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THE whole of our world-wide Fraternity, as well as the "gentle Craft," in Great Britain, will receive the news of the approaching marriage of Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of ALBANY, better known as Prince LEOPOLD, with the utmost and unanimous feelings of loyal gratification. His "brethren in Masonry" have followed his public career, and listened to his genial and able speeches on artistic and educational matters with pride and pleasure, and for his fair bride and for himself they do, as one great Brotherhood, united in goodwill and sympathy, heartily seek to express, we know, in the pages of the *Freemason* to-day, their deep, sincere, and heartfelt aspirations for all that earthly happiness and prosperity which, under the overruling hand and providence of T.G.A.O.T.U., it is wise and befitting for them to desiderate and hope.

WE regret to note the great loss West Yorkshire Freemasonry has sustained by the premature death of Bro. HENRY DAY, whose "obituary" we give with much regret elsewhere, as sent to us by a friendly correspondent. Bro. DAY was one of those earnest and true-hearted Masons who formed part of that band of Yorkshire brethren of yore, now, alas! sadly reduced in numbers, who set to work manfully some years back to exemplify the true spirit of Freemasonry in good work for its great Charities. He was always ready to help; genial, kind, considerate; and his cheerful countenance and friendly words will long be remembered by those who knew him, and worked with him, and loved him. He had been a Steward at sixteen festivals.

MANY of our readers will see with pleasure elsewhere that Bro. JOSHUA NUNN, who has recently resigned the Vice-Consulship of the United States, has been presented with the handsome testimonial of 1500 guineas, as the token of approval from those with whom he was daily brought into contact in matters of arduous and important business. Bro. JOSHUA NUNN's services to Freemasonry are too well known to need mention in our columns.

A WRITER in the *Building News*, who signs himself "Veritas?" thus "illegantly discomposes" on a recent little controversy between the *Freemason* and its enlightened and suave contemporary, the *Saturday Review*, "I have read both the article on page 439, and the letter of 'Knight Templar,' on page 509; but though the latter proves the writer has a warm heart to the 'Order,' the historical knowledge he shows is scarcely so creditable to him. If he had read much about the history of Freemasonry he would have known that many students of history have asserted that what has been known for the last century and a half as Freemasonry, 'was invented and established in, or about, 1717.' The fact that Freemasons adopted old Masonic signs, tools, and emblems is no proof that Freemasonry itself is old, and I hardly think WOODFORD and WHYTEHEAD are the most reliable Freemasonic writers. W. J. HUGHAN in England, FINDEL in Germany, and D. MURRAY LYON in Scotland, are all authors of higher repute; the latter is the Grand Secretary for Scotland, and both he and HUGHAN—an officer in the Grand Lodge of England—coincide in asserting that there was no Freemasonic system of Three Degrees until about 1717, nor any Grand Master until the same year. Then a good while after that, viz., towards the end of last century, Masonic Knights Templars, and other high-sounding Degrees sprang up. The adoption of a similarity in nomenclature does not involve historical or hereditary relationship." Probably Bros. WHYTEHEAD and WOODFORD will take the criticism of "VERITAS,"—appropriate, happy pseudonym,—very easily, and may remark, as has not been unfrequently remarked under similar circumstances before, "what a pity that charming (old) women will talk of things that they don't understand." The "point" of the antiquity of Masonry, or of the actuality of a monograde or triggrade system, cannot be decided by the off-hand assurance of an "unexpert student." The discussion going on week by week in our columns shows how difficult and far reaching is the whole question, especially at present to deal with and decide.

It will be seen elsewhere that a distinguished company of amateurs, including the wife of our esteemed Bro. the PRESIDENT of the BOARD of

GENERAL PURPOSES Lady MONCKTON, Mrs. LANGTRY, and other able performers, have been acting, and most successfully, in the cause of charity at Twickenham.

THERE has been a sort of idea afloat that the world was to come to an end in 1881, though some say 1882. In "*Knowledge*," a new scientific paper edited by the well known astronomer, Mr. A. PROCTER, and published by Bro. C. WYMAN, some amusing reasons are given. One is an old prophecy of "Mother Shipton;" another is, that as the ascending gallery of the great pyramid is 1882 inches long, therefore the year of grace 1882 was to introduce a new era! Our friend Bro. ROWBOTTOM will repudiate, we fancy, any such absurd theory; and without being presumptuous of aspiring to belong to the "school of the prophets," we think we are ourselves warranted in expressing our belief that as of old, the "end is *not* yet." One day no doubt the "valley of dry bones" will be revived, and the "harvest of the world" will be ripe. But until that great day, of "which no one knoweth," arrives, in the inscrutable providence of T.G.A.O.T.U. it is our duty to "work" in our several callings and lots in life, essaying to carry out into practice the reality of the angels' song, which still includes the whole chain of moral duty and religious responsibility, "Glory to God" and "Peace and Love to Man."

THE perpetrators of the robbery of diamonds at Hatton Garden Post Office are as yet undiscovered. Certainly we are a strange people! We have a happy knack of always "being wise," as the French say "apres coup," and of attempting to perform that remarkable undertaking of "shutting the stable door when the steed is stolen." That post bags of such great value should be left in an easily accessible place, without guard but five fully-occupied women, is one of those things which a "fellar can't understand." But so it is, and so it was, and we can only hope, though we confess we gravely doubt the fulfilment of our aspirations, that "something may be done." We entirely disbelieve the easy and habitual theory of a "put up," and we think it rather dirty immediately to say it all arises from "employing women." In all probability it is only another development of the "fence system," as, of course, the thieves must have first of all known their "locale," and then have the means of obtaining "money down" for their "venture," in this case so far, unhappily, successful "prima facie."

WE cannot say that the aspect of our normal literature is either reassuring or edifying. We hardly take up a professed society journal without noting how a love of gossip, scurrility, inuendo, defamation of character, seems to tickle the palate and suit the idiosyncrasies of many unreflecting readers. We fear that this evil of "polite and untruthful slander" is greatly increasing amongst us.

WE think that Mrs. SURR deserves the thanks of all who are interested in the welfare and progress of our industrial schools, for her courageous and consistent exposure of hideous abuses and cowardly cruelties inflicted on friendless, defenceless, helpless children. All Freemasons will applaud her efforts, and sympathize with her in her performance of "duty."

LORD Chief Justice COLERIDGE's remarks in the case of SCOTT v. SAMPSON will commend themselves to most of our readers, and though severe and sarcastic, no doubt, yet seem to us perfectly well founded and true in "text and context." Perhaps his words may have some effect in checking that increasing "libertinage" of the Press, which we daily note with regret, in the undermining of private reputation, the destruction of personal character, the promulgation of idle tittle-tattle, and the development of a spirit of slander which afford apparently such a "pabulum" of pleasure just now for the childish, the empty-headed, and the low-minded.

OUR worthy and distinguished brother, the LORD MAYOR, presided most appropriately at the giving of prizes to the metropolitan drawing classes in the Guildhall, on Tuesday last. We venture to think that his observations are both most judicious and seasonable.

THE old controversy of the Warden and the P.M., as regards Masonic ceremonial, is again before our readers. Bro. CHADWICK, the able Prov. G.S. for East Lancashire, brings forward an opinion of the late Bro. HERVEY as against one of our esteemed GRAND REGISTRAR. In our opinion, it all turns, upon what meaning is to be given "to rule the lodge," page 78, s. 6. If by that expression is meant the technical government of the lodge for business, then Bro. HERVEY may be right, but if it has a wider meaning, as we apprehend, then the GRAND REGISTRAR is undoubtedly right. The Book of Constitutions apparently only contemplates a P.M. of the lodge presiding, not a P.M. simply because he is a P.M., if not a member of his lodge. It is, as far as we know, the common law,—the "lex inscripta" of English Freemasonry,—the undoubted and unchallengeable right of any W.M. to ask any brother to assist him by performing part of the work for him.

### LODGE OF BENEVOLENCE.

The monthly meeting of the Lodge of Benevolence was held on Wednesday evening, at Freemasons' Hall. Bro. Joshua Nunn, P.G.S.B., Senior Vice-President, presided; Bro. James Brett, P.G.P., Junior Vice-President, occupied the Senior Vice-President's chair; and Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, P.G.P., the chair of Junior Vice-President. The other brethren present were:

Bros. G. P. Britten, P.M. 183; Henry Garrod, P.M. 749; Charles F. Hogard, P.M. 205; John Constable, P.M. 185; W. H. Perryman, P.M. 3; J. M. Case, P.G.D.; Joseph D. Collier, P.M. 1366; Charles Dairy, P.M. 141; Thomas Cubitt, P.G.P.; Col. H. S. Somerville Burney, J.G.D.; Frank Richardson, P.G.D.; J. M. Klenck, P.M.; Peter de Lande Long, P.G.D.; Rev. Charles J. Martyn, P.G.C.; D.P.G.M. Suffolk; Charles Beaumont, W.M. 901; Robert J. Smith, W.M. 34; W. Gibson Bott, W.M. 1839; George Britton, W.M. 22; J. H. Matthews, P.M. 143; W. Gunner, W.M. 720; John Williams, W.M. 1791; Wm. Bywater, P.M. 19; Arthur E. Gladwell, W.M. 172; Charles Rayden, P.M. 73; R. J. Taylor, I.P.M. 144; E. White, P.M. 177; William Groves, W.M. 749; T. Colling, W.M. 1585; Thomas Morrison, I.P.M. 141; G. C. Andrew, W.M. 92; E. J. Storr, P.M. 1679; W. Meyer Lutz, W.M. 1319; Aug. Darch, W.M. 72; John Skirving, W.M. 87; W. Pierpoint, W.M. 813; A. M. Thomas, P.M. 1446; J. R. Stacey, P.M. 180; William Buck, P.M. 657; Jacob Ashley Hindson, P.M. 879; H. Liddall, W.M. 157; A. Runacres, W.M. 1922; H. J. Phillips, W.M. 205; C. E. Power, W.M. 1558; William Henry Beckley, W.M. 507; James U. Spencer, W.M. 66; W. Groom, P.M. 1662; Andrew McDowall, W.M. 948; W. Side, I.P.M. 1507; J. E. Shand, W.M. 1563; R. Foster, W.M. 1441; George J. Dawson, W.M. 1853; Richard Baker, W.M. 188; Charles A. Walter, W.M. 865; S. B. Wilson, P.M. 50; Frederick Binckes, P.G. Steward; John Mason, P.M. 1567; C. H. Cumberland, W.M. 1694; W. G. Hallows, W.M. 861; Stanley Robinson, P.M. and Sec. 14; Wm. Johnson, P.M. 946; George S. Bigley, W.M. 1298; Wm. Finch, P.M. 795; Richard Barham, W.M. 144; W. J. Edney, W.M. 933; Stiles, P.M. 1732; Charles Skinner, W.M. 1625; F. W. Koch, P.M. 820; George W. Hemmings, W.M. 217; R. Larchin, W.M. 1541; Charles Taylor, W.M. 1426; James Sinclair, W.M. 1420; Bedford Lemere, W.M. 193; E. Squirrell, P.M. 206; J. J. Cantle, P.M. 1257; Thomas Holland, P.M. 1224; J. A. Harvey, W.M. 1314; L. J. Salomons, I.P.M. 1017; Col. Shadwell H. Clarke, G.S.; H. G. Buss, Assistant G.S.; W. Dodd, Neville Green, H. Sadler, Grand Tyler; and H. Massey, P.M. 619 (Freemason).

The Board of Masters was first held, and the agenda paper for next Grand Lodge was settled. At the Lodge of Benevolence the Brethren first confirmed recommendations of grants at last meeting to the amount of £375. The new list contained the unprecedented number of fifty-six cases. Of these, one was dismissed, and four were deferred. The remainder were relieved with a total sum of £1630. This was composed of one grant of £200 (£200); one £150 (£150); one £100 (£100); one £75 (£75); four £50 (£200); six £40 (£240); two £35 (£70); three £30 (£90); four £25 (£100); twelve £20 (£240); three £15 (£45); eleven £10 (£110); and two £5 (£10). The lodge sat from six till eleven o'clock.

### ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

#### UNVEILING OF THE PORTRAIT OF MISS JARWOOD.

It may be within the recollection of our readers that a short time since a fund was raised for the purpose of having painted a portrait of Miss Jarwood, the respected Matron of this Institution, to be placed on the walls of the school. The commission was entrusted to Bro. Stephen Pearce, P.G. Steward of the Lodge of Antiquity, No. 2, an artist whose eminence in his profession afforded the best guarantee that the work would be a successful one. Although we have had an opportunity of inspecting other works of our Bro. Pearce, both on the walls of the Royal Academy and elsewhere—notably those of our Bro. Sir Erasmus Wilson, and of our Bro. Col. Creaton—in none has the artist been more successful than in the portrait of Miss Jarwood, which was unveiled on Thursday last. The ceremony was, in deference to Miss Jarwood's wishes, entirely of a private character, the visitors being confined to the members of the House Committee, the officials of the institution, and a few personal friends of Miss Jarwood resident in the neighbourhood. Among those present we noticed:

Bro. the Rev. W. J. M. Ellison, the Chaplain of the Institution; Mrs. Ellison, Mrs. C. Ellison, Miss Jarwood, the Matron; Miss Davies, the Head Governess; and the Misses Kernot, Redgrave, Triggs, Buck, Rumbow, Hutchinson, Flintoft, Sheppard, Sheldrake, Barron, Godridge and Gardner, her assistants. Bros. Rucker, V. Pat.; F. Richardson, V. Pat.; Hammerton, V. Pat.; Mather, V. Pres.; Nunn, V. Pres.; Letchworth, V. Pres.; Dubois, V. Pres.; Lieut.-Col. Peters and Tattershall, members of the House Committee; Bro. Hedges, Secretary; Bros. Dr. Barringer, T. S. Howell, V. Pat., and T. A. Howell, Medical Officers; Mrs. Howell, the Misses Howell, and Mr. F. Howell; the Misses Hammerton, Bro. Stephen Pearce, Bro. J. G. Chancellor, V. Pres.; Miss Nunn, Mr. and Mrs. Benningfield, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Watson, Mrs. C. E. Smith, Miss Souter, Mrs. Dicketts, Miss Dip, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. F. G. Bennett, and Major Williams.

The ceremony took place in the large hall of the building after the usual monthly meeting of the House Committee, all of whom were present with the exception of Bros. Long, Griffiths, Smith and Dr. Hope, who were unavoidably prevented from attending, and from whom expressions of regret were received. It was, we know, with great regret, that Bro. Col. Creaton was unable to reach town from the country, where he had been staying, in time to be present at the ceremony.

Miss Jarwood's friends and the children having assembled in the hall at seven o'clock, Bro. E. LETCHWORTH, Vice-President, rose and said: Ladies, brethren, and girls, as Chairman for the month of the House Committee of this School, I have been asked to say a few words in reference to the object which has called us together this evening. We are gathered here as a friendly, I was almost going to say a family party, on an occasion full of interest to us all. We are met not merely to gaze for the first time on what I venture to believe you will all pronounce to be a work of singular artistic merit, but we are here especially to do honour to one who richly deserves the high respect and esteem with which we all regard her. (Cheers.) I am well aware that a reference to dates in connection with a lady is always a very delicate matter, and sometimes a rather dangerous experiment, but I do not think I need fear Miss Jarwood's displeasure if I remind you that considerably more than half-a-century has passed since a child of tender years was received into this Institution, of which she has become the honoured head. (Cheers.) During those years Miss Jarwood succeeded in winning not only the entire confidence and the esteem of those charged with the management of this School, but the love and affection of those with whom she was more immediately associated. After passing through the regular course of instruction in the School, Miss Jarwood became, in the year 1825, an articulated pupil teacher, a position she held

until 1829, when she was appointed to the combined offices of teacher in the school room and assistant to the late Matron, Mrs. Crook, and on the death of that lady in the year 1854, she was unanimously elected to the office she now so well fills, and which we all most earnestly hope she may long continue to occupy. (Cheers.) In every position Miss Jarwood has till she has discharged her duty conscientiously and well. Endowed with a singularly amiable, genial, and contented disposition, the aim of her life has been to make those happy around her, and to render this school a bright and happy home for those placed under her charge. (Cheers.) The smiling and happy faces before me bear ample and convincing testimony to the success of her efforts. It was under the circumstances I have narrated that the Committee of this School considered the time had come when it was only fitting and proper that an opportunity should be afforded to Miss Jarwood's more immediate friends to mark in some tangible manner, not only their appreciation of her long and valued services, but also the high esteem and respect they entertain towards her. And knowing, as we did, her deep attachment to this School, on which every interest of her life has centred, we thought it might not be unacceptable to her if our testimonial were to assume a shape which would enable those who come after us to bear in remembrance the image of her whose name will always be honoured and cherished within the walls of this institution, the usefulness and prosperity of which is due, no less to her able management than to her gentle and thoughtful influence and example. (Cheers.) The Committee, in giving effect to their resolve, were most fortunate in securing the able services of our Bro. Stephen Pearce. How well he has executed the task which, I know, was to him a labour of love, you will be able in a few moments to judge. But I must take this opportunity publicly to thank our brother, not only for the admirable production of his skill, but for the kind, generous, and thoroughly Masonic spirit in which he undertook and executed the work. It only now remains for me, before that curtain is withdrawn, to wish you, Miss Jarwood, long life, health, and happiness, and on behalf of your friends present, and many absent ones, to express a hope that for many years to come you may continue to discharge your useful and important duties, sustained by the approbation of those whom you have so long and so faithfully served, and cheered by the loving devotion of those by whom you are surrounded. (Prolonged and continued cheering.)

The picture, which had been placed at the extreme end of the room, was then unveiled. The striking likeness and masterly treatment elicited the strongest expressions of approval. The company afterwards inspected the admirable portrait of Bro. Colonel Creaton by the same artist, which had recently been presented by the Colonel to the Institution. It is placed in the principal room of "Lyncombe House," now the Junior School, the acquisition of which by the Institution was, as will be remembered, due in a great measure to Bro. Colonel Creaton's judgment and foresight. The portrait was painted a few years since, and was presented to Bro. Colonel Creaton by H.R.H. Prince Leopold and the members of the Lodge of Antiquity.

### MARRIAGE OF BRO. H.R.H. PRINCE LEOPOLD.

The *Court Circular* of Tuesday contains an announcement which will be read with no little interest throughout the country. The Duke of Albany, the youngest son of the Queen, is about to be married. The bride he has chosen for himself is the Princess Hélène of Waldeck, daughter of the reigning Prince of Waldeck-Pyrmont, younger sister of the Queen of the Netherlands and niece of the Queen of Sweden. The Princess was born in 1861, and is therefore eight years younger than her future husband. She comes of a Protestant family already closely allied to two of the reigning Houses of Europe, and not unworthy to give a Princess to the Royal Family of England. Of such a marriage there is little to be said beyond the expression of a cordial hope that it may prove to be a happy one. The days are happily gone by, in England at least, when Royal marriages were determined by reasons of State. It is true that the choice of the Queen's sons has been more or less limited by law and constitutional precedent, but within these limits they have chosen for themselves, and chosen happily. The country has cordially welcomed the brides of the Duke of Albany's elder brothers, and has rejoiced to witness their domestic happiness. It will welcome not less cordially the Duke's own bride when she comes among us, and will heartily bestow on the pair all the good wishes which a happy marriage never fails to evoke.

The career of the Duke of Albany, though necessarily less prominent and conspicuous than those of his elder brothers, is nevertheless one which the country has followed with peculiar interest and sympathy. Delicate in health from his childhood, though now we may hope enjoying the prospect of more robust manhood, he has been to a great extent cut off from the active and hardy training which his brothers have enjoyed. But by the exercise of a sound discretion on the part of his parents, seconded by his own natural aptitudes and inclinations, the physical disabilities of Prince Leopold have been turned to excellent account in the more scholarly and intellectual turn given to his education. Though his delicate health has kept him very much aloof from the excitements and exactions of public life, yet his rare public appearance have generally had for their occasion the advocacy of some intellectual movement, or some scheme of education. His treatment of these subjects has never been merely perfunctory or formal; he has made it clear that he has thought about them for himself, and that he has brought to bear upon them an active, independent, and well-stored mind. He is, in fact, a voice and not merely an echo. He thinks and judges for himself, and he has something of his father's gift of expressing the results of his reflections in graceful and effective language. To a young man of the temperament and tastes of the Duke of Albany, endowed with all the opportunities which his position secures for him there is clearly open a career of exceptional usefulness and beneficence. It is no slight advantage to the community at large that learning and letters should have their representative in a member of the Royal Family. The influence of the Prince Consort in this direction was vast, and its results have been felt in almost every department of our national life. It is in the power of the Duke of Albany, as to all appearance it is his ambition, to renew the tradition of that influence and to carry it forward in many directions. All will hope that the delicacy of his earlier years has now been overcome and that a long life of happy activity will enable him to manifest the fruits of diligent study and of keen intellectual ardour. However this may be, the universal feeling of the country will be one of warm congratulation to the Duke himself on his approaching marriage, of hearty welcome to his bride, and of the best good wishes for the future happiness of both.—*Times*.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF SOMERSET.

The first annual meeting of this Royal Arch province since its formation and consecration was held at the Masonic Hall, Bath, which was very tastily decorated for the occasion, on Friday, the 18th inst., under the banners of the Royal Cumberland Chapter, No. 41; the Royal Sussex Chapter, No. 53; and the Tynte Chapter, No. 379. A local chapter was opened at 3.15 p.m., the three chairs being occupied by Ex. Comps. Williamson, Gardner, and Loder, the respective First Principals of the above chapters, in the presence of the following P.Zs. This done the companions were admitted, among whom were

Comps. Long, P.G.S.E., P.Z. 446; R. D. Commans, P.G.S.N., P.Z. 53; T. Meyher, P.G.P. Soj., P.Z. 261; John Burnett, 1st Assist. P.G. Soj., P.Z. 291; S. G. Mitchell, P.G. Reg., P.Z. 41; C. G. Davis, P.G. Swd. Br., P.Z. 379; G. Cottrell, P.G. Std. Br., P.Z. 285; and R. Couzins, P.G. Janitor, 261; and also Comps. E. L. Hill, P.Z. 41; Chas. Beckett, P.Z. 41 and 379; T. B. Moutrie, P.Z. 41; J. Rubie, P.Z. 41; J. E. Wilton, P.Z. 41; Wm. Williamson, M.E.Z. 41; Lawson Howes, H. 41; J. Stuckey, J. 41; Dr. H. Hopkins, P.Z. 41, P.Z. 328, 587, and 710; Col. Ford, P.Z. 53; T. R. Lord, P.Z. 53; W. Rolfe, P.Z. 53; E. C. Marshall, P.Z. 53; the Rev. C. R. Davy, P.Z. 53; F. D. Gardner, Z. 53; S. Edwards, J. 53; Dr. Woodpride, P.Z. 261; Paris Saunders, P.Z. 285; A. A. Hill, H. 285; J. Cornwall, P.Z. 291; J. Budge, P.Z. 329; B. H. Watts, P.Z. 379; E. Bath, 446; C. C. F. Edwards, P.Z. 446; J. Palmer, Z. 446; B. Cox, P.Z. 1222; J. Dutton, P.Z. 379; R. M. Worlock, P.Z. 103, P.P.G.S.E. Bristol; and others.

Letters of apology were received from

M.F. Comps. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.E.; the Rev. H. Adair Pickard, P.G.C.; Montague, Grand Supt. Dorset; Sandeman, P.D. Grand Supt. Bengal; Marwood, P.Z. 291; Adams, Z. 261; Chaffin, P.Z. 329, P.G.A.S.; Forty, P.Z. 1222; and others.

All having taken their seats, the officers of the Prov. Grand Chapter entered, and were received in due form, the last being M.E. Comp. Col. A. W. Adair, Prov. G. Supt. Z.; M.E. Comp. R. C. Else, Prov. G.H.; and M.E. Comp. E. T. Payne acting as J. in place of M.E. Major Gen. G. B. Munbee, who was unable to be present. An anthem was then sung by the choir, "Behold, how good and joyful, &c." The M.E.Z. having declared the Prov. G. Chapter opened, the altar was unveiled, the roll of chapters called, when it was found that all were represented, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The report of the committee for preparing a code of bye-laws was presented; these were read, and, after some discussion on several of them, were finally adopted and signed by the M.E.G. Supt. A hymn was then sung by the choir, "Great Architect, receive our praise, &c."

On the proposition of Ex. Comp. COMMANS, seconded by Ex. Comp. MARSHALL, Ex. Comp. E. T. Payne was elected Prov. G. Treas. The M.E.Z. Supt. then re-appointed Ex. Comp. R. C. Else H., and nominated Ex. Comp. E. T. Payne J. for the ensuing year.

The companions who had not passed the chair were required to retire, and the latter was duly obligated as J. On the return of the companions the Provincial Principals were proclaimed, and saluted by them as they passed round in procession.

