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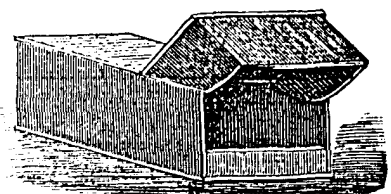
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REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

Craft Masonry.

WINCHESTER.—*Lodge of Economy* (No 76).—It is, no doubt, gratifying to every Freemason to learn of the continued progress of the Craft generally, but when that progress has been marked, has it has been marked in the present instance, within the area of his own lodge, the gratification is necessarily much increased. For some reason or other there had been a temporary decline of prosperity attending the Winchester Lodge, or Lodge of Economy. This, however, can be asserted with truth no longer. During the past twelve months the lodge has gone forward with a healthy bound, and there is every sign of continued and continuous prosperity on every hand. Under such circumstances the saying of the word "Farewell!" to the late W.M., who had steered his bark so successfully during his period of office, and the uttering of the word "Welcome!" to a new W.M., into whose hands should be confided the great interests of its members, was naturally a subject of important concern to all the members of the lodge. But the W.M., Bro. E. Snelling, had fulfilled, and ably fulfilled, the term for which he was elected, and when it was found, therefore, that a gentleman so eligible as Bro. Capt J. C. Moore was willing to accept that responsible office, the news was received with great pleasure by every member and his unanimous election rendered sure. The installation of the new W.M. was, therefore, fixed for Wednesday last, and for the grand ceremony great preparations had been made. The skill of Bro. Lumsden, of Sussex-street, was called into exercise to decorate the assembly room, and a new dwarf platform was erected. The result is that the room, which has been painted with French and continental tints, of very chaste design—a fashion which is now becoming extremely in vogue—is now one of the most handsome assembly rooms in the country, Bro. Capt. Moore having been (we understand) one of the active agents in assisting to produce such satisfactory results. The decorations on the walls and the paraphernalia of the lodge have all likewise undergone complete restoration. There was a large number of brethren present on this interesting occasion, some of whom came from Basingstoke, Southampton, Portsmouth, and other localities. The ceremony of installation on Wednesday was preceded by the raising of Bro. W. C. Powell. The preliminary ceremony was performed by the W.M., Bro. Snelling, but the remainder of the working was undertaken and carried out in admirable style by Bro. P.M. Harris. Bro. Buttifant (Alton) presided at the harmonium, and effectively rendered the musical portion of the ceremony. The installation of Bro. Capt. Moore into the chair of W.M. by the Right Worshipful Bro. W. B. Beach, *M.P.*, Prov. G.M. Hants and Isle of Wight, followed. He was accompanied (by invitation from the lodge) by the Grand Treasurer, Secretaries, and officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and the ceremony acquired additional interest and importance from the easy eloquence of the officiating Prov. G.M. The customary

ceremonies were of a very impressive character. At their completion, the new W.M. appointed the following brethren as his officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. King, S.W.; Salter, J.W.; Sheppard, Treas.; Stopher, Sec.; Higgate, S.D.; Burchett, J.D.; Way, I.G.; Everett, D.C.; E. Snelling, A.D.C.; Buttifant, Org.; Naish and Whale, Stewards; Sims, Tyler. The lodge, which had been opened at two p.m., was closed at about five p.m., and the members of the Craft then adjourned to the Royal Hotel, where a banquet, prepared by Bro. Spriggs, and well served by him, awaited them. They were joined by several other brethren amongst them Bros. Binckes, Secretary of the Boys' Masonic Institution at Wood Green, and W. Best, of Winchester. At the close of the banquet, which was presided over by the W.M., Bro. Moore, a few toasts were given from the chair, among them "The Queen and the Craft," "The Prince of Wales and the P.G.M.," "The M.W.G.M., the Marquis of Ripon," "The V.W. Deputy G.M., Lord Carnarvon, and Officers of Grand Lodge," and the "Prov. G.M., W. B. Beach, *M.P.* (also Installing Master)." The whole of the toasts were ably given and enthusiastically received.

PLYMOUTH.—*Harmony Lodge* (No. 156).—To celebrate the festival of St. John, Lodge "Harmony" held a banquet at Bro. Thomas's, Great Western Hotel, last night, when a large number of brethren sat down to an excellent repast. Among those present were the Worshipful Bros. W. T. Pilditch, W.M. (presiding); H. F. Hearle, I.P.M.; W. Triplett, W.M. 1255; G. Stentiford, W.M. 159; S. Kelton, I.P.M. 1249; J. Manning, S.W.; F. Hall, J.W.; R. R. Ellis, P.M.; J. Watts, P.M., P.P.G.T.; W. K. Mitchell, P.M., P.P.G.A.D.C.; T. A. Yeo, P.M.; J. Kessell, P.M.; C. Stribling, W.M. 70; R. Andrews, P.M. 70; W. Williams, I.P.M. 105; Pearce, D.C. 1255; W. S. Hearder, Organist, 105; J. Rendle, J.W. 1247; R. Miller, 1071; N. B. Westcott, 1247; Cooksley, D.C. 202; E. Husson, S.S. 70; D. Box, J.D. 156; G. Lewis, D.C. 156; Ferguson, W. Ford, W. Murphy, Clutterbuck, Gould, Rev. W. Whitley, Staddon, Lucas, Connor, White, Lander, Campbell, Windcatt, Thorne, I.G. 156, &c., &c. The Worshipful Bro. W. T. Pilditch, W.M., read letters received from the P.G.M., D.P.G.M., and Br. Latimer, P.P.G. Sec., apologising for not being present. After ample justice had been done to the repast, and the cloth removed, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to, the musical responses being effectively led by Br. Hearder, Organist 105. During the very pleasant evening that was passed, Bros. Hearder, Rendle, Hussen, Andrews, and others rendered with good effect several songs; and Br. Yeo, P.M., gave a dramatic recitation in capital style. The Rev. Bro. W. Whitley delivered an excellent oration on the grand principles of Masonry, as seen individually and socially, claiming for them an eminence second only to that of the Divine institution of Christianity, expressing his conviction they would yet win the confidence of the world at large. The health of the host (Bro. Thomas) and the hostess was enthusiastically drunk, and great satisfaction expressed at the catering of the banquet. After a most pleasant evening, the brethren broke up at an early hour.—*Western Daily Mercury*.

PLYMOUTH.—*Lodge Sincerity* (No. 189).—The festival of St. John was celebrated by Lodge Sincerity, No. 189, last evening, by an excellent banquet at the Duke of Cornwall Hotel, Plymouth, the Lodge being favoured with the presence of both the P.G.M. and the D.P.G.M. The company numbered about fifty, and was under the presidency of the W. Bro. T. W. Coffin, W.M., and he was supported by the following brethren of the Lodge:—I. Latimer, S.W.; M. Coates, J.W.; T. S. Bayly, P.M., P.P.G.T., Treas.; R. H. Rae, P.M., P.G.D.; S. Hutchings, S.D.; J. E. Curteis, J. D.; G. Jackson, D.C.; G. Mair, I.G.; A. Latimer, S.; T. W. How, S.; J. Moon, O.; P.M.'s R. Dowee, L.P. Metham, D.P.G.M.; J. Trickett, F. Balkwell, H. Richards, J. Sadler, J. Dampney; Brs. E. Bisser, J. G. Wall, Rev. T. W. Lemon, W. Monkhouse, W. Lister, and W. W. Stevens. With a few well chosen words the W.M. proposed "The Queen,"

"H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, P.G.M."—an acquisition to the craft, and working hard and indefatigably in furthering Freemasonry—and "R. W. the Marquis of Ripon, G.M. of England"—a worthy success or to Earl Zeatland, whose retirement was universally regretted. The W.M. having announced that the Earl of Mount Edgcombe and Lord Eliot had written expressing regret at being unable to attend, and that Admiral the Hon. Sir Henry Keppel and General Sir Charles Staveley were kept away by official duties, gave "The R.W. the Rev. J. Huyshe, M.A., P.G. M. of Devon," and the toast was received with most hearty applause. Though embarrassed by the intensity of his regard for the P.G.M., and by his presence, the W.M. was bound to say that there was an amount of love and regard shown for their R.W. Bros. which was unsurpassed—(hear hear). Right glad were they to welcome him that evening—(applause)—and they regretted that in his circular on the masonic charities, he expressed his belief that never again would he fill the office of Steward. They fervently hoped this would not be the case, and that "Lodge Sincerity" would be able for many years to greet him at their banquets—(loud applause). The R.W. the Rev. J. Huyshe, made a feeling response. It was impossible, he said, for a man always to go on working hard, and he had had a fair share of it; so that it was highly improbable that he should ever again be a Steward for the charities. The response made in the Province, especially be the Grand Lodge, was a noble one, and he thanked them most cordially for it on behalf of the institutions whose merits they so greatly appreciated—(hear, hear). As to the welcome afforded him on this occasion, as on every occasion he visited Plymouth, he could only use a stereotyped phrase and say he heartily thanked them for it. Upon a subject which weighed with some anxiety on his mind he desired to say a few words. A good many years ago a highly meritorious Mason, Captain Grey Clarke—the predecessor of the G.S.—made use of a very singular expression to him. They were talking upon that all engrossing subject to Masons—their charities—when Captain Clarke said, "I look with some apprehension to the great charities which are being promoted by Freemasons, because I am afraid that the time will come when these charities will cause a great rush of candidates, and Freemasonry degenerate into a large benefit society." He did not accord with that view at the time, but the longer he lived the more he saw there was danger of that occurring which Captain Clarke predicted. There was an immense rush of candidates already, and the numbers had increased from 4,000 and 5,000 yearly to 7,000 and 8,000. He was present at the Committee of the Masonic Institution when it was resolved to increase the annuities to Freemasons from £25 to £36, and since then the allowance to widows had been increased by £5. Here was a still further inducement for candidates to rush in with the idea that they might possibly become recipients of these great charities. It was always difficult to preserve quality against quantity, but in Lancashire they initiated many persons who ought not to be members. But the great question still was: How could they prevent the introduction of men totally unfitted to be Masons at all. He only knew of one plan. On the last occasion of consecrating a new lodge at Torquay, he cautioned the Master to be careful whom he initiated, to keep the lodge select, and that the way to do this was to have a large initiation fee. The Master had taken the hint, and promised to make it one of the best lodges in the Province. The present minimum fee of three guineas allowed by the Grand Lodge was much too small, and he should use his endeavours to get it increased. (Hear, hear). The G.M. then proposed "The W.M. of Sincerity," speaking of the lodge as one of the most efficient in the Province, and Bro. Coffin as one able and determined to uphold its prestige (applause). W. Bro. Coffin, responded, and in eulogistic terms, proposed "The R. W. Bro. L. P. Metham, P.G.D., D.P.G.M. of Devon," a P.M. of Sincerity, R.W. Bro. Metham, acknowledged a very cordial reception of the toast. After speaking in high terms of Lodge Sincerity, the D.P.G.M. proposed "The R.W. the Right

Hon. the Earl of Mount Edgumbe, P.G.M. of Cornwall," who was an old member of Lodge Sincerity and one of its Past Masters. It was a very happy thing indeed for Cornwall, and the Craft generally that such an appointment was made. Bro. Rodd, P.G.S.W. of Cornwall, responded to the toast. Bro. Capt. Tanner Davy, responded for "The P.G. Officers of Devon, present and past." The W.M., in giving "The P.M.'s and Officers of Lodge Sincerity," regretted the death of the I.P.M., Bro. Forster, who had done so much for the new lodge, and then spoke of the pride the lodge had in the fact that their Past Masters included the P.G.M. of Cornwall, the D.G.M. of Devon, a P. Prov. G.S.W. of Cornwall, and others high in office. The credit of these honours reflected on the lodge. P.M. Dowse took great delight in the furnishing of the old lodge, and for years was a trusty Treasurer, and was now worthily succeeded by P.M. Bayly; whilst P.M. Rae they had to thank for efficient services as Secretary. The officers he also had to thank very much for great and cordial assistance. Bro. Rae and Bro. Ball will respond. R.W. Bro. Latimer, proposed "Visiting Brethren and Sister Lodge." In so doing he spoke of the thoroughly friendly feeling which existed between the lodges, and took occasion to acknowledge the kindness extended to him in the Provinces of Devon and Cornwall. He was glad to bear testimony to the existence of this feeling, because they had a great many visiting brethren present. Looking at the new Guildhall the other day, it occurred to him that it would give great satisfaction if at its opening the whole of the brethren of the Three Towns, joined by as many from a distance as could conveniently be present, attended the ceremony. It would be an outside demonstration as well as an inside gratification, and he threw out the hint for consideration. If such a fraternal assembly was approved of it could doubtless be arranged.

