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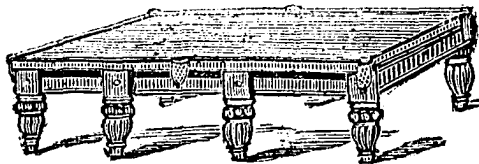
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REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

Craft Masonry.

KENDAL.—*Union Lodge* (No. 129).—The usual monthly meeting of this old lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, on Monday evening, June 25th. The W.M., Bro. Jas. Bintley, was supported by all his officers and a large number of brethren. One gentleman was initiated and two raised. The W.M. invited Bro. D. W. Finney, P.M., to present the working tools in the second degree. The charge in the first degree was most impressively given by the S.W., Bro. John Talbot. After labour the brethren were invited to refreshment, and a most pleasant evening was spent.

ROCHFORD.—*Lodge of True Friendship* (No. 160).—The installation meeting of this old and flourishing lodge was held on the 24th June, at the Old Ship Inn, Rochford. The W.M., Bro. A. Lucking, P.G.A.D.C., in the chair, assisted by his officers. After the lodge had been opened and the minutes confirmed, the W.M. passed Bro. Thomas A. Boosey, to the second degree. Bro. A. Lucking, then proceeded to instal Bro. J. A. Wardell, S.W., P.M., and Secretary, 100, and P.G.J.D. (who had been unanimously elected at the previous meeting) as the W.M. for the ensuing year, the whole of the ceremony being very ably performed. The W.M. then invested the following as his officers for the ensuing year—Bros. A. Lucking, I.P.M.; J. Reeve, S.W.; H. J. Hatch, J.W. and Chaplain; H. Wood, P.M., P. Prov. G.O., Treas.; G. Burgess, P.M., P. Prov. J.G.D., Secretary; W. Bishop, S.D.; W. Allan, Junior, J.D.; T. Gowen, I.G.; G. Coodman, and G. Josling, Stewards; J. Allen, Tyler. It is worthy of note that the Treasurer and Secretary had each served their respective offices nearly 20 years, and they each received the congratulation of the brethren on their re-appointment. The lodge was then closed and the brethren adjourned to a sumptuous repast, provided by Bro. H. D. Brown, of the Old Ship Inn, and presided over by the W.M., Bro. J. A. Wardell. Amongst the members present, besides those already mentioned, were Bros. W. T. Allen, P.M., P. Prov. G.A.D.C.; F. Wiseman, P.M.; James Wiseman, P.M., P. Prov. G.S.B.; P. Richmond, P.M. H. Laker, A. Harrington, J. C. Underwood, Z. Pettitt, W. Fust, H. D. Brown. Visitors, Bros. J. R. Hammond, W.M. 100; Savage, P.M. 174; A. P. Wilson, 1230; Barratt, 108; Blackburn, 179. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and heartily responded to, some excellent songs were given by Bros. H. Wood, F. Wiseman, Rev. Hatch, and others, and the brethren separated after spending a very agreeable and enjoyable evening.

LIVERPOOL.—*Merchants' Lodge* (No. 241).—The annual gathering of this, the most influential and distinguished lodge in the province of West Lancashire, which took place on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., was one of the most interesting character, and attended by all the *éclat* which invariably marks this particular meeting of the

“Merchants.” Bro. W. M. Chudley was the W.M. elect, and the very numerous as well as most influential assembly of brethren showed how popular was the selection and how famous the lodge, the government of which he was about to assume. The new Masonic Hall, Hope-street, is so nearly completed that it was available both for the interesting ceremony of installation and likewise for the splendid banquet which followed, which was in every respect worthy of the occasion, and the name and fame of the lodge. The hall has been built by Bro. Henshaw, 216, from the designs of Bro. R. Danson, P.M. 1094. We must reserve for a future occasion a detailed description of the building, contenting ourselves at present with the observation that it is in all respects a fitting temple for the Craft, and appears to have very ample, very convenient, and very elegant accommodation for the various lodges and chapters which will be held there. This was certainly the unanimous opinion of the many brethren who assembled there on Tuesday evening, and whose comfort and enjoyment were greatly enhanced by the good accommodation and the general excellence of all the arrangements. The lodge was opened at four o'clock by Bro. J. Halton, W.M., assisted by Bros. Wm. M. Chudley, S.W.; R. Brown, J.W.; S. J. MacGeorge, Treasurer; George Hutchin, Sec.; George Peet, S.D.; B. Ridalgh, J.D.; Thomas Welsh, Organist; James Windsor, I.G.; Peter Ball, Tyler. The minutes of the previous regular meeting (so far as related to the appointment of W. Master and Treasurer), having been unanimously confirmed, Bro. Wm. M. Chudley, the W.M. elect, was presented for installation by Bros. Baker, P.M., and R. Robinson, P.M. After the ancient charges, Bro. J. H. Younghusband, a P.M. of No. 241, ascended the throne, and proceeded with the obligation and installation, the whole ceremony being performed with that impressiveness and completeness for which the celebrant has so long been well known. At the completion of the ceremony, the W.M. appointed the following officers of the lodge for the ensuing year:—Bros. R. Brown, (Vandyke and Brown), S.W.; G. Hutchin, J.W.; Dr. M'George, Treas.; Geo. Broadbridge, P. Prov. G.D.C., D.C.; George Peet, Secretary; James Winsor, S.D.; Capt. T. C. Jones, J.D.; Thomas H. Sheen (Sheen and Broadhurst), I.G.; Peter Ball, was unanimously re-elected and re-invested as Tyler. Shortly after six o'clock, nearly the whole of the brethren present at the installation proceedings sat down to a most sumptuous banquet in the new dining hall, the tables being a perfect model of elegant decoration and refined furnishing. The splendid dinner was served in a style which elicited the highest encomiums from every one who sat down, and reflected the highest credit upon the caterer, Bro. Fisk (Fisk and Fairhurst, Castle-street). The *menu carte* was specially prepared for the occasion, and was one of the most elegant and appropriate we have seen. It was designed and lithographed by Bro. S. Jacobs (Wilson and Jacobs), South Castle-street, and was really a very artistic production, which all the brethren will greatly treasure, for besides being in itself a very neat memento of the occasion, it was surrounded in the borders with beautifully-executed miniature portraits of all the ten new officers of the lodge, specially taken for the purpose by Bros. Vandyke and Brown. Bro. Chudley, the newly chaired W.M. presided at the banquet, and after he had given the usual loyal and patriotic toasts (pointedly given and heartily responded to), Bro. S. Alpass, P.G. Sec. proposed “The Health of the W.M., Bro. Chudley,” saying it afforded him very great pleasure to see that they had that day recognised Bro. Chudley's services by electing him to the high and important office of W.M., of their lodge. He had many pleasant recollections of Lodge 241, always known for its excellent work, and always to be depended on when any real work was to be done. Before sitting down Bro. Alpass took occasion to refer to the West Lancashire Masonic Institution for the Education of Children of deceased and distressed Masons, amongst the most liberal supporters of which had been Lodge 241, both as to officers to do the work and friends to subscribe money. He was pleased to be present that evening at a lodge

which had done so much in the cause of Freemasonry, and so much towards the erection of that building. It was the first lodge to hold an installation and to dine in the building, and considering that it was the first gathering of the kind which had been held there, he thought they had every reason to be satisfied. Bro. Chudley responded in appropriate terms, expressing his gratitude for the honour which had been paid him, making an earnest and eloquent appeal on behalf of the West Lancashire Institution, and paying a passing tribute to the memory of Bro. Mott. He concluded by proposing “The Health of Bro. R. Brown, S.W.,” the newly-appointed Secretary of the West Lancashire Institution, which was received with the greatest enthusiasm. Bro. Brown appropriately responded, and gave some interesting particulars of the working of the West Lancashire Institution. “The Masonic Hall Committee,” “The Worshipful Master,” “The Installing Master,” “The Visitors,” and other toasts followed, a most agreeable evening being spent.

BINGLEY.—*Scientific Lodge* (No. 439).—On Saturday, the 20th ult., the brethren of this lodge, together with their wives and lady friends, held a grand pic-nic at Goitstock, by the kind permission of William Ferrand, Esq., whose beautiful grounds it is a real treat to visit. The occasion was to celebrate the presentation of a couple of jewels to two indefatigable workers in the cause of Freemasonry. After two hours' enjoyable ramble through these delightful groves, sundry views of the waterfall from various positions, and hearty laughs occasionally at the humorous remarks of Bros. Blakey, and Sewell, the party halted for refreshment, which was ready laid out on elevated ground, some 200 yards below the fall and 30 yards from the road. A more suitable place could not possibly have been selected, here all set to work with a hearty goodwill to enjoy the good things before them, and it is needless to say that like the joyous birds sweetly carolling overhead, each one, individually, was equally in tune, especially in the way of appetite, and no wonder that a young urchin, noticing how busily all were engaged, should remark “my word, look at those folks; they might be eating for a wager!” But notwithstanding this uncourteous salute, the good work went on until every one was satisfied. The W.M. of the lodge, Bro. Robinson, then, after giving the usual preliminary toasts, made the first presentation to P.M.M. John C. Taylor, in a few select and choice words. This consisted of a Past Mark Master's jewel, in 18-carat gold, of most beautiful, yet plain design. Bro. P. M. Pearson Clapham, in seconding the presentation, gave a short outline of Bro. Taylor's connection with the Scientific Lodge; he stated that that worthy and veteran brother had been a member for the long period of nearly forty years, during which time he had been an incessant worker, ever ready to forward, and always taking the deepest interest in, the cause of Freemasonry. Many of the brethren were much indebted to him for the assistance he had rendered them, and the lodge had very often benefitted by the advice of his long experience. Bro. Taylor, he continued, likewise takes especial delight in transmitting his own Masonic knowledge to young Masons, and nothing affords him greater pleasure than to help and push them forward; whether met in the street or at home, it is alike to him, none can visit him at the wrong time, his desire and aim being to infuse the true and genuine principles in Freemasonry. Bro. Clapham concluded by saying, that there was no better proof required to show the esteem in which Bro. Taylor was held by the brethren of his lodge, than the tangible way in which it had this day been acknowledged. The second presentation was made by immediate P.M. Hiram Leach to Bro. P.M. Seth S. Blakey. This also consisted of a Past Master's jewel, the only difference being that this was in connection with the Craft, consequently the 47th proposition took the place of the Keystone; in other respects the jewels were alike and exactly the same pattern. Bro. Leach in presenting the jewel did not expatiate long on the many good qualities of Bro. Blakey, but like Hiram of old, he thoroughly meant what he said, and his remarks were much appre-

ciated. He concluded by acknowledging to Bro. Blakey, his (Bro. Leach's) own gratitude for the kind services which had often been rendered to him during his year of office, and hoped that Bro. Blakey would long live to wear the jewel that day presented to him. Bro. P.M. Sewell seconded this presentation, and remarked that no one had reason to thank and esteem Bro. Blakey more than he (Bro. Sewell) himself, and that it gave him the greatest pleasure to advocate the very high opinion he held of that worthy brother. Bro. P.M. Taylor, was then called upon, and rising, said that he begged to thank the brethren for the handsome jewel, of which he was the recipient, and that whatever he had done in the way of promulgating Masonry and its principles, had been considered and looked upon by him as a thorough duty, therefore he thought he had done nothing more than he ought to have done, and in his humble sphere was still anxious to do all he could. Bro. Taylor continued that he thought Bro. P.M. Seth S. Blakey, was more worthy of a presentation than himself, inasmuch as he had so generously come forward to assist him (Bro. Taylor) at a time when his services were indispensable, Bro. Taylor being then unable, through sickness, to visit the lodge at all. The W.M. then called upon Bro. P.M. Blakey, who in very few words expressed his deep gratitude for the manner in which the brethren had acknowledged his humble services, and said he highly appreciated the handsome gift so generously bestowed, and begged to assure the brethren that it would still be his study to advance the noble sentiments of Freemasonry, and render any assistance in his power to the Scientific Lodge. He was glad to say that it was now in a very promising condition, and in little need of help from him, and he trusted the lodge would continue to prosper. The W.M. afterwards called upon Bros. Webster, Hodgson, Murgatroyd, and Leach, each of whom unanimously expressed the pleasure it gave them to participate in such a delightful fresco gathering. The toast of "The Ladies" was then given by Bro. P.M. Sewell, and heartily received, Bro. Dean responding on their behalf. Bro. P. M. Sewell then proposed a vote of thanks to the W.M., Bro. T. Robinson, and his good lady, for the admirable manner in which they had catered for the party, the viands, &c., being of a choice and sumptuous description. Bro. Atherton, in seconding this proposition, remarked that special thanks were due to Bro. and Mrs. Robinson, for the way in which the arrangements in this important department had been carried out, considering that Saturday was the most inconvenient day in the week for Bro. Robinson to leave his business. Bro. Atherton further added that were another squad of rank and file to have put in an appearance, the commissariat department would have been found equal to the occasion. After a brief reply from Bro. Robinson, acknowledging the vote of thanks, the proceedings of this very interesting party were brought to a close by all expressing a hope that it would not be long before the brethren of the Scientific again assembled at Goitstock, a place which had proved itself such a favourite resort. In conclusion, it should be mentioned that the jewels were selected from the extensive and well-assorted stock of Bro. George Kenning.

