford							
8	(Ch.)*Davidson, J. H. (and 1820)	—		1642	Handover, W. H.			1642	Handover, W. H.	82	8 6	Rogers, E.							
9	Evans, W. A.	34	13 0	1658	Buckeridge, Henry			1658	Buckeridge, Henry	25	0 0	Welford, J.							
10	Florence, Henry L.	129	0 0	1671	Fender, F. G.			1671	Fender, F. G.	133	5 0	Carman, Henry							
13	Reed, G. W. (and Ch. 2182)	62	14 0	1685	Shilton, L.			1685	Shilton, L.	24	18 0	Walter, E.		52	10 0				
15	Carpenter, A. R.	59	17 0	1687	Verdier, L.			1687	Verdier, L.	90	0 0	Morreil, J. W.							
18	Burt, George	113	18 6	1693	Dimes, E.			1693	Dimes, E.			Watts, Lt.-Col. W.		10	10 0				
21	Lancaster, W. J.	43	5 0	1695	Hodges, Thos. G.			1695	Hodges, Thos. G.	45	0 0	Bullivant, W. P.							
22	Cowley, S. J.	46	14 6	1706	Kempling, Chas. H.			1706	Kempling, Chas. H.	63	0 0	Trew, A. R. and Simmons, Chas							
23	Husbands, Joseph	33	12 0	1716	Mosey, J. Y.			1716	Mosey, J. Y.	105	0 0	Joint List		48	6 0				
26	Watson, Col. F. G.	18	18 0	1719	Wood, Samuel			1719	Wood, Samuel	81	17 0	Bergman, J.							
29	Langridge, G. T.	21	0 0	1743	Perry, Richard			1743	Perry, Richard	65	0 0	Milton, J. H.		15	15 0				
30	Foster, Fred. C.	29	1 6	1766	Kaufman, A.			1766	Kaufman, A.	122	11 6	Osborn, Geo. Wm.							
45	Briggs, John	131	5 0	1769	Gardner, W. H.			1769	Gardner, W. H.	69	6 0	Humphrey, J. T.		21	0 0				
60	Debenham, A. H.	15	15 0	1791	Wedmore, Albert G.			1791	Wedmore, Albert G.	106	5 0	Head, R. H.		16	16 0				
65	Smart, James	143	17 0	1804	West, J. P., and			1804	West, J. P., and			Partridge, E. J.		32	12 0				
72	Randall, Chas. H.	63	0 0	1804	Smith, A.			1804	Smith, A.			Cart, Rev. Henry		59	8 0				
79	*Cooper, C. H.	—										Kemp, Henry		12	12 0				
79	Salter, R.	36	15 0	1805	Chapman, Geo. (and 2732)			1805	Chapman, Geo. (and 2732)	112	12 0	Wetton, C. E.							
79	Wilson, Andrew	10	10 0	1816	Haysom, G.			1816	Haysom, G.	26	5 0	Mills, Reginald		21	0 0				
87	Woods, T.	58	0 0	1820	Davidson, J. H. (and Ch. 8)			1820	Davidson, J. H. (and Ch. 8)	58	5 6	*Wright, Major Henry		—					
90	Reynolds, A. L.	216	6 0	1820	James, R. W.			1820	James, R. W.	115	10 0	Cawley, Richard							
91	Thomas, A. J.	63	0 0	1827	Roberts, Wm. T.			1827	Roberts, Wm. T.	60	18 0	Barlow, Capt. J.		220	10 0				
95	Russell, M. L.	62	14 6	1828	Knights, George			1828	Knights, George	27	6 0	Prior, F. W.							
96	*Woodhouse, John (and 165)	—		1839	Perrins, J. F.			1839	Perrins, J. F.	68	15 0	Manuel, Robt. (Logic Club)		126	0 0				
144	(Ch.)*Stow, H. Vane (and 2578)	—		1901	Pointon, Jos. S.			1901	Pointon, Jos. S.	220	0 0	Robeson, J. G.							
147	Thomas, Rev. T. W. E.	31	10 0	1922	*Cornford, Henry (and 1320)			1922	*Cornford, Henry (and 1320)	—		Baker, Wm.							
165	Woodhouse, John (and 96)	29	7 0	1964	Davis, Maj. W. N.			1964	Davis, Maj. W. N.	100	16 0	Rippin, A. J.							
169	Willmott, Fred. A.	70	12 6	1986	Oldfield, W. S.			1986	Oldfield, W. S.	36	15 0	Ward, W.							
169	Burgin, Arthur	53	16 0	2000	(Ch.)Pollard, Joseph			2000	(Ch.)Pollard, Joseph	15	15 0	Hudson, Wm.							
173	Herbert, W. H.	115	0 0	2021	Evans, C. W.			2021	Evans, C. W.	105	0 0	Sykes, H.							
173	(Ch.)Griffiths, T. H.	21	0 0	2029	Gowan, R. A.			2029	Gowan, R. A.			Imming, W.							
174	Bulmer, J. H.	201	19 0	2030	Spong, G. Mansfield			2030	Spong, G. Mansfield	120	15 0	Schindler, C.							
179	Eedle, F. J.	84	0 0	2045	Hussey, Stephen			2045	Hussey, Stephen	57	15 0	Vanoni, F. C.							
180	Dury, L. F.	48	16 6	2128	Chant, Thos. W.			2128	Chant, Thos. W.	65	0 0	Schmidt, Julius							
185	Hinds, W.	54	12 0	2182	(Ch.)*Reed, Geo. W. (and 13)			2182	(Ch.)*Reed, Geo. W. (and 13)	—		*Mold, C. J.		—					
188	Craig, J. Hamilton			2190	Townley, Chas.			2190	Townley, Chas.	18	12 0	*Gibbs, C. Stanley		—					
192	Stokes, Thomas	210	0 0	2242	Ellis, Maj. R. S.			2242	Ellis, Maj. R. S.	15	15 0	Best, R. V. B.		15	15 0				
193	Fells, Sidney W.	66	3 0	2265	Goldstein, J. L.			2265	Goldstein, J. L.			Attenborough, S. J.		10	10 0				
193	Carr, G. F.			2266	Ball, A.			2266	Ball, A.	10	10 0	Cole, W. H.							
194	Hunt, F. J.	54	12 0	2272	Fletcher, J. A.			2272	Fletcher, J. A.			Paine, G. H.							
197	Bullen, Thos. Geo.	27	6 0	2291	Stone, W. G.			2291	Stone, W. G.	96	8 6	Webber, Wm.		10	10 0				
198	Bavin, George			2319	Craig, William			2319	Craig, William	105	0 0	Elvin, J. W.		10	10 0				
205	Marcus, Joseph	38	2 0	2319	*Thompson, James			2319	*Thompson, James	—		Jennings, Richard		15	15 0				
212	*Pett, J. M. (and 1861)	—		2319	*Sandilands, Thomas			2319	*Sandilands, Thomas	—		Busby, Alfred							
228	Williams, George H.	54	17 6	2319	*Barclay, J. M.			2319	*Barclay, J. M.	—		O'Brien, T. J.		10	10 0				
235	Dawson, P.	15	15 0	2319	*Inman, Francis			2319	*Inman, Francis	—		*Wilson, J. H.		—					
256	Crawford, Tyson	31	10 0	2319	*Grieve, N. W.			2319	*Grieve, N. W.	—		*Friston, S. C.		—					
259	Holman, H. M.	15	15 0	2397	Crane, R. Newton			2397	Crane, R. Newton	38	16 6	*Woolley, W. H.		—					
263	Waterhouse, S. H.	22	1 0	2398	Dukas, N.			2398	Dukas, N.	21	5 6	Simner, Abel							
507	Smith, Wallace	48	11 0	2417	Boswell, Walter G.			2417	Boswell, Walter G.	61	19 0	Friedborg, A.							
548	(Ch.)Jones, F.	20	9 6	2432	Ransford, C.			2432	Ransford, C.	73	10 0	Homer, H. J.							
554	Baxter, H. A.	63	5 0	2456	Tomlinson, W. E. M.			2456	Tomlinson, W. E. M.	26	5 0	Yeo, William							
569	Humphries, H.	110	5 0	2466	Owens, E. J. M.			2466	Owens, E. J. M.	60	18 0	Kentish, W. G.		52	10 0				
619	Faull, Lorenzo A. J.	38	17 0	2489	Butler, Chas.			2489	Butler, Chas.	76	13 0	Bown, H.							
704	Bint, Fred A.	179	0 6	2489	(Ch.)Robson, O. C.			2489	(Ch.)Robson, O. C.	43	1 0	Catten, J. H.		10	10 0				
765	Warwick, J. H.	68	5 0	2500	Miller, W. Scott			2500	Miller, W. Scott	350	0 0	Terry, James E.		10	10 0				
781	Morrow, Geo. E.	85	12 0	2500	*Whifford, T.			2500	*Whifford, T.	—		Allison, G. R.							
860	Newell, T. S.	57	15 0	2500	*Miller, G. Scott			2500	*Miller, G. Scott	—		Frigout, A. A.		10	10 0				
861	Detrez, Jules	21	0 0	2500	*Miller, E. Scott			2500	*Miller, E. Scott	—		Gladding, Walter		10	10 0				
862	Hester, T. J.	59	17 0	2500	*Percival, J. F.			2500	*Percival, J. F.	—		Dickson, James P.							
871	Wright, W. W.	80	17 0	2500	*Edwards, W. G. A.			2500	*Edwards, W. G. A.	—		White, T. Blanco							
898	Duck, A. G.	26	10 0	2500	*Reid, A.			2500	*Reid, A.	—		Robinson, Chas.							
902	Butcher, Chas.	26	5 0	2500	*Almond, A.			2500	*Almond, A.	—		Darnell, A. W.							
907	Tubby, F. O.	119	3 6	2500	*Pain, A.			2500	*Pain, A.	—		Marshall, H. B.		52	10 0				
933	Moss, Wm. Archer	37	10 0	2512	Haines, G. R.			2512	Haines, G. R.	94	10 0	Callingham, F. H.							
1017	Rossdale, James (and 2696)	36	15 0	2535	Carter, B.			2535	Carter, B.	491	9 0	LADIES.							
1139	Gurney, Ernest Wm.	21	0 0	2546	Brodie, W. Haig			2546	Brodie, W. Haig	19	18 0	Chant, Mrs. T. W.							
1155	Bugler, Thos.	36	15 0	2550	Parry, T. H.			2550	Parry, T. H.	56	3 6	Stephens, Miss Lily							
1159	Lambert, E. J.	51	9 0	2578	Stow, Maj. H. V. (& C. 141)			2578	Stow, Maj. H. V. (& C. 141)	44	2 0	Whadcoat, Mrs. J. H.		10	10 0				
1227	Carroll, W. J.	525	0 0	2579	Lewis, Harry			2579	Lewis, Harry	60	17 6	Bridgman, Mrs. J. H.							
1227	Hayne, Robt. R.	10	0 0	2580	Bennet, W. R.			2580	Bennet, W. R.	101	6 6	Johnson, Mrs. J. R.		5	5 0				
1259	Chandler, C. W.	63	0 0	2601	Cockerton, H. A.			2601	Cockerton, H. A.	45	0 0	Cannon, Mrs. G. E.							
1275	Bore, Thos.	26	5 0	2612	St. Clair, R. Adml. W. H. C.			2612	St. Clair, R. Adml. W. H. C.	22	1 0	Cooper, Mrs. C. H.							
1275	(In.)Blanchard, G. C.	70	0 0	2664	Strutt, T. F.														