The following were then appointed and invested as the Prov. Grand Officers for the next year:—

Comp. Long	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. S.E.
" Marshall	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. S.N.
" Dr. Woodford	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. P. Soj.
" Bath	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.S.A. Soj.
" Hill	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. J. A. Soj.
" Loder	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" Bridge	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Swd. Br.
" Saunders	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" Cox	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. D. of C.
" Reeves	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" Cozens	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Janitor

At the instance of Ex. Comp. Col. Ford, a discussion arose in reference to a suitable banner for the Prov. Grand Chapter, which resulted in a commission to the Principals to make such purchases as would complete the furniture, and it was determined that as a compliment to the M.E. Grand Supt., Col. Adair, his arms should be impaled with those of the province of Somerset. All business having been concluded, the alms were collected, amounting to £2 17 3d., and it was agreed that the sum should be presented to the Royal United Hospital, on the proposition of Ex. Comps. MARSHALL and T. WILTON. A hymn was sung by the choir, "When wisdom, strength, and beauty, &c." The Prov. Grand Chapter was declared to be closed, the Prov. Grand Officers left the hall in procession, and the Principals of the three Bath chapters, Ex. Comps. Williamson, Gardner, and Loder, resumed their respective chairs, and closed the local chapter.

A banquet afterwards took place at the Grand Pump Room Hotel, which was, as usual, served with all the sumptuousness for which that establishment is famed.

## PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

The first annual communication of this body was held at York on the 15th inst., under the banner of the York Mark Lodge (T.I.). It is but a short period since we had to record the installation to office, in a movable Grand Mark Lodge at Sheffield, of R.W. Bro. J. W. Woodall, of Scarborough. Since that time we have also announced his consecration of a new Mark lodge at Driffield, and now it is our pleasing duty to give a report of his first annual meeting for the appointment of officers and other business. The gathering took place in the Masonic Hall, York, at 3 p.m., and was well attended. The York Mark Lodge had provided light refreshments for their visitors at that hour, and soon afterwards the W.M., the Rev. W. C. Lukis, assumed the gavel and opened his lodge, the following officers being in their places:—Bros. J. S. Cumberland, S.W.; C. E. Padel, J.W.; G. Garbutt, M.O.; W. Harrison as S.O.; A. T. B. Turner, J.O.; T. B. Whytehead, Sec. and Treas.; J. Church, J. D.; W. B. Dyson, J.G.; G. Balmford, P.M., Org.; together with Sir James Meek, P.M.; J. Todd, P.M.; and a number of visitors and brethren. The ceremony of advancement was worked by the W.M., Bro. T. B. Whytehead acting as S.D., and at 4.30 the Prov. G. Master assumed the gavel and opened his Prov. Grand Lodge, Bro. J. H. Rooke, of Scarborough, acting as D.P.G.M. in the unavoidable absence of Bro. the Hon. W. T. Orde Powlett, J.G. Warden, who was unable to be present in consequence of alarming illness in his family. Certain preliminaries having been performed, the Prov. G. Master proceeded to appoint and invest his officers as follows:—

Bro. Hon. T. Orde Powlett, J.G.W., York T.I.	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. Dep. G.M.
" Sir Jas. Meek, P.M. York T.I.	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. S. G.W.
" H. A. Williamson, P.M. 95	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Geo. Balmford, P.M. York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.M.O.
" R. H. Peacock, P.M. 95	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.S.O.
" W. Peacock, P.M. 95	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.J.O.
" Rev. W. Valentine, P.M. York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" J. Todd, P.M. York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" J. M. Meek, P.M. 276	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.R. of M.
" T. B. Whytehead, P.G.M.O., P.M. York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" J. S. Cumberland, W.M. Elect York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. Ass. G. Sec.
" R. Y. Powley, P.M. 95	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.S.D.
" J. Marshall, W.M. 277	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.J.D.
" A. P. Wilsin, W.M. 281	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.I. of W.
" S. Middleton, P.M. 95	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" C. Emerson, W.M. 95	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" C. G. Padel, J.W. York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" M. G. Collingwood, S.W. 276	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G.I.G.
" J. Redfare, York	...	...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler

The fees of honour and annual dues from lodges were then fixed, and a Committee was appointed to draw up a code of bye-laws, after which the Prov. GRAND MASTER addressed the brethren as follows: Brethren,—We meet to-day to inaugurate a new Provincial Grand Lodge of this interesting Degree, and as its first Provincial Grand Master I feel bound to offer a few remarks; first, as to the reason why a Provincial Grand Lodge is constituted, and secondly, as to its future management. It seems to me that just as the "company" is the unit of military organisation, so is the "lodge" in that of Masonry, and as the battalion is the next aggregation, so is the Provincial Grand Lodge the analogous combination. The aim, I trust, of all will be in the words of the old prophet, "They helped every one his neighbour, and every one said to his brother, Be of good courage." We are all, I believe anxious to help each other, but if there be no common ground on which to meet a spirit of particularism is apt to be developed, and a jealous feeling between lodges may arise. I need not say how much such feelings are to be deprecated. To effect this union is the duty and aim of the Provincial Grand Lodge, which by bringing together the active and energetic Masons enables them to interchange ideas and to make a combined effort when required without too great sacrifice of time or money. Our worthy and distinguished brother, the Dean of this ancient minster, answered the question not long ago as to the meaning of our "service," and I venture to think that what he then said, while speaking as much to the outside world as to us, will not be forgotten, and will be of much use to us in our intercourse within the doors of our lodges, whether they be Craft or Mark Lodges. Such then I take it is the part of a Provincial Grand Lodge—to help one another. And I believe we can best do so by following in the steps of the Grand Mark Lodge, which seems to supplement the work undertaken by the larger and wider organisation of the Craft. I need not recur to the causes which led to the formation of the Grand Mark Lodge. They are, or ought to be, well known to most of you who are present here to-day, and if any real opportunity affords the means of doing a good work without it interfering with older organisations, it will be the duty and, I trust, pleasure of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons to avail itself of the opening. With such a view the Grand Mark Lodge has instituted a Benevolent Fund for educational purposes. It seeks not to interfere with those great Charities which do such good work, but take charge more especially of those children who are of too advanced an age to enter either of the Schools by paying the educational fees of children of poor Masons in the schools of the vicinity of the homes of their parents. Now that such excellent educational systems are in existence in every centre of population it seems to me that every effort should be made to utilize them, and to reserve the Masonic Charities for the most indigent. In most large towns schools can be found which provide an education suited for the children of professional men, to enable the son to follow in his father's business, and to train the daughter without removing her from the influence of her mother. I was glad to hear of a case from the lips of Bro. Tristram, R.W.P.G.M.M. of Northumberland and Durham, in which the son of a medical man had been enabled to complete his education, and take up his deceased father's practice by the aid of the Mark Benevolent Fund. For such cases there is at present no regular provision in our older Charities. I think I should now proceed to indicate what arrangements I would suggest for the organisation of our Prov. G. Lodge. (The Prov. G.M. then threw out some good hints as to the appointment of a committee and its work.) Lastly, let me ask you to be moderate and economical in the expenditure connected with our meetings, more especially as regards the social gatherings after our meetings, ever bearing in mind that "better is a dinner of herbs where love is than a stalled ox and hatred therewith." Greetings having been given, the Prov. G. Lodge was closed, and the Prov. G. Master and his officers retired. The York Lodge, T.I., then resumed business, and proceeded to the election of Master; the unanimous vote of the members falling upon Bro. J. S. Cumberland, S.W. Bro. T. B. Whytehead, P.M., was also re-elected Treasurer. Eight candidates were proposed for advancement, and, after the usual formalities, the lodge was closed. At six o'clock the brethren sat down to a substantial dinner in the banqueting room of the Masonic Hall, after which a short list of toasts was duly honoured. The tariff was exceedingly moderate, and a general opinion was expressed that other Provincial gatherings might very properly be modelled on a similar scale, and thus unnecessary expense be avoided.

CONSECRATION OF THE TEMPLE CHAPTER,  
No. 558, AT FOLKESTONE.

The above chapter, attached to the Temple Lodge, No. 588, was consecrated on Tuesday, the 18th inst. The ceremony took place at the Chapter Room in the Town Hall, under the most favourable auspices and with great success. There were present the following Provincial Grand Officers and companions:—

Ex. Comps. Jas. S. Eastes, P.Z. 503 and 709, P.G.H. Kent; Thos. Wyles, P.Z. 20, P.G.J. Kent; T. S. Warne, P.Z. 20, P.G.S.E. Kent; R. Kelly Thorpe, P.Z. 709, P.G. Treas. Kent; Jas. D. Terson, P.Z. 199, P.P.G.S.W. Kent; Felix Kite, P.G. Reg. Kent; Horatio Ward, P.Z. 586 and 622, P.P.G.H. Wilts; Comps. H. H. Green, 709; F. H. Cozens, 907; A. C. Frederickson, 199; G. Willson, Janitor; E. Comp. James Terry, P.Z. 174, 228, 975, and 1366, P.G.D.C. Herts; and the following companions as founders of the Temple Chapter, viz., M.E. Comps. R. H. Baynes, P.Z. 254, Z. designate, P.P.G.C. Warwickshire; S. H. Knaggs, 7 and 1503, H. designate; Francois Klatt, 709, J. designate; Jas. Kennett, 709; Ambrose H. Holbein, 709; R. White, Z. 723; R. Philpott, 199; and J. N. Rogers, 1503.



The chapter was opened by the Consecrating Officers, E. Comp. Jas. Terry, as M.E.Z., assisted by Jas. S. Eastes, as H.; Thos. Wyles, as J.; T. S. Warne, as S.E.; and H. Ward, as D.C. The companions being admitted, the petition of the founders and the warrant of Grand Chapter having been read and agreed to, the M.E.Z. called upon Comp. the Rev. Canon Baynes to give the inaugural address.

Comp. the Rev. Canon BAYNES, after expressing his surprise at being unexpectedly called upon to deliver an address, proceeded to give a most able oration on the advantages of Masonry in general, and R.A. Masonry in particular, in the course of which he described the R.A. as the culminating point of Masonry, which united in one vast bond of brotherhood many thousands of the human race. In Masonry, and R.A. Masonry in particular, men met together irrespective of all religious or social differences in one bond of unity, and though in all ranks and grades of society there must and will be men who do not act up to their obligations. Masonry, though it cannot make a bad man good, tends to make good man better.

The M.E.Z. then proceeded to consecrate the chapter in his usual incomparable style, Comp. Cozens presiding at the organ, and the anthems and chants being rendered in an admirable manner. The ceremony being completed, the acting M.E.Z. next installed the three first principles of the new chapter, viz.: Comps. The Rev. Canon R. H. Baynes, Z.; S. H. Knaggs, H.; F. Klatt, J. This being done, the M.E.Z. invested his officers as follows: Comps. Jas. Kennett, S.E.; A. H. Holbein, S.N.; Richard White, Prin. S.; Richard Philpott, 1st Assistant S.; J. N. Rogers, Treasurer; and G. Willson, Janitor. Numerous brethren were then proposed for exaltation and joining.

The chapter being closed in due form, the brethren adjourned to the Lees Hotel for the banquet, which was excellently served by the host, Mr. Marchant.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts having been given, Comp. Eastes, in responding to the health of the Prov. Grand Officers, congratulated the companions upon the formation of the chapter, and the favourable conditions under which it had started. What he had observed from the officers selected to preside over the chapter, he augured well of its success, and on behalf of Lord Holmesdale, P.G. Supt., himself, and the Prov. G. Officers of the province, he wished it every success.

In responding to the health of the Consecrating and Installing Officer, Comp. James Terry again expressed his pleasure on receiving a vote of thanks from the companions for the way in which he had performed the ceremony; and in a most emphatic manner impressed upon them the faithful discharge of the serious obligations they had that day taken upon themselves.

The health of the Principals and other officers having been drunk and responded to, the companions separated in love and harmony.

### CONSECRATION OF THE ALEXANDER CHAPTER, No. 1661, AT NEWARK-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, the 17th inst., a Chapter of the Supreme Degree of Holy Royal Arch Masons was consecrated and dedicated at the Town Hall, Newark, the Consecrating Officers being M.E. Comp. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.E., who was ably assisted by M.E. Comps. Major W. H. Smyth, Grand Supt. Lincs., as H.; Ensor Drury, P.P.G.H. West Yorks, as J.; T. C. Lazenby, P.G.R. Lincs., as D. of C.; Charles Harrison, P.Z., P.P.G.S. Lincs., as S.E.; C. G. Wragg, P.Z. 47, as S.N.; and M. Vowles, P.Z. 47 as P. Soj.

Among the companions present to witness the ceremony, which was performed in the most efficient manner, we noticed

Comps. Sir Henry Bromley, Bart., 402; F. D. Marsden, P.Z., P.G.S.E. Lincs.; H. W. Maleham, P.Z., P.G.P. Soj. West Yorks; John Watson, J.P., D.P.G.M. Notts (Craft), Z. 402; George Housham, P.Z. 402; James Fowler, P.Z., P.P.G.H. Linc.; C. B. Truman, P.Z. 47; Arthur Stubbs, H. 402; W. M. Hewitt, J. 681; Alf. J. Field, J. 47; H. Hitchman, 540; E. D. Pidd, 602, &c.