LODGE OF TRANQUILITY (No. 185).—The January meeting of this lodge was held on the 20th inst., at Cannon-street Hotel, Bros. R. Z. Bloomfield, W.M.; H. Abrahams, S.W.; N. Moss, J.W.; J. Peartree, Treas.; P. Levy, Hon. Sec.; J. Constable, S.D.; J. H. Ross, J.D.; J. Barnett, I.G.; Past Masters L. Barnett, S. Solomon, E. Harfield, S. E. Moss, M. Harris, Bros. Lyons, Venthal, Gashion, Wittenberg, Seyd, and Chevalier de Kontski were present. The lodge was opened and minutes confirmed. Bros. Parkinson, Brocksopp, and Grant were passed to the second degree. Bros. G. L. Lyon, James, and Ford, were raised to the third degree. Bro. D. Posener, of Upton Lodge, was unanimously elected a joining member. Messrs J. Brown, W. Payne, and N. Gluck, were ballotted for, accepted, and initiated into the Order by the W.M., whose working of the ceremonies elicited worthy praises. The election of W.M. was then proceeded with, and the S.W. having intimated his intention to retire in favour of J.W., the latter viz., Bro. N. Moss, was unanimously elected W.M., and returned thanks for the unexpected honour in suitable terms. The following were appointed:—Bro. Peartree, as Treas.; Vesper, Tyler. Bro. M. Hart, P.M., and L. Barnett, I.P.M., were elected auditors. The sum of 10 guineas was granted from lodge funds to purchase a testimonial to the retiring Master. The W.M. tendered his thanks to the officers and brethren for their kind support during his year of Mastership. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren sat down to banquet. Bro. S. Solomon, P.M., assuming the chair in consequence of the W.M. leaving through domestic affliction. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to. Bro. Brown returned thanks for the newly initiated brethren, and acknowledged the impression made upon his mind by the beautiful rendering of the ceremony by the W.M. We have great hopes for the future in Bro. Brown. The toast of the W.M. elect followed, and the Presiding Master spoke in high terms of Bro. N. Moss, who, in reply, assured the brethren of his high appreciation of the honour conferred upon him, and gave assurance that he would endeavour to make "Tranquility" second to none in the Craft. The toast of the "Benevolent Fund" was responded to by the Treasurer, Bro. J. Peartree, who stated

that the funds now amounted to upwards of £600. Bros. Brown, Payne, and Luck, the initiates, contributed to this fund very liberally. The Presiding Master then gave the toast of the absent W.M., and regretted his absence under so painful a circumstance. Bro. L. Barnett, I.P.M., next proposed the toast of the Presiding Master, whose kind and affable manner is always appreciated, no matter whether in Masonic or other circles, and the hope was expressed that the G.A.O.T.U. might long spare our Bro. Saul Solomons to present his welcome face in the lodge. (Applause.) The toast of the visitors was heartily received and responded to by Bro. Moss. Bro. Hart (late P.M. of the lodge), on behalf of G. Hawthorn, 236.; M. Emanuel, W.M. 205; S. Gottheil, P.M. 141; J. Woodman, S.W. 209, 1298; H. A. Hart, 795; H. M. Levy, P.M. 188. Chevalier de Kontski played excellently on a grand piano by Kirkman, and was vociferously applauded. Further amusement was contributed by the drollery and imitations of Bro. H. M. Levy.

LODGE OF ISRAEL (No. 205).—The meeting of this lodge was held at City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-street, on the 28th inst., Bro. M. Emanuel, W.M.; C. F. Hogard, S.W.; C. Coote, P.M., Treasurer; A. M. Cohen, Secretary; A. Ayden, S.D.; T. Waylett, J.D.; F. Buckland, I.G., Vesper, Tyler. The lodge was opened and the minutes of the previous meeting confirmed. Bros. Lynes and Hawkins, having answered the necessary questions satisfactorily, were raised to the degree of M.M. The ballot was then taken for Messrs. Isaac Cohen and C. Naylor, being in their favour, they were duly initiated. The installation of W.M. for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. Bro. C. F. Hogard, W.M. elect, having been presented by P. M. Harris, was duly installed into the chair of K.S. in the most efficient manner by Bro. Emanuel, I.P.M. The W.M., C. F. Hogard, then appointed the following as his officers: J. Emanuel, S.W.; A. Ayden, J.W.; J. Waylett, S.D.; F. Buckland, J.D.; L. Jacobs, I.G.; Hall, D.C.; Roxworthy, Steward; Vesper, Tyler; Treasurer and Secretary and Tyler, having been re-elected, were invested. The sum of £5 5s. was voted from the funds of the lodge to benevolent fund attached thereto. There were also present Bros. Marks, Jacobs, Gompertz, Abraham, Evans, Cremer, Collingridge, Nathan. The lodge was closed and the brethren adjourned to banquet, which was creditably served. The usual loyal and masonic toasts were gone through. The toast of W.M. was given and ably responded to by the W.M., who assured the members that he would do all in his power to render the Lodge of Israel perfect, and at the same time regretted that he should fall very short in his duties, as such excellent Masters had preceded him. The toast of "The Initiates" was drunk with enthusiasm and responded to by each. The W.M. then proposed "The Health of the I.P.M., and eulogised him in appropriate terms, and at the same time invested him with the exquisite jewel awarded by the Lodge for his past services, and also presented him with a silver salver and engrossed testimonial, which the P.M., Bro. M. Emanuel, acknowledged in such phrases as were not only eloquent, but sublime and to the purpose, each word telling as it fell upon the hearers. Bro. Emanuel resumed his seat amid great applause. The toast of "The Benevolent Fund" was given, and met with a liberal response on the part of the brethren, who subscribed to the amount of £15. The toast of "The Visitors" followed, among whom were Bros. Hunt, W.M. 188; R. T. Bloomfield, W.M. 185; E. Gottheil, P.M. 141; J. Constable, S.D. 185; A. W. Berkham, 749; A. W. Meyer, 941; Sydney, P.S.W.; J. Abrahams, 898; W. J. Stevens, 742; Lazaras, P.G.J.W. Wilts. Each visitor replied, and Bro. Lazaras more particularly followed with one of his usual descriptions of the beauties and principles of F.M. Some capital singing and other amusements were contributed by the brethren.

BURTON-ON-TRENT.—Royal Sussex Lodge (No. 353).—This lodge was held at the Swan Hotel, on Monday, 27th inst. Bro. J. L. Gibbons was installed, according to ancient custom, as W.M. of this lodge for the ensuing year. I.P.M. Bro. T. A. Jackson performed the

onerous duties of installation, to the expressed satisfaction of a lodge, composed in a great measure of old Masons, who delight in criticism. By command of the W.M. the I.P.M. then invested with the badge of their respective offices the following brethren to serve for the ensuing year:—Bros. W. J. Gothard, P. Prov. G. Supt. of Works, as S.W.; H. G. Diamond, J.W.; G. B. Knobel, P. Prov. S.G.D., as Director of Ceremonies; T. Hobday, Secretary; G. A. Taverner, S.D.; W. Johnson, J.D.; C. Jackson, I.G.; J. L. Spooner and J. Hawkins, Stewards; and Turner as Tyler. The ordinary business was then undertaken, the new W.M. proving himself fully equal to the occasion, and reciprocating in the most cordial manner the "heartly good wishes" of the visiting brethren. At 5 o'clock, Bro. Spooner intimated in an impressive manner that his culinary arrangements had given him every satisfaction, and that should the brethren approve the banquet, the choice of his own epitaph would be decided. Future generations will read of his happy demise. In proposing the toast of the evening, Bro. T. A. Jackson dwelt at length on the results already attained for the lodge by the W.M., and predicted that his year of office would be signalled by an important increase in strength and efficiency. Bro. Jackson also gracefully alluded to the Masonic services rendered to the Royal Sussex, and to himself personally, by P.M. Bro. Robt. Bindley (No. 1060). The W.M. in responding, remarked upon the sympathy and support he had received from all members of his lodge, and of his determination to be guided, in all his Masonic duties, by the recognised constitutions only. He further urged upon his officers the importance of their individual attention to such obligations as he purposed introducing them to, and succeeded in impressing all present that work is meant in and by the Royal Sussex. Bro. E. F. Knobel kindly presided at the organ, and Bros. Upton, Bindley (J.A.) Johnson and Bellamy assisted in furthering the harmony of the evening.

RAMSEY.—St. Maughold Lodge (No. 1075).—The brethren of this lodge celebrated their annual festival of St. John's day, the 27th ultimo, at their Lodge-rooms, Neptune-street. After the business of the lodge was concluded, the brethren dined together at the Royal Hotel. A large number of the brethren were in attendance, and a handsome P.M.'s jewel, of gold and brilliants, was presented to Bro. Webb, the retiring Master, in recognition of his valuable services during the past two years. After dinner, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given, and the brethren separated shortly after ten o'clock. Bro. A. Dumbell, W.M. for the present year, invested his officers as follows:—Bro. T. Allen, S.W.; Bro. W. L. Wild, J.W.; Bro. D. Miller, Treas.; Bro. J. Hannay, Sec.; Bro. C. B. Nelson, S.D.; Bro. J. Vondy, Junr., J.D.; Bro. T. H. P. Mylechreest, I.G.; and Bro. T. Veady, Tyler.

LIVERPOOL.—Skelmersdale Lodge (No. 1380).—On Monday, the 3rd inst., the Skelmersdale Lodge, No. 1380, meeting at the Blundellsands Hotel, Great Crosby, near Liverpool, completed its first year's existence, and the proceedings were of more than ordinary interest from the fact that during the year the position of W.M. had been occupied by Bro. the Rt. Hon. Lord Skelmersdale, who at the beginning of his year of office was D.G.M. of the Province, but at the close held the more honourable post of R.W. Prov. G.M. designate. By thus assuming the mastership of a private lodge, his lordship gave another proof of the interest which he takes in the progress of the Craft, and his willingness to do whatever he can to increase its weight and standing. The proceedings of Monday last passed off with an éclat which was largely owing to the presence of our noble brother, to the fact that the brethren of the lodge to which he kindly lent his name took the opportunity of presenting him with a handsome jewel on his retirement from the chair, and also to the fact that his lordship was to be followed in the chair by a brother who is highly respected and greatly esteemed. Shortly after three o'clock, Bro. Lord Skelmersdale, W.M., opened the lodge in due form, supported by the following officers and brethren:—Bros. A. C. Mott, I.P.M., P.G.S.W. for Cumberland and Westmoreland; G. Broadbridge, S.W.,

P.P.G.D.C.; G. de la Parelle, J.W., P.P.G.S.; R. Brown, Sec.; C. Swaby Smith, S.D.; H. I. Richards, Org.; G. Ladmore, Tyler; Bros. J. Hughes, E. Ford, jun., W. H. Loewe, C. K. St. John, J. Mawdsley, P.P.G. Reg.; W. Chamberlain, T. Ellison, H. Davies, and J. J. Rose. Amongst the visitors were Bros. J. P. Platt, P.P.J.D.W., Cheshire; W. M. Chudley, J. W. Baker, P.M. 241; W. Cooke, S.W. 1289; L. Moritz, 292; F. J. Eaton, P.M. 241; W. Doyle, P.M. 667; J. Busfield, 216; T. G. Bark, 241; R. Wilson, P.M. 341; J. Skeaf, P.P.G.O.; C. Petty, 216; J. Wood, Treas., 1094; E. Brigg, 1063, &c. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, several candidates were balloted for and declared duly elected. Bro. Lord Skelmersdale then vacated the chair, which was taken by Bro. A. C. Mott. His lordship and Bro. Mawdsley then presented Bro. G. Broadbridge, W.M. elect, and Bro. Mott proceeded with the ceremony in a most impressive, complete, and effective manner—very rarely excelled in this part of the province. The W.M. subsequently invested the following brethren as his officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. George de la Perelle, S.W.; R. Brown, J.W.; Dr. Limerick, Treas.; T. G. Bark, Sec.; C. Swaby Smith, S.D.; T. W. Richardson, J.D.; and Ford, jun., I.G. Bro. G. Ladmore was unanimously re-elected Tyler of the lodge. At the conclusion of this portion of the business, Bro. Broadbridge, W.M., said he had a very pleasing duty to perform in presenting to Bro. Lord Skelmersdale, I.P.M. of No. 1380, a P.M.'s jewel, which had been unanimously voted by the brethren of the lodge. They had, he said, received many acts of kindness at his hands, and he was well-known and highly beloved in the province for his valuable Masonic labours. The W.M. then presented his lordship with an exceedingly chaste and handsome P.M.'s jewel, which bore the following inscription:—"Presented to Bro. Lord Skelmersdale, R.W.P. G.M., P.M. of the Skelmersdale Lodge, as a token of esteem from the lodge, and a memento of his being the first W.M." At the call of Bro. Mott, his lordship was greeted with the "royal salute," in view of his appointment as P.G.M. Bro. Lord Skelmersdale said he had to acknowledge the gift of that beautiful jewel as one of brotherly love and the friendship which he had gained in that lodge and throughout the province. He would always wear that jewel, and he could assure the brethren it would never fail to bring to his remembrance the duty which he owed to the lodge, and the province generally. After the W.M. had initiated a candidate into the mysteries and privileges of the order, the brethren adjourned from labour to a sumptuous banquet, provided by the host of the Blundellsands Hotel, to which about 40 sat down, under the presidency of Bro. Broadbridge, W.M. During a pleasant evening the usual loyal, masonic, and charitable toasts were proposed with zest, and responded to with enthusiasm. Bros. Busfield, Brown, J.W., Petty, &c., contributed several excellent songs; the accompaniments being admirably played by Bro. J. Skeaf, P.P.G.O.