LEICESTER.—*John of Gaunt Lodge* (No. 523).—The annual festival of the John of Gaunt Lodge, No. 523, was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Leicester, on Wednesday, June 24th, when there were present the R.W. Bro., the Right Hon. Earl Ferrers, Prov. G.M.; W. Bro. Sir Henry St. John Hallford, Bart., Deputy Prov. G.M.; R.W. Bro. Wm. Kelly, P.P.G.M.; Bros. F. J. Baines, P.P.G.P., W.M.; S. S. Partridge, Prov. G. Sec., W.M. elect; G. Toller, Prov. S.G.W., P.M.; A. M. Duff, P.M.; W. B. Smith, P.M.; R. Brewin, P.M.; Reverend J. F. Hallford, P.M. 1330; A. Palmer, W.M. 279; W. Weare, P.M. 279; C. Stretton, P.M. 279; J. B. Hall, P.M. 1391; J. Hallford, P.M. 1391; G. Clifton, W.M. 1391; E. Waite, P.M. 1370; Reverend W. Langley, P.M. 50; J. M. Moore, P.M. 1035; J. S. Kennedy, P.M. 1071; and a very large number of officers and brethren. After the transaction of the formal business, the W.M. elect, Bro. S. S. Partridge,

having given his assent to the ancient charges and regulations, was presented to a Board of Installed Masters, consisting of upwards of twenty, installed in accordance with ancient form, and saluted with the customary honours. The ceremony of installation was performed in a very able manner by the R.W. Prov. G.M., Earl Ferrers; Bro. J. P. Hall, Prov. G.D.C., acting as an efficient Director of Ceremonies. The W.M. then proceeded to invest his officers as follows:—Bros. F. J. Baines, I.P.M.; J. F. Thorp, S.W.; W. T. Rowlett, J.W.; W. B. Smith, P.M., Treasurer; T. A. Wykes, Secretary, A. Ross, S.D.; R. Taylor, J.D.; C. Johnson, F.M., Organist; W. C. Shout, I.G.; A. Sargeant, and J. T. Smith, Stewards; C. Bembridge and T. Dunn, Tylers. A hearty vote of thanks was presented to the R.W. Prov. G.M. for his kindness in visiting on the occasion and performing the duties of Installing Master, to which a suitable response was made. After the lodge was closed the brethren sat down to an excellent banquet, under the presidency of the newly installed W.M., who gave the usual loyal and Masonic toasts with great ability and good taste. In replying to the toast of his health, Earl Ferrers expressed the pleasure he felt in being present, and regretted he had been unable to attend the lodges in Leicester as often as he could have wished, but he hoped in future to be a more frequent visitor. Bro. Baines, I.P.M., proposed "The Health of the W.M.," who replied in suitable terms. Other toasts followed, and the enjoyment of the evening was enhanced by the vocal and instrumental performance of the musical brethren. Bro. Charlesworth, with his usual good nature, placed the contents of his conservatories at the disposal of the brethren, and the tables were decorated with a choice collection of flowers and plants. The whole of the proceedings passed off in the most successful manner, and the large attendance on the occasion served to show the great respect and esteem with which Bro. Partridge is regarded by the brethren of the province.

LIVERPOOL.—*Downshire Lodge* (No. 594).—The brethren attached to this most prosperous lodge were summoned to attend their Masonic duties at the Masonic Temple, Hope-street, at ten o'clock prompt, on the 25th ult., the reason for this early gathering being, that the installation and picnic were fixed to take place on the same day. In conformity with the notice on the circular there was a capital muster of the brethren at the hour named, and under the able presidency of Bro. Wm. D. Rowse, W.M., business was quickly set agoing. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the W.M. as the closing act of his year of office, proceeded to initiate three candidates, Messrs Platt, Barnett, and Thomas, into the mysteries of the Order. Bro. Peter M. Larsen, P.M., then took the chair, and proceeded to instal Bro. Henry Hunt as W.M. of the lodge, the presentation being made by Bro. P.M. Harrer and Bro. P. M. Doyle. The following brethren were subsequently invested as officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. Thos. Dilcock, S.W.; R. F. France, J.W.; R. Ing, P.M., Treasurer; W. E. Cattell, Sec., Jas. Ezcomber, S.D.; J. H. Martin, J.D.; Thos. Boswell, S.S.; John T. Houghton, J.S.; Henry Worthington, I.G.; W. G. Veale, Org.; W. Crawford, Tyler; and F. Sargeant, P.M., D.C. Previous to the lodge being closed, the I.P.M. (Bro. Rowse), presented the W.M. with the lodge jewel left by the late Bro. Hayes, to be worn by the W.M. during his year of office. A beautiful P.M.'s jewel was also presented to Bro. Rowse in recognition of his valuable services to the lodge, and as a mark of the great esteem of the brethren. The ceremony of installation was most admirably performed by Bro. Larsen, P.M., who justly elicited the admiration of all who were present. At the conclusion of the morning's business, the brethren, after joining the ladies, took their way to the river side, and crossed by the steamer to the Royal Rock Hotel, Rock Ferry, for the purpose of pic-nicking. The "out" was one of the most agreeable nature, and as the arrangements were of the most complete and satisfactory kind, there was nothing to detract from the

pleasure of the day. During the afternoon a very excellent banquet was served, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given. "The Health of the Worshipful Master," capitally given by Bro. Immediate Past Master Rowse, was greeted with the greatest enthusiasm by all who were present, and was admirably responded to by Bro. Hunt, W.M. Games, dancing, and a variety of other amusements, formed the staple of a most enjoyable day's outing in Cheshire.

WORKINGTON.—*Sun and Sector Lodge* (No. 962).—The brethren of this lodge held the festival of St. John the Baptist, on Tuesday, the 23rd ult. At four o'clock Bro. Brooker, P.P.G.P., the Worshipful Master, opened the lodge in form, at the Assembly Room, Portland-square. The minutes of the preceding meeting having been read and confirmed, the lodge was raised to the third degree; when Bro. Brooker vacated the chair, which was assumed by Bro. W. B. Gibson, P.P.G.S.W. and P.G. Sec., the Installing Master of the day. Bro. J. J. Beattie, the Worshipful Master elect, was then presented to Bro. Gibson, and was duly installed into the chair of K.S., the impressive ceremony being most correctly and efficiently performed by the Installing Master. Afterwards the new Worshipful Master was saluted by the brethren in the three degrees, and before the lodge was closed his officers were appointed and invested as follows:—Bros. J. Price, jun., S.W.; A. Salkeld, J.W.; C. B. Pitblado, Secretary; G. Archibald, Treasurer; Williams, Organist; J. McHarry, D. of C.; N. Topping, S.D.; R. Thomas, J.D.; G. R. McMullin, I.G.; J. Johnstone, Steward; R. Scott, Tyler. Subsequently the brethren adjourned to the Green Dragon Hotel, where Bro. R. Barnes and Mrs. Barnes had provided a sumptuous banquet. Bro. Gibson, the Installing Master, presided, supported by the retiring and new Masters of the lodge, and faced by Bro. Price. After grace, the Chairman proposed "the Health of her Majesty the Queen." He said, if any society could lay claim to loyalty it was the brotherhood of Freemasons. The beautiful incidents of their beloved ruler's life, that were continually cropping up, demonstrated beyond all doubt, that one touch of nature makes all the world kin. The Chairman next proposed the "Prince and Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family," but he remarked he should amend the toast, by including the names of the Duke of Edinburgh and Duke of Connaught. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Connaught they could speak of as Masons, and although their distinguished brother the Duke of Edinburgh had not as yet been initiated into the fraternity, he had no doubt that ere long he, too, would become one of the Craft. (Applause.) The Princess of Wales could not be a Mason; but she was warm-hearted, and that was one of the attributes of Masonry. The Chairman then gave the "Most Worshipful Grand Master of England, the Marquess of Ripon." To those brethren who had read the reports of the proceedings in Grand Lodge, on important occasions when large assemblages of the most distinguished members of the Craft were present, they must be satisfied that the Marquess of Ripon is a thorough working Mason. His lordship has given every proof of being the fittest man to be at the head of the English Masonic Craft. The toast was drunk with full honours. The Chairman then proposed, "The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of England, the Earl of Carnarvon, and the rest of the Grand Officers." On a recent occasion he happened to be in London on the business of the Girls' School, and quite naturally he went to the Grand Lodge. He there witnessed a noble array of Grand Officers, and he was convinced that, from the Earl of Carnarvon downwards, they were a first-rate body of men, who had the greatest virtue of the Craft at heart—that of charity. The toast was received with full honours. The Chairman then gave the health of the "Earl of Bective, M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Cumberland and Westmorland." Their noble brother had endeared himself to every one under his authority wherever they had met him, by his courteous manner on every

occasion of the provincial festivals. His lordship took a warm and very close interest in Masonry, and was always ready to study the interests and time of his brethren. He (the chairman) had therefore every confidence in proposing the health of a nobleman who had so ably acquitted himself during the seven or eight years he had been Grand Master of the Province. The toast was drunk with every Masonic honour. The Vice-Chairman proposed the health of the "Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Colonel Whitwell, M.P., and the rest of the Provincial Grand Officers." The two most worthy and gentlemanly men as Masons he ever met in his life were Bros. Whitwell and W. Romaine Callender. He coupled with the toast the name of their excellent Chairman, the Provincial Grand Secretary. The Chairman, in responding to the toast, said he should take an early opportunity of acquainting Colonel Whitwell with the fact that his health had been drunk with so much cordiality by the Working-ton brethren. With regard to himself, it was difficult to reply to the toast, when he remembered the great talents of his predecessor; but he intended to follow in the footsteps of Bro. Busher, who was a giant in comparison with him, a mere pigmy. He should do his utmost for the province in the office of Grand Secretary. It was a very proud circumstance when recently, he had the opportunity to return above 800 members on the books of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and he had no doubt that before long they would be increased to 1,000. As he before remarked, he had had the pleasure and honour to be present at the last annual festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, as Steward from this province. Some hundreds of Stewards were there like himself, from all parts of England; but it was a proud thing to say that of all that great number only half-a-dozen carried more money for the Girls' School than he did; the Province of Cumberland and Westmorland had always come out strong for their charities, and particularly he complimented West Cumberland. Dr. Dick, Provincial Grand Steward, likewise returned thanks Bro. Brooker proposed the "Newly Installed Master, Bro. Beattie." It was a pleasurable duty to him on two accounts—one was that he was relieved from very arduous duties, and the second was that it was an extreme pleasure to him to have to propose the health of their newly elected Master. He could say without fear of contradiction that Bro. Beattie was one of the hardest workers in the lodge. He had never missed a meeting to his knowledge, and the selection made by the brethren of this lodge, last month, could not have fallen into better hands. Bro. Beattie, in response, remembered being present at a social gathering some seven or eight years since, when the Chairman told the company to prepare for an elegant speech, but they must not expect an elegant speech from him to night. He thought Bro. Brooker had spoken more of him than he deserved, but it was his full intention to strive to do his duty as Master of the lodge. The Vice-Chairman proposed "the Health of the Retiring Master, Bro. Brooker," who, he said, had scarcely been anything but Master of Sun and Sector Lodge for the last three years. Last year he was Master, the year before he did duty for their departed Bro. Brown in his last illness, and the year before that also he was Master. Bro. Brooker replied in suitable terms. The remaining toasts were "The Visiting Brethren," "The Masonic Charities," and the Tyler's toast." The company broke up about eight o'clock.

LIVERPOOL.—*Stanley Lodge*, (No. 1325).—The annual meeting of the brethren connected with this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, Liverpool, on the 24th ultimo, the principal business being the installation of Bro. Crosby Leighton, the W.M. elect, and the investiture of officers. The "Stanley's" existence has been somewhat chequered, but under the far-seeing and discreet guidance of Bro. Crosby Leighton, who has acted in a self-sacrificing manner towards its interest, there seems now to be a strong possibility that it will battle bravely, and quickly assume the position to which it is entitled. There was a very large gathering of the brethren on this special occa-

sion. Shortly after three o'clock, Bro. Thomas Leighton, P.M. (in the absence of Bro. J. M. Eccles, W.M.) opened the lodge according to ancient form, assisted by the following officers of the lodge:—Bros. Crosby Leighton, S.W.; Henry Ashmore, J.W.; H. A. Bell, S.D.; D. R. Davies, J.D.; F. Knight, I.G.; John Horbury, P.M., Treas.; J. W. Burgess, S.S.; and Geo. W. Chirnside, S. There was a full attendance of the members of the lodge. The minutes were read and confirmed, after which the chair was taken by Bro. Dr. J. K. Smith, P.M. 249, who proceeded to instal Bro. Crosby Leighton, as W.M., in an exceedingly able and impressive manner, the presentation being made by Bro. P.M. Radcliffe, and Bro. P.M. Thomas Leighton, H. A. Bell, Sec. At the close of the ceremony the following officers were appointed and invested for the ensuing year:—Bros. H. Ashmore, S.W.; F. Knight, J.W.; J. W. Burgess, S.D.; G. Smith, J.D.; and G. W. Chirnside, I.G. Later in the evening the brethren dined together at Milbourn's-rooms, St. Anne-street, where Mr. Milbourn provided a very fair dinner, though the manner in which it was served did not elicit much praise. Bro. Crosby Leighton, W.M., presided, and he was supported by nearly all the brethren who had witnessed his installation. The usual loyal and patriotic toasts were duly honoured, including "The Health of Bro. Albert Edward, P.G.M., Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family," after which the W.M. proposed "The Health of the Right Hon. Lord Skelmersdale, R.W. Prov. G.M. West Lancashire, and the Hon. Frederick Stanley, W.D. Prov. G.M. which was duly honoured. Bro. J. Kellett Smith, P.M. 246 and 1094, then proposed "The Health of the Worshipful Master of Stanley Lodge, Bro. Crosby Leighton." He thought they would all agree that so far the career of the lodge had not been very brilliant, but he hoped and trusted it had now taken a favourable turn, and would ere long attain an important position in the province of West Lancashire. At all events, if anyone would be able to bring the Stanley Lodge to the fore, it was the Worshipful Master, whom he had had the pleasure of installing that day. The toast was very cordially received, and Bro. Leighton, in responding, expressed a hope that whatever had been the past of the lodge it still had a bright future before it. "The Health of the Installing Master," "The P.M.'s of Lodge 1325," "The Officers of the Lodge," "The West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution," "The Visiting Brethren," and "Poor and Distressed Brethren," were amongst the other toasts which followed, a most agreeable evening being spent.