The chapter is attached to the Newton Lodge, and takes its name, the Alexander, from Bishop Alexander, of Lincoln, who built the well known old castle of Newark during the reign of King Stephen. The ceremony concluded with the installation and investment of the following officers: Comps. the Rev. F. Vernon Bussell, M.E.Z.; Major Newton, H.; R. F. H. King, J.; Henry George, S.E.; W. Curtis, S.N.; Henry Walton, Treas.; J. H. Tomlinson, P. Soj.; C. Johnson and W. Kelly, Assist. Sojs., and propositions for no less than six candidates to be balloted for at the first regular meeting, which, together with the well known Masonic zeal of its sixteen founders, leads us to predict as successful a career for the Alexander as a chapter as has been the good fortune of the Newton as a lodge.

In the evening the visitors were entertained by the founders of the new chapter at a banquet at the Clinton Arms Hotel, when the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, cheerfully interspersed with songs, glees, &c., in which the chapter choir (with Comp. Appleby for accompanist) was greatly assisted by Comp. E. D. Pidd, of Retford.

### ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

The General Committee of this Institution met at Freemasons' Hall, on Thursday afternoon, Col. Creaton, Grand Treasurer in the chair. There were also present Bros. John A. Rucker, Thos. Fras. Peacock, Frank Richardson, A. F. A. Woodford, A. J. Duff Filer, H. A. Dubois, A. H. Tattershall, Joshua Nunn, Arthur E. Gladwell, James Peter, E. Spooner, E. M. Money, C. G. Brown, C. H. Webb, T. J. Staunton, Edward Jones, C. G. Rushworth, F. R. W. Hedges, Secretary, and H. Massey (*Freemason*.)

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting and the reading of the minutes of the House Committee for information, an account which had been referred to the General Committee was referred back to the House Committee. Authority was given to the Chairman to sign cheques, and the Secretary was authorised to sign the agreement for renting the offices of the Institution at Freemasons' Hall.

Three petitions were received, and the candidates ordered to be placed on the list for the April, 1882, election.

The Committee adjourned, after passing a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Bro. Joshua Nunn, P.G.S.B., having resigned his appointment as Vice-Consul General of the United States, which office he held for twenty-six years, has been presented with a purse containing 1500 guineas, contributed by some of the houses more immediately connected with the American trade.

### WATLING STREET LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS, No. 292.

At the consecration of the above Mark Lodge, on the 17th inst., the following oration was delivered by the V.W. Bro. the Rev. STUDHOLME BROWNRIFF, Past Grand Mark Chaplain:—

I make no excuse for endeavouring to make to-day an opportunity for commending to your notice a matter of practical importance in Freemasonry rather than an occasion for dwelling on the many advantages and excellencies of our Order. These are well known and appreciated by you, but you must remember that we should not merely congratulate ourselves on what we have done in times past, but should also face the present time, its difficulties and its dangers. Every age brings its peculiar danger. It is by facing not by shirking this fact that Freemasonry has been able to survive many organisations of a similar description. The occasion of our meeting here to-day is to consecrate a new Mark lodge. The Mark Degree is, as you probably know, a Degree not recognised by the Grand Lodge of England, and yet I have not hesitated, though I am a Past Grand Officer of that Grand Lodge, and a D.P.G.M. of this province, to obey the commands of the Grand Mark Master Mason of England to consecrate your new Mark lodge. Our position is not a schismatical one. But still the question may be fairly asked me, How do you justify the existence of any Masonic body other than that of the Grand Lodge? There can undoubtedly be such a thing as Masonic schism. There are Masonic organisations in this country which it is the duty of all true Masons to avoid. What are the tests which we are bound to apply to every Masonic body before we join its ranks? First of all, the test of brotherly love, relief, and truth. Any Masonic society founded or carried on, in imitation of or in opposition to some existing Masonic body, without charity as its corner-stone, unsupported by religion as its foundation, is only fit to be cast out amongst the rubbish. There are Masonic bodies in England and abroad which fail in one or more of the applications of this primary test. Alas, there are some which, by the abandonment of these principles, have forfeited their claim to our Masonic allegiance. And, secondly, there is another test—the test of work. We have a right to ask of any Masonic body, What are you doing? Are you content with mere professions, or are you carrying your professions into practice? Are you gathering into your ranks, year by year, as working members, good and true men—men who join you, not merely for social, but also for higher reasons? Are the members of your body known to the world as loyal to the Queen, their country, and their God? Now, brethren, passing over certain smaller offshoots which I wish in no wise to condemn, there are in England, at the present minute, four great Masonic bodies which answer fully to the two tests I have proposed to you:—1. The Grand Lodge of England; 2. The Grand Mark Lodge of England; 3. The Supreme Council 33° of the Antient and Accepted Rite; 4. The Order of the Temple. Any lodge or chapter in full Masonic communion with any one of these great Masonic bodies you may join without fear. I do not say that all other Masonic bodies are schismatical; there certainly are several other smaller organisations against which I have not a word to say; but I do press upon you the duty of testing carefully *all* Masonic bodies not in communion with the four I have mentioned. Some such are probably useful, some harmless; but some are certainly harmful. Masonry is fashionable now a days. There is a class of Mason whom I may describe as the jewel hunter; he will give anything for the sake of a jewel. My brethren, in Masonry, as in daily life, "it is not all gold that glitters." Some of those decorations which are dangled before your eyes are worse than worthless, for they are the insignia of bodies in positive opposition to the four great legitimate Masonic corporations. They will stamp you not as zealous Masons, but as brethren who, for the sake of a piece of tinsel and a high-sounding name, have forsaken the true principles of your Order. Let me venture to advise you then. Be careful how you join any Masonic body without thoroughly investigating its position in the Craft. Always suspect a Masonic body which touts for recruits. Seek counsel before taking any new Degree from some brother whose position in the Craft enables him to give you a fair and unbiassed opinion. Thus guarded you may safely proceed; thus guarded I would encourage you to proceed; and will hope that the day may not be far distant when, at one or more of the important Masonic centres of this province, it may be my privilege in some capacity, however humble, to assist in the establishment of other Mark lodges, and also of chapters of Sovereign Princes, Rose Croix, and preceptories of the Temple. I am sure that there are many brethren in this province to whom such lodges, chapters, and preceptories would afford opportunities for such true work as will merit the approving mark of T.G.A.O.T.U.; for a diligent search after the truth, and for renewed efforts in guarding, as good soldiers of our Master, all that, for His sake, is dear and holy to us.

MAGAZINE.—The earliest Masonic magazine is a German one, published in 1738, of which we have a copy, by Bernard Christoph Breitkopf, at Leipsic, and named "Der Freymaurer." A "Freimaurer Zeitung" appeared at Berlin in 1783, and the "Journal für Freimaurer" at Vienna in 1784. In 1783 a "Wochenblatt für Freunde der Weisheit und Literatur" appeared also at Berlin, from November 1st to December 13th, and "Archiv für F.M. und Rosenkreuzer" also was published the same year; The "Ephemeren" were published at Altona in 1785; and in 1793 the "Freemasons' Magazine, or General and Complete Library," was issued in London by F. Parsons, until 1798, making up nine volumes. In 1798 the "Scientific Magazine and Freemasons' Repository, or General and Complete Library" appeared, and made up two volumes. But in this respect Ireland beat England, as in 1792 the "Sentimental and Masonic Magazine," from July to December, appeared as Vol. 1, and consisted of seven volumes, we believe, though we only possess six. In England Masonic literature has not flourished until latterly, though we should not forget the services of the "Freemasons' Quarterly Review," and the "Freemasons' Magazine and Masonic Mirror." A new "Masonic Magazine" was started by Bro. George Kenning in 1873. In France the earliest magazine appears to be "Le Miroir de la Vérité," in 1800 and 1802, though "Eireennes Intéressantes" had been issued in 1797—and the "Etat du Grand Orient de France" first appeared in 1777. If we object to Abraham Firmin as an impostor, we may yet esteem "Hermès ou Annales Magonniques, par une Société des Franc-maçons," the first true Masonic magazine, in 1808. Bro. Mackay tells us that the first American magazine was the "Freemasons' Magazine and General Miscellany," published at Philadelphia in 1811, and that the oldest existing Masonic periodical is the "Freemason's Monthly Magazine," published by C. W. Moore, at Boston, in 1842. We ought never, it appears to us, to forget the great debt of gratitude which Masonic students owe to many admirable Masonic magazines in the United States,—*Kenning's Cyclopædia of Freemasonry*.

## Obituary.

## BRO. HENRY DAY.

It is our painful duty to record the death, after a long illness, at the early age of 47 years and 10 months, of Bro. Henry Day, J.P., of Hyrst Cottage, Dewsbury, a very successful woollen manufacturer, well-known and highly-esteemed by a very large circle of friends in the West Riding. He was initiated in lodge Three Grand Principles, No. 251, now 208, Dewsbury, on November 18th, 1858, served many offices, and was W.M. in 1866; held the office of Provincial Grand Warden in 1871, under the Marquess of Ripon, K.G.; was exalted in the Royal Arch Chapter, 208, December 6th, 1860, and was Z. in 1870, and Provincial Grand J. in 1875. He was a Vice-President of the three Masonic Institutions, and served as Steward at sixteen of the annual festivals. At all times he was ready with his purse to assist every benevolent institution in his native town and district, and many poor and distressed, as well as his relatives and friends, have deep cause to deplore his death. Bro. Henry Day was never married. By will he leaves his ample fortune to his two surviving brothers and one sister, with legacies to his nephews, nieces, housekeeper, his late partner and his executors. His remains were interred in the Dewsbury Cemetery at noon on Saturday last, the 19th inst. A large number of Freemasons from all parts awaited the arrival, and joined the funeral cortège at the cemetery gates, where also a great many of the workpeople had assembled to pay respect to the memory of their late employer.

## Victoria.

## WALHALLA.—Walhalla Lodge, (No. 1700).—

The installation meeting of this lodge took place on the 9th of September last. The ceremony was performed by P.Ms., D. Thomas and E. S. Gutteridge. The following are the names of the officers installed: Bros. Jones, W.M.; Callow, S.W.; Loch, J.W.; R. Thomson, Treas.; Thomas, Sec.; Esling, S.D.; A. Monigatti, J.D.; Hamilton, S.S.; C. Thomson, J.S.; Anderson, I.G.; Wheeler, Tyler. After the ceremony, the usual banquet was held in the Foresters' Hall, a goodly number of the brethren sitting down and doing full justice to the sumptuous repast prepared by Mr. A. Lang. The usual loyal, fraternal and patriotic toasts were given and heartily responded to, the company separating at a seasonable hour after having spent a very enjoyable evening.

A pleasing ceremony in connection with this lodge also took place on the 13th of September, when the members assembled to present Bro. W. J. Stitt, P.M., with a token of their esteem and goodwill. The testimonial took the form of an address, together with an Past Master's jewel, inscribed as follows: "Presented to P.M. Bro. W. J. Stitt by the members of the Walhalla Lodge, No. 1700, E.C., as a small token of their esteem." Bro. R. Thomson, in making the presentation, referred to the respect in which Bro. Stitt was held, not only by members of the lodge, but also by inhabitants of Walhalla, and also to the loss the lodge would sustain by his departure. Bro. Stitt, in a few well-chosen remarks, thanked the brethren for their gift, and after the health of the recipient had been drunk, the company separated. It is with regret we have to announce the departure of Bro. Stitt, who during his residence here has won many friends. During a period of two years he has held the position of Councillor in the Borough Council with credit to himself and satisfaction to his constituents. He has also been a prominent member of the Freemason and Oddfellow lodges, and in leaving Walhalla we feel sure he will carry with him the respect and well wishes of his fellow townsmen.