MILLOM.—*Whitwell Lodge* (No. 1390).—The regular monthly communication of this lodge took place on Tuesday, January 21st. The lodge was opened at 7 o'clock, by the W.M., Bro. Roger Dodgson, P.G.S.B., supported by Bro. Myers of Liverpool, acting S.W.; J.W., P.G. Steward and the rest of the officers. Visiting brethren John Hailley, No. 995 and 1398, and Bro. Myers. The ballot was taken for Mr. Bradley, builder, which proved unanimous in his favour, and he being in attendance, was regularly initiated in Freemasonry by the W.M., the working tools and charge being given by the J.W. Bro. Bradley, having retired, Bro. Bell, a candidate for the degree of F.C., answered the usual questions and has entrusted and retired, the lodge was then opened in the second degree, and Bro. Bell admitted and passed the working tools being very ably explained by the acting S.W. The lodge was closed down to the first degree, when the W.M. read a letter received from Bro. R. Pearson, P.M. 995, suggesting that the lodge be occasionally held in the afternoon, for the convenience of non-resident members. One gentle-

man was proposed as a candidate, and the lodge was finally closed at 9.30, p.m., with solemn prayer.

Royal Arch.

DURHAM.—*Chapter of Concord* (No. 124).—The annual convocation of this chapter was held on Tuesday evening last, in the Freemasons' Hall, Durham, under the presidency of Comp. C. Rowlandson, M.E.Z.; Comp. W. Brignall, Junr.; Prov. G. Registrar, E.H.; and Major James Monks, E.J.; assisted by the usual staff of officers and E. Companion, John Fawcett, Esq., Provincial Grand Superintendent for Durham. After the minutes of the previous convocation had been read and duly confirmed, three candidates, viz. Bros. Joseph Arthur Jackson, J.W., and the Rev. Francis Bewsher (M.A.), Chaplain, both of the Earl of Durham Lodge, No. 1274, and James Laidler, S.D., of the Norman Lodge, No. 1334, were regularly introduced and exalted to this supreme degree in the accustomed form; the H.S.M. lectures being given by the several officers whose duty it is to deliver them, except the last one, which by special request, was given by the respected Provincial Grand Superintendent, John Fawcett, in such a solemn and impressive manner as can seldom be equalled. The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, the following being the result:—Comps. William Brignall, Junr. M.E.Z.; Major James Monks, E.H.; Rev. George Robert Bulman (M.A.), E.J.; T. W. Hearon, S.E.; William Donkin, S.N.; Henry Lawrence, Prin. Soj.; George Johnston, Treasurer; and John Carter, Janitor. After a hearty vote of thanks had been tendered to the Provincial Grand Superintendent for the services he had rendered throughout the evening, the chapter was closed in the prescribed form until Tuesday, 25th March next.

LIVERPOOL.—*Walton Chapter* (1086).—A meeting of this Chapter was held on Thursday evening the 23rd ult., at the Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, at which were present Comps. Thos. Chesworth, M.E.Z.; Josh. C. Lunt, H.; J. W. Baker, M.E.Z. 241, as J.; P. Armstrong, S.E.; H. Hughes, S.N.; J. P. W. McArthur, P.Soj.; Wm. Archer, P.Z., Treasurer; Jno. Lunt, P.Z.; Visitors Comps. Mawson and Shortis, Temple Chapter, No. 1094. Chapter was opened by the Principals, the companions were then admitted. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the ballot taken for the two candidates for exaltation, which proved unanimous in their favour. Bro. Goodacre, P.M., and Bro. Norton being present were admitted and exalted to the supreme degree of Holy Royal Arch Masons, the ceremony being most admirably performed by the M.E.Z. The Historical Lecture was given by Comp. Baker; the Symbolical Lecture by Comp. J. C. Lunt, H.; and the Mystical Lecture by the M.E.Z. On the conclusion of the business the companions adjourned to refreshment. Grace having been said, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to. Comp. Archer, P.Z., then rose and said he now came to what he deemed the toast of the evening, namely, "The I.P.Z. Comp. John Lunt," who had won the esteem of every companion by his good working, as well as by the zeal and ability he had displayed in the faithful discharge of his duties. He then presented him on behalf of the companions of the Chapter, with a splendid P.Z. 18 carat jewel, set with a diamond and two rubies, and in affixing this jewel he, Comp. Archer, wished him many years of prosperity and health to wear it. The jewel bears the following inscription:—"Presented to Comp. John Lunt, P.M.E.Z., by the companions of the Walton Chapter, No. 1086, as a mark of their esteem and respect, January 23rd, 1873." Comp. Lunt, thanked the companions, and said he received this proof of their esteem and regard with feelings of the deepest gratitude; he should ever retain and prize the tribute of respect which he had received at their hands, and would act as an incitement, if any were wanted, to the most unremitting exertions for the future. The usual final toast was most feelingly given, and thus terminated an evening spent in truly fraternal harmony.

Mark Masonry.

LEICESTER.—*Fowke Lodge* (No. 19).—A highly interesting meeting of this lodge was held at the Freemasons' Hall, on Thursday, the 23rd inst., under the able presidency of Bro. S. S. Partridge, W.M., assisted by his principal officers and a numerous attendance of brethren. The ceremony of advancement was most efficiently conducted by the W.M., the scriptural portions being rendered by the Rev. Dr. Hayroft, and the music by Bro. Wykes. The ballot for the W.M. for the ensuing year resulted in the election of Bro. Weare, S.W., by a very large majority. Bro. Stretton was unanimously re-elected to the office of Treasurer, and received the cordial thanks of the brethren for his valuable services to the lodge, during the lengthened period of six years. Bros. Sculthorpe, J. M. McAllister, and T. A. Wykes, were appointed members of the "Audit Committee." Bro. George Toller, jun. M.O., proposed that a Past Master's jewel be presented to Bro. Partridge, in tangible recognition of the admirable manner in which, on all occasions he had conducted the ceremonies of this degree, and for his assiduity in the faithful discharge of the responsible duties appertaining to his exalted position. This most agreeable proposition was duly seconded by Bro. Weare, W.M. elect, and the brethren were delighted at being afforded such an opportunity of thus placing their "mark" on the "perfect work" of their esteemed W.M. on his retirement. Bro. Stretton who is ever forward in a charitable cause, having generously undertaken to serve the office of a Steward for the Boys' School, the usual subscription was unanimously voted towards the support of that Institution. The lodge was closed in ancient form.

REDRUTH.—*Meridian Lodge* (No. 73).—The annual festival of the Meridian Mark Lodge, No. 73, was held at Redruth on Tuesday, the 28th ult. at 5.30, p.m. A goodly number of the brethren were present, and almost to the stroke of the "half hour" the W.M., Bro. W. Tregay took the chair, and having opened the lodge, called upon Bro. W. J. Hughan, P.M. 78, Past Grand Warden of England, &c., to officiate as Master, advance the candidates, and instal the W.M. elect, Bro. James H. Reynolds, S.W. Bro. Hughes, P.M. then took the gavel in hand, and in his usually perfect and impressive manner, advanced two candidates to the degree of a Mark Master Mason, explaining the tools, emblems, &c., in full. Our well-known brother then gave a long address on Freemasonry, more particularly with reference to the custom of Mark Masonry, tracing the marks in lodge books, actually now existing, from the sixteenth century, especially the records of the Lodge of Edinburgh from 1598, and the Mark Book of the Lodge of Aberdeen from 1670. He also referred in the most grateful manner to the kindness and assistance rendered him in his Masonic investigations by these two old lodges. Bro. Reynolds was then duly installed, and appointed his officers. Bro. Tregay proposed that Bro. Thomas Solomon, J.P., P.M. 78, be elected an honorary member of the lodge. As Prov. Grand Secretary he had visited the lodge that evening, and they were glad to see him. Bro. Solomon, J.P., suitably responded, and thanked the lodge for the intended honour, which he would be proud in complying with, in conjunction with his friend Bro. Hughan, who had had a similar distinction conferred upon him some years since. The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned for refreshment. The W.M. presided at the banquet, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Bros. P. W. Dabb, P.M.; John Hocking, P.M.; J. E. Penrose, P.M.; W. Tregay, P.M.; the Rev. Dr. J. Bamister, J.W.; James Sims, S.W.; and Bros. Wales, Kintler, Thomas, Martin, Wellington, Cocks, and other brethren attending. Bro. Hughan, P.G.W., responded on behalf of the Grand Lodge, and Bro. Solomon, Prov. G. Sec., for the Prov. Grand Lodge of Cornwall.

RAMSGATE.—*Holmesdale Lodge* (No. 129).—A regular meeting of this lodge was held at the Royal Hotel, Ramsgate, on Thursday last, the 23rd of January. Bro. Lewis Finch, Prov. G.M., Treasurer, W.M., Bro. T. H. Grove, Snowden.

D.P.G.M. Master, S.W.; Bro. J. L. Ellerm, J.W.; Bro. J. J. Darby, Prov. G.M.S. Deacon, M.O.; Bro. H. Wootton, Prov. G.M.J.O., S.O.; Bro. T. S. Clarke, Prov. G.M.A.S., J.O.; Bro. The Rev. G. W. Sicklemore, Prov. G.M.M.M., Chaplain; Bro. E. J. Smith, Prov. G.M.D.C., as Sec.; Bro. James W. Smith, G.M. Steward, and Prov. G.M. Sec., S.D.; Bro. Geo. Miles, J.D.; Bro. Geo. Page, Prov. G.M. Swd. Br., as I.G.; Bro. Geo. Meager, Tyler. Several other brethren were also present. The first business of the evening, after the opening of the lodge, was to elect a W.M. for the ensuing year, and the result was a unanimous vote in favour of Bro. Snowden, Dep. Prov. G.M.M. Bro. Snowden, in returning thanks for the honour conferred on him, paid a just tribute to the W.M. for his excellent working of the ceremonies during his year of office, and promised to emulate the example set him, so that the lodge might not suffer by the change of Masters. Bro. Snowden is well-known for his excellent rendering of the Craft and R.A. ceremonies, and therefore there needs be no apprehension as to the maintenance of the distinguished character which the lodge has acquired. The W.M. elect announced his intention to immediately carry out the improvements just introduced in the Mark Ritual. Bro. Finch, the retiring W.M., was elected Treasurer. Bro. Meager was re-elected Tyler. A ballot was then taken for Bro. Isaac Jarman, J.W. of the Royal Navy Lodge, 429; who being unanimously approved, was advanced to the honourable degree. The Lecture was delivered by Bro. James W. Smith. The Installation is to take place on the fourth Thursday in March, when it is expected that a large number of influential brethren will be present.

MARYPORT.—*Whitwell Lodge* (No. 151).—The usual monthly meeting of this prosperous lodge of Mark Masons was held on Thursday, the 23rd, ult., at the Masonic Hall, Maryport. The lodge was opened in due form by Bro. Nicholson, W.M., P.G. Treas. Cumberland and Westmoreland; supported by Bro. Tickle, P.G.D. of C., as S.W.; Bro. Price as J.W.; Bro. J. Lawson, Sec.; G. M. Tickle, Reg.; Bro. Gardiner, S.O.; Bro. T. Moore, J.O.; Bro. G. Rule, S.D.; J. Bright of 60, J.D. pro. tem.; J. H. Bank, I.G. pro. tem.; Abbot, T. pro. tem. The minutes of the last meeting been read and confirmed, and ballot taken and declared unanimous in favour of Bro. W. Armstrong, P.M. 371; Bro. T. Mandle, 371; Bro. J. R. Banks, 371; and Bro. C. O. Hargraves, 995; they were regularly advanced to the degree of Mark Master by Bro. G. G. Hayward, P.M. 60. The working of the lodge was of the most efficient kind, and was the admiration of all who were present; and some other business transacted, the lodge was closed with solemn prayer about 6.30. p.m.

Knights Templar.

IPSWICH.—*Preceptory of Prudence*.—The regular meeting of this Preceptory was held on the 22nd January, when there were present Sir Knights Emma Holmes, Grand Provost of England, Preceptor; the Rev. R. N. Sanderson, D.P.G.C., Suffolk and Cambridge, P.E.C., Act. 1st Captain; Dr. Mills, P.E.C. Act. 2nd Captain; J. Pitcher, P.E.C.; G. S. Findley, P.E.C., Registrar, and others. The Preceptory having been opened with solemn prayer, and the minutes of last meeting having been read and confirmed, Sir Knt. Mills rose to tender the resignation of Sir Knt. G. S. Golding, the E.C. elect, who was compelled to decline the honour the Preceptory had conferred upon him, in consequence of ill-health. He moved that his resignation should be accepted. Sir Knt. Sanderson, in seconding the motion, expressed his great regret at the circumstances under which Sir Knt. Golding was compelled to resign and hoped that an expression of that regret on the part of the Preceptory would be placed upon the minutes. The Preceptor also begged to endorse the sentiments of the Sir Knights who had spoken, and requested the Registrar to take a minute

of the observations of their esteemed D.P.G.G. Some conversation ensued and it was decided to apply to the Prov. G. Commander, Capt. Phillips, for a dispensation to hold a special meeting on the 5th February, to elect a Preceptor, who would be installed at the regular meeting in April, according to the Statutes. There being no other business before the Sir Knights, the Preceptory was closed, and the Frates retired for refreshment.