LIVERPOOL.—*Hamer Lodge* (No. 1393).—The installation meeting of this flourishing lodge took place on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., at the Clarence Hotel, Everton-road, and was most largely and influentially attended, no fewer than 22 P.M.'s gracing the occasion with their presence. The lodge was opened at 2 p.m., by Bro. John Jones, W.M., who was supported by Bros. W. T. May, P.M.; R. H. Evans, J.W.; Charles Friar, Treasurer; E. Wilson, Secretary; H. Jackson, S.D.; John McCarthy, J.D. The members present were Bros. Jas. Hamer, P.P.G. Treasurer; Robert Prince, N. G. Veale, Alfred Henry Brooke, F. Green, F. Brooke, James Harding, George Lunt, John Merrilees, John Black, James Tomlin, John Slack, H. Burrows, Jas. A. McCrobie, Benjamin Price, R. W. Rowlands, Thomas Piddington, Joseph Williams, J. J. Griffith, Henry Hindle, Thomas Sammans, Arch. Gilfillan, Robert Leason, Noah Thornthwaite, John Houlding, Thomas Lloyd Jones, Thomas Roberts, John Price, J. Thompson, E. B. Ingham, Crofton, C. Davidson, J. F. Jackson. The visitors present were Bros. C. H. Hill, P.G. Reg.; A. V. Speere, P.G. Secretary, Ireland; John Pemberton, 1276, P.M. 1264; Thomas Clark, P.M. 673; John Parsons, P.M. 203; Thomas Ashmore, P.M. 823; J. Hocken, P.M. 673; R. N. Holt, P.M. 1276; J. Holland, P.M. 823; G. H. Wilson, 1013, W.M. 557; W. Sephton, W.M. 1086; N. Boulton, W.M. 823; R. H. Forester, W.M. 371; T. K.] Hughes, P.M. 1013; Joseph

Wood, Treasurer 1094; Thomas Shaw, J.W. 823; John Taylor, S.D. 1276; Crosbie Leighton, S.W. 1325; Robert Williams, Secretary 1035; Ockleshaw, S.W. 667; Henry A. Tobias, J.W. 528, U.S.A.; William Hiles, 1299; John C. Caley, 1473; R. R. Forshaw, 1035; N. Brooksbank, 823; Joseph Barlow, 1035; N. H. Lidbetter, George Purves, 823; L. B. Goodman, 594; James Steven, 17, St. Mary, Scotland; S. Hague, 673; Lucius Leman, 1182; J. P. Jennings, 249; H. W. Harris, 1380; P. W. Oglesby, 823; R. M. Slaine, 442; J. F. Norman, 203. Letters of apology were read from Bro. the Rev. H. Carpenter, Henry Nelson, P.M. 673, and others, expressing their regret at not being able to be present, and conveying cordial good wishes for the continued success of the lodge. The chair was taken by Bro. Jas. Hamer, P.P.G. Treasurer, who proceeded to instal the W.M. elect, Bro. R. W. Evans, into the chair of K.S. The manner in which this beautiful ceremony was performed excited the profoundest admiration, and fully justified the cordial vote to the veteran Installing Master. The newly chaired W.M. then invested his officers for the ensuing year as follows:—Bro. Henry Jackson, S.W.; John McCarthy, J.W.; Charles Tyzer, Treasurer; Edward Wilson, Secretary; Charles Dutch, S.D. (by proxy); Thomas Large, J.D. (by proxy); Robert Price, I.G.; Thomas Sammons, M.C.; Robert Leason, S.S.; E. B. Ingham, J.S.; Alfred Brooke, Assistant S.; W. G. Veale, Organist; and Michael Williamson, Tyler. The W.M. then proceeded to initiate Messrs. Lingham and Richardson into the mysteries and privileges of the Order, which he did in a manner that proved him to be possessed of Masonic ability of the highest order, and the lodge is to be congratulated on having elected a W.M. who can perform the duties in such a splendid style. The brethren were then called from labour to refreshment, and subsequently sat down to an excellent banquet, presided over by the newly installed W.M., who gave still further proof of his fitness for the position by the elegant and masterly manner in which he gave the usual loyal and Masonic toasts. The "Health of the W.M." was proposed by Bro. John Jones, I.P.M., in well chosen terms, and was received with the greatest enthusiasm. The W.M., in responding, promised the brethren, that, during his year of office, it would be his aim to promote the prosperity of the lodge and the happiness of its members, to the utmost of his power, and that he would consider no self-sacrifice too great to bring about those results. The W.M. then proposed the "Health of the Past and Installing Masters," which was responded to by Bro. Jones, I.P.M., and W. T. May, P.M. The W.M. next gave the "Healths of the Newly-Initiated," which was responded to in a most admirable manner by Bro. Lingham. The W.M. next proposed "The Officers of the Hamer Lodge, No. 1393." Bro. Jackson, S.W., in responding, expressed a hope that the W.M. would have no occasion to regret the selection that he had made, and Bro. McCarthy, J.W., said that he would endeavour to perform his duties to the satisfaction of the W.M. and the brethren. The remainder of the officers responded in similar terms. The W.M., in proposing the "West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution," paid a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Bro. Mott, and expressed his opinion that the present Secretary, Bro. Richard Brown, would be found a worthy successor to that much lamented brother, and also made a strong appeal to every member of 1393, to become a subscriber to the funds of the Institution, which he characterised as the most deserving Masonic Institution he was acquainted with. The W.M. next gave the "Visiting Brethren," which was responded to by Bros. Rose, W.M., 249; Shepton, W.M. 1086; J. Hocken, P.M. 673; C. Leighton, W.M. elect; and Ockleshaw, S.W., 667. The pleasures of the evening were greatly enhanced by several glees and solos, most excellently rendered by Bros. Gilfillan, Wilson, Robert, Merriles, Veale, Price, and others. The recitations of Bros. Jackson and McCarthy were also much admired. The Tyler's toast brought to a conclusion one of the pleasantest evenings ever held under the auspices of the Hamer, the proceedings through-

out being marked by the utmost cordiality and good feeling.

ROMFORD.—*Liberty of Havering Lodge* (No. 1437).—The first annual meeting of this lodge took place on Wednesday, the 14th inst., at the White Hart Hotel, Romford. The lodge was opened shortly after three o'clock. Amongst those present we noticed—Bros. P. Matthews, I.P.M., and Prov. G.D.D.; J. J. Wilson, W.M., J. Tydeman, S.W. and W.M. elect; E. West, J.W.; T. Bishop, Treas.; G. W. Patmore, Sec.; G. English, S.D.; B. Brayshaw, J.D.; T. C. Day, I.G.; Steedman, Tyler; Sheldon, D. Wakefield, A. Young, J. L. Young, A. Wackett, and others; also the following visitors: Bros. Burton, P.M. and P.G. Treas.; Rev. Thomas Cochrane, P.M., and Chaplain of the Apollo Lodge, Oxford; Roberts, P.M. 554; C. Lacey, P.M. 1421, and P. Prov. G.J.D. Herts; E. Parker, P.M. 1237, and P. Prov. G.P. Herts; Young, W.M. 1327; T. Hill, W. Gabb, Walker, Linzell, W.M. 1327; W. Gilbert, J.W. 1327; Jacobs, 1327; Payne, 1076; Malcolm, 1327; Fisher, 1327; Sherwin, Organist 1076, and others. The minutes of previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. the Rev. T. Cochrane took the chair, for the purpose of raising Bro. J. Garnett. The lodge having been opened in the 2nd degree Bro. Garnett was entrusted and retired, when the lodge was opened in the 3rd degree, and being re-admitted Bro. Garnett was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason, the beautiful ceremony being most impressively performed by the Rev. T. Cochrane, P.M. The Worshipful Master, Bro. J. J. Wilson, then took the chair, and resumed the lodge to the first degree. The ballot having proved unanimous for Mr. T. T. Orgathorpe, and Mr. N. Crozier, they were initiated into the secrets and mysteries of the Order. The next business of the lodge was to instal Bro. J. Tydeman, as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. The Installing Master, Bro. Wilson, remarked that it was the highest honour that could be conferred upon a Mason. The very effective manner in which the ceremony of installation was performed, as well as the closing charges to the Master, Wardens, and brethren proved Bro. Wilson to be thoroughly Master of his duties. The brethren having saluted the new W.M. in the three degrees, the following officers were invested for the ensuing year—Bros. J. J. Wilson, I.P.M.; E. West, S.W.; B. B. Brayshaw, J.W.; T. Day, S.D.; T. F. Bishop, Treas.; J. Elias, Sec.; G. W. Patmore, J.D.; A. W. Naylor, I.G.; Steedman Tyler. In investing Bro. Wilson, with the collar and jewel of I.P.M., the W.M., on behalf of the members of the lodge, presented him with a handsome 18-carat gold Past Master's jewel, and in doing so said that he was aware that the esteem in which Bro. Wilson was held and the high position he had held in the Craft had secured him similar presentations on former occasions, but never with a more hearty, sincere, and unanimous feeling of esteem and regard than on the present, but at the same time Bro. Wilson had justly merited that esteem, for never had a Worshipful Master worked harder or done more for the good and prosperity of a lodge than he had done for this during his year of office, thereby gaining for himself the entire approbation of the members. Bro. West, the Senior Warden, also passed some very flattering remarks on Bro. Wilson, and at the same time proposed that an address on vellum be presented to Bro. Wilson, expressive of the thanks and the very great satisfaction the brethren felt for the very able manner in which he had conducted the business of the liberty of Havering Lodge as its first Worshipful Master. This being seconded by the W.M., was carried unanimously, and with applause. Representatives of various other lodges expressed hearty good wishes for the new W.M. Several letters were received from brethren, expressing their regret that they were unable to attend. Several gentlemen having been proposed for initiation at the next meeting, the lodge was closed in due form. Afterwards the brethren adjourned to a sumptuous banquet, presided over by Bro. Tydeman, W.M., who, upon removal of the cloth, proceeded at once to give the usual loyal and Masonic toasts

in the following order:—"Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen," "Bro. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, K.G., M.W.P.G.M.," uniting with it the names of "Bro. His Royal Highness Prince Arthur, and Bro. His Royal Highness Prince Leopold." "The health of the M.W.G. Master, the Marquess of Ripon, K.G., &c.; the M.W.D.G.M., the Earl of Carnarvon, and other officers of the Grand Lodge," "The R.W. the Prov. G.M. of Essex, Bro. Bagshaw," the W.M. remarking that it was with pleasure he proposed this toast, but, with regret that he had to announce that illness had prevented Bro. Bagshaw from attending this meeting. "The Prov. G. Officers, past and present," was next given, to which Bro. Burton, Prov. G. Treasurer, replied in suitable terms, commending the lodge for the progress it was making, and the excellent manner in which the ceremonies were conducted. The next toast was "The Immediate Past Master of the Lodge, Bro. Wilson." The W.M., in proposing the toast, said he had another presentation to make the I.P.M., in the form of a gold locket. A Past Master's jewel had been presented to him from the lodge funds, but the brethren, not satisfied with this alone, had voluntarily subscribed together for the purchase of this locket, and (addressing Bro. Wilson) by it they desire to convey to you their more than ordinary appreciation of the very excellent way in which you have conducted the affairs of the lodge during the past twelve months. I am sure you will value it, not so much for its intrinsic worth as for the kind feelings of regard it is intended to express. Bro. Wilson acknowledged the high compliment and the presentation in appropriate terms, expressing much gratitude for the kindness of the brethren. They had really filled him with such feelings by this further demonstration of their kindness that he could not give expression to them now, but if he had taken an interest in the welfare of the lodge in the past, he certainly should for the future. Bro. Wilson next rose to propose the "Health of the W.M.," stating that from the knowledge he had of him, he was confident that Bro. Tydeman would carry out the duties of the high position he was placed in with honour to himself and credit to the lodge. The W.M. in responding thanked the Past Master and brethren. He had entered into the high office in which the brethren had placed him with some little timidity, but that feeling was being overcome by the kindness of all present, and the knowledge that Bro. Wilson would ever be at his assistance, and that the brethren were so unanimous in placing him in the chair of K.S. Nothing in his power should be left undone that might tend to the prosperity of the lodge. He trusted in the excellent staff of officers under him, and felt confident of the future prosperity of the lodge. "The Health of the Visitors" was next proposed and enthusiastically responded to, the W.M. coupling with it the name of Bro. the Rev. Thos. Cochrane, P.M. 214, and Chaplain of the Apollo Lodge, Oxford, (of which H.R.H. the Prince of Wales is the I.P.M., and in which H.R.H. Prince Leopold has recently been initiated). Bro. Cochrane in his reply congratulated the lodge for the prosperity it had made in so short a time, but was not surprised at its success with so good a brother at its head. Bro. Wilson, the retiring Master, had distinguished himself in various ways in the Craft. He wore many honours upon his breast, including the charity jewel (with, he could hardly say how many bars attached), proof of the existence of what really is the leading characteristic of a Freemason's heart, and from what he knew and had seen of Bro. Tydeman, he congratulated the lodge on their choice, for he was already walking in the footsteps of his predecessor. He (Bro. Cochrane) had met him at the last annual festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution where both himself and Bro. Tydeman had acted as Stewards under Lord Waveny. He considered the lodge had made a good selection of a W.M. for the ensuing year. The health of the Initiates was next proposed by the W.M., and responded to both by Bro. Osgathorpe and Bro. Crozier, who replied in terms of satisfaction of what they had thus far seen of Masonry. In proposing "The Health of the Officers"

the W.M. passed some very complimentary remarks upon the abilities of his Wardens and others, stating that he had every confidence that they would render him all the assistance in their power. Bro. West, S.W. (a brother held in high estimation by the lodge), responded on behalf of himself and brother officers. The last toast, viz., "The Tyler's," was given by Bro. Steedman. The meeting, which was enlivened by some excellent singing (Bro. Sherwin, Org., of Lodge 1076, presiding at the pianoforte), was brought to a close precisely at ten o'clock, after a very enjoyable evening.