## Amusements.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS.—An amateur dramatic performance, given under unusually brilliant auspices on Saturday night last at the Town Hall, Twickenham, was attended by a distinguished audience, including many leading members of the fashionable world, who had come from London for the occasion. In addition to the attractions of a cast, including the best known of our amateur artists, very considerable interest and excitement was aroused by the first appearance of Mrs. Langtry in a dramatic performance, which was one of the events of the evening. Mr. Tom Taylor's drama, *Plot and Passion* (the next revival at the Haymarket Theatre), was played in admirable style. Lady Monckton, as Madame de Fontanges, displayed that strong command of emotional power in which she excels, and in the principal scenes acted with very good effect. The Desmaret of Major Windham Hughes-Hallett was a powerful and elaborately worked out conception of the character. The chivalrous bearing and manly style of Sir Charles Young gave great effect to the rôle of Henri de Neuville. The interpretation of these three parts was worthy of any stage, and the interesting piece was most excellently performed throughout. The second item in the programme was Mr. C. M. Rae's comédietta, *A Fair Encounter*, in which Mrs. Henry Labouchere played with the utmost spirit and vivacity the part of the erratic Mrs. Grenville, whose rather daring freak places her in the power of her no less clever antagonist. Mrs. Langtry looked very bewitching in a pink costume, and her graceful representation of the part of Lady Clara St. John elicited much admiration. She bore herself upon the stage with grace and distinction of manner, and displayed considerable aptitude for high comedy acting. The piece, rendered in a most delicate and refined style, was received with much applause. The performance has been organised by Mrs. Labouchere, and was under the patronage of the Princess Mary. The funds of St. John's Hospital, which are to receive the proceeds, must have very largely benefitted, as the hall was crowded to overflowing.

ADELPHI THEATRE.—Those who find pleasure and profit in attending a theatre occasionally, would do well—they could not do better—than at an early opportunity spend an evening at the Adelphi Theatre, where is being performed a drama, entitled "It's Never Too Late to Mend," taken from the novel of the same name by Charles Reade, and adapted to the stage by Mr. Charles Warner, who is the principal character in the piece. We are confi-

dent enough to believe that not only is innocent recreation to be obtained from witnessing such performances, but much good may be learnt. This is one of the few plays in which we can approve of the clergy being introduced, as here the profession is not only not mocked, but as the promoter of good and brotherly acts is loudly applauded by the audience. We are convinced, whatever may be said to the contrary, that the lower orders—for they are the patrons of the gallery, and very often good critics, and frequently seal the fate for good or bad of the success of a piece—do really appreciate what is good when it is put before them. To witness this let us recommend our readers to go and see for themselves at the Adelphi, showing how the *Rev. Mr. Eden* is received by the people, and how they cheer his noble acts and language. The hero of the story, played by Mr. Charles Warner, a man who scruples at nothing, is at last brought face to face with the law, and in the second act we see him in a convict prison, together with a lad of fifteen, who is there for a petty theft. The boy is tortured with being put in the straight-jacket, and reduced to a skeleton on bread and water. It is supposed to be a representation of the old system of imprisonment. The chaplain of the gaol remonstrates with the governor of the prison, who tells him to mind his own business and to attend to his own duty. The chaplain nobly replies that it is his duty to see that the orders are enforced and not broken by the governor. The latter taunts the former, who threatens to report him, that the letters will be sent back by the Home Secretary to the gaoler to enquire into, and they will refer it to the governor, and he will deny it. "What will you do then?" asks the governor. "Why appeal to the Queen," "But she will only refer it to the Home Secretary again. What will you do then?" "Why appeal to the people," is the ready answer of the chaplain, which makes the governor tremble and causes terrific cheers in the theatre. Through continual torturing the lad dies, in the chaplain's arms, after frequently blessing "his reverence" for his kindness. The old gaol bird who utters threats at the wardens, and once actually fells four of them to the ground, when the clergyman comes upon the scene is at once cowed, and instead of giving violence to him as well as to the officials, goes quietly back to his cell and listens to the kind words and advice of his chaplain, who sees that even in this abandoned creature there is yet a spark of self respect which would show itself were it not for the miserable treatment shown in the gaol, and obtains for him to the consternation of the governor his discharge, believing "That it's never too late to mend." The convict has previously promised the chaplain he will amend his ways, and remarks in his own expressive and well meant way "his reverence is as cunning at doing good as we are at being wicked." The man fulfils his word—emigrates to Australia; is successful at the diggings; finds an old friend whom he once wronged, obtains his forgiveness, helps him to gain his fortune; returns to England, assists his friend to marry a lady to whom he had been betrothed before leaving England, the lady having been deceived into believing him to be dead, and that by a rich man who was about making her his wife, and saving her father from ruin. On the very eve of the wedding her own lover returns, and the truth is revealed, and of course that ends that play. This is no tedious and knotty love plot, but is really one of the best things ever put on the English stage. And we are confirmed in our belief that wherever the Church leads the way, and asserts herself in the cause of right and honour, so will she find sympathy from the masses. We have always felt that the working classes would not support what is demoralising on the stage if they could only get something better. We recommend the Church and Stage Guild, of which we gave a report some little time back, to co-operate with such actors as Mr. Charles Warner to produce pieces instructive as well as amusing to the audience. We ought not to omit observing that there is a comic, as well as a serious, side to "It's Never Too Late to Mend." We wish the piece the success it deserves.

THE GLOBE THEATRE.—It shows there must be a great deal that is attractive in "Les Cloches de Corneville," as it was withdrawn, after a very long run at this theatre, about eighteen months ago, and, on the re-opening of the theatre by Mr. Burt, this pretty comic opera was again put on the boards, has been playing some months, and is likely for some time to continue its success. So likely is this that we were informed, on inquiry, that there is no rehearsal going on of a new piece. We chronicled the other day that Bro. Sims had an offer to write the words of a comic opera for the Globe; until this is ready probably "Les Cloches de Corneville" will still produce cheers and laughter from the audience. Some alteration in the cast has taken place since its first appearance on these boards, and we are bound, in fairness, to say it has not deteriorated in acting or singing. Miss Irene Verona, of whom Bro. Bassano has just published some lovely photos, sustains the part of *Surpolette* as well as ever it was or could be played; and in *Gobo*, the *Baillie's* factotum, who produces so much merriment by his drollery and wit, we almost see an improvement. Mr. Willfred Morgan, as of yore, takes the character of the *Marquis de Corneville*, and the principal male character is still in the hands of Mr. Sniel Barry. Indeed, we are not sure the piece could live without him. Every time, and we have been several times at the Globe, he has received rounds of applause, specially for his part in the second act, where the old miser, *Gaspard*, counts out his money in the château, which is supposed to be inhabited by ghosts, and where none of the villagers dared to enter after dark. The expression on his face is marvellous as he hears sounds in the château which he knows does not arise from spirits, and the eagerness he displays to gather up his money and get it out of sight, but is too late, before any one arrives fairly brings the house down. We need only say that Miss Irene Verona's song, "Just look at this and look at that," is encored, and sometimes thrice, and well she deserves it, for besides being possessed with a sweet voice, she has a pretty face. Miss Fanny Heywood's (*Germaine*) song, "Ding, Dong; Ding, Dong," is received in a similar manner. Most persons know these taking airs; some of our lady readers sing them themselves, but we have never heard them outside as well as inside the Globe. It only remains for us to say that a great deal of the credit is due to Mr. Heslop, the manager. We have been told by professionals that to the stage manager is due in a large measure the success or non-success of any piece. Though he does not come before the public, he is the moving spirit behind the scenes; we

mean this, of course, only metaphorically. We suppose he is what a private Secretary is to a Cabinet Minister—his right hand. Mr. Heslop certainly seems both right and left hands, for he manages on the stage and the part of the theatre belonging to the public.

THE ALHAMBRA.—On Saturday, December 3rd, a new version (by Harry Paulton) of the celebrated grand fairy spectacular opera, "Black Crook," founded on "La Biche au Bois," will be produced on a scale of great magnificence at this theatre. Among the artistes will be Miss Constance Loseby, Miss Lizzie Coote, Miss Emelie Petrelli, Miss Rose Berend, Mr. Harry Paulton, Mr. J. H. Jarvis, Mr. W. Hargreaves, and Mr. Henry Walsham. Three new ballets will be introduced. The theatre is now closed for extensive alterations and redecoration in the Moorish style. The "Bronze Horse" is still drawing a good house at Her Majesty's Opera House, Haymarket. We noticed the other evening Lord Alfred Paget—a great patroniser of the profession—amongst the audience.

## BRIGHTON.

This famous and fashionable resort for the health seeking, the idle, the grave, the gay, the cautious invalid and "insouciant youth," is just now, we are told, "very full." It is much affected by members, as we are told, of the "haut ton"—whatever that may mean—and the representatives of the "British Army." The weather is said to be "delicious;" the "breeze most refreshing;" the "Aquarium and promenade very gay;" and ladies' dresses very striking and startling even. The list of visitors is a very long one, and Brighton is serene and animated, contented and cheerful. We are very glad to hear it. We always like Brighton, and have agreeable reminiscences of old friends and young acquaintances, of comfortable rooms and good dinners, of the sea and shrimps, of shops and shampooing. We can also gratefully recall Brighton Masons and Brighton lodges. So we always say Vivat Brighton! Our amusing contemporary *Punch*, who is ever alert, "semper virens," though by no means "green," and most "cosmopolitan" in his tastes and temperament, thus sings the "Song of Brighton," of "London-on-the-Sea." We think that there can be no difficulty in realizing to whose "facile pen" we are indebted for these lively verses, which may perhaps—who knows?—induce some of our readers to run down to Brighton, and have a "holiday spell" there, and a "look" and a "unch" themselves?

## LAYS OF A LAZY MINSTREL.—(Brighton in November.)

"Come down to Brighton! Leave London in hazy time,  
Leave it enshrouded in yellow and brown!  
Come here and revel in exquisite lazy time,  
Jump in the Pullman at once and run down!  
Blue is the sky and the sunshine is glorious,  
Charged is the air with delicious ozone:  
Gay is the cliff and most gentle is Boreas,  
Come down at once and recover your 'tone!'  
"Here come the Light Brigade, laughing deliciously,  
There is bold Atlas astride on his cob:  
The prelate, the poet, the peer adventitiously,  
Mingle and meet in the gaily dressed mob.  
Fur-coated beauties in carriages roll about,  
Can this be November?—the sun is so hot;  
Light a cigar, as we languidly stroll about,  
List to the songs of the merry *Mascotte*!  
"Here is mamma looking anxious and serious:  
List to the patter of tiny *bottines*,  
Dainty young damsels, whose faces ne'er weary us,  
Foolish young maids in the new crinoline!  
Angular ladies in gloomy æsthetic coats,  
Maudle and dawdle the afternoon through;  
Graceful girlettes in the shortest of petticoats,  
Flutter their frills as they walk 'two-and-two.'  
"Sit on the Pier, underneath the *velarium*,  
Noddy your head to the tune of the band;  
Or, if you please, you may see the Aquarium,  
Call if you like at the Ship or the Grand.  
Good Doctor Brighton, a mighty magician is,  
Healing at once all your ailments and ills;  
Take his advice—there no better physician is—  
'A blow on the Pier and a header at Brill's!'  
"Here not a trace is of smoke or of haziness  
Found as we stroll on the Road of the King;  
Happy indeed is His Most Serene Laziness,  
Happy, but almost too idle to sing!  
Were it not so, I would lengthily talk about  
People and places—my dear *Mr. Punch*—  
Ev'ry one sees, as they lazily walk about,  
I've lots more to say, but I must go to lunch!"

## MASTER BAKERS' PROTECTION SOCIETY.

The thirteenth anniversary dinner of the above society was held at Anderton's Hotel, on the 23rd inst. One hundred and twenty members sat down to a well-served repast, under the presidency of Mr. W. B. Pringle.

The objects of the society comprise the protection of its members from fraud on the part of servants; from vexatious prosecutions; the putting into force the provisions of the Adulteration Acts; and the sustentation of the London Master Bakers' Pension Society and Almshouses. The two latter Institutions afford relief to fifty indoor and thirty-eight outdoor recipients. The married couples are allowed thirty shillings per month, and widows, or single men, twenty-five shillings per month and an allowance of coals. Outdoor recipients are granted thirty-seven shillings per month.

A well-selected and lengthy toast list was honoured, some good singing being furnished by members to the accompaniment of Mr. Youens. Mr. G. Edmonds acted as M.C., and the whole of the proceedings went off successfully.

At a meeting of the Everton Lodge, 823, held at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool, on Wednesday, the 16th inst., Bro. John Houlding, P.M., P.P.G.R., was presented with a massive P.P.G. Lodge collar jewel, bearing a suitable inscription, upon the expiration of his year of office as Provincial Grand Registrar of West Lancashire.

## GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AND THE COLONIES AND DEPENDENCIES OF THE BRITISH CROWN.

THE RIGHT HON. LORD HENNIKER,  
M.W. GRAND MASTER.

THE RIGHT HON. EARL OF KINTORE,  
R.W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

INSTALLATION OF H.R.H. THE DUKE  
OF ALBANY, K.G., AS M.W. PAST  
GRAND MASTER.

### THE WINTER HALF-YEARLY COM- MUNICATION

Of this Grand Lodge will be held in the  
LARGE HALL, FREEMASONS' TAVERN, GREAT  
QUEEN ST., LINCOLN'S INN FIELDS,

On TUESDAY, the 6th of DECEMBER, 1881,

When and where all Grand Officers (Past and Present), W.  
Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and Overseers of  
Private Lodges are hereby summoned to attend, and at  
which, by permission, all regularly registered Mark Master  
Masons may be present. Grand Lodge will be opened at  
five o'clock p.m.