Stokes, Mrs. F. J.
Hughes, Mrs. T.
Walter, Mrs. E. 42 0 0

LEWISES.

Pointer, P. G. W.
Pointer, Sidney
Carter, Eric
Dale, D. H.
Bratt, L. E.

THE PROVINCES.

BEDFORDSHIRE.

LODGE
803 Daniel, J. C. H. 40 19 0

BERKSHIRE.

574 Langley, Wm. J. 26 11 0
1101 Heron, D. N. 90 0 0
2671 Cocks, W. A. 50 0 0
2760 Cambridge, T. S. 30 9 0
Unattached
Keyser, C. E. 105 0 0
Broquet, E. C.
Keyser, C. N. 21 0 0

BRISTOL.

PROVINCE
Bolt, F. S. 707 7 0

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

LODGE
1501 Flint, Henry 10 10 0
1501 Williams, James 16 16 0
1501 Simcox, J. J. 20 0 0
1787 Bonner, Thos. 21 0 0
2421 Yeo, Wm. 43 11 6
2492 Lee, A. G.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

859 *Armitage, W. J. (and Ch. 2) —
1492 Briggs, Wm. 21 0 0
2107 Barrow, Geo. 81 19 6

CHESHIRE.

104 Booth, Wm. 10 10 0
1576 Clarke, Joseph 10 10 0

CORNWALL.

PROVINCE
Milford, E. M. 381 3 0
LODGE
1954 Hare, Sholto H. 37 5 6

CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORLAND.
1073 Wilson, Thos. 15 15 0

DERBYSHIRE.

Unattached
Woodiwiss, Isaac N. 10 10 0

DEVONSHIRE.

PROVINCE
Stocker, John 745 10 0

LODGE
70 Jacobs, Jos. 31 10 0
251 Smart, R. W. J.
Unattached

*Wilson, J. R. —

*Peck, Rev. Richard —
Westlake, F. B.

DORSETSHIRE.

Whadcoat, J. H. 105 0 0

DURHAM.

LODGE
1862 Cockell, E. Seaton
1862 Purdy, John T. Joint List 168 0 0

ESSEX.

The Chairman 52 10 0
LODGE
51 Egerton-Green, C. E. 150 0 0
160 Arthy, A. J. 23 2 0
214 Humphreys, Thos. 36 15 0
276 Beale, Lewis 36 15 0
276(Ch.)Green, J. P. 42 0 0
433 Fieldgate, Wm. 20 0 0
453 Corble, Geo. 12 12 0
453 Page, W. S. 47 5 0
650 Ward, A. J. H. 100 10 6
697 Smith, J. P. 70 0 0
1000 Jarvis, Jas. Geo. 108 5 0
1000(Ch.)Lucking, Albert 36 15 0
1024 Gotto, Rev. D. 25 2 6

LODGE
1280 King, Henry 27 6 0
1312 Johnstone, Wm. J. 102 7 6
1343 Asplin, Chas. 63 0 0
1437 Woodcock, C. H. 29 18 6
1437 Suckling, John 15 15 0
1437 Stratford, F. A. 15 15 0
1437 Baker, W. 10 10 0
1437 Hammond, J. S. 10 10 0
1457 Ambrose, Jethro 107 1 6
1457 Panchard, R. A. 94 10 0
1457 Foster, C. S. 42 0 0
1457 Richmond, A. J. 10 10 0
1543 Ralling, T. J. 84 0 0
1734 Beard, Percy E. 47 5 0
1799 Sparling, S. J. 33 12 0
1817 Willingale, Walter 52 10 0
1817 Marden, A. J. 21 0 0
1977 Brooks, A. H. 45 0 0
2005 Lehmkuhl, F. H. 170 2 0
2005 Johnson, J. R. 10 10 0
2005 Hayman, A. G. 10 10 0
2005 Herbage, S. F. 10 10 0
2005 Henderson, B. 10 10 0
2005 Clark, G. H. 10 10 0
2005 Dear, James 10 10 0
2005 Free, E. S.
2005 Slater, W.
2005 Finch, G. H. 85 1 0
2006 Ryon, G. 76 6 0
2063 Lowe, W. G. 35 14 0
2077 Cleaton, E. R. (and 1582) 21 0 0
2154 Marshall, Thos. 5 5 0
2184 Catt, W. H. 37 16 0
2255 Dauntton, G. S. 187 15 0
2255 Terry, James 52 10 0
2256 Brown, G. R. 30 8 0
2318 Snowden, John James 31 10 0
2339 Synnott, W. G. 25 0 0
2342 King, S. J. 206 6 6
2374 Fortescue, Walter 35 0 0
2442 Ray, Arthur R. 26 5 0
2477 Bailey, J. T. 60 0 0
2501 Taylor, Leo. 26 5 0
2504 Retallack-Moloney, J. H. 105 0 0
2508 Griffith, Percy 52 10 0
2561 Francis, H. Herbert 10 10 0
2707 Woods, A. T. G. 10 10 0
2707 Gardiner, A. S. 325 10 0
2717 Crow, W. L. 10 10 0
2717 Oram, F. 10 10 0
2717 Roskams, P. 10 10 0
2717 When, A. R. 10 10 0
2717 Lucking, E. 10 10 0
2717 Smith, F. G. 10 10 0
2717 Byford, Thos. 36 15 0
2717 England, F. 10 10 0
2717 Drury, A. 10 10 0
2717 Jacob, Geo. 10 10 0
2717(In.)Terry, John A. 42 0 0
2734 Ackerman, Geo.
2749 Verlyck, G. M. E. L., and
2749 Hatfield, R. J. Joint List 116 0 0
2750 Graham, Jas. (and Ch. 2372) 89 5 0
2757 Dormer, J. T. 262 10 0
2757 Ford, Alfred
2757 Cooke, S. T.
2757 Ford, Arthur
2757 Pakeman, J. R.
2757 Hughes, T.
2757 Garrett, L. T.
2757 Stevens, R. H.
2757 Lonsdale, H. C.
2757 Norie-Miller, T.
2757 Bridgman, J. H.
2757 Merryweather, F.
2757 Herbage, P. G. 5 5 0
2757 Dove, Robert
2757 Anderson, J. H. 26 5 0
Unattached
Speller, James
Trounce, T. P.
*Creech, C. H.
*Steward, J. W.
*Austin, J. G.
*Flower, H.
*Aitchison, W. K.
*Plumbley, F.
*Plumbley, F. H.
Berry, James 99 15 0
Total from the Province £4,052 10 0

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

LODGE
246 Palmer, F. T. 5 5 0
493 Brendon, S. J. 34 2 6
702 Winterbotham, A. S. 10 10 0
1005 Lea, Edwin 10 10 0
1005 Shera, J. D. 66 13 6

HANTS AND ISLE OF WIGHT.

LODGE
342 Webb, Edward J. T. 36 15 0
1069 Howell, Alex. N. Y. 16 16 0
1331 Finch, E. G. 20 0 0
2074 Bone, William J. 26 5 0

HERTFORDSHIRE.

403 Gregory, J. L. 39 2 0
404 *Keyser, C. E. (and 1479) —
409 Gervis, Henry 21 0 0
869 Reeve, Chas. A. 117 12 0
869 Cunningham, A. 10 10 0
1327 Platt, E. G. 53 11 0
1479 Keyser, C. E. (and 404) 126 0 0
2054 Palmer, Frank L. 10 10 0
2323 Fisk, E. C. 26 5 0
2372 Metcalfe, William 42 0 0
2372(Ch.)*Graham James (and 2750) —
2518 Fell, Geo. H. 31 10 0
2732 Chapman, Geo. (and 1805) 246 15 0
2786 Crocker, Frank 217 17 0
2786 *Burkett, Harry
2786 *Matthews, J. T.
2786 *Coxen, W. —
Unattached

Catesby, W. E. 13 13 0
Boydell, W. T. 40 10 0
Taylor, J. P.
Warren, Dr. W. P.
Richards, John C. 3 3 0
Floyd, H. G. 10 10 0
Wilson, Philip
Marchant, J. T. 10 10 0
Crutch, W. J.
Williams, W. H. 10 10 0

KENT.

133(Ch.)Tett, Henry S. 21 0 0
LODGE
1050 Brice, Solomon Jno. 21 0 0
1436 Carter, W. S. 26 5 0
2147 Gale, Samuel 10 10 0
Unattached
Baker, William 15 15 0

EAST LANCASHIRE.

PROVINCE
Cheetham, C. D. 115 10 0
LODGE
2529 Thompson, John R.
Unattached
Forrest, W. 52 10 0

WEST LANCASHIRE.

LODGE
2651 *Parr, Roger C. (and 357) —
Unattached
Garnett, Capt. C. H. 31 10 0

MIDDLESEX.

LODGE
382 Hanson, A. J. 47 15 6
1237 Dexter, James M. 57 15 0
1309 Robinson, Fred 26 5 0
1309 Nodder, Joseph
1567 Dailey, H. C. R. 78 15 0
1579 Dobb, Henry W. 81 13 0
1637 Lichtenberg, Max 10 10 0
1656 Ross, D. A. 23 2 6
2523 Hodgkinson, E. C. P. 63 0 0
Unattached
Orton, James T.
Fennell, R. T. 10 10 0
Pridmore, C. W.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.

LODGE
683 Chambers, W. H. Le Grand 10 10 0

NORTHS AND HUNTS.

445 Dunckley, G. H. 20 16 6

NORTH WALES.

PROVINCE
Benson, C. K. 63 0 0
LODGE
1582 Cleaton, E. R. (and 2077) 16 16 0

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

1852 White, J. Harrop 210 0 0

OXFORDSHIRE.

340 Twining, F., and
340 Druce, Geo. Claridge Joint List 62 1 0
357 Parr, Roger C. (and 2651) 52 10 0
357 Bredermann, E. A. 25 0 0
478 Rofe, H. J. 18 18 0

LODGE

599	Bloomfield, John N.			
1036	Harris, J. W.	7	2	0
1703	Miller, Wm. Sadler			
1895	Noble, Leonard	15	9	6
2414	Pym, S. A.	23	4	0

SHROPSHIRE.

LODGE

611	Salway, Theophilus J.	10	10	0
	Southwell, W. Lascelles	21	0	0

SOMERSETSHIRE.

LODGE

41	Curd, Chas.	115	12	6
261	Kite, G. H.	94	10	0
1833	Wiltshire, O. W.	52	10	0

STAFFORDSHIRE.

539	Dewsbury, Alfred	35	8	0
539	Bailey, W. H.	51	3	0
624	Abbey Lodge	10	10	0
2149	Taylor, Thos.	35	8	0
2149	Baines, Arthur	35	8	0

SUFFOLK.

PROVINCE		26	5	0
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LODGE

114	Colchester, V. D.	120	15	0
225	Price, Geo. Powell	220	10	0
332	Grimwade, A. J. (and Ch. 1224)			
376	(Ch.) Norman, T. W.	52	10	0
959	Trew, A. R.	52	10	0
1008	Chapman, Wm. (and 1592)	194	0	0
1224	(Ch.) Grimwade, A. J. (and 332)	52	10	0
1592	Chapman, Wm. (and 1008)			
1631	Shadrake, Wm. G.	89	5	0
1663	Flatman, A. G.	99	15	0
1983	Key, Thos. E.	15	15	0
1224	Rose, C. J. N.	57	15	0

SURREY.