Royal Arch.

IPSWICH.—*St. Luke's Chapter* (No. 225).—The annual meeting of this chapter was held at the Coach and Horses Hotel, on Wednesday, the 24th June. There were present Comps. C. Turner, P.Z., Second Principal H., as Z.; Emra Holmes, J.; H. Harris, P.Z., as H.; S. B. King, P.Z., Scribe E.; George Abbott, Third Principal J., Alexander Chapter; C. Byford, and others. Visitor, Comp. G. Cresswell. The chapter having been duly opened and the minutes of last chapter read and confirmed Comp. Emra Holmes was regularly installed into the chair of H., as Second Principal, Comp. Byford into that of J., as Third Principal. The ceremony was performed by Comp. S. B. King, in his usually impressive manner. Bro. Turner having already been installed as First Principal, that portion of the ceremonial was omitted. A candidate having been proposed for advancement and other business having been transacted, the companions shared the secrets, and the chapter was closed. A substantial repast was spread by that excellent host, Comp. Godball, to which ample justice was done, and on the removal of the cloth, the M.E.Z., briefly proposed "The Queen," the brethren singing the National Anthem, followed by the toast of "The Three Grand Principals of England," and was honoured in the way usual amongst Royal Arch Masons. Bro. King then proposed "The Newly Installed Principals" in flattering terms, to which Comp. Emra Holmes responded. In the course of his remarks Comp. Holmes complained of the unaccountable apathy which seemed to exist respecting the Royal Arch Degree, which he attributed to the fact that so few seemed to know anything about it, and many of those who were inclined to take it were debarred by the cost. A man was told he could become a Mason for three, four, or five guineas, as the case might be, yet when he had taken the third he found he had not taken the whole; for there was still a portion of a degree, which, however, he could not get under three guineas more. The consequence of this was, that great numbers refused to go any further, as they thought the charge too high. Brethren ought, however, to remember that they could not rightfully call themselves Fellow Crafts till they had taken the Mark Degree, which was the completion of the second degree, nor could they consider that they were truly Master Masons till they had taken the Royal Arch. Brethren forget that all they had got in the third degree were certain substantial secrets and the true Masonry was only discovered in the Royal Arch degree. He called their attention to certain portions of the third degree, which it would be imprudent to print, but which showed where the continuity was broken in the third degree, and where it was taken up in the Royal Arch, and he expressed a strong opinion that the charge for the degree should be made sufficiently low to admit all Master Masons. Some Chapters have felt that the fee was so extravagantly high, remembering that the Book of Constitutions (in stating that pure and antient Masonry consisted of but three degrees and no more, including the Holy Royal) taught that it was only the portion of a degree, that they evaded the regulations which required a fee of at least three guineas for exaltation, by appointing the candidate Janitor for the time being, and paying him 30s. for his services, thus reducing the fee one half. He did not mention this, for the chapter to follow this plan though he had doubt it would bring a great accession of candidates, but he merely stated the fact on the

authority, of a very distinguished Mason, who said he believed it was perfectly legal, and Grand Chapter could not interfere with it. There were 73,000 Masons on the roll of the Grand Lodge of England, and only 17,000 Royal Arch Masons. That was a fact for them to consider, and it ought not to be. The fee for exaltation was far too high, and it stopped many good men from becoming Royal Arch Masons. The companions present fully coincided with Comp. Holmes's remarks, especially with respect to the charge for exaltation. The M.E.Z. subsequently proposed "The Health of their Visitor, Bro. Geo. Cresswell, Third Principal of the Alexandra Chapter," who modestly responded, and Comp. King then proposed the M.E.Z., who briefly replied. A very agreeable evening was spent, and the brethren separated at an early hour.

KENDAL.—Kendal Castle Chapter (No. 129).—The regular quarterly convocation of this Chapter was held on June 25th, at the Masonic Hall, at four o'clock in the afternoon. The M.E.Z. | Comp. C. G. Thomson, was absent through domestic affliction, and his place was kindly supplied by Bro. John Bowes, P.Z., P. Prov. G.S.B., who was supported by his officers, and a goodly number of companions. Bro. Cranston having been elected at the previous convocation, and being now present, was duly introduced, and exalted in ample form by the acting M.E.Z. There being no further business, the chapter was closed. On the next day the companions of this flourishing chapter held their banquet at the Grange Hotel, Grange. The chair was occupied by Comp. John Holme, P.Z., who was influentially supported.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.—Fawcett Chapter (No. 764.)—On Thursday 18th inst, the annual meeting of this Chapter was held at the Freemasons' Hall, West Hartlepool, when there was a numerous attendance of companions, including some from Stockton, Sunderland, and Bernard Castle. Companions R. B. Harpley, S. Gourley, and J. W. Cameron were installed as Principals for the ensuing year by Companion Levy, of Sunderland, assisted by Companion Knowles, Cadle, and Best, of Stockton; after which the usual banquet took place at the Royal Hotel.

Red Cross of Constantine.

PORTSEA.—Naval and Military Conclave (No. 35).—This conclave has left its original place of meeting, viz., the Freemasons' Tavern, Portsea, owing chiefly to the host Sir Knight Howell leaving England, and as the house was in rather an obscure place, it was deemed advisable to remove to a more central position. The result is that on Thursday, the 25th ult., the first meeting was held at Smith's Temperance Hotel, Landport, Portsmouth, and three candidates were balloted for and approved, one (the W.M. elect of Craft Lodge No. 804), being in attendance, was installed a Sir Knight by the M.P.S., Sir Knight J. Clay, who was well supported by three Past Sovereigns, most of the officers, and a large muster of Sir Knights, including one visitor, Sir Knight Groom, of the Premier Conclave.

Scotland.

GLASGOW.—Maryhill Lodge (No. 510).—This lodge met on St. John's day, in their hall, 157, Main-street, Bro. Hugh Niven, R.W.M., in the chair. Bro. B. Mercer, S.W., Bro. Neal acting, J.W.; F. Craigie, Secretary. The lodge having been duly opened, Bro. Ancell brought before it a case of a brother deceased, when the brethren present subscribed a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of the funeral. The lodge having been raised to the second degree Bros. John Helston Duncan Shaw and Thoma Wilson, were introduced, and at the request of the R.W.M., they were passed to the Fellow Craft degree by Bro. A. Nevay, the work being admirably performed. There being no further business, the lodge was then closed in due form.

GLASGOW.—St. John's Lodge (No. 3).—The members of this lodge celebrated their annual festival by a rip by rail to Dumfries.

There was a goodly muster of the members and their friends. The beauty of the scenery through which they passed took off the idea of the time consumed, while the fraternal greeting and good cheer that awaited them, contributed to make all things pleasant, and after a happy day spent in a truly Masonic style, all returned well pleased, with the knowledge that brotherly love sweetens all the intercourse between brethren, wherever located, and that the right hand of fellowship is always extended to meet a brother on his travels.

LANARK.—St. John's Lodge.—On the 24th of June, this lodge had the pleasure of meeting and welcoming lodges St. Mary Coltness, No. 31, St. John Carluke, No. 187, and Lockhart St. John Garnworth, No. 248, in the Masonic Hall Lanark. After the fraternal greeting the brethren partook of refreshments together, and then proceeded to Bannington to view the falls of Clyde. The storm of the morning had increased the bulk of the water, and this lent an additional charm to the truly romantic spot. The brethren from a distance were well pleased with their excursion, and also with the fraternal welcome they had received at the hands of the Lanark brethren, considering those reunions one of the best means of cementing these ties of brotherly love that should unite all parties of the Masonic fraternity.

GLASGOW.—Cathedral Chapter (No. 67) held their monthly meeting at 22, Struthers-street, on Tuesday, June 23rd, Comp. J. Duthie, Z., presiding. The names of three candidates for exaltation were read, but they were not present, it was resolved in honour of St. John's day, to adjourn for refreshment, and the companions spent two hours very happily together,

GLASGOW.—St. Rollox Chapter (No. 144).—held an emergency meeting on Thursday, June 26th, at their Hall, Garngad-road, Comp. R. Bell, Z., presiding, assisted by Comps. G. McCallum, J.; J. McLeish, H.; D. Reid, Scribe E.; J. Booth, N.; W. Armand, T.; G. W. Wheeler, H. 73, acting 1st. S.; F. Halliday, 2nd S.; J. Appleyard, 3rd S. The chapter having been duly opened by R. Bell, and there being three candidates for exaltation, at the request of the Z., Comp. J. Duthie, Z. of 67, opened a lodge of Excellent Masters, when Bros. J. Aikman, Mills, and Smith, were introduced, and duly initiated into that degree. The chapter was then opened, and these three brethren were properly exalted to the Royal Arch degree. Thanks were voted to Comps. Duthie and Wheeler, for their services on the occasion.

GLASGOW.—Royal Ark Mariners (No. 73).—This body met at 170, Buchanan-street, on Tuesday, June the 23rd. In the unavoidable absence of Bro. J. Balfour, the F.N. of the lodge, Bro. G. W. Wheeler was called on to preside, who proceeded to unmoor the ark, with the assistance of Bro. J. A. Park, J.; G. Macdonald, S.; J. Bannerman as Pilot; Boyd and Oliver, assistants. Applications were received from two distressed mariners, Comps. James Gibson, of Chapter 69, and Wm. MacGregor, of Chapter 73. There being no opposition they were received on board and instructed in the mysteries of this ancient degree by the acting Noah, G. W. Wheeler. Some business of a formal character having been transacted, the ark was again moored in safety.

ST. JOHN'S DAY IN GLASGOW.—Wednesday, June the 24th, being St. John's Day Festival, highly revered by all Scotch Masons, Lodges Union and Crown, Nos. 103 and 219, agreed to celebrate it together by an excursion by water to Arran. Accordingly thus united they chartered that fine Clyde steamer, the Hero, and although the morning was a little unfavourable, the brethren mustered in strong force at eight o'clock, accompanied by their wives, daughters, and sweethearts, to the number of nearly 300. Fortunately the weather cleared up as they passed down the Clyde, and Lambash Bay was reached in safety, everyone pleased with the exertions made by Captain MacIntyre and his crew to ensure their comfort. After a short stroll round the bay, they re-assembled to partake of an excellent dinner, provided in his

accustomed style, by Bro. Middleton. Bro. J. Wilson, R.W.M. of 219, presided, and Bro. J. Bain, P.M. of 103, acted as Croupier; the substantial part of the day's enjoyment having been attended to, some set off to examine the romantic beauties of the island, while others tripped it on the light fantastic toe, to the exhilarating strains of the musicians who had accompanied them, till the setting sun warned them it was time to depart towards the east in search of more light, even if it was artificial light. Notwithstanding the thunderstorm that visited different parts of the coast, our excursionists reached home in perfect safety, well pleased with their days' enjoyment.

CONSECRATION OF THE LEBANON CHAPTER, No. 1326.

On Friday, June 26th, at the Red Lion Hotel, Lion Square, Thames-street, Hampton, another chapter was added to the roll of Royal Arch Freemasonry, in the Province of Middlesex. The ceremonies of consecration and installation were performed in a faultless, energetic and painstaking manner by Comp. Robert Wentworth Little, (Secretary of the Girls' School) P.G.S.E., Middlesex, the officer deputed to do the work.

The chapter was opened by Comps. R. W. Wentworth Little, P.Z., as M.E.Z.; Col. F. Burdett, P.G. M.E.Z., Middlesex, as H.; H. A. Dubois, as J.; with a numerous attendance of Installed Principals. The companions having been marshalled by the Master of the Ceremonies, the veteran Comp F. Walters, P.Z., were duly admitted.

Comp. R. Limpus, P. G. Organist Middlesex, presided at the organ, and gave an excellent selection of music during the consecration.

The Founders, Companions F. Walters, H. A. Dubois, H. Cutress, L. Beck, E. Hopwood, H. Potter, R. Hayward, J. W. Baldwin, S. Gibbs, R. Limpus, and H. J. Green, having declared that they approved of the companions named in the warrant to be the Principals, viz., Comps. John Thomas Moss, P.Z., as M.E.Z.; Samuel Wickens, H.; William Hammond, as J.; the chapter was duly consecrated, Comp. Rev. P. M. Holden, officiating as Chaplain.

That interesting ceremony being ended, the Installation of the Principals was proceeded with, and carried out in an able manner. Before closing the chapter a large number of joining members and candidates were proposed for exaltation.

Comps. R. W. Little, and Colonel F. Burdett, were elected honorary members, after a vote of thanks had been given them for efficient services rendered to the chapter at the ceremonies gone through.

Comp. Samuel Wickens, the newly installed Haggai, was unanimously elected as the Steward to represent this chapter at the Anniversary Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, 1875, and the chapter was then duly closed.

Banquet then followed the arduous work of the afternoon. Some agreeable hours having been spent, the companions then separated, well pleased with this addition to the strength of the province in the Royal Arch Degree. There was a numerous list of visitors, too many to be given in detail.

Mr. Thomas Hughes, in presiding at the recent half-yearly meeting of the Crystal Palace shareholders, called attention to the manifold facts showing that the Palace maintained its reputation as a place of high-class public entertainment, adding that last week's Handel Festival had been the most successful of the series.

The funeral of Bro. Ebenezer Lewis, proprietor and editor of the Brighton and Hove Daily Mail, who died suddenly in his office on Sunday night, from heart disease, took place to-day at the extramural cemetery. There was a large attendance, including many members of the Masonic body, representatives of the Town Council, and journalistic friends,

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It is very necessary for our friends to advise us of all money orders they remit, more especially those from the United States of America, otherwise we cannot tell where to credit them. Several remain uncredited at the present time owing to no advice having been received.