By command of the M.W. Grand Master,  
FREDERICK BINCKES, P.G.J.W.,  
Grand Secretary.

Office, 8A, Red Lion-square, Holborn, London, W.C.,  
17th November, 1881.

N.B.—A Banquet will be provided at Seven o'clock. The  
Tickets will be 15s. each, inclusive of Wine, if taken before  
the day of Meeting, and 17s. 6d. if taken on that day, and  
it is requested that every Brother intending to dine will for-  
ward his name to the Grand Secretary not later than  
Saturday, 3rd of December.

## THE BRIGHTON HEALTH CONGRESS.

President—B. W. RICHARDSON, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S.

Tuesday, December 13th, 1881.

### OPENING ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT.

Sections A, Wednesday; B, Thursday; C, Friday;  
Presidents—Edwin Chadwick, C.B.; J. R. Holland, M.A.,  
M.P.; Alfred Carpenter, M.D.

Evening Addresses by R. P. B. Taafé, M.D., and Bru-  
denel Carter, F.R.C.S., in the Dome, Royal Pavilion.

Wednesday Evening—Soirée by the Mayor and Mayoress.  
Many places of interest are arranged for to be viewed  
by Associates on presenting their tickets, as well as  
The Domestic and Scientific Exhibition in the Royal  
Pavilion and Grounds, with Electric Lighting, to be opened  
by the President of the Exhibition, the EARL OF CHICHESTER.

Associates' Tickets, 10s. 6d., are being issued by the  
Congress Secretary, Brighton. Seats can be also secured.

Chairman of Executive } W. H. HALLETT, F.L.S.,  
Committee, } Mayor.

General Hon. Secretary, WM. HAMILTON,  
Ship Street, Brighton.

THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF SUSSEX  
Will meet under SIR W. W. BURRELL, Bart., M.P.,  
Prov. G.M., in the ROYAL PAVILION,

On Monday, December 12th, at Seven p.m.,

to welcome all Brethren (Master Masons) attending the  
Health Congress. Bro. V. P. FREEMAN, Brighton (Prov.  
G.S.), will issue tickets, which include Admission to the  
Opening of the Domestic and Scientific Exhibition.

### To Correspondents.

BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

"Blackwood's Shilling Scribbling Diary for 1882,"  
"Voice of Masonry," "The Hebrew Leader," "The  
Broad Arrow," "The Waltham Chronicle," "The West  
London Advertiser," "The Play," "The Citizen," "The  
European Mail," "The Jewish Chronicle," "New York  
Dispatch," "Allen's Indian Mail," "El Taller," "The  
Communicability to Man of Diseases from Animals as  
Food," "The Public Ledger," "The New Zealand Free-  
mason," "La Escudra Boletín Oficial del Grand Orient de  
España," "The Freemasons' Monthly," "Der Long  
Islander," "The Freemason" (Sydney), Report of the  
Committee of the Free Public Library of Hereford,"  
"The Hull Packet."

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## THE FREEMASON.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1881.

### Original Correspondence.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for, or even 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.]

### THE PROVINCE OF CHESHIRE AND THE CHARITIES.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Your correspondent "Cheshire" passes some  
strictures in your last issue on the work of the province in  
relation to the three great Charities of the Order. His  
letter bears internal evidence that he is not so well  
acquainted with his subject as he might be. That he is  
not, however, posted up in the details of what the Province  
of Cheshire has done, and the position it holds in rela-  
tion to the central Charities is, perhaps, no fault of his, for  
there is nothing published in the province giving the infor-  
mation, and the only means of ascertaining the facts is  
by consulting and sifting the annual reports of the Char-  
ities themselves, and the process is a tedious and uninviting  
one.

That we are not so backward, however, as your corre-  
spondent imagines, may be gathered from the brief sum-  
mary of the charitable work of the province given by our  
R.W.P.G. Master at Knutsford, on the occasion of the  
presentation of his portrait:

"In 1865 they had no votes in the Charities; they had  
now 940, and their contributions had been between £2000  
and £2500, and all their candidates had been carried.  
Twenty-one brethren had served as Stewards to at least  
two of the Charities, and had qualified themselves as Life-  
Governors, and had also taken subscriptions of upwards of  
£1500. The Cheshire Educational Masonic Institution had  
educated 304 children, and possessed funded property  
representing £4000. Within the province they numbered  
eight Vice-Patrons of the three great Charities, and eleven  
Vice-President."—(Extract from Bro. Lord de Tabley's  
speech.)

And your correspondent ought to know, unless he is a  
very young Mason, that with reference to the Charity he  
singles out, viz., the Boys' School, it is only a few years  
since the province contributed 1000 guineas for the purpose  
of purchasing a perpetual presentation to this Institution.

Still, notwithstanding what has been done for the Char-  
ities in this province during the last sixteen years, I am of  
the same opinion as your correspondent—that much more  
might have been, ought to have been, and could in future  
be done, if the charitable work of the province were placed  
on a better system than at present obtains. It is a "hap-  
azard" system; individual lodges being left to do what  
they please and how they please, without any sort of guid-  
ing or suggestive agency on the part of the province, and  
what success it has met with already is due rather to the  
earnest example of our noble P.G. Master than to any  
merit it possesses as a provincial organisation.

I do not think with your correspondent that there is any  
want of "go" amongst Cheshire Masons, but I do think  
that our charity organisation wants placing on a better foot-  
ing. It is a broader and more popular basis that is wanted;  
one that will give individual lodges within the province a  
greater amount of interest in the work. At present they  
are too isolated, and the result is that many lodges are ap-  
athetic, and the Charities suffer. It is true we concentrate  
our votes when the elections come round, but how many  
lodges are there in the province which have no votes  
at all for either of the Charities? The real charitable  
work of the province is confined to a few lodges where  
there is some zealous brother or brethren who have made  
the subject of the Charities a speciality, and who keep up  
the interest of their lodge in the cause from year to year;  
but these lodges might be counted on one's fingers so far as  
this province is concerned.

The great success that has attended the Cheshire Educa-  
tional Masonic Institution I attribute to the fact that it is  
near home, it is better understood, its objects and claims  
upon the Craft are brought before the brethren more regu-  
larly, than those of the London Charities, and it is exceed-  
ingly well managed; but even in regard to this Charity  
there is too much lithographed-circular business, and too  
little personal contact between the "authorities" and the  
lodges they appeal to for support.

What appears to me to be wanted in the province, and  
what I am sure would conduce to the increased prosperity  
of the Charities—London and local—is a re-arrangement  
of the Provincial Committee of Benevolence. Instead of con-  
sisting, as now, of Present and Past Grand Officers (who  
never attend the meetings), and W.M.'s of lodges (who are  
of necessity birds of passage), and the real work being left  
to some half-dozen zealous P.G. Officers, I should like to  
see the plan adopted in the neighbouring province of West  
Yorkshire, of giving every lodge in the province a real, in-  
stead of a nominal, representation on the Committee, by  
requiring each lodge to elect annually from amongst its  
members a zealous and expert brother as "Charity Mem-  
ber."

Thirty-eight duly accredited "Charity Members" from  
the Cheshire lodges meeting periodically to compare notes,

gather knowledge, report progress, and carry back to their  
respective lodges the state of the "cause," would, I feel, con-  
vinced, be the means of giving a powerful impetus to the  
charitable work of the province. I need only point to W.  
Yorkshire, and the wonderful results achieved by that  
province, in support of my conviction.

I am sanguine enough to believe that under the scheme  
I have suggested, coupled with such administrative details  
as would suggest themselves to the Committee—take for  
example the excellent idea adopted in W. Yorkshire, of  
publishing annually a tabulated statement of the work of  
each lodge in the province in regard to charity, one  
copy being supplied to the "Charity Member,"  
and another to be placed throughout the year on the  
W.M.'s pedestal—I believe, I say, that the Cheshire contri-  
butions to the Charities might be doubled, that the money's  
contributed might be laid out to better advantage than at  
present, and that they might be distributed more evenly  
each year amongst the several Charities of the Order.

I have already trespassed too much on your space, but  
the importance of the subject must be my apology.

I am, dear sir and brother, yours truly and fraternally,  
A CHESHIRE P.M.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Your correspondent "Cheshire," in your issue of  
the 19th inst., page 520, expresses surprise that the pro-  
vince of Cheshire "does not get anywhere near the front"  
as respects the Charities, particularly the Boys' School. As  
he asks for an "explanation of what appears to be a bad  
case" I would refer him to the report of the presentation  
to the R.W.P.G.M., on the previous page; he will there  
find the province is doing good work, and if he examines  
the last report of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys  
he will find the province has, up to December, 1880, con-  
tributed £2340, in addition to the 1000 guineas given to  
purchase a perpetual presentation to that Charity.

I am, yours fraternally, ONE WHO KNOWS.

### THE PERFORMANCE OF CEREMONIES BY OTHERS THAN DULY INSTALLED MASTERS IN THE CHAIR.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I am greatly surprised to see in your last number  
a letter by "Querist" upon the above subject, and your  
reply giving the ruling of Grand Registrar in Grand Lodge  
of 7th March, 1877, relative to this much discussed  
question, also a further foot-note from yourself to the effect  
that "As a matter of course a P.M. occupying the chair in  
the absence of the W.M. can exercise the same right."

Before referring to your interpretation of the law I will  
give you a copy of a letter written by the late Grand Secre-  
tary, which, if I interpret correctly, is a contradiction of the  
ruling of the Grand Registrar. It is as follows:—

"4th April, 1874.

"Dear Sir and Brother,—

"The performance of a ceremony by a Warden  
is, to say the least of it, most undesirable, although there  
may be cases in the Colonies where such an irregularity  
might be condoned. I have not, however, the least  
hesitation in saying that a Warden ought never to per-  
form a ceremony when a W.M. or P.M. is present. The  
Wardens are appointed for the purpose of performing  
certain specific duties, which are or ought to be explained to  
them at their investiture, and certainly the performance of  
ceremonies is not amongst them; besides, they must neglect  
their own duties if they undertake those of others. I  
repeat, therefore, that in the presence of an\* Installed  
Master a Warden should never be called upon to perform  
the duties of the chair.

"Yours truly and fraternally,

"JOHN HERVEY, G.S."

I may perhaps, "en passant," be permitted to say that  
the cases mentioned to the Grand Secretary in 1874, and  
the one supplied by your correspondent "Querist," are  
parallel ones, and, therefore, the ruling in each case should  
be the same.

Now the Master at his installation solemnly declares that  
he will execute the duties of the chair faithfully, zealously,  
impartially, and to the best of his ability; that he will not  
permit or suffer any deviation from the established land-  
marks of the Order. If, however, the W.M. is at liberty  
to call upon any brother to perform ceremonies which he,  
the W.M., has undertaken to do, he is not preserving the  
established landmarks of the Order. If a Warden is  
called upon to stand near the W.M., or sit in front of the  
W.M.'s pedestal, he is certainly not occupying the chair,  
and I contend that no initiations can legally be performed  
from any other place. The terms "ruling a lodge" cer-  
tainly do not embrace the privilege of admitting candi-  
dates. Granted that it might under certain circumstances  
become a matter of expediency, in the two cases quoted,  
there were P.M.'s present who were both able and willing  
to do the work.

As a matter of law I believe you are quite incorrect in  
saying a P.M. can exercise in this respect the same rights  
as a W.M. The I.P.M. is the *locum tenens* of the  
W.M. in his absence; but it does not follow because he  
is so that he has the right to call upon any brother to  
come forward and perform the ceremonies. In this view I  
am supported by the opinion of a Past Provincial Grand  
Master, who has devoted much time and thought to the  
question.

\* Or Past Master.



I look upon this ruling of the Grand Registrar's as contrary to all custom, and as likely to be very injurious to the best interests of the Order, by taking from the shoulders of the W.M. the weight of responsibility which at present attaches to him, and by lowering the dignity of the chair in allowing others to perform the duty which he, the W.M., has undertaken as a ruler in Masonry.

I note that the Grand Registrar says, "If the W.M. occupy the chair." In the cases quoted above the W.M. was absent.

I am yours very fraternally,

JOHN CHADWICK,  
Prov. G. Sec. E. Lanc.

#### A QUERY.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

May I ask the favour of your opinion upon the following point:

A Past Grand Officer of England honours a lodge by occupying the Master's chair. As a Past Grand Officer should he not be addressed as "Right Worshipful Master" or "Very Worshipful Master" (as the case may be) instead of the usual formula of "Worshipful Master?"

Your opinion on this point will much oblige, yours fraternally,

November 21st, 1881.