410	Bathurst, W. H.	63	0	0
889	Cowen, Geo.	40	19	0
1046	Jackman, C. W.			
1347	Cookes, Tom			
1347	Lofts, H. W.	52	10	0
1362	Peat, G. Wallace	43	1	0
1638	Mitchell, G. A.	25	10	0
1790	Baber, Henry	27	15	0
1861	Pett, J. M. (and 212)			
1861	Rogers, Wm.	21	0	0
1981	Cobden, R. S.	26	5	0
2096	Brown, Herbert A.	59	17	0
2096	Wayte, John	11	11	0
2444	Wells, Chas.	36	15	0
2473	Walker, C. Stuart (and 1348)	89	5	0
2652	Hancock, F. W.	90	6	0
2769	Longworth, R. D.	44	11	6
Unattached				
	Hayward, W. D.	10	0	0

SUSSEX.

LODGE

38	Aylmore, H. S.	23	17	6
315	Feltham, R. E.	11	11	0
732	Manwaring, Harry	10	10	0
916	Triggs, A. S.	30	0	0
1184	St. John, L. F.	38	17	6
1821	Burden, V. W.	39	7	6
1829	Carpenter, A. J.	63	0	0
1829	Rusbridge, John T.	21	0	0
1829	Nye, James	10	10	0
1829	Marston, F. J.			
1829	Law, G.	10	10	0
1829	Goscheron, C. M.			
1842	Wilson, Lt.-Col. H. C.	40	5	0
2187	Wheeler, G. H.	10	10	0
2187	Crossley, W. H.	10	10	0
2187	Allen, F.	10	10	0
2434	Trydell, W. F.	36	15	0
2676	Venables, C. A.	10	10	0
2676	Habgood, H.	10	10	0
2676	Schreiner, F.	26	5	0
Unattached				
	Elwes, Maj. W. H. Cary			
	Richards, H. C.	10	10	0

WARWICKSHIRE.

LODGE

739	Wrighton, C. M.	5	5	0
794	Jones, Felix	10	10	0
925	Hudson, Joseph			
925	Ballington, Thomas			
925	Penn, Fred James			
925	Turton, James Alfred			
925	Hankins, John A.			
Joint List		84	0	0
1016	Sheaff, Geo. H.	10	10	0
1246	Evens, James	31	10	0
1551	Rowbotham, T.	10	10	0
1644	Ratcliff, Thos.	10	10	0

WILTSHIRE.

626	Lapham, A. H.	40	8	0
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WORCESTERSHIRE.

280	Carington, R. C. S. (1204)	62	11	6
529	White, J. Hill, and			
529	Millington, J.			
Joint List		52	10	0
564	Willcocks, H. W.	31	10	0
1204	Carington, R. C. S. (280)			
2385	Davies, W. T.			
2385	Buttery, G. B.	49	18	0
2385	Richards, Fred			
2654	Perry, C. P.	24	3	0
2654	Rusby, R. W.	42	0	0

NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

PROVINCE

Cowper, W. H.	67	3	0
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Lo. & Ch. 236 Laughton, F.W., and

LODGE

236	Potter-Kirby, G.			
Joint List		73	10	0
312	Harrowing, J. H.	10	10	0
1511	Harrison, Wm. L., and			
1511	Holmes, W. Henry			
Joint List		26	5	0
Unattached				
	Browne, G. W.			

WEST YORKSHIRE.

LODGE

290	Lamb, Joe			
290	Raynor, W. P.			
304	Mason, C. L.			
306	Blackburn, William			
904	Cleaves, Fred.			
904	Gibbs, John			
974	Lupton, William C.			
1019	Green, Major H. G. E.			
1102	Hirst, Geo. C.			
1102	Bailey, Walter			
1231	Howell, T. G.			
1231	Law, A. W.			
1231	Fielding, Albert			
1231	Waller, H. H.			
1231	Waller, Chas. H.			
1231	Broadhead, J. W.			
1239	Rowbotham, T.			
1514	Walker, David			
1736	Oates, J. E.			
2263	Fenton, W. C.			
2268	Bennett, Maj. C. F.			
2558	Stokes, Chas.			
2558	Parker, Capt. C.			
2558	Robinson, Chas.			
2558	Cawood, H.			
Total from the Province		£735	0	0

GUERNSEY AND JERSEY.

PROVINCE

Nickolls, J. B.	10	10	0
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LODGE

168	Pengelly, Thomas	73	10	0
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FOREIGN STATIONS.

SOUTH AFRICA.

2678	Haworth, N. E.	8	14	0
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* Included in Lodge or Provincial List.

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ELECTION OF GRAND TREASURER.

To the Editor of THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE

Midland Grand Hotel,

St. Pancras, N.W.,

6th March 1901.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Will you permit me to take this, the earliest opportunity, to tender my grateful thanks to the 1213 Brethren who kindly attended at Grand Lodge this day, to record their votes in my favour.

Although unsuccessful, I think the large number of votes polled in my favour will be generally considered a justification of my candidature, and I feel that it is only due to those who have supported me to-day to announce that I shall solicit their suffrages on the next occasion.

I desire also to express my obligations to Bro. H. B. Marshall for his personal courtesy throughout the contest.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Faithfully and Fraternally yours,

JOHN BARLOW.

To the Editor of THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,—The method of appointing the Grand Treasurer is notoriously out of joint with the times, and it has for many years been

a puzzle to me that the farcical comedy of voting in person is permitted to continue, when proxy forms could be sent from the Grand Secretary's Office by post to those Brethren who are entitled to vote, and are desirous to avoid the consequent loss of time and expense to personally drop a piece of paper into the slot of a ballot box.

I have travelled over four hundred weary miles to record a vote for one of the two London competitors for the vacancy, and to accomplish this feat I have lost two days of valuable time.

It is manifest that unnecessary payment of Innkeepers' bills and travelling expenses by country Brethren engaged on Masonic business in town must in the long run tend to reduce subscriptions from the distant Provinces, to the detriment of the London Masonic Charities. The present costly and inconvenient method of voting is unfair to Brethren who do not reside in London and the home counties, and the alleged honour of being elected by an unrepresentative vote does not in my humble opinion add dignity to the appointment.

Yours fraternally,

NATHAN HEYWOOD.

3 Mount Street, Manchester.

6th March 1901.

Free and accepted Masonry is first of all a fraternity or brotherhood. Fraternity has been the first step in civilisation and will be its ultimate perfection. It is the dream of the philanthropist to-day—the acme of human hopes. It is not religion, though it stands at the threshold of her temple; it is not the Church, though it is her most perfect friend and well wisher, and in many cases has proved her highly-valued helpmate. Its principles are in accord with her teaching, and a man is made better, broader, and nobler by being brought under its influence. A man cannot be a bad man and be a good Mason.—Rev. Frank Charters Grand Chaplain Montreal District.

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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Concerning Children. By Charlotte Perkins [Stetson] Gilman (6s).—G. P. Putnam's Sons.

THE education of children, by which we here mean their general up-bringing, is a subject upon which numberless writers have delighted to instruct us. Our shelves contain much collected wisdom of this sort, but we confess to being disappointed with it all, from Locke to Mrs. Gilman. Indeed, although we have read portions of this volume with considerable interest, we cannot say we think so highly of it as we could wish. We have always thought that writers who would instruct us upon the management of children are, albeit unconsciously, betwixt the devil and the deep sea. The class of persons who should study such a book may be supposed to at least include young mothers and younger nursemaids and governesses. The former class have seldom the time to read such a book carefully; the two latter classes have seldom the inclination. Even should the reading become a "fait accompli" it will, we think, usually be found that the lessons taught are either obvious or unintelligible, according to the status of the reader. Mrs. Gilman frequently expresses her meaning both wisely and well, but families, like everything else in this world, are apt to vary, and to vary so greatly that what would be wholesome discipline in one family would be useless in any other. In particular, the questions involved in the subject which Mrs. Gilman discusses under the heading "The Child and the slipper" are so many and frequently so antagonistic that profitable generalisation is almost impossible. Miss Katherine Gilman, to whom this volume is dedicated, could probably vouch for the success of her mother's methods; but we have not the pleasure of knowing her, so can but read and judge for ourselves.

An essay on Western Civilisation in its economic aspects (medieval and modern times). By W. Cunningham, D.D. Vol 2 (4s 6d).—Cambridge University Press.

THIS is a somewhat elaborate essay on a very important subject. The mass of materials which Dr. Cunningham has read and sifted for the purposes of this essay are such as lie for the most part beyond the domain of the historical student. It will, indeed, be possible to read largely amongst the annals of any of the nationalities here named—particularly the annals of the Viking, the Goths, and the Franks—and be almost wholly ignorant of the economic aspects of those subjects. If we may fetch an illustration from afar, we think that Dr. Cunningham's volume is to the ordinary histories of civilisation what Hallam's "Middle Ages" is to the popular histories of Europe, or what Guizot is to Alison. On the whole, we think the merit of compression the most prominent of the many merits of this essay. The whole topic, from whatever standpoint we regard it, is a very complex one; there is something beyond ordinary skill in narrative required before a writer can set forth the political economy of any nation. Of the earlier chapters, we think the one on "Christian Relations with Heathen and Moslems" deserving of special praise; although the preceding chapter on "Natural and Money Economy" may perhaps appeal more forcibly to the many men who nowadays take a genuine interest in the literature of economics. We are not sure that we know of any essay of a similar character so entirely satisfactory; for, as a rule, there is no choice save between some interminable history or an utterly inadequate primer. There are some good maps in this volume, and an excellent and exhaustive index.

The Story of Art in the British Isles. By J. Ernest Phythian. With twenty-eight illustrations (1s).—George Newnes, Limited.

THIS "Library of Useful Stories" is the most satisfactory undertaking of its kind since the publication of Messrs. Macmillan's Historical and Scientific Primers. We have read several of these "Stories" on their first appearance, and have been uniformly gratified by the way in which the very diverse subjects have been treated. The little volume before us deserves as warm a welcome as its predecessors. Mr. Phythian, with admirable literary tact and a rare sense of proportion, has sketched, in the space of two hundred small pages, a graphic account of the rise, progress, and present condition of Art in the British Isles. Like other volumes in this series, this handbook is well and beautifully illustrated, and it is certainly one of the wonders of our wonderful age that so excellent a volume can be published at a shilling and purchased for ninepence. We are under the impression that some of the opinions expressed by Mr. Phythian are not those of the orthodox Art critic; but they may very possibly be the more valuable on that account. We should like to know whether Mr. Phythian has read an article by the late Grant Allen on "The Celt in English Art." We can hardly suppose he would endorse all that is there said of the art of Burne-Jones and the Celtic School; for, so far as he touches the subject of the Celt, we cannot discern much enthusiasm underlying Mr. Phythian's periods. This book will well repay careful re-perusal.

Good for Nothing or All Down Hill. By G. J. Whyte-Melville. Illustrated by G. P. Jacomb-Hood (3s 6d).—Ward, Lock and Co., Limited.