The Freemason,

SATURDAY, JULY 4TH, 1874.

THE ROYAL MASONIC BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION.

We have received at last the official report of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, which contains the list of the successful candidates at the recent election, which list, as we stated in a previous impression, in which it appeared, we took originally from a paid advertisement in a non-Masonic paper. We are especially struck, however, as we think our readers will be when they read it, with one of the resolutions passed at the general meeting of the Institution, May 15th, our gallant and esteemed Bro. Major Creton being in the chair. For there we read these, to us striking words, "resolved that the result of the ballot with the names of the successful candidates be advertised in the *Times*, *Telegraph*, *Advertiser*, *Standard*, and *Daily News*, daily papers, and in the *Era*, Sunday paper." So that as late as May 15th, this very year of light, the existence of *The Freemason*, our one Masonic paper, is utterly ignored, and, we who are Freemasons, are actually debarred from inserting an advertisement of our own Masonic Institution, and of thus announcing officially the result of the election to our numerous readers. When the poor writer Theret was conveyed to the Bastille, he asked the lieutenant in the morning, "Sir, will you have the goodness to tell me why I am here?" "You have a great deal of curiosity indeed," replied the Lieutenant of Police, and retired. And certainly our curiosity is very great indeed to ascertain why such a resolution should be passed, and why we are excluded from all recognition and patronage. We have wearied our brains in endeavouring to discover the answer to this official riddle, and at last we think we have discovered it. It is quite clear to us that the existence of *The Freemason* is still unknown to the excellent officiality of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution. Someday, no doubt, like Rip Van Winkle, and the sleeper awakened, our kind-hearted and energetic Bro. James Terry will realise this most important fact in the natural history of English Freemasonry, and with that activity which ever marks all his actions, will at once proceed to rectify so palpable a mistake. It has

been suggested to us that this resolution of May 15th, is a remnant of red tape. But we reject the covert insinuation, as *that* we know has long since been banished from all our Metropolitan Charities. Seriously having called attention to the subject, we do not think it consonant with our own dignity to say anything more, on what almost assumes a personal aspect. We are content to leave the fact itself to the generous and fraternal appreciation of our brethren. From the first establishment of *The Freemason*, our publisher has given the most liberal and zealous aid to the metropolitan charities, in every way, and which still we shall continue to evince and to encourage, as we hope we know our duty to the Craft too well, either to be affected, or deterred by any want of consideration, or by any abstinence of patronage. We shall endeavour in time to come, as on past occasions, even at considerable cost, to ourselves, to provide Masonic information to those who honour us with their approbation, and no where will the great charities of our Order find more genuine sympathy and support than in the pages of *The Freemason*.

THE IRISH GRAND LODGE.

Though we are not in possession of any official information relative to the recent meeting and Masonic proceedings of this distinguished body; though to us, alas! no favouring breeze of patronage or approval greets us from across the Irish Channel (to use a purely happy and Hibernian expression), we believe we are not wrong in stating, that, the objectionable regulation 133 has been expunged by a large majority. If then we are warranted in saying so much, and we assert it, in all deference, and with all reserve, "pace" our good Bro. Oldham, we must most sincerely congratulate the whole of the Irish Craft on this great proof of discretion, good sense, and true Masonic spirit. No. 133, in its relation to Craft Masonry, is as objectionable to us as No. 666 would be to many of the most fervent adherents of the Irish Grand Lodge, and anything more retrograde as a proposal, or more utterly unmasonic in its scope, we never have yet perused. It was in fact introducing the principles of the Inquisition, into the honest and free-hearted Irish Craft, whereby a Mason might be condemned unheard and undefended, and might forfeit all those Masonic rights and privileges he held most dear, on the secret and irrevocable decision of some irresponsible High Grade Tribunal. What has Craft Masonry to do with High Grade Bodies, or august Chapters of wonderful nomenclature? Above all why should our honest Craft Masonry be affected or weakened by the customs and arrangements of alien associations? Had the Grand Lodge of Ireland proposed to submit any such sentence to the consideration of any of the stated or special meetings as a Court of Appeal, and to have given the brother, inculpated the opportunity of being heard in his own defence, there are grave objections to any such course, though it would, at any rate, have been both understandable and defensible. But to allow an extern body to pass a sentence against a member, and then to

register such a sentence in the books of the Grand Lodge, without question or appeal, was such a backward step in legislation that it could have proceeded from that love of a bull, still prevalent amid the witty denizens of the Emerald Isle, and was, as Sir Boyle Roach would have said, "a systematic proceeding backwards way."

ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

The usual monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Masonic Girls' School was held on Thursday week, at Freemasons' Hall Bro. H. Browse, V.P., occupied the chair, and he was supported by Bros. J. A. Rucker, Thomas W. White, Griffiths Smith, T. Q. Peacock, H. A. Dubois, Richard Spencer, Raynham W. Stewart, Jesse Turner, Major John Creaton, Sigismund Rosenthal, H. Guitierrez, J. G. Marsh, and R. Wentworth Little, Secretary. There was not a great deal of business before the Committee, but what transpired was of considerable importance. In the first place there were eight petitions before the brethren, seven of which being in all respects regular, the petitioners were placed on the list of candidates for election in October. This being the last day for admission on to that list, the list was finally settled, and announced to contain twenty-nine candidates. Vacancies for ten children in the school were declared for the next election, but the Committee, considering the vast increase in the Craft and the great extension of support given to the Freemasons' Girls' School, resolved to recommend to the next Quarterly Committee, which will be held on the 11th inst., that five more girls be elected at the same time, making the number altogether fifteen, admissible at the October election. Some brethren gave notice of various motions at the next Quarterly Committee, and the Committee then adjourned.

On Monday, the Girls from the above School, to the number of nearly 150, were entertained at the Crystal Palace, under the care of the indefatigable Secretary, Bro. Robert Wentworth Little, Miss Davis, and other members of the Institution, the cost being defrayed by the Festival Stewards. The weather being fine the Girls appeared thoroughly to enjoy the day's outing, the Palace and grounds being in splendid condition, the happy countenances and comfortable appearance of the Girls eliciting the unqualified approval of the thousands of visitors who were present, among whom we noticed some staunch friends and supporters of the School. Bros. Joshua Nunn, Rev. P. M. Holden, James Stevens, T. Cubitt, W. Winn, T. W. White, George Kenning, Rev. J. R. Simpson, P.G.C., Paas, Colonel Peters, Henry Muggeridge, Marshall, Mortlock, and many others, most of the brethren being accompanied by their ladies.

MASONIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

I picked up the other day a curious book of Robert Fludd's or Robert de Fluctibus, entitled 'de Macrocismi Historiâ.' It unfortunately wants the title pages. There is a companion volume, which I have not got, which contains his treatise on arithmetic, geometry, and other sciences. Robert Fludd, who also put forth a defence of the "Fraternitatis Rosæ Crucis" is the author "inter alia" of "the Mosaical philosophy" written in Latin and translated by him, which as a MS. note in my book says, "is a very valuable mystical work." By a curious coincidence, I picked up a little book of Latin poetry, by a Jesuit (Colletius or Collet) but which contains the autograph of William Stonehouse. William Stonehouse was in all probability a northern antiquary, as he is called, who sold his museum of Roman antiquities to the celebrated Thorby. Can any brother tell us, of what northern town Stonehouse was.

A. F. A. WOODFORD.

Cultum in Parbo, or Masonic Notes and Queries.

THE ROMAN EAGLE LODGE.

Can Bro. D. M. Lyon help me to any clue to the minutes, or ritual, or papers of the Roman Eagle Lodge, and of Bro. Dr. John Brown?

My object in this query is this.

On the principle of cause and effect, I have always felt persuaded that Krause's Latin so-called York constitution had an original somewhere.

But where is it?

"His" formula may be taken from two, or from three.

But it has always struck me as strange, that, it should be in Latin.

Now is it possible, that, Dr. John Brown, who is said to have put the ritual in Latin, may have put the constitution into Latin also, and added to it from several sources?

Is anything known of what became of Bro. John Brown, who is said to have gone to London about the end of last century from Edinburgh?

A MASONIC STUDENT.

BRO. WILLIAM PRESTON.

I have been looking into W. Preston's Bibliography, and have thought well, to call the attention of some of my fellow archaeological students to one or two notes and queries.

First of all where was Preston initiated?

Stephen Jones seems to say on authority, in what was practically an "Antient lodge," and which was afterwards warranted by the Grand Lodge, and was called the "Caledonian Lodge."

Where are the minutes of that lodge?

In a short and well written memoir in the "Bibliographical Magazine," to which my attention has been called by my obliging and able Bro. P.M. Wm. Cowling at York, this fact seems to be doubted, and Edinburgh is suggested as the possible place of his initiation.

Surely at the very outset of one's attempt to put together a reliable and satisfactory biography of the "father of Masonic History," we can ascertain that fact without a doubt, or the shadow of a doubt.

Bro. Stephen Jones seems to speak positively on the subject, but yet when you come to analyze his statements, you see at once, that, he is after all somewhat indistinct.

Where can I see a copy of the pamphlet, privately printed, but not published, in which Preston defends his position in the "Antiquity" controversy?

A. F. A. WOODFORD.

THE OLDEST HALIFAX MASONIC POEM.

Whatever the merits or demerits of the composition may be, it is certainly the first Masonic poem written by a Halifax Mason, and as far as known, it may be the oldest Masonic poem written in North America. I discovered it in a newspaper, and I believe it is unique. It illustrates the fact about the origin of Masonry in Nova Scotia, which I made known in former numbers of your journal. The writer was evidently dazzled with the handiwork of the colonists, when viewing the wooden huts which they raised in so short a time to shelter about five thousand human beings, and we may well pardon his indulging in the imagination, that in the course of a hundred years, Halifax would rival, in grand structures, both Greece and ancient Italy. I shall only add, that the poem is certainly a curiosity, and for this reason alone it deserves reprinting.

JACOB NORTON.

AN ADDRESS TO THE MASONS AT HALIFAX. BY A BROTHER.

When first from Nothing at the Almighty's call,
Came this unbounded, this stupendous ALL;
And that the Heavens and Earth's Foundation laid,
Were by unerring Wisdom perfect made;
Beauty and Strength in due proportion joyn'd,
To harmonize the particles combin'd;
In various Life th' unnumbered myriads rise,
Peopling the Earth, the Ocean, and the Skies;
But man, created last, tho' first in Worth,
Was made the Lord and Sovereign o'er the Earth;

After his Maker's Image form'd, his Mind
For more superior Knowledge was design'd ;
But Disobedience wrought his hap'less Fall,
And sore defac'd the fair Original.
Hence Science as his Progeny arose,
More difficult, the lovely Arts disclose ;
And first in Architecture's charms unskill'd,
Taught by Necessity they rudely build,
By slow Degrees, towns in some Order rise,
'Till tow'ring Babel's Builders threat the Skies,
And wrought Confusion by their Vanities.
At length directed by Heaven's Architect,
Great *Solomon* a Temple doth erect
Surpassing ev'ry Structure fair in Fame,
As its wise Founder, every other Name ;
Fehova's self inhabited the shrine,
And marked the consecrated Work Divine.
To raise this Dome, arose from distant Parts
The *Æmulous*, and Excellent in Arts ;
But he whose Skill was most superlative,
From whom our sacred Secrets we derive,
The most compleat *Mechanick* known to fame
Needless, to tell you *Brethren* his *Name*,
Engrav'd Life's figuring Imag'ry most true,
Wrought Linnen fine, in purple, scarlet, blue ;
Skilful to work in metal, timber, stone,
And made the Circle of the Arts his own.
May his all perfect *Precepts* which we boast,
Prove efficacious to this Foreign Coast ;
Those sacred, solemn Secrets we adore,
Enjoy from sure Traditions of our own,
Inspire us, who the glorious Title bear
Masons, (priviledg'd by the Badge we wear)
With all Mankind upon the Square to live,
And in a level Course of Practice strive
That ev'ry action may be so upright
It wou'd not shame, nor need not shun the
Light ;

And may our *Halifax* which now appears
To all who view, the Work of many Years,
And from a Chaos may be justly said,
In decent Form to rear its Tow'ring Head ;
May it in future Time, in Structure's Vie,
With antient Greece, or famous Italy ;
That when our Progeny admiring ask,
Who first design'd, and plann'd this arduous
task ?

Which in the Compass of a hundred years,
So *Lofty*, *Beauteous*, and *Superb* appears ;
Their *Sires* may say C—W—S., was the man
Who this extensive *City* first began ;
Be not amaz'd its Progress was so fast,
And grew so great with surprising hast ;
What cou'd not be expected he shou'd do,
A G—V—R so just, and M—S—N true.

Copied from the *Boston Weekly News*, August,
22, 1751.

C—W—S means Cornwallis, G—V—R
Governor, M—S—N Ma-on.

Ireland.

INSTALLATION OF R. W. LORD VIS- COUNT BERNARD AS PROV. G.M.

The ceremonial of installing Lord Viscount Bernard as P.G.M. took place at the Masonic Hall, Turkey-street, in the presence of a large number of the brethren. The lodge was opened by the Right Worshipful Anderson Cooper, D.P.G.M. of Munster, who officiated in the absence of R.W. Bro. Shekleton, D.G.M. of Ireland, from whom a telegram had been received regretting his inability to be present. The order of the proceedings was then as follows :—The Provincial Grand Secretary, V.W. Bro. R. Walker, having read the circular convening the meeting, read also the Grand Master's patent appointing R. W. Bro. Lord Viscount Bernard, as P.G.M. of the Province of Munster. The popular young nobleman was then received at the porch, and conducted to the pedestal by the Deacons, Bros. James Hackett, and R. W. Doherty, where he was presented as the newly elected P.G.M. to the presiding officer, and then placed in the chair. After the charge came the procession, and such a large number of the brethren attended that only a portion of them were able to take part in it. The following ode was sung, and the musical arrangement had a very fine effect :—

Hail ! Masonry divine—
Glory of ages shine !
Long mayest thou reign !
Where'er thy lodges stand,
May they have great command,
And always grace the land—
Thou Art divine !