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

The quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was held in Freemasons' Hall, George-street, Edinburgh, on Monday, 3rd February, 1873. The Earl of Rosslyn, Most Worshipful Grand Master, occupied the throne, and amongst the brethren present were Sir Michael R. Shaw Stewart, Depute Grand Master; F. A. Barrow, Acting Senior Grand Warden; Wm. Barton, Acting Junior Grand Warden; Wm. Mann, Past Grand Warden; Walter Montgomery Nelson, of Queenshill, Provincial Grand Master of Glasgow City; Major Hamilton Ramsay, Senior Grand Deacon; John Laurie, Grand Clerk; John Coghill, Grand Director of Ceremonies; Convener Robertson, Grand Bible Bearer; Lindsay Mackersy, W.S., representative of Grand Lodge of Canada; Robert Davidson, Grand Organist; M. Mackenzie, Chief Grand Marshall; A. T. Abthorpe, Grand Marshall; H. Y. D. Copland, J. T. Douglas, T. H. Douglas, and others.

The Grand Lodge having been opened in ample form, a number of proxy commissions were read and sustained. The Grand Clerk then announced that presents had been received from Grand Lodges of England, France, the Netherlands, and New Brunswick, for which a vote of thanks was accorded on the motion of the Grand Master. The minutes of the Grand Lodge and Grand Committee having been read and approved of, the Grand Committee for the ensuing year was appointed.

Petitions for charters to the following lodges were granted unanimously:—Waring St. John, Murchison, Victoria; Seville, Jamaica; Rothes, Leslie; Abercromby, Bridge of Allan; Caledonian, Canterbury, New Zealand; Oamaru Kilwinning, Oamaru, New Zealand; Patea, Taranaki, New Zealand; Cromwell Kilwinning, Cromwell, New Zealand; Sir Walter Scott, Auckland, New Zealand; St. Andrew, Grey River, Grey Mouth, New Zealand.

The Grand Clerk having intimated that the newly-appointed representative from the Grand Lodge of Sweden and Norway was in waiting, the Grand Master ordered him to be conducted into the Grand Lodge. Bro. Mann, Past Senior Grand Warden, was accordingly ushered in with due ceremony, and the commissions from the King of Sweden having been read, was installed into office amidst loud applause. After he had returned thanks for the honour conferred upon him, Bro. Robert Cowan, Past Provincial Grand Master of Scotland, was appointed representative at the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, and Bro. Chevalier A. F. Krintberg, representative at the Grand Lodge of Sweden, vice Bro. Erskine, deceased.

The resignation of the Right Hon. the Earl of Stair, K.T., as Provincial Grand Master of Wigtownshire, was received with regret. The Grand Master said he had received a letter from the noble Earl, and he had written in reply, entreating him to reconsider his determination, but as he had received no reply, he concluded the noble Earl would not continue in office.

A motion by Captain Gordon, tabled at last meeting, to change the day of meeting of the Grand Lodge, was, in his absence, delayed till next meeting.

It was then moved by Bro. W. Officer, Past Grand Deacon, seconded by Bro. Lindsay Mackersy, in the absence of Bro. Alexander Hay:—

"That on and after the passing of this motion the office of Grand Clerk shall cease, and its duties shall devolve on and be discharged by the Grand Secretary; that the present Grand Clerk shall be conjoined in the office of Grand Secretary, with Bro. Stewart as joint Grand Secretary;

that upon the occurrence of the first vacancy by death or resignation, the joint office shall cease, and the remaining holder of the office shall be sole Grand Secretary till the date of the next annual election, when only one Grand Secretary shall be elected; and that the laws of Grand Lodge in so far as not coincident with this motion be repealed."

The motion was unanimously adopted, and the Grand Masters passed a high eulogium on Bro. Lawrie, Grand Clerk, for his valuable business services to Grand Lodge during the past two years, a compliment which was warmly endorsed by the brethren present.

It was unanimously agreed that the hour of meeting should in future be five, instead of six o'clock.

Bro. Abbot, No. 1, then moved the following motion:—

"That all lodges holding of this Grand Lodge, whether represented or not by their Master and Wardens, shall be compelled to pay the fees exigible for representation in Grand Lodge, on the 24th June annually, if not paid by their representatives previously."

Bro. John Baird seconded the motion, and after some discussion it was agreed to.

Bro. Lindsay Mackersy then brought forward the following motion:

"That in future the Master shall appoint the Depute Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge laws so far as inconsistent with this are hereby altered."

Bro. Dr. Loth seconded the motion, and after the Grand Master had made some remarks bearing on the subject, it was unanimously agreed to.

Motions for consideration at next meeting having been laid upon the table, Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

PROVINCIAL LODGE OF DEVONSHIRE.

On Monday, 27th ult., a meeting of the Committee of Petitions was held at the Masonic Hall, Exeter, for the despatch of business. The D.P.G.M., Bro. L. P. Metham, presided. Bro. Gover, the Secretary, read the proceedings of the last meeting, and stated that a boy, named Sawtell, was elected fifth in the last election of boys into the Masonic Boys' School. In order to effect his election they had used all their own votes, and Bro. Stevens, the agent of this Province in London, had borrowed 500 votes, so as to secure Sawtell's election. In consequence of this loan all the votes of the Province were pledged this year to be sent to London. The committee then proceeded to consider the applications for relief, and £5 was voted now to a poor brother at Bideford, and £5 will be voted at a future time. An application for relief for a widow at Plymouth was next considered, and £5 was voted, subject to the decision of Bros. Metham and Latimer, in whose hands the case was left for some inquiry. A letter was read from a widow at Totnes, thanking the committee for a former vote, and asking for further assistance. This letter was deferred. It was then proposed that the votes of the Province should be given for a decayed brother living at Sidmouth, a Freemason of 33 years' standing and of a high character, as a candidate for admission into the Royal Benevolent Institution for Decayed and Indigent Masons. The proposal was unanimously agreed to, and it was urged that all votes should be sent from the whole of the lodges in the Province to the Committee of Petitions. This would bring the whole of the Province into co-operation, and would give to every lodge a right by union to claim relief for any distressed brethren.

The D.P.G.M. then introduced a matter of considerable importance with regard to the future education of boys and girls for whom the Province wished to provide. He said they were in debt a large number of votes, and it would be two years before they would be out of debt. He had thought a great deal on the subject of their educating the sons of Freemasons who were either in indigent circumstances or left orphans.

He had turned the matter over in his mind for several years past, in order that some educational scheme might be adopted for boys especially, and for girls if they had the means of bringing it about. The Boys' School in London cost £43 per head, and had been considerably more, but there was great difficulty in getting a boy into the school. In Lancashire the Freemasons had fifty boys under education in good and well-conducted schools, and they clothed the boys, leaving them to reside with their mothers. He thought that they could adopt a plan of that kind, and whilst they were giving a proper support to the charity in London, they might have an additional scheme, and they might educate and clothe the boys for £15 each. There were now six applicants without the means of education, and they might take the whole six of them and place them in schools near their own homes at an expense of about £90 per annum. He had before him several reports from the Province of Cheshire, and in the ninth he found twenty boys under education, at a cost of £96 for the year. That did not include clothing, but in Devon they would like to do it properly, and clothe and educate as well the boys they took under their charge. Bro. I. Watts observed that in such a case as that they ought to raise funds and invest them, and call upon each lodge to contribute a sum which might be sufficient for carrying out the scheme.

The D.P.G.M. thought it would be best to adopt the principle. After much consideration, Bro. Gover mentioned that to elect a boy to the school in London cost 200 guineas. They had just elected one, and taken three years about it.

A resolution was then moved, seconded, and carried unanimously. It was to the following effect:—"That a sub-committee should be appointed to inquire into the desirability of instituting an educational fund for this Province, and that the sub-committee bring up a report for the consideration of the next meeting of this Committee of Petitions." The following brethren were appointed to act on the committee:—Messrs. Metham, Latimer, Bird, Watts, Jones, Gover, Hooper, and Jew.

The special business to be transacted was to decide whether any and what sum of money should be contributed from the funds of the Provincial Grand Lodge to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution on the occasion of the festival in February, at which His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will preside as chairman, and the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master will be one of the Stewards.

Bro. Metham rose in furtherance of the call of the meeting to propose that a sum should be given to the Grand Master to represent their Province well and worthily at the Grand Lodge in London. He desired that this Province should be represented as standing out for its benevolence, and that it should be one of the first in the amount that it would contribute. It would flatter their pride,—and he thought it was a just pride,—and when the vanity had passed away they would have the satisfaction of knowing that they could look back and see what an amount of good they had done their distressed brethren who wanted their assistance. They had not so largely supported some of the other charities as many Provinces had done, but their contributions towards the Benevolent Institution had been always very considerable. On the present occasion their brother, the Prince of Wales, who was evincing a great deal of interest in the Craft, and was actually going to become the Master of a lodge, and initiate his own brother in the mysteries of the Order, would preside. Their P.G.M. should on this occasion be assisted by all the influence and power that money could give. It was at that festival that he desired that that Lodge should stand out well, and he should like to see Devon at the top of the list. (Applause.) When he himself went up he had the honour of standing first, and on the second occasion he stood second, and surely they were also desirous that their Grand Master should stand at the top of the list. (Cheers.) Bro. Metham then referred to the great benefits the Benevolent Institution conferred upon poor and decayed Masons, giving instances of some of those who had benefited in this Province. No

one who was in business could say but what he might one day be subject to misfortune, and he trusted that every case of the kind that might arise they should be prepared to meet. (Cheers.) To do that they must put their hands in their pockets, and he hoped that they would give freely that day; and he proposed, therefore, that they should vote their Grand Master one hundred guineas. (Applause.) Their funds could not be better spent than in the cause to which this money would be devoted.

Bro. Bird seconded the motion, remarking that he should have been better pleased had the amount been £150.

Bro. Davies proposed, as an amendment, that £150 should be voted; and this was seconded by Bro. Hooper. Bro. Gover said that the first proposal almost took away his breath, but he was quite astonished at the second. He objected that so large a sum of the funds of the Province should be devoted to such a purpose, for they were "eating the calf in the cow's belly." (Laughter.)

The Grand Master said that the whole of the lodge dues were due to the Grand Lodge on the first of January, but they always gave time for their being sent in; still the money could as well be relied upon as if it were in their hands. He also remarked that the Grand Lodge of England were in future going to give to every annuitant £36 a year instead of £26, and he should say that the former was not a farthing too much to give to a Freemason on the fund. (Applause.) And they would also give the widows £5 a year more than they were giving at present, therefore the sum required to sustain these benefits would be a very large one. Then the Prince of Wales was going to preside, and they ought to support him. His Royal Highness did not merely give his name, but supported Masonry in every way, and he was going to become the Master of his (the Grand Master's) mother lodge, the Apollo of Oxford, of which he was one of the oldest members living, and he intended to go up on the nineteenth with his brother, Sir John Hayes, who, with himself, was initiated in 1822—now more than 50 years since, and within a few days of each other. The Prince of Wales had done more for the Order than any crowned head, except the King of Sweden, and he would make Masonry exceedingly popular.

Bro. Watts was unable to give a silent vote on this question. He had been taken by surprise, and thought that the amount was altogether too large, and if it had not been for the Prince of Wales they would have heard nothing of this meeting.

Bro. Latimer rose, and said that Bro. Watts did not represent the feeling of the Three Towns. There was no occasion on which a money question arose but what Bro. Watts exhibited the niggardly spirit which then animated him, and he was satisfied that no one lodge in the Three Towns concurred with him. He (the speaker) had brought the matter forward on several occasions, and had been met with the most cordial approval, whilst the suggestions of Bro. Watts did not find even a seconder. After some further discussion, a vote was taken, and the amendment received 27, whilst for the original motion 29 voted. The amendment for £150 was thus lost by a majority of two.

The Past Grand Master said he was highly satisfied. (Loud cheers.) It was a very large sum for any Province to vote, excepting the great Provinces in the North, and he would be most happy and proud to carry up such an amount along with the sums which would be voted by the lodges in the Province. (Cheers.)

It was then determined that the bye-laws of the Province, which have not been printed since 1845, should be reprinted, after they had been subject to revision. For this purpose proofs are to be sent to all the lodges, and to all the members of the Provincial Grand Lodges.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in due form.

Afterwards, on a special invitation from Bro. John Way, P.P.G.T., of Alphington, the following brethren, members of the Committee of Petitions, dined at Mr. Gifford's, High-street:—Rev. John Hyshe, L. P. Metham, W. G. Rogers,

I. Latimer, R. Rodda, W. H. Geachias, J. B. Gover, S. Jew, I. Watts, V. Bird, Hambly, and Browning. The dinner was in all respects most excellent, and the wines, from Bro. Way's own cellar, were of the choicest. The party spent a most pleasant and happy afternoon, and were very much indebted to Bro. Way for his fraternal hospitality.

MASONIC PRESENTATION AT LOWESTOFT.