WE understand that this volume, and that entitled "Bones and I," which we had the pleasure of reviewing recently, are the last two volumes in this excellent edition of the novels of G. J. Whyte-Melville. We can most heartily congratulate Messrs. Ward, Lock and Co. on the completion of their undertaking. We have always admitted the justice of the maxim "every man to his taste," and consequently we are not averse to express our own with no uncertain voice. We wrote

our opinion of the merits of Whyte-Melville's novels on a former occasion; but will take this opportunity of saying that, after the most impartial consideration, we think the collected works of this author are equal in value to those of any save three of our novelists. It is hardly necessary to say that those three are Scott, Dickens, and Thackeray. Of Thackeray we are often strongly reminded when reading Whyte-Melville; for the author of these five and twenty fine volumes, now once again completely and handsomely re-issued, had much of Thackeray's wide outlook, keen and ready wit, and fertility of invention. There are incidents in "Good for Nothing" that are happy, and some that are sad; there are scenes in the drawing room, and scenes in the bush; there are some remarkably strong characters, and some persons who, like the women in Pope's famous satire, have "no characters at all." The story has not the historic interest of "Holmby House," or the dramatic power of "The White Rose," but in change of scene and breadth of treatment it is inferior to neither. Readers who do not yet know it will thoroughly enjoy their first perusal of its pages.

Messrs. Digby, Long and Co. will publish shortly the following seven Novels:—"Devaytis," by Marya Rodziewicz, author of "Anima Vitas," &c., translated by Count de Soissons. "The Golden Tooth," by J. McLaren Cobban, author of "The Angel of the Covenant," "I'd Crowns Resign," &c. "Cruel Calumny," by Mrs. Leith-Adams (Mrs. De Courcy Lattan), author of "A Garrison Romance," "Accessory after the Fact," "The Prince's Feathers," etc. "A Stolen Wooing," by Seyton Heath. "The Emperor's Design," by Surgeon-Major H. M. Greenhow, author of "Amy Vivian's Ring," "The Tower of Ghilzan," "Brenda's Experiment," etc. "The Burden of an Honour," by R. St. J. Corbet. "A Daring Spirit," by Mrs. Bagot Harte, author of "Wrongly Condemned," "The Wheel of Fate," etc.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

New Century Library (2s net per vol.).—T. Nelson and Sons. The Works of SIR WALTER SCOTT, BART.

Vol. iii., **The Antiquary.**

Vol. iv., **Rob Roy.**

Ballad Stories of the Affections. From the Scandinavian. By Robert Buchanan.—Sampson Low and Co.

The Words of Wellington. Collected from his despatches, letters, and speeches, with anecdotes, &c. Compiled by Edith Walford.—Sampson Low and Co.

The Redemption of David Corson. By Charles Frederick Goss (6s).—Methuen and Co.

The Ending of my Day. By Rita (2s 6d).—T. Fisher Unwin.

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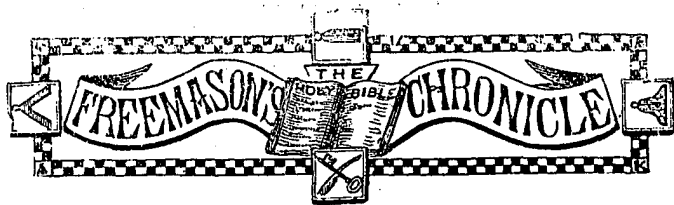
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SATURDAY, 9TH MARCH 1901.

UNITED GRAND LODGE.

THE Quarterly Communication was held on Wednesday, under the presidency of the Pro Grand Master the Earl Amherst. There was an exceptionally large attendance, nearly three thousand Brethren attending during the afternoon to record their vote on behalf of one or other of the candidates for the Grand Treasurership.

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught was unanimously elected Grand Master, and the result of the poll for Grand Treasurer was declared in favour of Bro. Horace Brooks Marshall, who polled 1,558 votes, as against 1,213 recorded in favour of Bro. Capt. John Barlow, who, as will be seen from a letter we publish elsewhere, has already decided to appeal to the electors of the Craft next year, when we hope he may be more fortunate than was the case this week.

MARK GRAND LODGE.

THE Quarterly meeting was held on Tuesday, under the presidency of the Earl of Euston Pro Grand Master.

On the motion of the Earl of Euston, seconded by the Hon. A. de T. Egerton, the humble and grateful thanks of Grand Lodge were most respectfully offered to the King, for his gracious intimation that he will be pleased to assume the position and title of Patron of the Mark Degree. The letter written by command of his Majesty, acknowledging the receipt of the address on the death of the late Queen passed by Special Grand Lodge on the 19th ult., was ordered to be entered on the minutes.

On the motion of Dr. Ernest Lane, seconded by Rear Admiral St. Clair, the Duke of Connaught was elected Grand Master, and he was proclaimed by Bro. H. E. Cousans D.C.

On the motion of Bro. J. H. Whadcoat, seconded by Bro. W. A. Scurrah, Bro. Harry Manfield was elected Grand Treasurer.

The following is the Quarterly Report of the General Board, submitted on the occasion:

By command of the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master a circular letter was addressed to the Lodges and Brethren generally, ordering that Masonic mourning should be worn for three months in consequence of the much lamented death of our late beloved Sovereign, Her Majesty Queen Victoria, which sad event took place on the 22nd January.

A special Grand Lodge was held on Tuesday, 19th February, which was very largely attended, and it was unanimously resolved that an address be presented to His Majesty King Edward VII. offering to His Majesty the respectful sympathy of the Grand Lodge and the members of the Mark Degree, and further presenting the loyal and sincere congratulations of this Grand Lodge on His Majesty's accession to the throne.

The Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master informed Grand Lodge that although His Gracious Majesty had retired from the office of Grand Master, which he had filled since 1886, he had been graciously pleased to assume the office of Patron of the Mark Degree.

The Board has most sincere pleasure in recommending that the humble and grateful thanks of Grand Lodge be offered to His Majesty for this mark of his Royal favour.

The Board begs to announce with the greatest pleasure that His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn Past Grand Master has been pleased to allow himself to be nominated for the vacant office.

During the three months ending 31st December 1900, there have been issued:—Mark Certificates, 446; total registered, 42,446.

Since the last report three Warrants for new Lodges have been granted, viz.:—

- No. 545, Dartmouth, Slaithwaite, W. Yorks.
- No. 546, Hartford, Bedlington, Northumberland and Durham.
- No. 547, Blagdon, Blyth-on-Tyne.

Royal Ark Mariner Certificates, 98; total registered, 6,435.

His Royal Highness the Most Worshipful Grand Master previous to his accession to the throne was graciously pleased to re-appoint for a further term of three years, R.W. Bro. Abraham Woodiwiss as Provincial Grand Master for Derbyshire.

The Board has to report that the Warrant of the St. Thomas

Lodge, No. 306, has been returned to Grand Lodge by the District Grand Master for Madras.

The Board begs to acknowledge with grateful thanks the following gifts to the Library:—

York College. Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia. Rules and Regulations and List of Members. 1898.

History of the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia.—Dr. Wm. Wynn Westcott.

South African Bible.—C. W. J. Bird, 333.

Antique Jewel.—E. A. Smith, 363.

Antiquity of Chester Masonry.—John Armstrong.

FUND OF BENEVOLENCE.

V.W. Bro. Alderman and Lt-Col. Clifford Probyn Past Grand Treasurer has most kindly consented to preside at the thirty-third Annual Festival in aid of the Benevolent Fund, which will be held at the Freemasons' Tavern, on Wednesday, 10th July 1901, and the Grand Secretary will be happy to receive the names of Ladies and Brethren willing to act as Stewards.

The Board has to report the death of an Annuitant, Mrs. Eliza Wood Trebeek.

The following cases have been relieved:—

Bro. J. C., Lodge No. 394 £10

Bro. J. M. B., Lodge No. 159 £10

Bro. J. W. B., Lodges Nos. 223, 355 £10

Mrs. S. P., Widow of a Brother of Lodges Nos. 16, 383 £10

The Board recommends the following grants to Grand Lodge:—

Mrs. M. S., Widow of a Brother of Lodges Nos. 342, 527 £20

Mrs. B. M. H., Widow of a Brother of Lodge No. 342 £50

E. D., Daughter of a Brother of Lodge No. 28 £20

Mrs. R. D., Widow of a Brother of Lodges Nos. 2, 305 £20

R. LOVELAND LOVELAND, President.

FRANK RICHARDSON, Vice President.

C. FITZGERALD MATIER, Grand Secretary.

February 1901.

St. Andrew Lodge, No. 34.**INSTALLATION OF BRO. GEORGE HARGREAVES.**

THE annual meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Manchester, on Tuesday, 19th ult., Bro. James Green W.M. There was an attendance of members and visitors numbering over thirty, and it is pleasing to note that the St. Andrew Lodge is making steady and satisfactory progress, both financially and in numbers.

Two Brethren were admitted into the Mark degree, and there is every likelihood of these being shortly followed by several others. The new members were Brothers E. E. Moss and Herbert Evans, both of the Newall Lodge, No. 1134, and the ceremony of advancement was performed by Bro. J. Lawrenson P.M.

The installation of Bro. George Hargreaves S.W. Worshipful Master-elect then took place, the ceremonial being undertaken by Bro. Green W.M., assisted by Bro. Julius Laurisch I.P.M. P.P.G. Register of Marks Cheshire, and other Past Masters.

Bro. Hargreaves invested and addressed the newly-appointed Officers, after which Lodge was closed, and the Brethren adjourned to a very excellent banquet.

Loyal and Mark toasts were submitted, the same being varied by songs, recitations, &c., which were contributed by Bro. J. W. Clough 189 P.P.G.A.D.C., George Brown 67 P.P.G.S. of W. P.P.G.P., Edward Roberts, &c

Among those present and not previously mentioned were Past Masters A. K. Boothroyd P.P.G.S. Treasurer, Major H. L. Rocca P.P.G.M.O., J. M. Sinclair Grand Deacon Eng., G. A. Myers and J. M. Veal. Visitors: Bros. A. H. Jeneris P.G.D. Eng. Dep. Prov. G.M., W. Goodacre P.G.S., J. R. R. Jeffery P.P.G.Treas., A. Grundy P.P.G.P., F. K. Cooke P.G.S. S.D. 67, and others.

"A SPRIG OF ACACIA."

THE death is announced of Bro. Rev. Dr. William Randall, which occurred at Brighton, on the 2nd inst., at the age of 81 years. Our Brother was appointed Grand Chaplain of England in 1890, was a P.Prov.S.G.W. of Staffordshire, Past Deputy Prov.G.M.M. of Staffordshire and a P.M. and P.Z. of different Lodges and Chapters.

MUCH sympathy will be felt for Lord Henniker Prov. Grand Master of Suffolk and the Isle of Man and his family in the loss they have sustained by the death of his lordship's eldest son, the Hon. Albert Henniker-Major, who expired in London on Saturday from a severe attack of pneumonia, after a comparatively short illness. Two days before his son's death Lord Henniker intended to come to town from the Isle of Man to be with his son, but postponed the journey in consequence of receiving a favourable telegram respecting his condition. A relapse, however, took place on the Friday, and the patient expired the following day. He was in his thirty-sixth year, unmarried, and was formerly a captain in the 3rd Battalion of the Norfolk Regiment. Lord Henniker has four sons still living and five daughters. Lady Henniker who was a daughter of the third Earl of Desart, died in 1893.