Great fabrics still arise,
And grace the azure skies—
Great are thy schemes :
Thy noble orders are
Matchless beyond compare,
No art with those can share—
Thou Art divine !

Hiram, the architect,
Did all the craft direct
How they should build.
Sol'mon, great Israel's king,
Did mighty blessings bring,
And left us cause to sing —
Hail ! Royal Art.

The P.G.M. was then proclaimed by the D.P.G.M.M., and grand honours having been given he delivered an appropriate address. The Prov. Grand Sec. next read the patent of appointment of R. W. Bro. A. Cooper as D.P.G.M.M., who was saluted with grand honours. Bro. Cooper addressed the lodge, and the Provincial Grand Lodge of Munster was then closed in ancient form. The Provincial Grand Officers present on the occasion were :—Anderson Cooper, D.P.G.M.M. ; Francis Guy, Acting P.S.G.W. ; R. Walker, P.G. Sec., Acting P. J. G. W. ; J. W. M'Mullen, P.G.T. ; Rev. Arundel Hill, P.G., Chaplain ; James Hackett, P.G.S.D. ; R. W. Doherty, P. G. J. D. ; R. St. Leger, Atkins, and G. C. Edwards, P. G., Stewards ; Dr. J. C. Marks, P. G. Organist ; Henry Drury, P. G. I. G. The musical portion of the ceremonial was directed by Dr. C. Marks, and added largely to their impressive character. Nothing could have surpassed the admirable manner in which the installation was carried out, and the brethren present had reason to be thoroughly delighted. Not a little of the success was due to the fact that Bro. Walker acted as Prov. Grand Director of the Ceremonies. The following brethren were present on the occasion :—J. B. Sandford, Richard Meara, Dr. Richard White, W. M. ; George Wills, A. H. Shaw, J. J. Kemp, H. J. Daniels, R. C. Mason, W. S. Campbell, Dr. Luther, Robert Denny, D. De Courcey M'Gillicuddy, W. Carr, Robert Howard, W. H. Daunt, F. J. Byford, John S. Austen, J. Lloyd, Francis Gannon, Dr. E. Appelbe, E. Oliffe, Joseph Kildahl, H. L. Tivy, T. Ware, T. H. Jermyn, H. Kingston, F. D. Richards, J. W. C. Barry, H. C. Edwards, Val. Tomkins, G. Simpson, S. Rogers, Dr. Grattan, J. Laffan, W. Spencer, Rev. John H. Cole, Capt. Holroyd, Rev. E. H. Newenham, G. Newenham, J. G. Hare, W. R. Oddie, J. Hampton, W. Beck, J. N. Graves, Holmes R. Crofts, W. H. Newenham, W. Penros, Dr. E. R. Townsend, jun. ; Joseph Radcliffe, N. Jackson, John Langlands, P. F. Hunt, Robt. N. O. Harrington, J. R. Gillman, F. Buck, A. Payne, W. E. Gumbleton, Dr. Bricknell, R. B. Evans, J. Chapman, George Babbage, C. M. Munckton, H. H. Townsend, E. C. Dawson, W. H. Smith, W. D. Stephens, O. S. Murray, Francis Campbell, W. G. Lane, J. Bloomer.

In the evening the provincial grand banquet was given at the Protestant Hall, it being the festival of St. John. The hall was appropriately decorated, and there was a large attendance of the brethren. The list of toasts was exceedingly appropriate, and a feature in the proceedings was the institution of responses after each toast, which had each a particular bearing on the subject with which it was connected. These selections were culled from different sources by the talented P. G. Organist, Dr. Marks, and were sung with effect by the assembled company, who were also enlivened with solos, duetts, and glees, by some well known amateurs. The following was the programme of toasts and music :—

The Queen.
"God save the Queen"

H. R. H. The Prince of Wales,
The Patron of the Order in Ireland.
Response—"Solomon, Great Israel's King."
Song and Chorus—"God bless the Prince of
Wales," Richards.

The M. W. the Grand Master (the Duke of
Leinster) of Ireland.

Response—"Worthy Masons all."

Duett—"The Army and Navy," Cooke.
The Grand Masters of England and Scotland.
Glee—"Come silent evening," De Call.

R. W. Lord Viscount Bernard, the P.G. Master
of Munster.

Response—"Prosper the Art."

Song—"Laughing Annabel," Hobson.

R. W. Anderson Cooper, D.P.G.M.,
And Prosperity to the Craft in the Province of
Munster.

Song and Chorus—"The good Rhine wine."
All True and Accepted Masons of all Regular
Lodges throughout the Globe.

Glee—"The Chafers," Truhn.

Our Newly Initiated Brethren.

Response—"Join all in harmony."

Song—"Thou art so near," Reichart.

The Masonic Orphan Schools.

Increase to their means, and decrease to their
objects.

Song—"Thou art dreaming," Crilly.

Senior Warden's Toast.

Response—"Prosper the Art."

Serenade—"Should the chances of life."

Junior Warden's Toast.

Song—"A father's love," Macfarren.

The Visiting Brethren.

Response—"Worthy Masons all."

Chorus—"Ye Brethren of the Ancient Craft,"
Callcott.

The banquet was supplied by Mr. Phillips,
King-street, in his usual excellent style, and the
wines, which were of the finest vintage, were
provided by Mr. John Morgan Smyth.

GRAND LODGE OF NEW YORK.

The Annual Communication of the Grand
Lodge of New York, just closed, was one of
the largest ever held, notwithstanding the de-
crease in the number of Representatives under
the new Constitution. Nearly 700 Lodges were
represented. Bro. Christopher G. Fox, Grand
Master, delivered an able address. The *New
York Dispatch* publishes this address in full.
We give the following, which embodies some
matters of general interest :

"The Constitution and Statutes adopted at
the last Annual Communication have proved
well adapted to the wants of the Fraternity, and,
in the main, are satisfactory to the Craft ; but
are somewhat defective, and require, to some
extent, careful revision in order to secure the
best effects from their administration.

"The provisions relating to the penalty for
the non-payment of dues, and those in regard to
unaffiliation, restoration to membership, and
dismissal, require such modifications as will
result in a consistent course of action in accord-
ance with Masonic usage, and at the same time
protect the interests of the subordinate bodies,
the rights of their members, and those of
unaffiliated Masons as well.

"The imposition of Lodge dues, admittedly a
resource of modern times, is nevertheless a
necessity that none will question ; as, without
the revenues derived therefrom Lodges could
not be properly sustained and their works of
charity continued, unless resort was had to the
requirement of excessive fees for initiation, which
in effect would restrict the privileges of the
Fraternity to the wealthy alone, or lead to the
indiscriminate admission of members on the
payment of a considerable sum, for the sake of
the money thus produced—a result that would
materially weaken the institution, and tend to
destroy its influence, power, and dignity. The
Grand Lodges on this continent, with scarcely
an exception, permit their subordinates to exact
from their members quarterly or annual dues,
and provide a penalty for their non-payment ;
but this provision is not uniform as to its terms,
and while the punishment is light in some
jurisdictions, in others the offence involves the
most severe punishment known to Masonry.

"The refusal or neglect to pay dues, when there is ability to discharge the obligation, indicates a want of integrity, and is a clear violation of a solemn compact; and in either case deserves the condemnation of all just men, and ought, in common fairness to the faithful and diligent Craftsmen, to subject the delinquent to a deprivation of certain privileges. My opinion is that the just penalty for the non-payment of lodge dues should be *suspension* from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, save that of charity (for that right is derived from a higher than the written law, and, in its application, the Masonic teaching recognizes no distinction among Masons). This penalty should only be inflicted in accordance with safeguards established by the Grand Lodge, and should continue until removed by the payment of the amount due at the time of suspension.

"That provision of the Constitution relating to unaffiliated brethren, is too sweeping in its restrictions. Brethren who have been honourably discharged from membership in lodges of our own or other jurisdictions, are justly entitled to the privileges of Masonry, if they desire to accept and discharge the duties which it imposes; and I recommend such a change in our present law as will recognise the claims, under proper restrictive regulations, of such brethren as may be necessarily affiliated for the time being. In regard to the terms of the law regulating dismission, I recommend such a modification of its provisions as will permit a discharge of membership, and the issue of the necessary certificate of the fact, to such brethren as may have removed from the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, as it is a requirement in almost all other jurisdictions that the certificate of dimitt shall accompany the petition for affiliation. In many instances this regulation, as applied to the restriction relative to granting dimitts contained in the law of this jurisdiction, has occasioned much annoyance and inconvenience.

"The rapid increase of ephemeral societies during the past few years has occasioned a demand in many localities for the use of Masonic apartments for their meetings. During the past year frequent applications were made in behalf of Lodges, for permission to rent their rooms to other associations; and while not refusing permission, except in cases where Lodge rooms had been solemnly dedicated, I could only reply that the Grand Lodge had no regulation on the subject, probably for the reason that it contemplated no such employment for Masonic apartments, and that a Lodge ought to have a sufficient degree of pride in its connection with our ancient and honoured Fraternity to refuse, for the sake of the few dollars it would gain, to allow the use of its rooms for any but Masonic purposes. Much contention and ill feeling has grown out of the practice, and it is recommended that a regulation on the subject be proposed for incorporation in the statutes, so that in the future, Lodges may act and govern themselves accordingly."

Bro. James M. Austin, M.D., Grand Secretary, presented his twenty-first report, from which the following statistics are taken: Receipts of the Grand Lodge for the year ending April 30, 61,896.54 dols. Lodges granted warrants, 17; dispensations issued for the formation of new Lodges, 15, namely, Allemania, Brooklyn; Social Friendship, New Baltimore, Green county; Star of Cuba, New York; *Moi-Monides* New York; Pentalpha, New York; Stuyvesant, New York; Fordham, N. York; Sanctorium, Brooklyn; Lincoln, New York; Fellowship, Rensselaer Falls, St. Lawrence County; Shakspeare, New York; La Universal, Brooklyn; Naphthali, New York; Justice, New York; Noar, Knowersville, Albany County. Number of lodges marking returns during the year, 682; number of lodges incorporated under general act during the year, 12; reports received from American Grand Lodges, 45; reports received from foreign Grand Lodges, 13. The following figures give the standing of the order in the State for the year: Initiations, 5,300; affiliations, 1,000; whole number registered, 6,300; dimitted, 1,777; expelled, 49; suspended, 25; stricken from roll for non-payment of dues, 2,840; restored, 352; died, 945; net increase of membership, 1,016; total number of Masons in the

State, 79,849. In closing his report, Bro. Austin referred feelingly to his twenty-one years' service, and gave some interesting facts concerning the standing of the Fraternity now as compared with the time that he first took the office of Secretary.

Bro. James M. Austin, from the Committee on the Hall and Asylum Fund, presented the annual report, as follows: Receipts from all sources, loans, donations, &c., for the year, 273,396.72 dols. of which sum has been paid out but 1,451.72 dols. The amount expended thus far in the purchase of the property and the construction of the new Temple is 932,757.40 dols. and the indebtedness is 352,710 dols. The subscriptions to the two years' loan amount to 89,990 dols. and to the five years' loan to 4,209 dols. A vote of thanks was tendered by the trustees of the fund, to M. W. Bro. Simons and W. Bro. Barker for services.

Bro. James E. Morrison, the Executive Committee of the late Masonic Fair, held in N. Y. city, presented a supplementary and final report, from which it was shown that the total receipts of the fair were 59,921.45 dols. and the net proceeds 44,793 dols.

The election for Grand Officers resulted as follows:

Bro. Ellwood, E. Thorne, Grand Master; Bro. James W. Austed, Dep. Grand Master; Bro. Jesse B. Anthony, Senior Grand Warden; Bro. Levi M. Gano, Junior Grand Warden; Bro. John W. Simons, Grand Treasurer; Bro. James M. Austin, M.D., Grand Secretary.

An amendment to allow no Masonic labour to be done on Sunday, except the burial of a Mason, was adopted; also, an amendment which makes Section 49 of the statutes read thus:

"A lodge shall have the power to enact a by-law which shall provide a penalty for the non-payment of Lodge dues, which penalty shall be unaffiliation; but such penalty shall not be inflicted except for the non-payment of at least two years' dues, nor until the brother shall have been duly summoned thirty days previous, to pay said two years' dues, or show cause why he should not be adjudged an unaffiliate for such non-payment. If within said time he shall show that through indigence he is not able to pay the same and support his family, no penalty shall be inflicted during the continuance of such indigence, unless by a unanimous vote of his Lodge. Any such unaffiliated brother may be restored to membership by a unanimous vote of the members present, and voting at a stated communication, provided he shall pay the amount due at the time of such unaffiliation."

An amendment was also passed allowing unaffiliates to be received without fee; also one providing that "one who shall remain an unaffiliated Mason in this jurisdiction, for one year or more, shall not be allowed to visit a Masonic Lodge, or join in a Masonic procession, nor be entitled to receive Masonic relief or burial."

A petition was presented against the use of certain sectarian expressions in the ritual. Resolutions upon this subject have been presented year after year for several years, without effect. The petition was referred to the committee on work and Lectures.

The Committee on work and lectures, to whom was referred the petition referred to, reported in favour of striking out the sectarian expressions in the ritual. The report was laid on the table.

After the installation of Bro. Ellwood E. Thorne as Grand Master of Masons of New York the Grand Lodge closed in ample form.

FREEMASONRY IN NEW ZEALAND.

The installation of officers of the Pacific Lodge No. 1229, E.C., was held at the Masonic Hall, Revell-street, Hokitika, New Zealand, on Tuesday evening, February 3rd.