We have pleasure in announcing a well-deserved compliment paid to our esteemed fellow-townsmen, Mr. Robert Clark, the proprietor of the Suffolk Hotel. On Thursday evening, Mr. Clark was invited to a dinner at the Suffolk Hotel, by the members of the Lodge Unity, No. 71, upon which occasion nearly 30 of the brethren were present. The chair was ably occupied by Brother Thomas, W.M., the Senior and Junior Wardens' chairs being efficiently filled by Brothers Marks and Collins. In the course of the evening the Worshipful Master, in an address which met with its echo in every brother present, handed to Brother Clark, in the name of the lodge, a testimonial of their high regard and esteem, in the form of a splendid silver vase or "Loving Cup," with ebony stand and glass shade, upon which was the following inscription:—Presented to Bro. Robert Clark, P.M., Masonic Lodge Unity, No. 71, by the Brethren of his Lodge, Lowestoft, January, 1873." Bro. Clark, who was much touched with the kindness manifested by the members of his lodge, responded most appropriately and with much feeling. He alluded to the many years the lodge had been held at his hotel; the many kind manifestations of their regard he had received, of which the present was the visible and tangible climax. He thanked them all most sincerely, and should treasure up, not so much for its material value—though that was considerable—as for the sincere expression of regard and esteem for him of which it was the practical proof. A very happy Masonic evening was spent, which was greatly augmented by the excellent songs of Brothers Firmin and Mann.—*Ipswich Journal*.

WEST INDIES.

Never was the town of Grenada thrown into such a state of excitement as on Friday, Dec. 27th, when the Masonic Fraternity turned out and marched to St. Andrew's Kirk, for the purpose of having a sermon preached to them, on the anniversary of their Tutelar Saint. The streets, and windows in every building throughout the line of route, were thronged with persons of all classes and creeds—in fact, there were thousands out to witness a sight which for over twenty years Grenada had not seen. The brethren formed in procession at the lodge, and (avoiding the order in which they respectively stood), numbered thirty-eight. Amongst their number stood some old veterans of the Craft,—brothers, who on that day, called to remembrance happy years of the past when similar happy gatherings took place, and who also, with that love for the Order which none but Masons can have, marked the stirring present, and for old "Caledonia, 324," pointed to a hopeful future.

In the evening, an entertainment was given at the lodge. The programme included dancing and supper. The menu comprised every delicacy of the season, and the viands being served in proper style, their fully enjoyment was ensured.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to. "The Queen," "The Grand Masters of England, Ireland and Scotland," "Our Brother the Prince of Wales, and the Princess of Wales," were proposed by the W.M., and from the heartiness of the manner in which they were received, were undeniably endorsed by all.

The ball room was profusely decorated with shrubs, flowering plants, &c.

The arrangements were carried out by a most indefatigable band of Stewards, and to these we can safely say, with the co-operation of the respected R.W.M., the great success may be attributed.—*St. George's Chronicle*.

Answers to Correspondents.

REMITTANCES RECEIVED.

A. F. Sutherland, Suez, Egypt, P.O.O., £2.
George Laurie, Constantinople, P.O.O., £1 10s.
S. Bairnsdale, P.O.O. received, 12/6. The annual subscription, including postage to Australia, is 12s., not 10s. The amount you have sent, will pay the subscriptions from this number (205) to 244.

The following communications stand over:—

Reports of Mark Lodges 12 and 135; Albert Encampment, Rochdale; Kendal Chapter; Prov. G. Lodge and Chapter of Glasgow.

Public Amusements.

Sadler's Wells Theatre.

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AIDS TO STUDY.

By BRO. WM. CARPENTER, P.M. AND P.Z. 177.

XVIII.

To the biblical student, and, indeed, to all who desire to find sacred history verified by ancient traditions and records, the contributions which the mounds of Assyria and Babylon have yielded, through the labours and researches of travellers and scholars, during the last few years, are of more interest than anything that has been obtained through the interpreted memoranda of Egyptian monuments and papyri, inasmuch as many of them connect themselves with scripture history, and afford incontestible evidence of its authenticity, in some of its most remarkable features. Some of the earliest of that most interesting class of records, which have been truly called Assyrian books,—tablets, cylinders, or prisms of clay, covered with cuneiform inscriptions, in a fine character, some of which were multiplied for use and preservation, have been disinterred at Kileh-Shergat (now identified with Asshur), west of the Tigris; but those found on the eastern side of the river, as at Khorsabad, Bavian, Sheerel Khan, Nebbianus, Koyunjik, and Nineveh, are by far the most interesting and valuable.

Conspicuous among the ruins are those which have been mentioned as capitals: Nineveh; Nimrud (Calah), lower down the river; Kileh-Shergat (Asshur), lower still; and Khorsabad or Dur-Sargina, north of Nineveh, on the little river Khosr-su, which joins the Tigris at Nineveh. The very name of the last, as Mr. Philip Smith observes,—the "City of Sargon," excludes it from the original Tetrapolis. It was, in fact, a new royal city, supplemental to Nineveh.

The largest ruins in Assyria are the mounds of Nebbi-Yunus and Koyunjik, on the left bank of the Tigris, opposite Mosul, on the right bank, in latitude 36° 21' N., which mark the traditional site of the original Nineveh, and contain the palaces of Sennacherib and his successors.

Passing down the great plain, we find similar mounds to these of Assyria, among the ruined cities of Babylonia. The argillaceous plain supplied the materials for bricks, which the fierce sun hardened sufficiently for the construction of the massive stages of the tower and walls of the palaces, while, for the protection of the outer surfaces, they burnt them thoroughly. As the

scriptural record says, "they had bricks for stone" and slime for mortar." It is doubtful whether the "slime" means the tenacious mud, or the bitumen, which is one of the most characteristic products of Chaldea. The characters impressed upon the bricks, and upon the tablets and signet-cylinders, found in the ruins, attest the knowledge of the art of writing, and furnish testimony concerning this early age, which is, in some cases, confirmed by the records of later kings, representing, of course, only the traditions of their times. The names of the earliest of these cities are recorded in the scriptural notice of Nimrod. Of the cities forming the southern tetrapolis (besides Babel), Erech and Calneh seem to be the Huruk and Nipur of the cuneiform inscriptions, which are identified, almost certainly, with Wark, and Niffer. Accad seems to be the name rather of a region than of a city, and is sometimes used like the general name of the kingdom. The testimony found in the ruins seems to indicate the existence of two Tetrapoleis, corresponding to the two-fold division of the Babylonian plain—the upper consisting of Babel, Borsippa, Cutha (now Ibrahim, N. E. of Babylon) and Sippara (the Sepharvaim of Scripture), now Sura, on the Euphrates, twenty miles above Babylon; the lower comprising (besides Erech and Calneh) Larsa, or Larancha (the Ellasar of Scripture, and now Senkereh), and Hur (now called Mugheir, i.e. the mother of bitumen, from the vast quantity of bituminous cement found in its ruins).

Among the travellers who have been possessed with a desire to explore the vast mounds of Assyria and Babylonia, Mr. Layard, while seeking for the means of effecting his purpose of penetrating those of Nineveh, was stimulated to increased activity by the success of M. Botta, who had discovered, at Khorsabad, about 10 miles N.N.E. of Nineveh, at the foot of the Makloub Hills, the magnificent palace of Sargon, the sovereign who completed the capture of Samaria, and extinguished the kingdom of Israel, as is recorded by Sargon himself, on one of the tablets in the great hall of his palace, B.C. 720, according to the canon of Ptolemy.

But by what means are the inscriptions found in these ancient ruins rendered intelligible? By written letters, and that not in their first stage, for the writing of the Assyrians and Babylonians had, like that of the Egyptians, passed beyond the hieroglyphic stage. The kind of writing found on these monuments is what has been variously called the wedge, nail, arrow-head, dagger, or swallow-tail, but is now generally called cuneiform, or cuneatic, from the Latin *cuneus* a wedge, that being the form of the letters, which seem to have been produced upon the soft clay, by the simple pressure of the style or instrument of writing, which left a mark like a fine wedge, or something like the form which would be made if a shortened arrow were impressed upon a soft clay tablet—broad at one end and tapering off to the other.

Inscriptions have been found in which the tapering is wanting, and others in which it is represented by cross-bars, like the head of a hammer. Evidently from its rigid and curveless character, this form of writing was specially, and very probably, purposely, adapted for being

inscribed, either on soft brick or on stone, and the taper form may have been suggested by observing that, in practice, a line thicker at one end came out more natural than one uniformly hick. In regard to the origination of the characters, it is now fully ascertained that, like the Egyptian hieroglyphics, they were at first pictorial, though, unlike the Egyptian, the pictures became generally unrecognisable. In some cases, however, the likeness to the object represented is still discernible; and it is found that in the oldest modes of writing the signs present the most distinct traces of pictorial origin. The student who desires to see further on this subject may consult Loftus, *Chaldea*; Taylor, in *Journal Asiatic Society*, XV.; Rawlinson, *ib.*, 1839 and 1846; Oppert, *Exped. Scientif.*; Hinks, in *Report of Brit. Assoc.* 1857; Rawlinson, *Herodotus*, i, pp. 442-444; Méhant, *Les écrits, Cun.* pp. 19-52; Layard, *Nineveh and Babylon*; and other writers to whom references will there be found.

Such has been the course of enquiry in regard to this cuneiform writing, and so satisfactory and complete the results, that Sir. H. Rawlinson, in 1850, could write "There are probably not more than twenty words in the whole range of the Persian cuneiform records (it should be observed that the cuneiform writing was not confined to the Assyrians and Babylonians, but was used by all the nations that held dominion in the plain of Mesopotamia, down to the time of Alexander; and some few inscriptions are found of a later date than the Macedonian conquest) upon the meaning, grammatical condition or etymology of which any doubt or difference of opinion can be said, at present, to exist." (Comment. on Cuneiform Inscriptions, p. 3).

The very magnitude of the achievement provokes, in some minds, a doubt of its reality. "The more," says a writer in the Quarterly Review for March, 1847, "we consider the marvellous character of this discovery, the more we feel some distrust and misgiving returning to our minds. It is no less, in the first place, than the creation of a regular alphabet, of forty letters, out of what appears, at first sight, confused and unmeaning lines and angles; and, secondly, the creation of a language out of words so found from this alphabet," the reconstruction of a lost tongue from its characters—characters which could tell nothing of their own meaning, which if once pictorial, had long lost their pictorial significance, and of which there was no Rosetta stone, as for the interpretation of the Egyptian hieroglyphics, to guide the enquirer. Yet that this is no imaginary feat has been shown by evidence sufficient to satisfy any unprejudiced mind." This evidence I may not attempt to produce here. It may suffice to repeat what is said by Mr. Talbot, a very competent judge, that the clearness and consistency of the numerous passages, and the long historical narratives translated by Rawlinson (and, I may now add, by Mr. George Smith) afford in themselves no slight presumption that we cannot be greatly mistaken as to the meaning of these ancient records. The rival system of Forster breaks down.

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THE HOUSE OF BONAPARTE AND FREEMASONRY.

BY BRO. R. WENTWORTH LITTLE.

(Continued from page 49).

Ragon, in his *Orthodoxie Maçonnique* p. 193, describes an Order of French Noachites, under the heading of "Maçonnerie Napoléonienne," and which he states was originated by certain partisans of the ex-Emperor in 1816. The Grand Master of the Order was General Bertrand, one of the fallen chief's most devoted friends, but during his absence at St. Helena its affairs were directed by a Supreme Commander and two Lieutenants. The Order was divided into three degrees, 1. Chevalier, 2. Commandeur, 3. Grand-Elu, in three points, viz., Secret Judge, Perfect Initiate, Knight of the Crown of Oak (Oaken Crown). Under the name of Peleg (Phaleg), the architect of the Tower of Babel, allusions to Napoleon were conveyed. The tower was said to be eight stories high, and the initials of the names given to each of them, composed the word Napoleon, thus—Adam, Eve, Noah, Lamech, Naamah, Phaleg, Oubal, Orient. The age of the candidate was ten years, viz., from 1804 to 1814—the duration of the first Empire. In the second degree Napoleon's decease was commemorated, as will be perceived from the following account in Ragon.

The aspirant carried an urn covered with a veil, and was thus accosted by the Chief. What is thy name? Faithful. Whence comest thou? From an island. What has thou seen? A weeping willow. What bringest thou back? An urn. What does it contain? The ashes of Phaleg.

It is to be noted that, although the queries were put in French, the candidate responded in Latin.

Ragon asserts that this Order flourished for many years, but is now (1853) extinct.