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
 1366 Highgate, Midland Grand Hotel
 1670 Adelphi, Freemasons' Hall
 2012 Chiswick, Criterion
 2030 Abbey, Town Hall, Westminster
 2394 Galen, Freemasons' Hall
 2426 Wood Green, Fish. Arms, Wood Green
 2454 Guildhall School of Music, Holborn R.
 2632 Byfield, Great Eastern Hotel
 2682 Sancta Maria, Mark Masons' Hall
 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 Yarrowburgh, 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, Wirksworth
 893 Meridian, F.M.H., Millbrook
 941 De Tabley, Royal George, Knutsford
 1069 United Brothers, F.M.H., Portsmouth
 1174 Pentagle, 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 Urmston, Victoria, Urmston
 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 Masefield, Institute, Moseley
 2144 De Tatton, Town Hall, Altrincham
 2185 Ardwick, Moseley, Manchester
 2187 Adur, Assembly Rooms, Henfield
 2197 Spencer Walpole Temperance, Douglas
 2376 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
 917 Cosmopolitan, City Terminus Hotel
 933 Doric, Anderton's Hotel
 1196 Urban, Freemasons' Hall
 1269 Stanhope, Surrey Masonic Hall
 1593 Royal Naval College, Ship, Greenwich
 1604 Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion Restaurant
 1668 Samson, Café Royal
 1693 Kingsland, Holborn Restaurant
 1922 Earl of Lathom, Surrey Masonic Hall
 1969 Waldeck, Freemasons' Hall
 2127 Drury Lane, Theatre Royal, Drury L.
 2265 Barnato, Cafe Monico
 2406 Brentford, Castle, Brentford
 2427 Hampden, Hampden House, N.W.
 2751 Arts, Freemasons' Hall
 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
 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 of 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
 1314 Acacia, Bell, Bromley, Kent
 1367 Beaminster Manor, Beaminster
 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 Lullingstone, F.M.H., Wilmington
 1847 Ebrington, Masonic T., E. Stonehouse
 1883 William of Wykeham, Winchester
 1942 Minerva, Public Hall, Fenton
 2099 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
 2324 Horwich, Bridge, Horwich
 2357 Barrv, Royal, Cadoxton-Juxta-Barry
 2475 Border, White Hart, Blackwater
 2477 Colne, Greyhound Inn, Wyvenhoe
 2492 Concordia, Red Lion, Wendover
 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
 2667 Buckingham & Chandos, Rockferry
 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

Wednesday.

- Committee R.M. Benevolent Inst., at 4.
 11 Enoch, Freemasons' Hall
 13 Union Waterloo, F.M.H., Plumstead
 15 Kent, Freemasons' Hall
 87 Vitruvian, Bridge House Hotel
 136 Good Report, Albion
 147 Justice, Ship, Greenwich
 548 Wellington, City Terminus Hotel
 749 Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel
 1228 Beacontree, Guildhall Tavern

- 1629 United, Freemasons' Hall
 1766 St. Leonard, Great Eastern Hotel
 1815 Penge, Clarence Hall, Penge
 1827 Alliance, Albion
 1964 Clerkenwell, Holborn Viaduct Hotel
 1986 Honor Oak, Anderton's
 2362 Bloomsbury Rifles, Chenies Street
 2470 Telegraph Cable, Hotel Cecil
 2484 Second Middlesex Artillery, F.M.H.
 2528 Lancastrian, Hotel Cecil
 2697 St. Michael le Querne, Holborn Rest.
 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 Yarrowburgh, 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
 323 Concord, Florist, Stockport
 403 Croydon of Concord, Croydon
 483 Sympathy, Royal Clarendon, Gravesend
 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
 755 St. Tudno, F.M.H., Llandudno
 851 Worthing of Friendship, Worthing
 852 Zetland, F.M.H., Salford
 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
 1442 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
 1692 Hervey, Royal Bell, Bromley, Kent
 1703 Windrush, Corn Ex., 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 Stanford, Town Hall, Hove
 1958 St. George, F.M.H., Portsea
 2016 Shalden, Assembly Rooms, Alton
 2046 Robinson, F.M.H., Maidstone
 2147 Crays Valley, Institute, St. Mary Cray
 2156 Ar. Sullivan, Boar's Head, Manchester
 2183 Royal Hampton Court, Hampton Ct.
 2284 Smyth, F.M.H., Grimsby
 2294 Wavertree, Coffee House, Wavertree
 2389 Avondale, King's Arms, Middleswich
 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
 2752 Marlow, Crown, Marlow
 2758 Fylde, Palatine, Blackpool

Thursday.

- 19 Royal Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel
 91 Regularity, Freemasons' Hall
 206 Friendship, Ship and Turtle
 238 Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall

263 Bank of England, Albion
534 Polish National, Freemasons' Hall
860 Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel
879 Southwark, Bridge House Hotel
1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern
1155 Excelsior, Bridge House Hotel
1227 Upton, Great Eastern Hotel
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N.
1599 Skelmersdale, Ship and Turtle
1642 Earl of Carnarvon, Notting Hill
1708 Plucknett, Woodside Hall, N. Finchley
1791 Creaton, Freemasons' Hall
1820 Sir Thomas White, Cafe Royal
1987 Strand, Criterion Restaurant
2033 University of London, Freemasons' H.
2090 Hammersmith, Vestry Hall, Hammer.
2168 Derby Allcroft, Midland Grand Hotel
2417 Bolingbroke, Mun. Bg., Lavender Hill
2509 Barnet, Assembly Rooms, New Barnet
2730 Cutlers, Cutlers' Hall, Warwick Lane
2754 Thomas-a-Becket, Old Kent Road

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
139 Britannia, F.M.H., Sheffield
191 St. John, Knowsley, Bury
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
487 Portsmouth, F.M.H., Portsmouth
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 Abbeey, Council Chamber, Abingdon
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
1247 St. John, F.M.H., Plymouth
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
1515 Bertie, F.M.H., Oxford
1583 Corbet, Whitehall House, Towyn
1592 Abbey, F.M.H., Bury St. Edmunds
1697 Hospitality, Royal, Waterfoot
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
2218 Rickmansworth, Victoria, Rick'worth
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
2372 James Terry, Falcon, Waltham Cross
2420 Ferdinand de Rothschild, Aylesbury
2428 Gracedieu, F.M.H., Coalville
2449 Duke of York, Albion, Manchester
2523 Roll Call, Oddfellows' H., Hounslow
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

Friday.

143 Middlesex, Albion
1118 University, Freemasons' Hall

1962 London Rifle Brigade, Anderton's
2157 St. Mark's College, Holborn Restaurant
2247 Argonauts, Frascati
2346 Warrant Officers, F.M.H.
2712 Jubilee Masters, Hotel Cecil
2721 Light, Holborn Restaurant
152 Virtue, F.M.H., Manchester
271 Royal Clarence, Pavilion, Brighton
347 Noah's Ark, Waggon & Horses, Tipton
541 De Loraine, F.M.H., Newcastle-on-T.
599 Cherwell, F.M.H., Banbury
904 Phoenix, Masonic Bldgs., Rotherham
993 Alexandra, Midland, Levenshulme
1108 Royal Wharfedale, Mas. Rooms, Otley
1311 Zetland, F.M.H., Leeds
1330 St. Peter, Swans, Market Harborough
1357 Cope, Brookland's, Sale
1389 Fenwick, F.M.H., Sunderland
1626 Hotspur, Newcastle-on-Tyne
1644 Alma Mater, F.M.H., Birmingham
1773 Albert Victor, Town Hall, Pendleton
1794 De Vere, F.M.H., Nottingham
2063 St. Osyth Priory, Clacton-on-Sea
2231 Talbot, Council Offices, Old Trafford
2244 Cowper and Newton, F.M.H., Olney
2447 Palatine, Albion, Manchester
2610 Beresford Peirse, Assem. R., Bedale
2644 Chaloner, F.M.H., Melksham
2657 Liscard, Concert Hall, Liscard
2695 Doric, F.M.H., Harrogate

Saturday.

715 Panmure, City Terminus Hotel
1139 South Norwood, South Norwood Park
1229 Sphinx, Surrey Masonic Hall
1364 Earl of Zetland, Ship and Turtle
1732 King's Cross, Anderton's Hotel
1767 Kensington, Royal Palace Hotel, W.
2108 Viator, Anderton's, Fleet Street
416 Surrey, Public Hall, Reigate
1126 Oakwood, Sale Hotel, Sale
1194 Villiers, Mitre, Hampton Court
1597 Musgrave, Greyhound, Hampton Court
2035 Beaumont, F.M.H., Kirkburton
2318 Lennox Browne, Roebuck, Buck'st Hill
2548 Herga, Technical Schools, Harrow
2671 Victoria, F.M.H., Windsor
2717 Albert Lucking, M.H., Southend-o-Sea

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. We do not sanction anyone attending Lodge meetings as our representative without a specific invitation.

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Ebury Lodge, No. 1348.

INSTALLATION OF BROTHER FRANK CLARK.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge, held at the Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W., on Tuesday of last week, proved a very successful and interesting function, and was attended by about one hundred Brethren. The chair was occupied by Bro. C. Stuart Walker W.M., supported by Bros. Frank Clark S.W. W.M.-elect, W. N. Ward J.W., W. C. Wigley P.M. Treas., H. Fincham P.M. Sec., J. Warren P.M., A. Atkins P.M., J. T. Davies P.M., H. Morris P.M., James McLaren P.M., W. E. Thomson J.D., H. Langston I.G., W. J. Alabaster and Fred. Payne Stewards, H. H. Davy P.M. D.C., M. Attwood Organist, R. F. Potter P.M. Tyler; Bros. Lindley Darby, W. Wood, M. Wilson, W. Bates, W. Fulser, J. Chard, G. Barn, W. Horn, A. Hudden, W. Thomas, H. Birchall, C. Roberts, F. Payne, C. Allen, E. Hall, J. Roberts, F. Tilley, W. Nelson sen., W. Nelson jun., Wilson James, W. H. Berry, Wilfred Stracey, W. Blackburn Allsby, S. Payne, L. Abrahams, B. Hart, F. Quelch, C. Austin, A. Carl, T. Neal, Woodrey, W. Womack, Elsby, Robertson, Hook, Dr. Welch, Bervers, Phillips, Baines, &c., &c.

The Visitors included Bros. R. P. Morris J.W. 788, G. Waller 272, W. Edgar 1719, A. J. Goodchild P.M. and Treas. 2202, R. Hale 2374, L. Field, T. S. Smith W.M. 177, R. Davis P.M. 2266, A. J. Simpson, J. Collins 1530, W. Telins P.M. 765, W. Howard I.G. 373, W. Lee P.M. 2381, V. Moore J.D. 1541, L. Lake J.W. 87, W. Roots P.M. 2589, H. W. Payne, H. Broadway 1320, J. Page S.D. 591, F. Davies I.G. 2425, S. Welch 2730, J. Woodbury 2589, W. A. Weeks 1585, M. Lincoln P.M. 2398, J. Mears W.M. 788, C. H. Williams 1695, T. Brown 2266, C. E. Wetton P.M. 2087 and 2763, J. Wynman, and several others.

The Lodge having been regularly opened, the minutes were read and confirmed, after which the ballot was taken for Mr. Walter James Darby, a candidate for initiation, and proved unanimous in his favour. He was then initiated into the mysteries of Ancient Freemasonry.