[Certainly not. His proper address is the usual lodge formula. There can be nothing higher in the lodge than the W.M., unless the Grand Master or Prov. Grand Master be present in the chair.—ED. F.M.]

PROV. GRAND LODGE SOMERSET, AND 41, BATH.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,—

I am much pleased to see an account of a meeting of the Royal Cumberland Lodge, Bath, in the *Freemason* to-day, for, as a member, I was very sorry to note that no reference was made in the report of the late Prov. G. Lodge of Somerset to the remarks of M.W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon, Pro. G.M. and Prov. G.M., before appointing our esteemed W.M. (Bro. C. Radway) to the office of Prov. S.G.W.

The Earl of Carnarvon would have been most happy to have invested Bro. Dr. Henry Hopkins, F.C.P., P. Prov. S.G.W. of Warwickshire, as the Prov. S.G.W., but that distinguished brother had most distinctly stated that he would prefer not to accept any more honours, so as to allow of younger brothers being advanced thereby. However, I consider that the very hearty and kind eulogium paid by the M.W. Pro G.M. to this last exhibition of Dr. Hopkins' disinterestedness and zeal for the Craft was, after all, a higher honour than the appointment itself, and, considering also that the brother has been but a short time a resident in Bath and the province, it proves that his labours have been thoroughly appreciated by the Prov. G.M. and other dignitaries of the Order.

I shall never forget the reception given to Dr. Hopkins at the celebration of the centenary of the "Freemasons' Hall Medal" last year, when, as the W.M. of 41, he had the happiness of receiving the Dep. Prov. G.M. (Bro. R. C. Else) and other distinguished visitors, as well as us members, as his guests.

We all pray that the worthy doctor may be long preserved to us, and whilst feeling justly proud of the honour which has fallen to our W.M., like he does, we really thank Dr. Hopkins for the collar.

Yours fraternally,  
November 19th.

#### Reviews.

KNOWLEDGE. Edited by R. A. PROCTOR. Bro. Charles Wyman, 74 and 75, Great Queen-st.

"Knowledge" is a weekly magazine "intended," we are told, "to bring the truths, discoveries, and inventions of science before the public in simple but correct terms; to be, in fact, the minister and interpreter of science for those who have not time to master technicalities, whether of science generally or of special departments." As such, we welcome it heartily. We note its promise of efficient reality, and shall look to the performance of its assurances for the valuable proof of laudable efforts in a good cause and an useful undertaking. No. I. is very readable and very interesting, alike in its general bearing and in its scientific outcome. It seems to be intended to be, and we have no doubt but that it will prove itself to be, a thoroughly reliable and faithful record of science and scientific progress, and while it avoids the great stumbling-block of all papers and magazines just now, scientific or unscientific it matters not, baneful personalities, it will seek to convey to all readers in an unadorned and unadulterated vernacular the important wonders of scientific discovery, the indubitable "facts" of scientific exposition, and scientific induction. It has for its editor one of the clearest and ablest writers of the day; it is well printed, and evidently most closely and conscientiously edited, and it has before it, we venture to predicate and hope, a long and successful career of general utility and public approval. "Science and Religion," by the Editor; "The Relation of Food to Muscular Work," "Are Women Inferior to Men?" "Comets," "Illusions," "The Eastern Hills in November," "Darwin on Worms," are all contributions of a high order of merit, and will repay perusal and thought. We are glad to note that our contemporary, whose career we shall watch with interest, professes to give both a class and a whist column. We can cordially recommend "chess students" to analyze the "play" as given between "Mephisto" and an "amateur." The letter of the "Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society" in the correspondence column is both true and amusing.

#### THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY JOURNAL.

This 22nd number of the 4th volume, for November, maintains its general tone of ability, and its reality of interest for "Durham Men." We are glad to note the progress and prosperity of the University.

ARUCH COMPLETUM, &c. Vol. iii. George Brög, Vienna, iv. Maria Theresien, 19, Strasse.

This is a lexicon of words and things which are contained in the two Talmuds, the "Targums" and the "Midraschim" of the Hebrew Bible. This volume is by Dr. Alexander Kohnt, Chief Rabbi of Tunfskirchen, and will be very useful to Hebrew students.

BIBLIOTHECA RABBINICA. By Dr. AUG. WUNSCH. Leipsic. Otto Sculye.

The 12th and 13th parts of this valuable work. They relate (12th) to Books of Moses (13th) to the "Lamentations." They are, in fact, a Rabbinical commentary on passages and portions of the Bible, and have for students of the scriptures and German scholars much value.

#### Masonic Notes and Queries.

##### PICART'S CEREMONIES.

Since I wrote my last communication, thanks to the courtesy of E. W. Stibbs, 32, Museum-street, I have seen a Dutch edition, of 1727, and an English edition of "Gough" by Du Bosc, of 1733. In both the plate occurs; both equally contain the treatise on the "Rose Croix." In the Dutch Edition there is a footnote "anent" Freemasonry," and also one in the English edition. Mascric's claim to the compilation of the article on the "Freemasons" in his edition of 1741 seems, therefore, well founded. But two very important questions require settlement. The one is, When was the Dutch edition originally published? and whether or no the Dutch edition preceded the French, or the French preceded the Dutch? Mascric's preface in 1741 is both curiously and cautiously worded. His title page, indeed, tells us that the work contains 243 plates, designed by the hand of Bernard Picart, but I may add the English edition talks of "others" as well as Picart. Picart is supposed to be French for Picart. In the preface he thus begins: "We cannot say that the book here given is absolutely a new work. To go back to the beginning, the idea has been conceived for more than twenty years, and has since been executed in different attempts with a success, such as will appear by what we shall subsequently relate. There is here then, to speak truly, nothing but a new edition, but so rearranged and so little resembling the first edition as to the form, by the considerable and essential changes we have made, that we think ourselves obliged to give an account to the public of our labour, and of the utility that it can hope to obtain from it." When the first edition was published, however, he does not tell us, or whether in France, or Holland. He mentions "L'Ouvrage qui a été imprimé en Hollande," but not the date; but he alludes to a letter of 1738, by Jean Frederic Bernard or Picart. If so, that would seem that a French edition was published anterior to 1738, as Bernard thence complains of Mascric's suppression and alterations. Bernard had said that he had suppressed the half at his work, and others had complained that Mascric was only a "replica" of Bernard. Curiously enough, he talks, too, of the "Premiere Edition," and the "Edition Hollandaise," "Edition de Hollande," "L'Edition Hollandaise," "La Premiere Edition," &c., but he nowhere gives us any date of that first edition, though his words would lead you to suppose it appeared in Holland. Can any one tell us if he has seen an earlier Dutch edition than 1727, or any French edition earlier than 1723? To sum up, according to Brunet, a French edition, was published in eight volumes in nine in 1723 to 1739, or thereabouts, which were edited by the two Bernards and Bruzen de la Martiniere, and were composed of the writings of Abadie, Simon, Thiers, Dupin Reland and others. The engravings were, it is believed, by Picart. A Dutch edition, that is in Dutch, was published in 1727, to 1738 also in nine volumes "translated from the French." Brunet does not however mention it. Mr. Stibbs, 32, Museum-street, has in English a fine copy, edited Du Bosc (Gough) in 1733 to 1739. There was a reprint of the first volumes in 1735, but not the whole, but whether in French or Dutch is not quite clear. Mascric's edition appeared in 1741, in seven volumes, to which Frederick Bernard objected in a letter, 1738, mentioned above. There was an edition in 1784 by Poncelin, little thought of; one in thirteen volumes, in 1810 still less, and a small edition later by Prudhomme, of no value. One fact is clear, either the plates in the English edition of 1733 and the prints of 1741 are "transfers," or the plates of the edition in Dutch of 1727 are "transfers" from 1723, which is not likely. Still the question remains, is the Masonic plate in the 1723 edition? Was there an edition in Dutch before 1727, or was the original edition in 1723 the earliest, and in French? So far the statements of Brunet seem to lean to that hypothesis. What does Albion say?

##### MASONIC STUDENT.

The "Masonic Student" will find an account of Picart's work at pp. 67-8 of my "Masonic Sketches and Reprints" (English edit., 1871). Though the vol. I was dated 1723, the 5th was of the year 1737. The reference to Freemasonry and the reproduction of "Pine's List of Lodges," &c., are to be found in vol. 4, p. 251, and is of the year 1735. The work was published at Amsterdam, 1723-37, in 7 vols. The last two appear to form a separate work, and are dated 1723 and 1728. Bro. M. Cooke, in "Freemasons' Magazine," 1870 (p. 165), is said to have declared that "Sir Steele was a Freemason of the York Rite, or Ancient Masons," &c.; also that the sheet in question depicts "the name and places of the Ancient Masons," &c. The List of Lodges is taken from Pine, and acknowledged accordingly, so its origin is quite clear; but as to Sir Richard Steele, nothing has yet been discovered to connect his name with the Craft. These seven volumes were all first editions. There were two more volumes issued in 1743, and two finally on "Superstitions Anciennes et Modernes," also at Amsterdam, 1733-6, eleven volumes together, which I find Ellis and White had in their catalogue, bound in six volumes for £12 12s. An English translation was published 1733-9, which (strange to say) occurs for sale in a catalogue received from Stibbs, of Museum-street, this morning, for £7 17s. 6d. Picart's "List of Lodges" has been

given in the *Freemason*, and it, and many others, are to be found in Bro. Gould's "Four Old Lodges." Bro. Kenning's "Cyclopædia" refers to Picart briefly, and should be consulted. Bro. Carson, in his "Masonic Bibliography," gives the English edition as No. 1134, also a French issue of twelve volumes, 1807-10. Bro. Carson says that the reason of Sir Richard Steele's portrait occupying such a prominent position has not been explained.

W. J. HUGHAN.

##### CORDINER'S ILLUSTRATION.

Bro. Gould alludes to this illustration and the word "Initiation," though of no authority however. Bro. Gould overlooks two points; one, that the word "Initiation" is an interpolation and does not exist in reality on the seal, and secondly, that the illustration has been frequently given, as in "Fallou's Mysteries," but is absolutely rejected as to such a purport by careful Masonic students and critics. It represents the "Matyrdom of Thomas à Becket," though by an anachronism the king is represented as present. No doubt if such a seal did exist with such an allusion to a mystic reception it might strengthen the "Benedictine theory" of Findel, though that, as Schauberg points out such is really "untenable." I may add that Schauberg remarks that both Winzer and Fallou commit the great fault of giving no references, or authorities for their numerous statements. I may allude to this subject again.

##### MASONIC STUDENT.

##### MASONIC SYMBOLISM.

What is the earliest Masonic symbolism? is a question deserving of "note." There is a vast unexplored region of Masonic symbolism in the seventeenth, sixteenth, and fifteenth centuries, which requires to be carefully studied. I do not mean to say that all "undesigned coincidences" are to be taken as a proof of Masonic antiquity, but some certainly may fairly be. Fallou and Winzer both allude to the emblem of the circle and compasses found on the grave-stone of Master Hugo Libergier, who built the church of St. Nicaise, Rheims, and there was buried. Schauberg gives the references as respectively Fallou, S. 221; Winzer, S. 130, which some one perhaps can verify. It is a great pity that neither Fallou nor Winzer give authorities for their statements. Findel rests on them, and so we have "sheepwalking" in perfection.

##### ANTIQUARIUS.

##### SPECULATIVE AND OPERATIVE FREEMASONRY.

In the *Freemason* for October 15th I objected to the lodge held at Warrington, A.D. 1646, being considered mainly operative, for of its character there was not sufficient evidence to justify even the assumption. On October 22nd, the "Masonic Student" (who has been working very diligently lately amongst the old records) replied that he had been led to conclude that this lodge into which Ashmole was initiated was "mainly an Operative Lodge." He also stated how pleased he would be "to prove the existence of Speculative Lodges, such as the lodge at Warrington in 1646, but at present all such evidence is wanting." Of course it is well to remember that the question as to the existence of *Speculative Lodges*, A.D. 1646, is quite distinct from the initiation of *Speculative Freemasons* in the same period. Of the latter there is no doubt whatever in England, and earlier in Scotland. It is quite probable that we shall yet find the lodge at Warrington to have been of a Speculative character. At all events we know that in 1670 the majority of the members of a lodge were of other trades and professions than that of a Freemason, though enrolled as brethren of the Craft, and even held office then and before in the lodge. In the *Freemason* of November 19th I find it stated by the Editor (who is one of the hardest working Masonic students I know of) that he is "sure of the fact, as indeed is patent from the evidence itself, that the Freemasons' lodges Ashmole knew of, and Randle Holmes alluded to, were entirely independent of the Masons' Company, and simply and truly *mainly Speculative Lodges*." Evidently then the Editor has altered his views on the subject, for what he deemed mainly Operative he now says is *mainly Speculative*, and I am glad he has such strong proof to warrant such an assertion. We shall all look out most anxiously for the advent of the December "Masonic Magazine."