There can be no doubt that the late Emperor Napoleon III. was a member of the once formidable society of the Carbonari, inasmuch as he participated in the various insurrectionary movements in Italy which were directed by the chiefs of the Carbonari, and as the latter body endeavoured in every way to establish a quasi connection with the Masonic Order, it is more than probable that Louis Napoleon was initiated in one of the many secret lodges then existing in Austrian Italy, and in the kingdom of the Two Sicilies. In the "Memoirs of the Carbonari" at p. 10, the following remarkable statement upon the subject occurs: "The Freemasons were established in Italy among all ranks. The illuminati of Weishaupt reckoned among their initiated some of the Knights of Malta, with the celebrated Dolomieu at their head. But the reorganizers of the Carbonari of the present day (1821) chose that Order in preference, because it suited their plan to gain proselytes chiefly among the middle and lower classes of the people." Again, at p. 20, in a quotation from the judgment of the Roman Tribunal against the conspirators of Macerata—the Court affirms that, "the adherence of any individual to any of the secret societies suffices to ensure his reception, with a corresponding rank, into all those that may be formed afterwards, so that one sect is always merging in another, while procuring fresh proselytes. That they are, however, no other than so many ramifications of Masonry, some of the best informed sectaries themselves allow, and none of them differ essentially as to the object they have in view: viz., independence, or, at least, a constitutional government, particularly in Italy." It is further stated that "all Freemasons were admitted simply by ballot, and without undergoing the preparatory trials required from ordinary candidates." What these "trials" were may be gathered from the subjoined account of the reception of a Carbonaro in a Baracca or Lodge.

The *Preparatore* (preparer) leads the *Pagan* (uninitiated) who is to become a member, blindfold, from the closet of reflection to the door of the Baracca. He knocks irregularly; the *Copritore* (coverer) says to the second assistant, "A Pagan knocks at the door." The second assistant repeats this to the first, who repeats it to the Grand Master; at every communication the Grand Master strikes a blow with an axe.

GRAND MASTER. See who is the rash being, who dares to trouble our sacred labours.

This question having passed through the assistants and *Copritore* and *Preparatore*, he answers through an opening in the door.

PREPARATORE. It is a man whom I have found wandering in the forest.

GR. M. Ask his name, country and profession. The secretary writes the answer.

GR. M. Ask him his habitation—his religion. The secretary notes them.

GR. M. What is it he seeks among us?

PREP. Light; and to become a member of our society.

GR. M. Let him enter.

(The Pagan is led into the middle of the assembly; and his answers are compared with what the Secretary had noted.)

GR. M. Mortal, the first qualities which we require, are frankness, and contempt of danger. Do you feel that you are capable of practising them?

After the answer, the Grand Master questions the candidate on morality and benevolence; and he is asked if he has any effects, and wishes to dispose of them, being at the moment in danger of death; after being satisfied of his conduct, the Grand Master continues, "Well, we will expose you to trials that have some meaning—let him make the first journey." He is led out of the Baracca—he is made to journey through the forest—he hears the rustling of leaves—he is then led back to the door, as at his first entrance.

GR. M. What have you remarked during this first Journey?

(The Pagan relates accordingly.)

GR. M. The first journey is the symbol of human virtue: the rustling of leaves, and the obstacles you have met in the road, indicate to you, that weak as we are, and struggling in this vale of tears, we can only attain virtue by good works, and under the guidance of reason, &c. &c. Let him make the second journey.

(The Pagan is led away, and is made to pass through fire; he is made acquainted with the chastisement of perjury; and, if there is an opportunity, he is shown a head severed from the body, &c. &c. He is again conducted into the Baracca.)

GR. M. The fire through which you have passed is the symbol of that flame of charity, which should be always kindled in our hearts, to efface the stains of the seven capital sins, &c. &c.

Make him approach the sacred throne, &c.

GR. M. You must take an irrevocable oath; it offends neither religion nor the state, nor the rights of individuals; but forget not, that its violation is punished with death.

The Pagan declares that he will submit to it; the Master of the Ceremonies leads him to the throne, and makes him kneel on the white cloth.

GR. M. Order!

The Oath.

I, N. N. promise and swear, upon the general statutes of the Order, and upon this steel, the avenging instrument of the perjured, scrupulously to keep the secret of Carbonarism; and neither to write, engrave, or paint anything concerning it, without having obtained a written permission. I swear to help my Good Cousins in case of need, as much as in me lies, and not to attempt anything against the honour of their families. I consent, and wish, if I perjure myself, that my body may be cut in pieces, then burnt, and my ashes scattered to the wind, in order that my name may be held up to the execration of the Good Cousins throughout the earth. So help me God.

GR. M. Lead him into the middle of the ranks (this is done). What do you wish? The Master of the Ceremonies suggests to the Pagan, to say *Light*.

GR. M. It will be granted to you by the blows of my axe.

The Grand Master strikes with the axe—this action is repeated by all the apprentices—the bandage is removed from the eye of the Pagan—the Grand Master and the Good Cousins hold their axes raised.

GR. M. These axes will surely put you to death, if you become perjured. On the other hand, they will all strike in your defence, when you need them, and if you remain faithful. (To

the Master of the Ceremonies.) Bring him near the Throne, and make him kneel.

GR. M. Repeat your oath to me, and swear to observe exactly the private institutions of this respectable Vendita.

THE CANDIDATE. I ratify it and swear.

GR. M. Holding the specimen of wood in his left hand, and suspending the axe over the head of the candidate with his right, says, To the great and divine Grand Master of the universe, and to St. Theobald, our protector—In the name and under the auspices of the Supreme Vendita of Naples, and in virtue of the power which has been conferred upon me in this respectable Vendita, I make, name and create you an apprentice Carbonaro.

The Grand Master strikes the specimen which is held over the Apprentice's head, thrice; he then causes him to rise, and instructs him in the sacred words and touch.

GR. M. Master of the Ceremonies, let him be acknowledged by the apprentices.

The Assistants anticipate the execution of this order, by saying to the Grand Master, All is according to rule, just and perfect.

GR. M. Assistant tell the respective orders to acknowledge, henceforth, the Good Cousin N. N. as an active member of this Vendita, &c., &c.

The Symbolical Picture is explained to the new apprentice.

GR. M. At what hour do the Carbonari terminate their sacred labours.

FIRST ASSISTANT. As soon as the Sun no longer enlightens our forest.

GR. M. What hour is it?

SECOND ASSISTANT. The Sun no longer enlightens our forest.

GR. M. Good Cousins, as the Sun no longer enlightens our forest, it is my intention to terminate our sacred labours. First, let us make a triple salutation (Vantaggio), to our Grand Master, divine and human, (Jesus Christ.)—To St. Theobald, our protector, who has assisted us and preserved us from the eyes of the pagans—Order! To me, &c. The sign and salutation (Vantaggi) are performed.

GR. M. I declare the labours ended; retire to your Baracche—retirè in peace.

(To be continued.)

Multum in Parvo, or Masonic Notes and Queries.

THE ILLUSTRIOUS BRO. EMRA HOLMES, AND "UNITED ORDERS OF THE TEMPLE AND HOSPITAL."

As our worthy Bro. Holmes has before him a series of interesting and valuable articles by the Masonic Scholar "Lupus," and will require space in *The Freemason* to state his views of the question, now that it has been so clearly put, it is not my intention for the present to review the history. However ably Bro. Holmes has treated the subject, and I frankly admit on many subjects he has done well, and is entitled to our best thanks, yet there is a grave fault in the "Notes" throughout, viz. the claiming the Masonic Knights Templars, and Knights of Malta, to be the descendants of the original Orders. It is to this point my remarks will tend, when an opportunity is afforded me of saying a few words, but of course if Bro. Holmes withdraws his claim, and simply alludes to Grand Conclave as of Masonic origin, the discussion will be at an end, and will require no observations from yours fraternally, W. J. HUGHAN.

BRO. LUPUS.

I am obliged to Bro. Lupus for his explanation, though I had not in any way sought to interfere in the discussion between him and Bro. Emra Holmes.

I agree with him. I do not see why Bro. Emra Holmes brought the Knights of St. John into the discussion, as the question really was and still is, "are the Masonic Knights Templar the legitimate and historical descendants of the famous Order of the Temple?"

Bro. Emra Holmes states that he believes they are, and endeavours to prove that the Knights of the Hospital were duly constituted in this country in direct succession, through the English

langue, though I observe, he has not so far supplied the many links still wanting to unite in any way the Masonic Knights Templar with the Chivalry of the Temple!

Bro. Lupus's clear explanatory notes place before us the position of the English *langue* of the Hospital in this country.

Though Bro. Lupus does not say so, he seems by implication to believe that the *langue* to which he alludes, in the documents he has seen and verified, is a lineal descendant of the old English *langue* of St. John of Jerusalem. But I would respectfully ask his careful attention to one or two patent historical difficulties, as it seems to me.

Supposing we admit the Conventions of 1826 and 1827 to be what they profess to be, how can they be said to re-constitute the English *langue*?

Was the English *langue* an original *langue* of the "Hospitaliers of Jerusalem?" Was it not only a mediety.

How could any conventions in Paris, in 1826, deal only with a specified *langue*? or the mediety of a *langue*? Under what authority did they act?

Could any power call together the Knights of St. John, except the power by whom the original institution was created, or by which it was sanctioned, and under which it would remain, in its dormant state? How does the acknowledgement of the Secretary General of the French *langue*, affect the question? These are points to be considered carefully by so acute a debater as Bro. Lupus, and so able a brother, and on their solution, a great deal turns.

If this re-constitution in 1826, was "ultra vires," I confess it seems to me, the "quæstio," altogether cedit.

If on the other hand, all was in due order "et plenâ potestate," then, Bro. Lupus may claim a historic connection for the present *langue*, with the old order. It will however require much proof, and one or two very important considerations seem to be entirely overlooked.

I am much obliged to Bro. Lupus, for his information about Sir R. Peat, but I confess I do not understand the proceedings before Lord Denman—why he administered such an oath to Sir R. Peat, or why Sir R. Peat took it, or what he gained by doing so.

Perhaps Bro. Lupus will throw a little further light on the matter. Up to the present time, no proof has been brought forward that there was a "secreta receptio," in the Hospital, though it has been said there was.

It is however quite clear that there was a Templar "secreta receptio."

A MASONIC STUDENT.

NOTES ON THE TEMPLE AND HOSPITAL.

In the next issue of *The Freemason* I propose to give my reply to "A Masonic Student" and "Lupus," and for the information of your readers I shall publish an important document from the head quarters of the Order of St. John at Rome, repudiating the claims of the Protestant Order of St. John under the Duke of Manchester, which will prove my assertion that the said Manchesterian body have no more right to the title they assume than we of the Masonic body.

EMRA HOLMES.

OLD MASONIC BOOKS.

Finding that my first communication has produced an interesting reply from Bro. W. J. Hughan, I am induced to send a few more "Notes" on the same subject. With regard to Pritchard, my copy was lent some years ago, and unfortunately not returned to me, but I am trying to discover it.

If it is the 1730 edition, I will communicate with Bro. Hughan.

The first old book I wish to mention, is a French History of Freemasonry, entitled "Histoire des Freres Maçons," in two volumes, of which the first is published "à l'Orient, chez G. de l'Etoile, entre l'Equerré et le Compas, vis à vis le soleil couchant," 1745.

The "Tome Second," is published at the same place, with same description, 1746.

I do not profess to say that there is anything very important or striking, or even novel in these volumes, as for the most part their general history is a recapitulation of ours, as taken from Anderson, and their particular history is confined

to the "Statuts et Reglemens des Freres Maçons" contained in a "Discours" delivered "par le Grand Maître des Freres Maçons," de France dans la Grand Loge, assemblée solennellement à Paris, l'an de la Franche Maçonnerie cinq mille sept cent quarante." 1740. The first volume contains however, more than one interesting historical essay and the translation of our "Regulations" of 1721.

The second volume contains principally apologies for the Order, both in poetry and prose, some of a high order of merit, and an interesting collection of "Chansons des Freres Maçons, en usage dans les loges, et hors des loges."

The book is now somewhat rare.

The second book to which I would call attention is a curious old book, published at Amsterdam, 1745, called "Les Secrets de l'Ordre des Freres Maçons. Devoilés et mis au jour, par Monsieur P."

This is composed of two parts, making 198 pages, with two very interesting prints.

Like all other attacks on our Order it is most inconsistent in itself, and the writer at the outset proclaims himself unworthy of credit.

Bound up with this attack is "Le Secret de la Société des Mopses," (Lady Freemasons,) by the same well-informed Mr. P., together with the Chansons of the Freemasons and the music of those days. The volume, valuable as it is, finishes with a very curious pamphlet of 444 pages, published also at Amsterdam, 1747, and entitled "Les Freres Maçons ecrasés, suite du livre intitulé, l'Ordre des Freres Maçons trahi. Traduit du Latin.

Where the Latin original of so serious an attack on Freemasonry exists, if it ever existed, I know not, but it is comforting for us to feel, that, notwithstanding such a declaration, Freemasonry still survives!

3. The third book I wish to call attention to is a little and valuable collection, in MS., of five songs, the date of the MS. is about 1772, as it names Lord Petre and "Kelly," about whom some Irish brother may kindly tell us. Lord Petre was appointed G.M., May 4th, 1772.

The five songs are, the "Master's Song," "Fellow Craft's Song," "Hail Masonry, &c.," "The Entered Apprentice's Song," a fourth song beginning "Here's a Health to each one," and a fifth song beginning "Ye thrice happy few," and the chorus, "Like Pillars we stand."

The peculiarity of the little MS. is, that it is in a very neat and striking handwriting, which perhaps may yet be recognised.