The Lodge was advanced to the second degree, and Brother Clark presented as W.M.-elect. He was obligated and in a Board of Installed Masters was regularly placed in the chair, as ruler of

the Lodge, Bro. H. H. Davy P.M. acting as D.C. The Brethren were then re-admitted, and saluted the new chief in the three degrees, after which the new Officers for the year were appointed, as follow: Bros. Ward S.W., Bray J.W., Wigley P.M. Treas., Fincham P.M. Sec., Thomson S.D., Davy J.D., T. F. Quelch I.G., Allwood Org., W. J. Alabaster D.C., F. Payne, G. D. Barn, and F. C. Tilley Stewards, Potter P.M. Tyler. The installation addresses were particularly well rendered by the outgoing Master.

The report of the Auditors was presented and agreed to. A sum of five guineas was voted to the Richard Eve Memorial Fund, and fifteen guineas to the Benevolent Institution, to be placed on the list of the I.P.M. The resignation of a member was accepted with regret; and the Secretary reported the death of Bro. Walter Harvey, to whose funeral a wreath had been sent on behalf of the Lodge.

Hearty good wishes were tendered to the W.M., who closed the Lodge, whereupon the company adjourned to the handsome banquet room of this famous establishment, and at the conclusion of the dinner the usual toast list was gone through.

The first was that of His Majesty the King, the head of the English nation, who for twenty-seven years had occupied the proud position of ruler of English Freemasonry, and had won the esteem and regard of every member of the Order. He trusted the Great Architect of the Universe would give His Majesty health and strength to reign over them for many years, and that He would also bless Queen Alexandra and maintain her in her exalted station. The Secretary Bro. Fincham gave the solo of the National Anthem, the Brethren warmly endorsing.

The next toast was that of the Grand Officers, and was also warmly received.

In giving the toast of the W.M. the I.P.M. said he considered it the toast of the evening, and he submitted it with all sincerity. The W.M. and he had been initiated in the Lodge together ten years ago, and he could assure the Brethren he regarded it as an honour and a pleasure to have had the opportunity of installing him that evening as his successor in the chair. He was sure his heart was in the Lodge, and that as W.M. he would keep up the fame and good name the Ebury Lodge had already secured; he was convinced he would add to its reputation, and do as much for it as any Master of the past. He hoped the Brethren would join in wishing him good health, and a prosperous term as Worsnippful Master, which toast was heartily received.

The W.M. thanked the I.P.M. for the way in which he had installed him that evening. As that Brother had said, they had mounted the ladder together step by step, and he was delighted now that he had gained the topmost rung. He assured the Brethren he should endeavour to uphold the glorious name of the Ebury Lodge as his predecessors had done, and he further sincerely promised he would do everything in his power to give the Brethren all the satis-

faction they could desire from their W.M. He again thanked them, and said he hoped to receive loyal and able support from the Officers he had had the pleasure of investing that evening.

The W.M. proposed the toast of the Initiates, giving them a hearty welcome. They were that night pleased to see three new members, who he was sure would prove a credit to the Lodge. It was true they had only initiated one gentleman that evening, but on the occasion of their last meeting they had initiated two, who had not yet been toasted as newly admitted Brethren, because all festivities were abandoned at the time of the last meeting, in consequence of the then recent death of Her Majesty the Queen. Now he had much pleasure in including them in the toast, which therefore embraced Bro. Walter James Darby, Bro. Thomas Matthews, and Bro. W. H. Chard.

Bro. W. J. Darby said he was most delighted with the reception he had received that day, but he was still more delighted that when he left that room he would be able to say he was a Brother amongst them. He hoped that in time to come he might have the honour of occupying the proud position which the W.M. filled at that moment.

Bro. Chard followed on with his thanks. He was much indebted to them for having made him a member of the Craft, and promised to do his very best to deserve the compliment they had paid him.

Bro. Matthews endorsed the observations of the previous speakers, and was very proud the members had accepted him as a Brother among them. He hoped to prove himself worthy of the confidence reposed in him.

The W.M. now rose and said he had a most important toast to give—being that of the Installing Master. The Brethren had seen his working, and must regard it as perfection. Personally he thanked Brother Walker for installing him, and although he felt it quite unnecessary to say more in regard to what he had done he yet had much pleasure in presenting him the Past Master's jewel or the Lodge. He had thoroughly earned it, and he hoped he might live to wear it in health and strength for many years to come.

In reply the I.P.M. said he did not know how to sufficiently thank the Brethren for having given him the handsome jewel he had just received at the hands of the W.M. In one way he was sorry he had to leave the chair, as he had enjoyed himself so much while at the head of the Lodge; but he was pleased he was giving way to the present W.M., the Brother with whom he was initiated, and from whom he had just had the pleasure of receiving the collar and jewel in recognition of the past year's work. It was the jewel and collar of his Mother Lodge, and although he had many others he should always specially esteem it, and remember the pleasant days he had spent in the Ebury Lodge. Without wearying them with longer remarks he sincerely thanked them all.

The ballot was now taken in connection with the Benevolent Association of the Lodge, four shares being thus allotted, the fortunate members being Bros. Harry Morris, G. A. Holditch, L. Abrahams, and W. Mervyn Ward.

The toast of the Visitors was next submitted by the W.M., who was pleased to tender a hearty welcome to the forty-one guests they had present that evening.

Bro. Smith W.M. 177 tendered thanks for the toast, acknowledging his indebtedness to Bro. Davis, at whose invitation he attended. Both he and Brother Davis had the honour of being Preceptors at Lodges of Instruction, regular attendance at which he strongly urged upon the Brethren, particularly those who desired to work up in the Craft.

Bro. Mears P.M. 788 endorsed the remarks of Bro. Smith, particularly in regard to regular attendance at Lodges of Instruction, which he regarded as the foundation on which good and efficient work was built up.

Bro. Lake J.W. 87 said the W.M. was an old friend of his and he was delighted to have seen him installed.

Bro. C. E. Wetton P.M. said he was sorry he could not express himself as forcibly as he desired. The working had been impressively rendered in every way, the Installing Master and the different Officers carrying out their duties in a manner he highly admired. It was the first time he had visited the Lodge and he also had to thank Bro. Davis for his invitation. He hoped he might be again so honoured, as he highly appreciated what he had witnessed.

Bro. Roots P.M. 2589 said he hoped the W.M. would be able to keep his promise and uphold the good reputation of the Lodge, personally he felt sure the W.M. would do all that was expected of him.

Bro. Dr. Welch 2730 felt he could only have been associated with the toast by reason of being connected with a City Company Lodge. There were only two such—the Salters and the Cutlers, of the latter of which he was a member. Although the Cutlers Lodge was but three years old it was intimately associated with the Company, which dated back to the time of Edward III. Most bodies lost existence when deprived of their head, but a Masonic Lodge increased from its tail, and so always provided a body, from which a head could be taken. Thus they had that night lost one head and welcomed a new one.

The W.M. in complimentary terms proposed the toast of the Past Masters, the Treasurer, and the Secretary.

Bro. Davey was pleased he was one of the Past Masters of the Lodge. He had another P.M. on his left, and both of them were Past Masters twelve years ago. He hoped that for the next twelve years they would all be there and continue to do everything that was required of them.

The Secretary said he had been associated with the Lodge for nearly a quarter of a century, and he had the same interest now as he had years ago. He thanked the Brethren for his position in the Lodge, which he had held for twelve years, during which time he was pleased to say the Ebury Lodge had continued a career of prosperity. The Treasurer had had to leave early that evening and so it devolved upon him to reply on his behalf also. It was no easy

task to hold the position of Treasurer or Secretary, but as he knew their services in the Ebury Lodge were fully appreciated he and his Brother Treasurer were well rewarded for anything they did.

The I.P.M. desired the W.M. to allow him to give the next toast. He was prevented last meeting, in consequence of the death of her late Majesty, properly thanking the Officers of the Lodge for the very excellent assistance they had rendered him during his year of Office. There was nothing more likely to upset a Master than bad Officers, but from the lowest to the highest they had all given him the greatest satisfaction, and he sincerely thanked them for it. He hoped the Brethren would join him in heartily drinking to the health of the Officers of the Lodge, which was done, and the toast was duly acknowledged.

The Tyler's toast concluded the proceedings.

Among those who contributed to the harmony of the evening were Bros. Lindley Darby, W. Nelson sen., Wilson James, W. H. and Mrs. Berry, Stuart Walker, H. Fincham P.M. Secretary, Wilfred Stracey, and others.

During the evening a flash light photo was taken by Messrs. Fradelle and Young, of Regent Street, W.

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Chaucer Lodge, No. 1540.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge took place on Monday, 25th ult., at the St. James's Restaurant, and was well attended, there being present among others Bros. W. Miles W.M., J. Genese I.P.M., A. J. Barclay S.W., A. Sarjeant J.W., Rev. S. J. Roco Chaplain, A. J. Bailey P.M. Treas., L. Weil P.M. Sec., S. Russell S.D., E. H. Parry J.D., W. Cooper I.G., G. W. Cooper Org., W. E. Geddes Steward, C. Graham P.M., W. Klingenstein P.M., V. Cahn P.M., E. S. Cook, H. Passmore, H. V. Purvis, E. Oppenheimer, J. D. Behr, S. Wimmel, E. Simon, H. W. Janisch, J. R. Woodley, J. G. DaCosta, F. A. Rayner 1194, W. G. Evans 1732, and F. Tennant Pain P.M. 2472.

The Lodge being opened, and the minutes read and confirmed, Entered Apprentices Bros. Janisch, Woodley and Da Costa answered the questions and were entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the W.M. performed the ceremony of passing. The Lodge was closed in the second degree, and the W.M. told the Brethren he would ask the Secretary to enter the following on the minutes:—"The W.M., with the chief Officers and several Past Masters, attended the especial Grand Lodge at the Queen's Hall, on Friday, 15th February, where a loyal and dutiful address was unanimously accorded to His Majesty the King, tendering the respectful sympathy of the Craft, on the death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and further offering the respectful and Fraternal congratulations of the Fraternity to his Majesty on his accession to the Throne. Further, that the King had resigned his Office as Grand Master, and had informed Grand Lodge that he would in future be known as the Protector of the Craft. And further, that H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught had been nominated as Grand Master."

The Lodge was closed, and after the Brethren had dined and grace had been pronounced by the Chaplain of the Lodge, the W.M. rose to give the toast of the King and the Craft. It was the first time in the history of the Lodge that this toast had been given, and he felt sure they all hoped that His Majesty's reign would be a glorious one; that he would become as illustrious as his honoured and lamented Sovereign Mother; that England and the Craft would prosper under his rule, as much as, aye, even more than they had prospered under the late and much regretted Queen and Empress.

Bro. Cooper sang the national anthem, and the Brethren assisted most heartily and loyally.

The usual toasts followed, and were interspersed with music, solos, recitations, and humorous songs, contributed by Bros. E. Simon, Graham, Passmore, Genese, F. A. Rayner, and G. W. Cooper Organist, who directed the entertainment.

In proposing the toast of the W.M. the I.P.M. said they had a Master who was a credit to their Lodge and to Masonry. The ceremonies they had just heard had never been more impressively performed.

Bro. Miles, in responding, thanked the Brethren for their plaudits, and pointed out that the Officers' excellent work, such as they had all seen, had materially assisted him.

Bro. Tennant Pain responded for the visitors, and added a further eulogy to the excellent and solemn working he had seen of the second degree.

The Tyler's toast concluded a very happy and successful gathering.