The following brethren were duly installed, viz.—Bros. F. Eisfelder, W.M.; J. Branwell, S.W.; W. Ramsay, J.W.; C. E. Linneman, Treasurer (re-elected); W. D. Banks, Secretary; C. Hill, S.D.; M. Pollock, J.D.; G. Benning, I.G.; G. Epping, Tyler.

After the minutes had been confirmed, the Treasurer's balance-sheet was read and adopted, showing a credit balance of over £400, besides assets valued at £250.

The installation ceremonies were conducted in a most eloquent and impressive manner by the R.W.D.G.M., Bro. Lazar, who, notwithstanding his advancing years, seemed to have increased his powers of rendering still more effective the beautiful charges of this truly elaborate ceremony, whilst at the same time thoroughly impressing his hearers with the importance of attaching themselves more zealously than ever to their noble work. The R.W.D.G. Master also complimented the members upon the flourishing condition of the lodge; stating his belief that there were but few lodges even in England, that were either worked in a more able manner or maintained such a position, or had proved themselves more worthy of a conspicuous place in the records of the Craft than the Pacific Lodge, Hokitika, and more particularly so when the large amount of money spent during the past twelve months, in that most laudable of all Masonic purposes, charity, was taken into consideration, for he was pleased to notice that that great virtue had been exercised even beyond the Craft, viz., in giving subscriptions to the hospitals, and other cases of public distress.

After the lodge was closed, the brethren adjourned to the Empire Hotel, and partook of a sumptuous banquet; about 60 brethren sat down to table. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to, many excellent speeches relating to the advancement of the time honoured Craft were made, and occasion was taken by Bro. P.M. Bevan, and Bro. J. P. Klem to refer to the very fraternal reception recently accorded them by the Masons of Nelson whilst on a visit there, and when the toast was given "Success to the Southern Star Lodge of Nelson," it was received in a most enthusiastic manner, and drank in bumpers.

After the last and sacred toast was given, the brethren separated, feeling that they had once more strengthened that fraternal bond of union which is at once the glory and cape stone of that ancient and honourable institution—Freemasonry.

It is a pleasant fact to have to record that, notwithstanding the very praiseworthy example recently set by the Great City Lodge of London, respecting banquets, the Pacific Lodge adopted many years ago the plan of not allowing the lodge funds to be used for convivial purposes, as it was then, and is still, considered totally at variance with the intent and teachings of the sacred cause of Masonry. The result has in every way proved a success, for the brethren are no less warm in their fraternal greetings, nor is the lodge less well attended, but otherwise; and last, though not least, its best desires never languish for want of funds when the practical test is required to be applied.

FREEMASONRY IN SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—The installation of the recently elected W.M., and the investiture of the officers of the Lodge of Good Hope, No. 833, took place at the lodge. There was a large attendance of brethren upon the occasion, and everything passed off very satisfactorily. Bro. C.T. Wheelwright, I.P.M., was the Installing Master, and performed the interesting ceremony in a highly creditable manner. He was assisted by Bro. S. Bain, P.M., and Bro. J. Bell, W.M., and there were also present during the evening P.M. Bros. J. C. Kemsley, E. Tonks, and Nettleton. The following now constitute the officials of the lodge—Bro. E. R. Smyth, W.M., Secretary; Bro. G. Madge, S.W.; S. Alabaster, J.W.; Bro. W. Philips, Treasurer; Bro. C. R. Whinfield, Secretary; Bro. Miller, S.D.; Bro. Proctor, J.D.; Bros. Holmes and Probert, Stewards; Bro. Jas. Grubb, I.G.; Bro. Morley, O.G. Due honours having been paid to the newly-installed Master, and the lodge closed, the brethren adjourned to the banquetting room, where an excellent respast had been most tastefully laid out by Mr. Fox, of the Club. To this full justice was done. The usual loyal and

Masonic toasts were then given, immediately following, which Bro. Wheelwright proposed, the health of the newly-installed W.M. In doing so he spoke in highly eulogistic terms of the enthusiasm which Bro. Smyth had always displayed in regard to Freemasonry, and referred to the many services he had rendered to the Craft. The toast was well received, and neatly responded to. Other complimentary toasts followed, which being interspersed with songs, a very enjoyable evening was spent by all present, and throughout the greatest harmony characterised the proceedings.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WORCESTERSHIRE.

The annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons for the Province of Worcestershire was held on the 23rd ult., in the Corn Exchange, Stourbridge, and a very numerous gathering of brethren took place. A Master Masons' Lodge was opened by Bro. R. Broomhall, W.M., Lodge Stability, 564, and shortly afterwards the Provincial Grand Master, the Right Worshipful Bro. Albert Hudson Royds, and the officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge entered the lodge room in procession. The P.G.M. having taken the chair was greeted with the usual honours, and then proceeded to open the Provincial Grand Lodge in due form.

The minutes of the Prov. Grand Lodge, held at Kidderminster, on Tuesday, the 24th of June, and of the special meeting at Worcester, on Wednesday, the 8th of April, were respectively read and confirmed.

The Prov. Grand Secretary next called the muster roll, when it was found that every lodge in the province was represented except the St. Michael's Lodge, 1097.

The Prov. Grand Treasurer's accounts having been duly audited, the balance declared was ordered to be recorded on the minutes.

Wor. Bro. Masefield, Deputy Prov. Grand Master, and Bro. Richard Smith, P.P.S.G.W., then moved that Bro. C. C. Whitney Griffiths, P.M. of the Worcester Lodge, 280, and P.P.S.G.W., be re-elected Prov. Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year. The motion was carried unanimously.

The P.G.M. then appointed his officers for the ensuing year as follows:—

J. Rutland	Prov. G.S.W.
W. H. Westwood	Prov. G.J.W.
Rev. W. R. Cosens	Prov. G. Chaplain.
H. G. Goldingham	Prov. G. Registrar.
C. C. Whitney Griffiths ...	Prov. G. Treas.
W. Bristow	Prov. G. Sec.
G. Grosvenor	Prov. G. S.D.
E. T. Wright	Prov. G. J.D.
R. Broomhall	Prov. G. S. of W.
J. Stokes	Prov. G. Dir. of C.
A. A. Sylvester	Prov. G. A.D.C.
G. T. Bloomer	Prov. G. S.B.
T. Troman	Prov. G. Organist.
E. A. Broome	Prov. G. Purst.
C. Williams, T. Fisher, J. Foley, J. T. Thompson, C. Blunstone, and F. Perks ...	Prov. G. Stwds.
J. Stanley	Prov. G. Tyler.

At this stage of the proceedings Bro. Goldingham, by desire of the Prov. Grand Master, advanced to the dais, and the P.G.M., in complimentary terms, referred to the handsome and hospitable reception and entertainment accorded to the Freemasons of the Province by Bro. Goldingham, as Mayor of Worcester, on the occasion of the re-opening of Worcester Cathedral in April last. The P.G.M. expressed the great pleasure he felt in appointing Bro. Goldingham to the office of Prov. Grand Registrar, and at the same time of presenting him with a Grand Registrar's gold jewel, in recognition of his Masonic spirit as displayed on the occasion referred to. The jewel bore the following inscription:—"Presented on the 23rd June, 1874, by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire to Bro. Goldingham as a *souvenir* of the 8th April, 1864, when, as Mayor of the 'Faithful City,' he kindly entertained the Provincial Grand Lodge on the re-opening of Worcester Cathedral."

The presentation of the jewel gave marked satisfaction to all present, and Bro. Goldingham suitably acknowledged the receipt of it.

The Prov. Grand Master intimated that since the meeting at Worcester, in April, he had thought proper to order a brass plate referring to the Masonic window in the north transept of the Worcester Cathedral, and this plate had, with the concurrence of the Dean, been placed on the wall in a suitable position below the Masonic window. It bore an inscription which recorded the circumstances connected with the presentation of the window.

Bro. Johnson, W.M. 259, then on behalf of his lodge extended an invitation to the Prov. Grand Lodge to hold their next meeting, in June, 1875, at Worcester. The invitation was accepted.

With respect to the handsome collection made at the church, one moiety of the sum was voted to the St. Thomas's National Schools, and the other moiety to the Old Swinford Church Schools.

The Prov. Grand Lodge was then closed in due form, and according to immemorial custom.

On leaving the Grand Lodge the brethren formed in procession, and went to the parish church of St. Thomas, where a sermon of striking ability, power, and appropriateness was preached by the Rev. Dr. Cosens, Vicar of Dudley, the Prov. Grand Chaplain, from 1st Gen. Ep. of John, iv. 21—"And this commandment have we from Him that he who loveth God loves his brother also."

The brethren, on leaving the church, repaired to the Talbot Hotel, where a banquet was admirably served, over which the Prov. Grand Master presided, the vice-chairs being filled by Bros. Rutland and Westwood.

The Prov. Grand Master, after the banquet, gave the following toasts:—"The Queen and the Craft;" "The Prince and Princess of Wales and the rest of the Royal Family;" "The Most Honourable the Marquess of Ripon, Worshipful Grand Master of England;" "The Right Honourable the Earl of Carnarvon, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of England, and the Officers of Grand Lodge, present and past."

Bro. C. C. Whitney Griffiths gave "The Right Worshipful Bro. Albert Hudson Royds, Provincial Grand Master of Worcestershire," whose zeal he fittingly eulogised.

The P.G.M. appropriately responded.

The remaining toasts were—"The Worshipful Bro. William Masefield, Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Worcestershire, and the other Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, present and past;" "The Worshipful Masters of the Lodges in the Province;" "The Visitors;" "The Provincial Grand Stewards;" and "The Tyler's Toast."

During the evening admirable songs were sung by Bros. J. Gutteridge, G. P. Priddy and others, who were accompanied on the pianoforte by Bro. Troman with consummate skill.

Ancient and Accepted Rite.

BOLTON.—*St. Peter's Chapter Rose Croix*.—The annual meeting of this young and flourishing chapter was held on Saturday, 20th June, at Freemasons' Hall, Bolton. The chapter was opened by S. P. Entwisle, M.W.S., assisted by his officers. After the minutes were read and confirmed, and the ballot taken for several candidates, the M.W.S. announced the next business was the installation of the M.W.S. elect, Ill. Bro. C. F. Matier, 30°, for which purpose he requested Ill. Bro. C. J. Barnsted, 33°, to take the chair. That Ill. brother, who is now Deputy Inspector for the Northern Counties, having been saluted in due form, then assumed the throne, and Ill. Bro. Matier was presented by Ill. Bro. G. P. Brockbank, 31°, and Thos. Entwisle, 18°, Past M.W.S. Ill. Bro. Bannister, 33°, with all the customary solemnity, then installed Bro. Matier in the supreme chair of the chapter, and in a most impressive manner delivered the charges to the newly installed Sovereign, and the brethren. Bro. Matier appointed the following as his officers for the ensuing year: Dr. J. D. Moore, 31°, First Gen.; Robert Harwood, 18°, Second Gen.; Rev. E. J. Bolling, 30°, Pre-

late; Rev. Philip Hains, 18°, Asst. Prelate; J. Martin Rutter, 18°, Grand Marshal; J. W. Taylor, 18°, Raphael; Thos. Morris, 18°, Recorder; G. B. Brockbank, 31°, Treasurer; Reginald Young, 18°, Herald; J. E. Hall, 18°, C. of G.; T. Wilson, 18°, D.C.; and Walker, serving Bro., Equerry. Bro. Matier then presented to Bro. Entwisle the very handsome jewel which had been unanimously voted for his services as M.W.S., and thanked him for his great services to the chapter, whose prosperity had been greatly owing to Bro. Entwisle. The Past M.W.S. thanked the brethren for the honour of the jewel, and assured them that whether in or out of office he would always esteem it a high privilege to be able to assist the M.W.S. in the discharge of his high and important trust. A unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Ill. Bro. C. J. Bannister, 33°, for his kindness in undertaking a long journey purposely to instal the M.W.S. There being no further business before the meeting, the chapter was closed in ancient form with solemn prayer. The brethren then adjourned to the refectory, where a sumptuous banquet awaited them, to which ample justice was done. After the cloth was drawn, the customary toasts were proposed by Bro. Matier, who presided, and special honour was paid to the 33°, and their representative Bro. Bannister, Deputy Ins. Gen. The next toast was "The Health of the M.W.S., Bro. Matier" and was proposed most eloquently by Illus. Bro. Bannister, who congratulated the chapter on having obtained the services of so zealous and accomplished a Mason, who was so eminently distinguished for his thorough knowledge of ceremonial and ritual, and who had been rewarded by high honours in other degrees in which he took an interest. On rising to respond Bro. Matier was received with cordial warmth and applause by the brethren. He said, let me thank you sincerely, illustrious and excellent brethren, for that continued kindness on your part, which to night has reached its culminating point, in placing me in the chair of Most Wise Sovereign, and let me ask you to extend to me, during my year of office, that same indulgence and support that my illustrious predecessors in the chair have received from your hands. There is but one way by which we can ensure the prosperity of the chapter, and that is by unity of thought and purpose, and I am perfectly certain that with the assistance and advice of our past Sovereign, and that support which I now bespeak from you individually and collectively I shall at the termination of my period of office, be able to hand over the warrant to my successor with no decrease of that splendour it now possesses. By the earnest attention of my officers to our beautiful ritual, we shall be able to retain for our chapter that proud distinction it already bears, of being second to none in the northern counties of England, and I can assure you, on my own part, nothing shall be left undone in promoting the harmony and prosperity of the chapter. I thank you all, and especially our good Bro. Bannister, who in this Order fills the place of Provincial Grand Master, and has travelled some distance to install me, for which kindness I am not ungrateful. Brethren, I ask you to drink to "the continued success of the chapter." "The Health of the Past M.W. Sov." was then enthusiastically received, and responded to by Bro. Thomas Entwisle. Other toasts followed, and the brethren separated at an early hour. Besides those brethren already mentioned we observed S. P. Clarke Shortis, W. C. Gilles, Longman, Phillips, Chapter, Lancaster; Wood, Liverpool; and many others.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—A great and precious property possessed by Holloway's inestimable remedies is that no skill or experience is required for their successful administration. No education or intelligence is necessary for using them to advantage, beyond the capacity of understanding the plain and intelligible instructions accompanying each box and pot. For the cure of all internal or external ailments, Professor Holloway has considerably placed such printed rules round his remedies, that error is impossible after they have been once read with attention. In these Pills there is nothing nauseous to the taste or trying to the most tender age or delicate constitution; they purify, regulate, and strengthen the entire human system.—ADVT.