4. It may interest some members of the Masonic Knights Templars, to know that I have in my possession a very interesting copy of a work entitled, "The Preceptory of the Temple at London," of date 1850, which contains "the Officers of the Temple at London, with abstracts of the history of the Order, of its preservation in Scotland, and of the Rules of the Preceptory, with the roll of its members."

"The Preceptory of London" is said to have been instituted by charter from the Grand Master, March 11th, MDCCCLVII.

I mention this book, though of so recent a date, because it was privately printed, and is not generally known.

The history of the Templars is very well written, and abounds with curious details.

5. Lastly, I am anxious to call attention to a very old and curious copy of the "Ordonnances des Chevaliers et voyageurs au Sanct Sepulchre de Hierusalem. Outre mer. 1573.

These profess to be Ordonnances of date 1269. I hope that my budget is not too long, and that my communications may draw forth others.

A MASONIC STUDENT.

J. L. S. May see a copy of "Statuta Hospitalis Jerusalem" at the office of *The Freemason*, 198, Fleet-st., by giving three or four day's notice.

"Chevaliers de Rhodes," by Flandin, may be obtained through any French bookseller.

A MASONIC STUDENT.

Microscopical investigation has proved that the substances which accumulate between the teeth contain animal and vegetable parasites, and that the tooth powders, pastes, and washes in general use have no effect upon these. Messrs. Gabriel's Coralite Tooth Paste and Royal Dentifrice (sold by all chemists and perfumers at 1s. 6d. per box) completely destroy and remove these animalcules and also preserve and beautify the teeth. Prepared only by Messrs. Gabriel, the old-established dentists, 64, Ludgate-hill, and 56, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, London, where they practice their unique system of painless dentistry.

Original Correspondence.

STATUS OF PAST MASTERS.

To the Editor of The Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Pray allow me space in your next impression of *The Freemason* to thank "An Old P.M." for his prompt reply to my letter of last week. Would he kindly add to the obligation already conferred by stating whether an Irish or Scotch P.M. could, in the absence of the W.M. and all other English P.M.'s, take the chair.

Yours fraternally,

A NORTH COUNTRY MASON.

IMMEDIATE PAST MASTERS.

To the Editor of The Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I have to thank the brethren who have with such courtesy answered my queries. The one with reference to my own immediate duties I am told by the worthy brother and Past Master who raised the question, he based on the working he uses, which at the end of raising intimates that on the candidate's return to the lodge "the J. W." will direct his attention to the tracing board. Other brethren, however, tell me that it is the Master's duty to deliver all three explanations or lectures on the tracing board, but that he may depute that duty to any competent brother. In any case, I hold that giving the explanation of the first tracing board on an evening when there was no business before the lodge, by consent, and at the request of the W.M., I was not out of order, and that "it is very desirable the Wardens should be invited to lecture," seeing first their hope of one day attaining the chair, and their responsibilities in the absence of the Master.

Upon the other point I agree with the courteous and encouraging brother, whom I have just quoted, in the Book of Constitutions, being revised from time to time to meet cases of the kind which has arisen in our midst, in a fraternal manner, but we know no brother cares to hold a position which is questioned. As I understood it, Grand Secretary, on being appealed to held that a brother re-elected as W.M. need not be reinstated. The 2nd clause, however, in the Book of Constitutions, under the heading "Private Lodges," rules that "every lodge shall annually elect its Master, and at the next meeting after his election he shall be duly installed," &c.; and this having been pointed out, Grand Secretary replied, "I think that when a W.M. is re-elected, his I.P.M. would continue to retain his position until the Master vacated the chair; in fact, no other brother comes between the I.P.M. and the chair to supply his place. Bro. ——— being re-elected, my opinion is that C.D. as I.P.M. should be again invested." It will be seen that this opinion coincides with those given by your correspondents of last week. Nevertheless, an experienced and much respected Past Master in our midst still contends that as the Worshipful Master necessarily left his chair to be re-installed, the fact of his having so left it, made him the immediate Past Master for the year he had just served—that therefore C.D. was no longer entitled to occupy the seat on the left of the chair which he had held for twelve months, but that it should be taken by the Senior Past Master present in the lodge. C.D. being the junior or youngest Past Master, and therefore not called upon to occupy the position in presence of his senior in the office. This, I hope, both makes my meaning clear to your correspondent "P. M.," and places the controversy plainly before many brethren who take sufficient interest in it to pass their opinion thereon.

Fraternally yours,

A YOUNG J.W.

"THAT BRIGHT MORNING STAR."

To the Editor of The Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I have been so situated that I did not receive *The Freemason* of January 25th till yesterday, or I should have endeavoured to reply to several of your correspondents at an earlier period, so as to obtain insertion in your number of to-day. Perhaps a few lines even now will not be out of place, as I am a M.M. & twenty-

five years' standing, and have twice filled the chair of W.M. in different lodges, the first occasion being twenty-two years ago. I profess to work implicitly according to the standard of the Emulation Lodge of Instruction, as acquired in an early part of my Masonic career, and was there instructed to use the words "peace and salvation," not "tranquility." In reference to the inquiry of "A Young J.W.," I reply that I have always thought that when a W.M. is re-elected, his I.P.M. continues also to hold his position for two years. It is manifest that he cannot himself fill both offices. As to the latter inquiry, in reference to the lectures, I can hardly say how I formed my impressions, probably from the practice in my district, confirmed by my own judgment, but my teaching has been this; The explanation of the working tools in all three degrees may be given by either of the Wardens; the charges by the Chaplain, if present, and if not, by the W.M. or a P.M.; the lectures by the W.M. or a P.M., though failing these, I have allowed them to be given by a Warden. A little consideration will, I think, commend this as a suitable division of labour, in the absence of any specific legislation on the subject.

As to the status of Past Masters, the first ten years of my Masonic career were passed in the Province in which I was initiated, where I attained the rank of P.G.S.W. I then changed my residence, and spent nearly ten years in another Province, there forming a new lodge, and being its first W.M. I then removed to a third Province, in which I have now been more than five years. On one occasion, soon after coming hither, I received a letter from the W.M. of the lodge I had joined, stating that he could not attend one of the meetings, and asking me to take his place. I showed the letter to the I.P.M., who expressed a wish that I should comply with the request. After the lodge was opened, I read the letter to the members, and offered the chair to the P.M.'s and Wardens, as I am not a P.M. of the lodge, but all declined to take it. I had, therefore, no alternative, and proceeded with the work. A report of the meeting was sent to your late contemporary, and in a day or two after its publication I received a letter from the Prov. G.M., informing me that I had acted wrongly, and forbidding me to take the chair in any lodge in his Province, until duly authorised by becoming W.M. of one in it. The propriety of this dictum I disputed, of course, with all respect and courtesy, and the matter was under discussion for nearly a year. The result was that my view was confirmed, and restrictions were removed. I am therefore a P.M. *in*, but not of the lodge, and am eligible to fill the chair, but all the P.M.'s of the lodge have precedence before me. Of course, though a member of the Prov. Grand Lodge in which I held office, I have no status or vote in the one under whose jurisdiction I am now located.

As regards the place of Chaplain and Past Chaplains, it will be observed that the S.D. is at or near the right of the W.M., the Chaplains coming between them, which is provided for by the insertion of the word near.

A question was asked as to the position of Scotch or Irish Past Masters. I conceive that they should be on the left of the W.M., after the Past Masters of the lodge. They are not entitled to take the chair under our jurisdiction until they have been Wardens in an English lodge for a year, and have been installed as W.M.'s.

I think it would be well if these and many other doubtful matters were defined by the Book of Constitutions.

H. H.

February, 1st, 1873.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS:—Life may be blessed with the enjoyment of health through these curatives. To live is one thing, to enjoy life is a far superior state. What avails all our wealth when sickness screens our view? Health and poverty are preferable to riches with infirmity. Few men would be so foolish as to barter health for wealth. The poorest can secure the former by a trifling investment in these noble medications. Be the mischief external or internal, slight or malignant, the patient may rest assured that the proper use of Holloway's Ointment and Pills will speedily mitigate and expel his malady. The very continuance of life depends on sound healthy blood, which these remedies secure. —ADVT.

Masonic Tidings.

BRITISH, FOREIGN, AND COLONIAL.

THE INSTALLATION OF R.W.P.G.M. FOR WEST LANCASHIRE.—Probably the largest and most imposing Masonic assembly of the brethren within the division of West Lancashire will take place in Liverpool on the 27th inst., when Bro. the Right Hon. Lord Skelmersdale will be formally installed as the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master for West Lancashire. The appointment has given the most unbounded satisfaction amongst the brethren in the province, and therefore it is expected that lodges, even from the most distant part of the province, will be present to do honour to the new Masonic chief. Bro. his Worship the Mayor of Liverpool, (Mr. E. Samuelson), has most kindly granted the splendid suite of rooms at the Town Hall for the occasion, and this will give a town's importance to the ceremony. It is not yet known who will perform the ceremony of installation.

CENTRAL INDIA.—Colonel Farquharson, S.W., has been elected W.M. of the Lodge of St. Paul, Mhow, for the ensuing year. The installation took place on St. John's Day, Dec. 27th, when some 40 brethren sat down to the banquet.

The General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls met at Freemasons' Hall, on Thursday, January 30th. After the transaction of routine business the Committee proceeded to the election of a clerk in the Secretary's office, with the following result, Mr. H. W. Durnford Green, 13; Mr. Francis R. W. Hedges, 42; Mr. George Knill, 28. Mr. Hedges was declared duly elected, and the Committee adjourned especially to Saturday, 15th February, at 3. p.m.

We understand that Bro. Captain Turner, P.M. and P.Z. 86, 826, &c., will again be nominated for the Provincial Grand Treasurer's ship, to which it will be recollected, Bro. Armstrong, then P.P.G.D. was elected by a majority of six out of 146 votes at the last Annual Provincial Meeting for West Lancashire.

At the usual meeting of the members of the Strong Man Lodge of Instruction, held last Monday, at Bro. Wickens's, St. John's Gate Clerkenwell, Bro. Beckett in the chair, the ceremony of installation was most efficiently performed by the W.M., who afterwards gave further proof of his great knowledge of Freemasonry by working for the instruction of the brethren, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th section of the first lecture. The Brethren passed a vote of thanks to Bro. Beckett for his capital working. Bro. Beckett was most ably supported in the ceremony by Bros. Hanes, W.M. elect, Morrison, S.W.; Owens, J.W.; Griffith, S.D.; Tickle, J.D. and Bros. Shepperd, West, Foxcroft, and others.

A Lodge of Instruction has been opened at the Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham, under the preceptorship of Bro. Rose, P.M. of the Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 73, to meet at the above named tavern, at eight o'clock in the evening on the first and third Monday of every month, for the purpose of working the installation ceremony.

CITY OF LONDON MASONIC LIFEBOAT.—ball, in aid of the City of London Masonic Lifeboat Fund, was held last night, at the London Tavern. The company numbered about 200 and included the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, the Lady Mayoress, and Miss Waterlow, Sheriff Perkins, and Mr. Under-Sheriff Cross. Shapcott's band was in attendance, and dancing was kept up till an early hour in the morning. An excellent supper was provided under the superintendence of Mr. Whitt. The principal M.C. was Bro. T. Meekhan. *City Press*, Jan. 25.

[Not having received the usual complimentary tickets we are unable to give a more extensive report.]

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CONSECRATION OF THE ERA LODGE

No. 1423.

The fifth lodge since the formation of the Province (in addition to the "Bard of Avon" Lodge transferred from another Province) was consecrated on Saturday, 1st inst., at the King's Arms Hotel, Hampton Court.

The important ceremonies of the consecration and installation were rendered in a faultless, correct and impressive manner by the Provincial Grand Secretary, Bro. Robert Wentworth Little, P.M. (Secretary to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls) which were fully appreciated by all present as great Masonic treats.

The programme (a lengthy one) was carried out in its entirety. The lodge was opened at the appointed hour, Bro. R. W. Little appointing as his officers Bros. S. Rosenthal, P.G.S.W. Middlesex as S.W.; W. Smeed, P.G.J.W. as J.W.; F. Walters, P.M. 1309, as Secretary; R. Limpus, S.D. 1309, Organist; G. Kenning, P.P.G.S.D. Middlesex, P.M. 192, as D.C. (which position he efficiently filled), R. T. Elsam, W.M. 889, as I.G.; J. Gilbert, P.G. Tyler Middlesex, as Tyler.

The entire ceremony of the consecration was admirably given and greatly improved by the beautiful music and singing of Bros. R. Limpus, G. Musgrave, F. Gilby, and H. D. Martin.

After the consecration came the installation of Bro. J. T. Moss, P.G.S.D. Middlesex, as the first W.M., he being a P.M. of 169, P.M. and W.M. of 1326.

The ceremony was somewhat curtailed, but was none the less interesting.

The newly installed W.M. appointed and invested the following as his officers:—Bros. H. A. Dubois, S.W.; J. W. Baldwin, J.W.; T. J. Sabine, P.M., 73, (being unanimously elected) Treasurer; F. Walters, P.M., Sec. 73, Secretary; E. H. Thiellay, S.D.; J. S. Sweasey, J.D.; J. Baxter Langley, I.G.; E. W. Mackney, W.M. 134, Organist; H. Keeble, W.M. 1275, D.C.; H. Cutress, W.S.; J. Gilbert, Tyler.