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Skelmersdale Lodge, No. 1658.

LADIES BANQUET, CONCERT, AND BALL.

ANOTHER of the exceptionally successful functions which members of the Craft seem to vie with each other in promoting took place at the Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, on the 25th ult., under the auspices of the Skelmersdale Lodge.

Bro. R. Gabell Worshipful Master very wisely postponed all Masonic working for the occasion, so as to be able to devote his full attention to the numerous guests who assembled; and who created a bright and pleasant scene; the dresses of the Ladies being magnificent, and everything passing off most pleasantly. Bro. Gabell has not alone shown his ability in the Lodge as its ruler, but on this occasion proved himself equally at home in the reception room, where he welcomed the company in a cordial and Fraternal manner, giving early promise that a most pleasant evening was in store. After brief introductions an adjournment was made to the banqueting room, where the tables were found to be elegantly decorated. The dinner was all that could be desired, and reflected great credit on

the popular hostess Mrs. Venables, who well deserved the compliments paid her by the W.M. and Brethren later in the evening. During the repast a string band, under the direction of Mr. J. Carrington, played some excellent selections.

Grace having been said, the W.M. in a short but eloquent speech gave the toast of His Majesty the King, which was well received, Miss Nellie Beare singing the National Anthem.

Bro. William Croxson I.P.M. and Treasurer of the Lodge, with his usual eloquent flow of language, gave the toast of the Worshipful Master, and said although Masonic clothing was prohibited at such gatherings as the present, the W.M. did not really want anything of the kind to make him look cheerful or dignified in the position he occupied. That Ladies night of their Lodge was a record in their history. The organisation of such a gathering required time, and entailed considerable trouble for the W.M. and Stewards; however, the W.M. had the pleasure of seeing so many smiling faces around him that he was well rewarded for his endeavour. Bro. Gabell had been one of the hardest workers in the Lodge; he had proved himself to be a man of integrity, and one of the most able members; he had discharged his duties during his year of Office to his own credit, and to the honour of the Skelmersdale Lodge; he came third on the list during the past eighteen years of those who had taken the lead in having initiated more members than their fellows; and in the name of the Lodge he wished that continued success might attend him. It was with the greatest regret they knew that Mrs. Gabell was absent on account of illness, but he was pleased to hear she was progressing favourably, and he hoped the W.M. would kindly convey to his wife the great regret of all present at her enforced absence, and their sincere wishes for her speedy recovery.

Bro. Gabell, on rising, was most enthusiastically received. He said he did not know what to say, but he wished he could believe that all that had been said concerning him was true; the fact was that the whole of the credit of arranging the present enjoyable gathering was due to Bro. Boys, their Secretary; nevertheless he hoped all were enjoying themselves, and trusted it would be a long day before anyone occupying the chair of the Lodge declined to hold a Ladies night. He sincerely thanked Bro. Croxson for his very kind wishes concerning Mrs. Gabell, and in conclusion again thanked the Ladies, Gentlemen, and Brethren. He trusted they might continue to enjoy themselves.

Bro. Humphrey Cohen P.M. (professionally known as Harcourt West) in his pleasant humorous way proposed the health of the Ladies. The Ladies, he said, were usually quite ready to speak for themselves, and on this occasion he cordially welcomed them. He was pleased to say he was one of the first to advocate the admission of ladies on such occasions as the present and he was happy to have done so. That year's gathering was one of the most successful of the Ladies nights they had had; it was a pleasure to be in the company of the ladies, who were not alone pretty and loyally, but were also proving themselves to be clever. They had invaded the medical profession, the legal profession in France, and many others. The wise King Solomon was uncommonly fond of the ladies, which gave proof of his great wisdom. He was not sure if the Ladies ought not to be admitted to the Order of Freemasonry. He concluded by wishing the Ladies a most enjoyable evening, and proposed the toast in their honour.

Bro. Frank Lloyd responded. He said the ladies did not desire to thank the members so much for the feast, as for the trouble they had taken in arranging such an enjoyable evening. The Ladies looked upon such gatherings as their right, especially once a year, and many were sorry they were not more frequent. In case some young misguided youth should rule the Lodge, and should think of not having a Ladies night, the speaker said he would be sorry to be in his place. Indeed, the Ladies had passed a resolution—no Ladies night, no Skelmersdale Lodge; the way they would proceed would be, not to allow their husband, their brother, or their sweetheart to attend the Lodge, and the unfortunate W.M. would have to initiate, pass and raise himself till he was tired of it, and then perhaps he would drown himself. The Ladies were fully entitled to everything which had been said in their favour by the proposer of the toast, still, they were thankful for the attempt to do them justice, though really the speaker might have said a great deal more. It was the wish of the Ladies that he should tell the Brethren they were thoroughly enjoying themselves, and already looking forward to a merry trip on the boards; in fact the Ladies were only waiting for the Worshipful Master to show a good example. On behalf of the Ladies he thanked them sincerely.

The W.M. once more rose, and said he could not let the opportunity pass without thanking the Stewards for their excellent assistance.

The party then repaired to the Pillar Hall, where an excellent concert was provided under the direction of Bro. A. E. Kipps P.M. Organist of the Lodge, which was highly appreciated. Amongst the artistes were Miss Nellie Beare, Miss Clara Pierce, Bros. E. T. Walford, J. Graham Dickinson, and others.

After this the company adjourned to the Ball room, where an excellent band, under the direction of Mr. Carrington, played some lovely music. The Ball was opened by Bro. Gabell W.M. and Bro. William Croxson I.P.M. and Treasurer, their good example being followed by scores of couples. The party departed about 4.30 in the morning, expressing themselves delighted with the very happy and enjoyable hours they had spent amongst the members of the Skelmersdale Lodge.

Great compliment is due to Bro. J. Thorneloe, who acted as Master of the Ceremonies, for the ability he displayed in securing partners for the ladies; also to the Brethren who acted as Stewards and Committee, viz.: Bros. H. Cohen P.M., J. Letchford P.M., R. Rowland P.M., R. Buckeridge P.M., E. Side P.M., W. Croxson I.P.M. Treasurer, S. E. Rice, W. Bennett, J. Sandell, Frank Lloyd, E. Smyth, B. Cohen, E. Wass, W. J. Perrin, A. Logette, F. Marlow, F. Nilen.

Amongst the numerous company we had the pleasure of seeing were Bro. R. Gabell W.M. and Misses J. and F. Gabell, Bro. T. Rawlings W.M. elect and Mrs. Rawlings, Bro. H. Buckeridge P.M. and daughter, Mr. Hopton, Mr. Corbold, Bro. and Mrs. Rose, Miss Grace Wood and sister, Bro. Frank Lloyd, Bro. E. Side P.M., wife and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. C. White, Mr. and Mrs. Ward, Bro. J. W. Sandell, wife and daughters, Bro. and Mrs. Stanton, Miss Foote, Bro. R. Rowland and wife, Bro. and Mrs. Pickering, Bro. and Mrs. Byles, Bro. Howes P.M. and wife, Mr. John Hickey, Bro. H. Boys P.M. Sec., wife and daughters, Bro. and Mrs. Hammerston, Bro. J. R. Papworth, Bros. F. Perrin, Smith, Byles, F. and P. Nilen, C. Sisman, Marlow, Evans, Bro. and Mrs. A. E. Wass, Bro. and Mrs. W. H. Greenfield, Bro. and Mrs. Rugg, Bro. and Mrs. J. C. Davies, Bro. and Mrs. J. Shaw, Mr. and Misses J. Shinn, Bro. J. D. Hyman, Bro. and Mrs. T. Thorneloe, Bro. and Mrs. J. White P.M., Bro. May and party, Bro. Gunton, Bro. J. Hibble and daughter, Bro. and Mrs. Levy, Bro. J. Farmer J.W. and Mrs. Farmer, Bro. Baldwin P.M. P.Z. and Mrs. Baldwin, Bro. and the Misses Young, Bro. F. Atkinson, Bro. J. Atkinson, Bro. and Mrs. Ramsden, Bro. and Mrs. Coleman, Bro. John Sulley P.M. Sec. 1804, Mr. and Mrs. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Ringer, Bro. and Mrs. Harris, Bro. and Mrs. Danson, Bro. and Mrs. Mold, Bro. H. Cohen P.M., wife and daughters, Bro. and Mrs. Gray, Bro. J. Wynman, &c. The company numbered nearly 280 so that it is impossible to give a full list of those present.

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Confidence Lodge, No. 193.

WE were present at the weekly meeting of this Lodge at the Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall Street, on Wednesday, 20th ult., and were pleased to see Bro. Metcalfe Baillie in the chair, and to listen to his admirable working. His Officers were J. Done S.W., E. G. Bygrave J.W., W. Hattersley S.D., J. Scoones J.D., M. Chittock I.G., J. K. Pitt Secretary, J. W. Simeons I.P.M. acting Preceptor, Goovearts Treasurer.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Bushell being candidate. Bro. Green, as a candidate for passing, answered the questions in a satisfactory manner. Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was carefully and fully rehearsed by the W.M. Bro. Hobday P.M., as a candidate for raising, was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the third degree and the ceremony of raising was beautifully, smoothly, and solemnly rendered by the W.M., affording instruction and happiness to the numerous Brethren.

On the motion of Bro. Simeons a letter of sincere sympathy was directed to be sent to Bro. Preceptor Spice, hoping his indisposition might speedily terminate.

ON the 27th ult., Bro. Done, having been elected to the position of Worshipful Master the previous week, opened the Lodge with commendable punctuality, ably supported by Bro. Bygrave S.W., Hattersley J.W., Lough S.D., Chittock J.D., Goodchild I.G., J. K. Pitt Secretary, Metcalfe Baillie Assistant Sec., Goovearts Treasurer, Spice P.M. Preceptor, Simeons I.P.M., Plowright P.M., Mears P.M., and many other Brethren.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed by the W.M., Bro. W. H. Johns being candidate. Lodge was opened in the second degree, when the W.M. gave way to Bro. Bushell J.W. of the Mother Lodge, who was desirous of working the ceremony of raising. Bro. Simeons P.M. proved his proficiency as the candidate, and was entrusted. Lodge was opened in the third degree when Bro. Bushell rehearsed for the first time the ceremony of raising, in a manner which showed that when in the course of time he will attain to the exalted rank in the East, the grand workings for which the Mother Lodge is so well known will be fully maintained.

Emulation Lodge, No. 256.

THE annual festival of the Emulation Lodge of Improvement which, founded in 1823, is by many regarded as the Grand Lodge of Instruction, was held at Freemasons' Hall on Friday, 1st inst.; the Earl of Warwick Deputy Grand Master of England and Provincial Grand Master of Essex presiding.

Lodge was opened at 6 o'clock, with Bro. R. Clay Sudlow P.G. Standard Bearer officiating as W.M., and the Sections of the first degree were worked by the following Brethren: Bros. G. R. H. Clark W.M. 1965, J. F. Roberts W.M. 76, M. V. Cassal 1415, J. H. Jenks P.M. 8 P.G. Stwd., T. W. Allsop P.M. 88 P.P.G.D.C. Bucks, J. Collett Smith 1965, W. R. Bennett P.M. 1965.

The large Hall was completely filled by members and visitors, and the sections were worked absolutely perfectly. The Earl of Warwick in the course of his remarks specially commended Lodge No. 1965, which had sent up three such eloquent section workers.