Masonic Tidings.

The Quarterly Convocation of the Metropolitan College of the Rosicrucian Society will be held at the Royal Masonic Hall, 63, Regent-street, on Thursday, 9th inst., at 5.30. A paper on Rosicrucian Vitality will be read by Frater Kenneth R. H. Mackenzie.

French Freemasonry has lost one of its most active members in the person of A. Perriot, for 32 years Master and member of the Lodge of Sincerity, Perfect Union, and Constant Friendship, Orient de Besançon, His funeral was largely attended by his brethren and fellow citizens.

The Earl of Dalhousie, M.W.P.G. Master for Scotland, is reported to be seriously ill. Shortly after returning to Brechin Castle from the Bridge of Dun, where he had been to see the Queen, on her way south, his lordship was seized with a bilious attack of a nature from which his lordship had never previously suffered. The symptoms, having lasted over Wednesday and Thursday, grew so alarming on Friday that Dr. Watson was telegraphed for from Edinburgh, and he arrived on Saturday.

Original Correspondence.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for, or even as approving of, the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play to all, to permit—within certain necessary limits—free discussion.—Ed.]

BRO. HUGHAN'S CHALLENGE.

To the Editor of the Freemason.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I am highly pleased to see that the brethren who have recently, in *The Freemason*, (and in Masonic papers abroad) made statements respecting the existence of degrees beyond the "third" and of rituals of the Craft, prior to the last century, are now challenged by so competent a brother as your correspondent, William James Hughan, to prove their assertions, and I hope that after the friendly discussion, your able contributors, Bros. the Rev. A. F. A. Woodford, M.A., J. Findel, D. Murray, Lyon, Dr. Albert B. Mackay, S. Hertzfeld, Clifford, McCallor, Jacob Norton, W. F. Buchan, Charles E. Meyer, and other Masonic Students will give their opinions on the points in dispute, so that the readers of *The Freemason* may be informed as to the general views held at the present time by well informed Masons, and as in duty bound the writer will ever pray, &c.

"REVIRESCO" (S.C.)

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the Week ending Friday, July 10, 1874.

The Editor will be glad to receive notice from Secretaries of Craft Lodges, Royal Arch Chapters, Mark Lodges, Preceptories, Conclaves, &c., of any change in place or time of meeting.

Saturday, July 4.

General Committee Boys' School, at 4.
Knight Templar Preceptory 127, Bard of Avon, Hampton Court.

Manchester Lodge of Instruction (179), Yorkshire Grey, 77, London-street, Fitzroy-square, at 8; Bro. H. Ash, Preceptor.

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

Star Lodge of Instruction (1275), Marquis of Granby New Cross-road, at 7; Bro. C. G. Dilley, Preceptor.

Monday, July 6.

Lodge 16, Royal Alpha, Willis's Room, St. James's.

" 1319, Asaph, Freemasons' Hall.

" 1412, La Iberia, Hill-rd., St. John's-wood.

Chap. 28, Old King's Arms, Freemasons' Hall.

Mark Lodge 139, Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham.

Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction (1445), Lord Stanley Tavern, Saundringham-road, Kingsland, at 7; Bro. T. Austin, Preceptor.

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. Gathell, Preceptor.

British Oak Lodge of Instruction (813), 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.

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

Metropolitan Mark Lodge of Instruction, Coach and Horses Hotel, 323, Strand, at 8.

Tuesday, July 7.

Colonial Board at 3.

Lodge 171, Amity, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.

" 1257, Grosvenor, Caledonian Hotel, Adelphi.

" 1259, Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tavern, Commercial-rd.

" 1310, Harrow, Railway Tavern, Harrow.

" 1397, Anerley, Thicket Hotel, Anerley.

Chap. 169, Temperance, White Swan Tavern, Deptford.

Lodge 255, Harmony, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond.

Yarborough Lodge of Instruction (554), Green Dragon Stepney, at 8; Bro. Barnes, P.M., Preceptor.

Domestic Lodge of Instruction, Palmerston Tavern, Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, at 8.

Faith Lodge of Instruction (141), Refreshment Rooms, Victoria-st., (opposite Westminster Palace Hotel), at 8; Bro. C. A. Cottelbrune, Preceptor.

Prince Fredk. William Lodge of Instruction (753), Lord's Hotel, Lord's Cricket Ground, St. John's-wood, at 8; Bro. F. G. Baker, Preceptor.

Dalbusi Lodge of Instruction (860), King Edward, Tangle, Hackney, at 7.30; Bro. Crawley, Preceptor.

Prosperity Lodge of Instruction (65), Gladstone Tavern, Bishopsgate-st., Within, at 7.30; Bro. Bolton, W.M. 1227, Preceptor.

St. Maryebow 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), Wheatsheaf Hotel, Strand-court, Holborn, at 7; Bro. J. R. Stacey (P.M. 180), Preceptor.

Percy Lodge of Instruction, Grapes Tavern, Little Windmill-street, W.

Southwark Lodge of Instruction, (879), Southwark Park Tavern, Southwark Park, at 8; Bro. Charles William Kent, Preceptor.

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.

Metropolitan Lodge of Instruction, Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7; Bro. Stacey, P.M. 180, Preceptor.

Wednesday, July 8.

Summer Fete and Distribution of Prizes at the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, Wood-green.—(See advertisement).

Committee Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3.

Lodge 15, Kent, Freemasons' Hall.

" 120, Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond.

" 1228, Beacontree, Private Rooms, Leytonstone.

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

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

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

Confidence Lodge of Instruction, White Hart Tavern, Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.

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.

Finsbury Park Lodge of Instruction (1288), Finsbury Park Tavern, Seven Sisters'-road, N., at 8. Bro. P. Dickinson, Acting Preceptor.

Thursday, July 9.

Lodge 1288, Finsbury Park, Finsbury Park Tavern, Seven Sisters'-rd.

" 1321, Emblematic, Tulse Hill Hotel, Tulse-hill.

Chap. 554, Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.

Quarterly Convocation of the Rosicrucian Society, 63, Regent-st., at 5.30.

Fidelity Lodge of Instruction (3), Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham Court-road, at 8; Bro. T. A. Adams, 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.

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, Pensonby-st., Millbank.

Highgate Lodge of Instruction (1366), Bull and Gate, Kentish-town, at 8; Bro. J. N. Frost, Preceptor.

Friday, July 10.

Lodge 1420, Earl Spencer, Freemasons' Hotel, New Windsworth.

Chap. 33, Britannic, Freemasons' Hall.

Rose Croix Chapter, Mount Calvary, Freemasons' Tavern, St. George's Lodge of Instruction (140), Globe Tavern, Royal-hill, Greenwich.

Robert Burns Lodge of Instruction, Union Tavern, Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.

Belgrave Lodge of Instruction, (749), Coach and Horses, Strand, at 8; Bro. Pulsford, Preceptor.

Panmure Lodge of Instruction (720), Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7.30.

Unions Emulation Lodge of Improvement for M.M.'s Freemasons' Hall, a 7.

Temperance Lodge of Instruction, Victoria Tavern, Victoria-road, Deptford, at 8.

Clapton Lodge of Instruction (1365), White Hart, Clapton at 7.30; Bro. James Brett, P.G.P., &c., Preceptor.

Royal Standard Lodge of Instruction (1298), the Castle Tavern, Holloway, at 8; Bro. W. F. Rogers, Precep.

Pythagorean Chapter of Instruction (79), Prince of Orange, Greenwich-road, at 8; Comp. W. West Smith, Preceptor.

Westbourne Lodge of Instruction (733), Horse and Groom, Winsley-street, Oxford-street, at 8.

United Pilgrims Lodge of Instruction, Antelope Tavern, Lorn-road, Brixton, at 7.

St. James's Lodge of Instruction, New Tanners' Arms, Grange-road, Bermondsey, at 8; Bro. Howes, P.M., Preceptor.

Duke of Edinburgh Lodge of Instruction, Silver Lion, Penny-fields, Poplar, at 7; Bro. D. S. Potts, Preceptor.

Doric Lodge of Instruction, Three Cranes Tavern, Mile-end-road, at 8.

Burgoyne Lodge of Instruction, Grafton Arms, Prince of Wales's-road, N.W., at 8; Bro. P. M. Wuest, Preceptor.

St. Luke's Lodge of Instruction (144), Rose Tavern, Fulham-road, S.W.

Chigwell Lodge of Instruction, Bald-faced Stag Hotel, Buckhurst-hill, at 8.

High Cross Lodge of Instruction (754), Coach & Horses, High Road, Tottenham.

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

Burdett Couitts Lodge of Instruction (1278), Approach Tavern, Approach-road, Victoria-park, at 8; Bro. Geo. W. Verry, Preceptor.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN WEST LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE.

For the Week ending Saturday, July 11, 1874.

Monday, July 6.

Lodge 113, Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Assembly Rooms, Preston.

" 1051, Rowley, Masonic Rooms, Lancaster.

" 1380, Skelmersdale, Queen's Hotel, Waterloo, near Liverpool, at 6.

Chap. 603, De Tabley, Seacombe Hotel, Seacombe, at 6.

Mark Lodge, No. 65, West Lancashire, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Everton Lodge of Instruction (823), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 7.30.

Tuesday, July 7.

Lodge 178, Antiquity, Royal Hotel, Wigan, at 6.30.

" 995, Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverstone.

" 1384, Equity, Walker's Commercial Hotel, Widnes, near Warrington, at 6.

" 1476, Blackpool, Clifton Arms Hotel, Blackpool.

Chap. 203, St. John of Jerusalem, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Merchants' Lodge of Instruction (241), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

Wednesday, July 8.

Lodge 281, Fortitude, Athenaeum, Lancaster.

" 1052, Callender, Public Hall, Rusholme.

" 1094, Temple, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

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

Chap. 673, St. John's, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.30.

St. John's Lodge of Instruction, Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 8.

Neptune Lodge of Instruction (1264), Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 7.

Thursday, July 9.

Lodge 216, Harmonic, Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, at 5.

" 333, Royal Preston, Victoria Garrison Hotel, Fulwood, near Preston.

" 1035, Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale, at 6.

" 1213, Bridgewater, Cross Keys Hotel, Patricroft, near Manchester.

Chap. 220, Harmony, Garston Hotel, Garston, near Liverpool, at 5.

Duke of Edinburgh Lodge of Instruction (1182), 150, Park-lane, Toxteth-park, Liverpool, at 7.

Friday, July 10.

Chap. 249, Mariners', Masonic Temple, Liverpool, at 6.

MASONIC MEETINGS IN GLASGOW AND VICINITY.

For the week ending Saturday, July 11, 1874.

All the Meetings take place at 8 o'clock.

Monday, July 6.

Lodge 129, St. Mirren, St. Mirren's Hall, Paisley.

" 332, Union, 173, Buchanan-street.

Chap. 119, Rosslyn, Freemasons' Hall, 25, Robertson-street.

Tuesday, July 7.

- Lodge 3 1/2, St. John, St. John's Hall, Buchanan-st.
- " 73, Thistle and Rose, 170 Buchanan-st.
- " 87, Thistle, 12, Trongate.
- " 437, Govandale, Portland Hall, Govan.
- " 68, Doric, 44, Church-street, Port Glasgow.
- " 177, St. James, Masons' Hall, Coatbridge.
- " 233, Hamilton, Spalding's Hotel, Hamilton.
- " 406, St. John, Masonic Hall, Motherwell.
- " 426, Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Renfrew.

Wednesday, July 8.

- Lodge 178, Scotia, 170, Buchanan-st.
- " 510, Maryhill, 175, Main-street, Maryhill.
- Chap. 113, Partick, St. Mary's Hall, Partick.

Thursday, July 9.

- Lodge 88, New Monkland, Town Hall, Airdrie.
- " 109, St. Marnock's, Crown Hotel, Kilmarnock.
- Conclave Red Cross of Constantine, 213, Buchanan-street
- Chap. 50, Glasgow, 213, Buchanan-street.

Friday, July 10.

- Lodge 18, Kilwinning, Mission Hall, Dumbarton.
- " 170, Leven St. John's, Public Hall, Alexandria.
- " 427, St. Clair, Masonic Hall, Cambusnethan.
- Chap. 144, St. Rollox, Freemasons' Hall, Garnkad-road.

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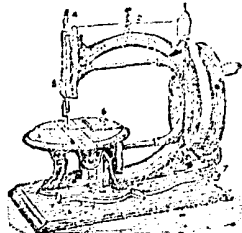
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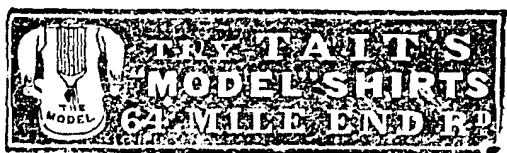
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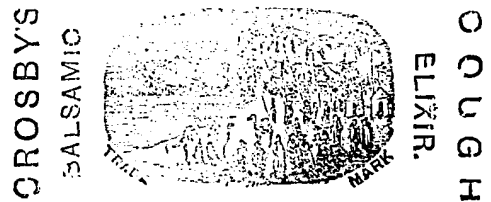
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