The ceremony being concluded the following resolutions were unanimously carried, namely—That Brother Col. Francis Burdett, P.G.M. Middlesex, be elected the first honorary member of the lodge, which he was pleased to honour the lodge by accepting. That a vote of thanks be given and the same be entered on the lodge minute book to Bro. R. W. Little for his kindness in performing the ceremonies of consecration and installation which had been so correctly and forcibly rendered. Also that he be elected an honorary Member of the lodge. That a vote of thanks be given, and be entered on the lodge minute book to the brethren who had rendered such efficient services to the lodge at the ceremony of consecration, viz:—Brothers Rosenthal, Smeed, Kenning, Elsam, Limpus, Musgrave, Gilby. These votes were duly acknowledged and were well appreciated.

The Secretary, Bro. F. Walters, solicited some member to represent the lodge as its Steward at the forthcoming festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. But as the W.M., S.W., J.W., Treasurer, S.D., I.G., D.C., and W.S., had already been appointed by their several lodges to represent them, it left but few to select from. However, the choice was soon made by electing Bro. J. S. Sweasey, J.D., to that honourable position. Bro. Sweasey, in an appropriate speech, acknowledged the compliment paid him, and expressed the pleasure he would feel in accepting it.

The Secretary, Bro. F. Walters, announced he had a member's name (who however was prevented from attending) who would feel it an honour to represent the lodge both at the festivals of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution and the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. It was arranged to let that business stand over until the next lodge-night.

A large number of propositions for joining members and candidates for initiation was handed to the Secretary. The lodge was then closed.

It was arranged to meet on Saturday, 8th February, at four o'clock p.m.

Amongst a large number of visitors besides those named were.—Bros. W. Hammond, P.M. 1; R. Lawrence, 1326; J. H. Spencer, 73; W. Seyfang, 1076; and others.

A good banquet and dessert were served.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the Week ending Friday, February 14, 1873.

The Editor will be glad to have notice from Secretaries of Lodges and Chapters of any change in place or time of meeting.

Saturday, Feb. 8.

Lodge 108, London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.
" 173, Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall.
" 1328, Granite, Freemasons' Hall.
" 1361, United Service, Swan Hotel, Wimbledon.
Mark Lodge 104, Macdonald, Head Quarters First Surrey Volunteers, Camberwell.

Star Lodge of Instruction (1275), Marquis of Granby, New Cross-road, at 7; Bro. C. G. Dilley, Preceptor.
Mount Sinai Chapter of Instruction, Union Tavern, Air-street, at 8; Comp. Brett, Preceptor.

Manchester Lodge of Instruction, Yorkshire Grey, London-street, Fitzroy-square, at 8; Bro. Ash, P.M., Preceptor.

Sphinx Lodge of Instruction (1329), Castle Tavern, Camberwell-road, at 7; Bros. John Thomas and E. Worthington, Preceptors.

Lily Lodge of Instruction (820), Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, Surrey, at 7.

Monday, Feb. 10.

Lodge 5, St. George's and Cornerstone, Freemasons' Hall.

" 29, St. Alban's, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street.

" 59, Royal Naval, Freemasons' Hall.

" 90, St. John's, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street.

" 193, Confidence, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-st.

" 222, St. Andrew's, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-st.

" 957, Leigh, Freemasons' Hall.

Chapter 22, Mount Zion, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-st.

" 720, Panmure, Horns Tavern, Kennington.

Strong Man Lodge of Instruction (45), Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, at 8; Bro. Beckett, Preceptor.

Sincerity Lodge of Instruction (174), Railway Tavern, Fenchurch-street Station, at 7.

Camden Lodge of Instruction (704), Adelaide Tavern, Haverstock-hill, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Eastern Star Lodge of Instruction (95), Royal Hotel, Mile-end-road, at 7.30; Bro. E. Gottheil, Preceptor.

British Oak Lodge of Instruction, Bank of Friendship Tavern, Mile-end, at 7 for 8.

St. James's Union Lodge of Instruction (180), Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street (opposite the Pantheon), Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. J. R. Stacey, Preceptor.

Wellington Lodge of Instruction, White Swan Tavern, Deptford, at 8; Bro. C. G. Dilley, P.M. 1155, Preceptor.

St. John of Wapping Lodge of Instruction (1306), Gun Tavern, High-street, Wapping, at 8; Bro. T. Mortlock, Preceptor.

West Kent Lodge of Improvement (1297), St. Saviour's College, Stansted-road, Forest-hill, at 7.30; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Lodge 46, Old Union, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-st.

" 96, Burlington, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-st.

" 166, Union, London Tavern, Bishopsgate-st.

" 180, St. James's Union, Freemasons' Hall.

" 198, Percy, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.

" 211, St. Michael's, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-st.

" 228, United Strength, Old Jerusalem Tavern, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell.

" 235, Nine Muses, Clarendon Hotel, Bond-st.

" 548, Wellington, White Swan Tavern, Deptford.

" 917, Cosmopolitan, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-st.

" 933, Doric, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-st.

" 1383, Friends in Council, 33, Golden Square.

Chap. 185, Jerusalem, Freemasons' Hall.

Supreme Grand Council, 33, Golden-square.

Sydney Lodge of Instruction, Cambridge Hotel, Upper Norwood.

Metropolitan Chapter of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Comp. Brett, Preceptor.

Domestic Lodge of Instruction, Palmerston Tav., Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, at 8; Bro. John Thomas, Preceptor.

Faith Lodge of Instruction, Refreshment Rooms, Victoria-st. (opposite Westminster Palace Hotel), at 8; Bro. C. A. Cottelbrune, Preceptor.

Yarborough Lodge of Instruction, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8; Bro. T. J. Barnes, P.M., Preceptor.

Prince Fredk. William Lodge of Instruction (753), Knights of St. John Tavern, St. John's-wood; Bro. F. G. Baker, Preceptor.

Dalhousie Lodge of Instruction, King Edward, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.30; Bro. J. Saunders, Preceptor.

Florence Nightingale Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Hall, William-street, Woolwich, at 7.30.

Prosperity Lodge of Instruction, Gladstone Tavern, Bishopsgate-st. Within, at 7.30; Bro. Bolton (W.M. 1227), Preceptor.

St. Marylebone Lodge of Instruction (1305), British Stores Tavern, New-street, St. John's wood, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Constitutional Lodge of Instruction (55), Wheatshed Hotel, Hand-court, Holborn, at 7; Bro. J. R. Stacey (P.M. 180), Preceptor.

Wednesday, Feb. 12.

Committee of Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3 o'clock.

Lodge 3, Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall.

" 11, Enoch, Freemasons' Hall.

" 13, Union of Waterloo, Masons' Hall, William-street, Woolwich.

" 15, Kent, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-st.

" 87, Vitruvian, White Hart, College-st., Lambeth.

" 238, Pilgrim, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.

" 749, Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-St.

" 781, Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Burdett-rd., Lime-house.

" 1017, Montefiore, Freemasons' Hall.

" 1216, Macdonald, Head Quarters First Surrey Rifles, Camberwell.

" 1260, Hervey, Swan Hotel, Walham Green.

" 1305, St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms Tavern, St. John's Wood.

" 1306, St. John of Wapping, Gun Tavern, High-st. Wapping.

Kent Mark Lodge, Masons' Hall, Masons'-avenue.

Supreme Grand Council, 33, Golden-square.

Rose Croix Chapter, Grand Metropolitan, Freemasons' Tavern.

Pythagorean Lodge of Instruction (79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich, at 8; Bro. J. Robt. Nash, Preceptor.

United Strength Lodge of Instruction (228), the Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, Kentish-town, at 8.

Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor.

Israel Lodge of Instruction, Rising Sun Tavern, Globe-road, at 7.30; Bro. Isaac Saqui, Preceptor.

New Concord Lodge of Instruction, Rosemary Branch Tavern, Hoxton, at 8.

Confidence Lodge of Instruction, Railway Tav., London-street, City, at 7.30.

Royal Union Lodge of Instruction, Horse and Groom Tavern, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Peckham Lodge of Instruction, Maismore Arms, Park-road, Peckham, at 8; Bro. David Rose, Preceptor.

Temperance in the East Lodge of Instruction, George the Fourth, Catherine-street, Poplar.

Stanhope Lodge of Instruction, Thicket Hotel, Anerley, at 7.30 p.m.; Bro. H. W. Lindus, Preceptor.

Thursday, Feb. 13.

Lodge 19, Athelstan, City Terminus Hotel, Cannon-st.

" 91, Regularity, Freemasons' Hall.

" 206, Friendship, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.

" 263, Bank of England, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st.

" 534, Polish National, Freemasons' Hall.

" 860, Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-st.

" 1076, Capper, Marine Hotel, Victoria Dock.

Chap. 73, Mount Lebanon, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.

140, St. George's, Globe Tavern, Royal Hill, Greenwich.

" 538, Vane, Freemasons's Hall.

" 554, Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.

Knights Templar Encampment, 117, New Temple, The Inner Temple, London.

" 45, Temple Cressing, Horns Tavern, Kennington.

The R.A. Chapter of Improvement, Freemasons' Hall, at 7.

Fidelity Lodge of Instruction (3), Yorkshire Grey, London-st.

Tottenham Court-road, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, Preceptor.

Panmure Lodge of Instruction (720), Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7.30; Bro. John Thomas, Preceptor.

Finsbury Lodge of Instruction, Jolly Anglers' Tavern, Bath-street, City-road; Bro. Stean, Preceptor.

United Mariners' Lodge of Instruction, Three Cranes, Mile-end-road, at 8; Bro. T. J. Barnes, Preceptor.

Whittington Lodge of Instruction (862), Crown Tavern, Holborn, at 8; Bro. Lewis Alexander, P.M. 188, Preceptor.

Chigwell Lodge of Instruction, Bald-faced Stag Hotel, Buckhurst-hill, at 7.30.

Doric Chapter of Instruction, Three Cranes Tavern, Mile-end-road, at 8; Comp. T. J. Barnes, Preceptor.

Ebury Lodge of Instruction, Bro. Palmer's, 12, Ponsonby-st., Millbank.

Union Club of Instruction Windsor Castle, Victoria Station, at 8 p.m.; H. Ash, P.M., Instructor.

Friday, Feb. 14.

Lodge 33, Britannic, Freemasons' Hall.

" 134, Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.

" 157, Bedford, Freemasons' Hall.

" 177, Domestic, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-st.

Chap. 6, Friendship, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.

Prov. G. Lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland, 33, Golden-square.

Rose Croix Chapter Mount Calvary, Freemasons' Tavern.

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For the Week ending Saturday, February 15, 1873.

Monday, Feb. 10.

Lodge of Sincerity (No. 392), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 4.

Mersey Lodge (No. 477), 1, Hamilton-square, Birkenhead, at 6.

Lodge of Unity (No. 613), Masonic Hall, Southport, at 6.45.

Gilbert Greenall Lodge (No. 1250), Masonic Rooms, Warrington, at 6.30.

Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Merchants' Lodge (No. 241), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 5.

Grosvenor Chapter (No. 721), Barr's Hotel, Chester, at 6.

Lodge of Loyalty (No. 897), Fleece Inn, St. Helen's, at 6.

Hesketh Lodge (No. 986), Grapes Inn, Croston, at 4.

Downshire Lodge of Instruction (594), 90, Duke-street, Liverpool, at 7.

Wednesday, Feb. 12.

Lodge of Loyalty (No. 86), Royal Hotel, Prescott, at 6.

Lodge of Harmony (No. 580), Wheat Sheaf Inn, Ormskirk, at 5.

St. John's Chapter, 90, Duke-street, Liverpool, at 6.30.

Ellesmere Lodge (No. 758), Masonic Hall, Runcorn, at 6.

De Grey and Ripon Lodge (1356), 140, North Hill-street, Toxteth-park, Liverpool, at 6.

St. John's Lodge of Instruction, (673), 90, Duke-street, Liverpool, 6.30.

Neptune Lodge of Instruction (No. 1264), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 7.

Thursday, Feb. 13.

Harmonic Lodge (No. 216), Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, at 4.

Croxtheth United Service (No. 786), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Prince of Wales Lodge (No. 1035), Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, at 6.

Duke of Edinburgh Lodge (1182), Coffee House, Waver-tree, near Liverpool, at 5.

Friday, Feb. 14.

Mariners' Chapter, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Rock Lodge No. 1289, Rock Ferry Hotel, Rock Ferry, at 7.

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For the week ending Saturday, February 15th, 1873.

Monday, Feb. 10.

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Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Lodge 413, Athole, 211, Buchanan-st.

" 419, Neptune, 35, St. James's-st.

" 44r, Glasgow, 22, Struthers-st.

Chapter 69, St. Andrew, 170, Buchanan-st.

Wednesday, Feb. 12.

Lodge 178, Scotia, 170, Buchanan-st.

" 333, St. George, 213, Buchanan-st.

Chapter 113, Partick, St. Mary's Hall, Partick.

Thursday Feb. 13.

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