Afterwards the Brethren, to the number of about 600, adjourned to Freemasons' Tavern, where the annual banquet took place.

Westbourne Lodge, No. 733.

PRESENTATIONS TO PRECEPTOR AND SECRETARY.

ON the 19th ult., Bros. C. E. Lilly W.M. 733 W.M., W. Hallett P.M. 733 S.W., H. H. Bagnall J.W., G. Weaver P.M. 733 Treas., H. E. Dehane P.M. 1543 P.P.G.S.D. Essex Preceptor, G. D. Mogford P.M. 2362 Sec., E. Thomas S.D., F. Busby J.D., E. J. Potter I.G., T. Mogford P.M., R. Knight P.M., W. H. Handover I.M. 1642, R. Barnes, G. Goddard, A. H. Tapling, W. Weiffenbach, F. Chidley, F. J. Middleton, G. A. Newman.

After the Lodge had been opened and the ceremony of Installation rehearsed, the W.M. rose and said he had to discharge a singularly pleasant task, a pleasure which could be shared by every

member of the Westbourne Lodge of Instruction. The success which had been attained there would, he believed, be admitted by everyone, and it was no exaggeration to assert that the teaching of the ritual was done in a way that reflected the highest credit on the Preceptor. The position of a Preceptor was not altogether a bed of roses, for he had first of all never to be absent, and while present his undivided attention must be given to whatever ceremony was being worked, so as to pick up any thread that might be missed; in addition to which, he had to explain any query which a Brother might ask; then it sometimes happened that a Brother might differ, and even contest his ruling, when only by tact and good feeling the harmonious spirit of the Lodge was sustained. These were qualifications which in the highest degree had been attained by their Preceptor Bro. Dehane. He next turned for a moment to the Secretarial duties of the Lodge of Instruction which had been so efficiently and ably carried out by Bro. Mogford, and to whom much of the credit was due for having brought the Lodge up to its present high standard of perfection. The Brethren had therefore thought the time had come when some recognition should be made to those two excellent Brothers. Addressing Bro. Past Master Dehane he said he had the greatest pleasure in presenting him with a tankard, which he must accept with the best wishes that he might live for many years to enjoy its use. To Bro. Mogford he had to present also, in the name of the Lodge of Instruction, a similar gift, and their heartiest wish was that he might be spared for many years to carry on the work which they all knew to be a labour of love.

Bro. Dehane, in responding, expressed his gratitude for the consideration and attention the Brethren had always paid to him since he had been Preceptor, going on for nine or ten years. The presentation just made to him would always be valued as a reminder of the good wishes of the Brethren. It was certainly a proud position to enjoy the goodwill and affection of those with whom one was brought into almost daily contact, and he felt he was among those whose allegiance to him as Preceptor he certainly could depend upon. That was not the first time he had had the honour of receiving a testimonial, as he had also been honoured by his country for services in another sphere of life. The kind words the W.M. had just spoken to him he valued, as coming from a sincere friend.

Bro. Mogford then responded, and alluded to the late Bro. Rogers and his exertions for the Lodge of Instruction. For his own part he would certainly, as long as he remained Secretary, continue to do his utmost in carrying out the duties, so as to give satisfaction to the Brethren. It was a labour of love, and one that he thoroughly enjoyed, trying to benefit his fellow Masons to the best of his ability. The mark of esteem just conferred upon him touched him deeply, and he should value their gift as long as he lived. He trusted when his sons looked upon it they would be spurred to make themselves good Masons and good citizens. The W.M. was kind enough to refer to him with that Brotherly affection and geniality he knew so well how to use, and he thanked all of the Brethren from the bottom of his heart.

After hearty good wishes the Lodge was closed.

Metropolitan Lodge, No. 1507.

ON Monday, at 7.30 p.m., at Bro. Richard Blunden's, the Globe Tavern and Restaurant, Finsbury Pavement, Moorgate Street, Bros. G. Ryan W.M., J. Webster S.W., Geo. Collins J.W., R. Hunt acting Preceptor, H. Meadows P.M. acting Secretary, A. J. Pidduck S.D., A. J. Jorden J.D., J. W. Honniball I.G., J. Wynman, &c.

The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Wynman acting as candidate. The W.M. vacated the chair in favour of the acting Preceptor, who opened the Lodge in the second degree. Brother Jorden answered the questions and was entrusted. The Lodge was further advanced and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed without the slightest hitch or hesitation. The W.M. having taken the chair resumed the Lodge to the first degree, and Bro. Webster was elected W.M. for Monday.

Leopold Lodge, No. 1571.

A VERY good meeting was held on Thursday, at 7 o'clock, at the Moorgate, Moorgate Street, E.C., those present including Bros. F. J. Moon W.M., R. Lee S.W., W. A. Farmer J.W., C. M. Morris acting Prec., H. T. Meadows P.M. Sec., G. Whitefield S.D., J. F. Harrison J.D., W. M. Eagles I.G., W. J. Allen, W. Rich, J. Durell, J. Wynman, H. Palmer, H. Joyner, &c.

The minutes having been confirmed, Bro. Durell answered the questions and was entrusted. The Lodge was opened in the second degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. This being ended the W.M. proposed to rehearse the higher ceremony. Bro. Joiner, having offered himself as the candidate, was examined and entrusted, the Lodge was opened in the third degree, and the ceremony of raising was gone through.

The Lodge was resumed to the first degree and Bros. W. J. Allen 1604 and H. Joyner 212 were elected members, which compliment was acknowledged. Bro. R. Lee was elected W.M. for Thursday next.

This being the first time we have had the pleasure of seeing Bro. Moon acting as W.M. we cannot let the opportunity pass without complimenting him on his excellent working. High praise is also due to Bro. Morris for the able manner in which he officiated as Deputy Preceptor.

The Lodge meets every Thursday, at 7 o'clock.

West Smithfield Lodge, No. 1623.

ONE of the most successful evenings ever passed at the City Scotch Stores in connection with this Lodge was that of Wednesday, 27th ult., when the annual supper took place, there being in all

twenty-four Brethren present. The Lodge was promptly opened at 6.30 p.m., and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bros. H. C. Parsons and C. E. Duncan were unanimously elected members of this excellent Lodge of Instruction, and both having suitably replied, the Lodge was closed, after appointing Bro. C. A. Barter W.M. 1623 to the chair for the 6th March, when a rehearsal of some sections took place.

The Lodge business ended at 7 p.m., and the Brethren proceeded to the well arranged dining saloon, decorated in a most inviting manner. The repast did every credit to the capital host Bro. J. R. L. Daish, and the dishes proved to be of the most relishable cookery for which the host is noted.

Bro. C. A. Barter W.M. 1623 presided, and Bro. J. C. Pratt I.P.M. 1623 acted as Vice-President, in place of Bro. Thomas Powell W.M. 2182, who unfortunately had a very important engagement elsewhere. The harmony of the evening was well sustained by Bros. Stanley Galpin, Allan Milne, J. C. Pratt, J. R. L. Daish, John King, Van Royen, and the Hon. Sec. Bro. J. Hoffmann, who favoured the company with a few items on the zither. Bro. H. C. Parsons gave a humorous recitation, which was also well received.

Besides the above mentioned, there were present: Bro. F. P. Weinell P.M. 1828 the excellent Preceptor, J. J. Howes P.M. 1623 Treasurer, Robert Brickdale P.M. 1623, Chish. Williams W.M. 206, A. Metcalf, Geo. Henrich, Hy. Knight, A. Ellenden, Hy. King, A. Kuttner, Hy. W. Lardner, J. Kent, Leonard Harris, George Meissner, and W. H. Linsdell.

The merry evening will remain for a long time in the memory of those Brethren present, and closed with a hearty "Auld Lang Syne" and three cheers for the increasing success and utility of the West Smithfield Lodge of Instruction.

On 18th March the annual working of the Fifteen Sections will take place, Bro. John Knight I.P.M. 861 in the chair, and Bro. H. Whitney in the vice chair, at 6.30 p.m. prompt. Visitors are heartily invited.

Chiswick Lodge, No. 2012.

ALTHOUGH a large number of Lodges of Instruction meet in the borough and neighbourhood none seem to be better supported than the above, which is held at the Windsor Castle Hotel, Hammer-smith. Strange however to state, the Brethren of the Mother Lodge, whether in Office or not, rarely avail themselves of the opportunity of rehearsal, although one Saturday in the month is placed at their disposal.

On Saturday, 23rd ult., Bro. Robert Reid P.M. took the chair, and was supported by Bros. W. Atkinson S.W., K. M. Ross J.W., Arthur Williams P.M. Prec., R. Josey P.M. Treas., F. Craggs P.M. Sec., Hugh Mair S.D., M. F. Wilkins J.D., Lewis Walsh I.G., W. Hide P.M., L. J. Powell P.M., R. J. Williams P.M., H. J. Cousens P.M., J. H. Cumming P.M., R. Bunce, E. Hayes, and many others.

Lodge was opened to the second degree, and after Bro. Bunce had answered the usual questions and been entrusted the raising ceremony was rehearsed. Lodge was resumed to the first degree, and the W.M. gave the Ancient Charge in a manner that brought forth the approbation of all present.

Bro. Walter Atkinson was unanimously elected to occupy the chair at the next meeting.

Woodrow Lodge, No. 2271.

ON Monday, at 3 p.m., at Stone's Restaurant, Pantons Street, Bros. G. W. Lacy W.M., T. Burgess S.W., J. E. Culverhouse J.W., W. H. G. Rudderforth P.M. Treas., J. W. Simeons P.M. Sec., W. H. Making P.M. Asst. Sec., G. Coop S.D., A. Grille J.D., T. G. Lobb I.G., T. F. Strutt P.M., Elliott, B. A. Calot, Jno. Connington, H. Williamson, G. Baker, and others.

The Lodge was opened and the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Calot acting as candidate. Bro. Jno. Connington answered the questions leading to the second degree, was entrusted and that ceremony was rehearsed.

Bro. Hinton, of the Perseverance Lodge, No. 1743, was elected a member and Bro. T. Burgess W.M. for the next meeting.

We take the opportunity of congratulating Bro. W. H. Making P.M. 1278 and 861 on being elected W.M. of the Fellowship Lodge, No. 2535.

PROVINCIAL.

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Lodge of Faith, No. 581.

THE regular meeting was held at the Bradford Hotel, Mill Street, Openshaw, on Wednesday, 20th ult., Bro. S. Andrew W.M.

After the reading and confirmation of minutes, Bro. James Littlewood and George R. Drewery were passed to the degree of F.C., the former by Bro. William Jones P.M., and the latter by the W.M.

The usual festive board followed Lodge business, a pleasant evening being spent.

ROYAL ARCH.

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Hornsey Chapter of Improvement, No. 890.

At the Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne Terrace, Bishops Road, Paddington, on the 22nd ult., the following Companions were present: A. L. Butters J.-elect 890 M.E.Z., Walter Hancock P.Z. 91 1614 H., C. Webster J. 1642 J., H. Foskett H. 185 Treas., H. E. Dehane P.Z. 89 P.P.G.P.S. Essex S.E., J. M. Haish J. 185 S.N., F. Marchant Asst. Soj. 890 P.S., R. N. Larter H. 186, E. Stevens 733, C. Rowe 1614. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Larter candidate, who was afterwards elected a member, and acknowledged the compliment. Comp. Hancock was elected M.E.Z. for the next meeting.