W. J. HUGHAN.

##### GEOMETRIC.

This is the name given "by that worthy Mr. Euclid" to the "syence," "and now it is called through all the land Masonry." For this reason I send the following from a book done "at the charges of Robert Peake, printed at London by Simon Stafford, 1611." It is an architectural work, of which the fourth book is devoted to the "Rules for Masonry, or Building with Stone or Bricke, made after the fine maners or orders of Building, viz., Tuscan, Dorica, Ionica, Corinthia, and Composita," &c. The full title is: "The First Booke of Architecture, made by Sebastian Serby, entreating of Geometrie. Translated out of Italian into Dutch, and out of Dutch into English. London: Printed for Robert Peake, and are to be sold at his shop, neere Holborne Conduit, next to the Gunne Tauerne. Anno Domini 1611."

##### THE FIRST CHAPTER.

"How needfull and necessary the most secret Art of Geometrie is for every Artificer and Workeman, as those that for a long time have studied and wrought without the same can sufficiently witness, who since that time have attained vnto any knowledge of the said Arte, doe not onely laugh and smile at their owne former simplicities, but in truth may very well acknowledge that all whatsoeuer had bene formerly done by them was not worth the looking on. Seeing then the learning of Architecture comprehendeth in many notable Arts, it is necessary that the Architector or workeman should first, or at the least (if he cannot attaine vnto any more) know so much thereof, as that hee may vnderstand as principals of Geometrie, that he may not be accounted amongst the number of stonespoilers, who beare the name of workmen, and scarce know how to make an answer what a Point, Line, Plane, or Body is, and much lesse can tell what harmonie or correspondencie meaneth, but following after their owne minde, or other blinde conductors that haue vsed to worke without rule or reason, they make bad worke, which is the cause of much vncut or vneuen workmanship which is found in many places.

"Therefore seeing that Geometrie is the first degree of all good Art, to the end I may shew the Architector so much thereof, as that he may thereby be able with good skill, to giue some reason of his worke. Touching the speculations of Euclides and other authors, that have written of Geometrie, I will leave them, and onely take some flowers out of their garden, that therewith by the shortest way that I can, I may entreat of diuers cutting through of Lines, with some demonstrations, meaning so plainly and openly to set down and declare the same, both in writing and in figures, that euery man may both conceiue and vnderstand them, and aduertising the Reader not to proceed to know the second figure, before he hath well vnderstood and found out the first, and so still proceeding, hee shall at last attaine unto his desire.

R.

#### THE CHESTER GUILDS

I have been making sundry researches in connection with "Masonic Student's" inquiry as to the Guilds of Chester. I have not been as successful as I could have wished. Still I have found something, and it is to the effect that there was a "Guild Mercatory" in Chester long before it had a charter. My first glance was through the pages of a work published by Daniel King, entitled "The Vale-Royall of England, or the County Palatine of Chester," in "London: Printed by John Streeter, in little S. Bartholomews, and are to be sold at the Black-Spread-Eagle at the West End of Paul's 1656." It is described as "being performed by William Smith and William Webb, Gentlemen," and it is from the contribution of the latter that I succeeded in obtaining the following brief account of the Guild in question:—"We find that before the said City had any Charter, they used by prescription diuers liberties, and enjoyed a *Guild Mercatory*, that is, a brotherhood of merchants, and that whosoever was not admitted of that society, he could not use any trade, or traffic within the city, nor be a tradesman therein. And the tenour of this *Guild Mercatory* did ever run in these words: *Sicut hactenus usi fuerint*; and was afterwards confirmed under the Earl's seal. And there was appointed two overseers out of the chiefest of the citizens, and were greatly respected of the citizens, as officers that had the special care of maintaining those privileges. And did receive for the City all the summes of money paid by strangers for custome of merchandize brought either by sea or land, except it were at the fairs, which then were, as some say, three in the year, at Midsummer, Michaelmas, and Martlemas."

Similar particulars respecting this Guild will be found in Ormerod's "History of the County Palatine and the City of Chester," and also in Baines's "History of Lancashire and Cheshire;" but the account in both these is very much fuller, and it is more than probable that if I can find a little leisure during the next few days, I may be able to supplement this short note with further details, which will prove even more interesting still. G.B.A.

#### BRITISH BUILDERS ON THE CONTINENT.

I am desirous of obtaining as many instances as possible of British architects being employed abroad during the Middle Ages. Henry, in his "History of Britain," mentions that, A.D. 296, the town of Autens, in Gaul, was rebuilt by chiefly British workmen. Heldmann mentions that in the beginning of the tenth century, Berta, wife of Rudolf II. of Burgundy, was most active in repairing the ravages of the Hungarians in Switzerland, and that the lay workmen in the Munster Vale were under the direction of a Scotchman, Master Mackenbri, who became the progenitor of the Lords of Tavanne. Munter, in his "Church History of Denmark," vol. 2, p. 404, states that the Cathedral of Drontheim, Norway, was built by English Masons in 1033. James Murphy, "Travels in Portugal," relates that "according to the account of those who were supposed to have had their information from the records preserved in the Royal Archives of Lisbon, the architect of the Abbey of Batalha (1383) was an Englishman called Stephen Stevenson. In some other work, which I am unable to identify, I remember another name was given, but still an English one. These are all the cases I know of at present, but am inclined to think that there may be many more. Can any brother help me to further instances with, if possible, the means of verifying all such assertions, E. A. STUDENT.

#### CURIOUS OLD BOOKS.

I possess a very curious and rare Rosicrucian tract, (a dirty little production it is), printed in 1620. The object of it is to prove that women—rather the "Holy Women" generally—were members of a Rosicrucian, Hermetic Order, practically in Old Testament times. Kloss alludes to the tract in No. 2591, p. 192, but its author is unknown so far. It is not very lucid and rather incoherent, and how far ladies were then members of the Rosicrucian Fraternity seems very doubtful. Indeed, the more you study it,—it is written, too, in old German,—the less you seem to understand it, and much of it as regards the "Holy Women of Old" seems turbid nonsense. There is another curious work, and scarce, called "Della Famosissima Compagnia Della Lesina," &c., Venice, Gio Alberti, MDCLII., 1603. Lesina is an awl in Italian, and an "awl" is the emblem of the society or company. It seems to include all ranks. The rules are many, and there is evidently a double play on words, partly real and partly burlesque; but not being a good Italian scholar myself I cannot, except through Latin, make out the full meaning. If any Italian brother would like to see this book I will gladly place it at his disposal, if he will write to the Editor, 16, Great Queen-street.

MASONIC STUDENT.

#### EARLY USE OF THE WORD FREEMASON.

Referring to my former communication on this subject, 3rd September, I have now had an opportunity of consulting the original text of the "Cronica Majora" of Matthew Paris. The following references are to the edition published under the direction of the Master of the Rolls. The word which has been translated "architects" in the account of the death of Richard, Bishop of Durham, 15th April, 1237, is (vol. iii. p. 391) *artificium*. Again, in 1245, when the King orders the Church of St. Peter at Westminster to be enlarged, the word translated "architects" is in the original (iv. p. 427) *artificibus*. Again, in 1251, in recording the possessions of Paulin Piper, the word is *operarii*; and in the account of the discovery of the tomb of St. Albans, 1257, we have (v. 608) *cementario-*

*rum*. I am hardly surprised that "G. H.," like myself, was unable to trace the deed referring to the word Freemason in "Rymer's Foedera." Mr. Papworth has kindly given to me a reference which has enabled me to find it, and at his request I now print it here. In vol. xvii. of the edition of Rymer, London, 1717, there is, at the end, after the index, a syllabus or index of manuscript acts not published. It has a separate pagination of its own, and on page 55 is the entry quoted, 19th Richard II., 1396 (article 25 in the list). A copy of the document is now before me, and the sentence in question reads "*lathomos vocatos ffre Maceons et. \*\*\*\*\* lathomos vocatos ligiers.*" The copy of the deed is preserved in Sloane MS. No. 4595. Mr. Papworth also refers me to instances of the use of the word Freemason early as 1250, 1319, 1334, and 1370-1403. These, he informs me, are to be found in the "Dictionary of Architecture," article "Latomus."

W. H. R.

#### EARLY USE OF THE WORD FREEMASON.

In the "Statues of Wells Cathedral," edited by Bro. H. E. Reynolds, Librarian, Exeter Cathedral, to which I propose to allude fully next week "in extenso," there occurs late in the 14th century a distinct and apparently recognised use of "Freemasons" and "Freemasonry."

MASONIC STUDENT.

#### COLONEL HENRY MAINWARING.

Though my researches in relation to the Chester Guilds have not resulted as I should have wished, I am glad to say I have found much relating to the Colonel Henry Mainwaring, who was initiated into Freemasonry at Warrington, in Lancashire, on the 16th October, 1646, at the same time with Bro. Elias Ashmole. The family of the Mainwarings is one of the most distinguished in the county of Chester. In the first portion, by Mr. William Smith, of the "Vale-Royall of England," I find that in a list written out of one of John Leland's books of "the chiefest places of gentlemen in Cheshire" is included "Sir Randal Manwaring, at Baddeley, three miles from Nantwich." Among the gentlemen and people of rank in the "Hundred of Nantwich" are "Humphrey Mainwaring, gent.;" "Roger Mainwaring, gent.;" "Tho. Mainwaring,;" "John Mainwaring, major,;" "John Mainwaring, minor,;" and "John Mainwaring, minimus." In the Eddisbury Hundred are "Thos. Manwaring, of Calveley,;" and "Rob. Manwaring, of Marton,;" in the Northwich Hundred, "Philip Manwaring, of Peever, Esq.," and "Charles Mainwaring, of Croxton, Esq.;" and in the Buckley, or Buckley Hundred, "Ranulph Manwaring, of Peever." The Colonel H. Mainwaring, of Masonic fame, was of the Mainwarings of Kermincham, or Carincham, and was descended from Ralph Mainwaring, of Carincham, third son of Randle Mainwaring, of Over Peever, temp., Henry VI. Colonel H. Mainwaring's great grandfather was Sheriff of Cheshire 1575, while Peter Mainwaring, of Smallwood, whose daughter Eleanor was Elias Ashmole's first wife, was a younger son of Henry Mainwaring, of Carincham, the Colonel's grandfather. Thus by marriage Ashmole and Mainwaring were first cousins. But this is not all. In the war between Charles I. and his Parliament Ashmole was a staunch Royalist, while Mainwaring was a Parliamentarian; and, from the introduction to "Ormerod's History of the County of Cheshire," appears to have played a leading part in the struggles—at least, in his native country. Thus we read that, on December 2nd, 1642, the Earl of Derby, being joined by Lord Cholmondeley, at Warrington, marched thence into Cheshire with a view to surprise the militia under Mr. Mainwaring, of Kermincham. In this attempt, however, he was frustrated. The Earl retired into Lancashire, and a part of Lord Cholmondeley's troops were taken and disarmed at Northwich. On 8th December another attempt was made by the Royalists, under Colonel Leigh, of Adlington, namely, to seize Macclesfield for the King, but the party were defeated by Mr. Mainwaring, "who raised the county and attacked them therein with great fury. Two soldiers were slain, and their Colonel fled in the disguise of a drummer. Mr. Mainwaring, whose numbers were swelled by a detachment from Manchester to a thousand horse and foot, plundered Adlington and Sir Rowland Egerton's seat at Wrinchill; and whilst the Cheshire loyalists were flying from their residences to Chester, Shrewsbury, and other places, marched into Nantwich (December 10th), and was there joined by more troops from Manchester, with three pieces of cannon." Both parties, however, about this time "began to be a good deal afraid of each other," and, after several meetings, articles of pacification for the whole county—which were subsequently, however, declared null and void by the Parliament—were agreed to; and among the commissioners (four in number) who signed the said articles is the name of "Henry Mainwaring." This is the "Colonel Henry Mainwaring" who, as Elias Ashmole tells us in his diary, was initiated into Freemasonry with him on the 16th October, 1646, at the aforesaid Warrington. By that time the triumph of the Parliament over the King had been pretty well assured, and men of opposite parties could meet together without sacrificing their opinions. No doubt the readers of the *Freemason* will say that Ashmole and his cousin by marriage could not have selected a better meeting place than a lodge of Freemasons, where political differences have no place.

G. B. A.

#### ABBEY OF ARBROATH.

I should like to add, or rather pre-pose, one more to Bro. Gould's "ifs," viz., If the seal has been really proved to have originally been the Abbey seal, than the handing down of the mysteries obtains strong presumptive evidence. And this is the point I wish to ask about; possibly my doing so may display ignorance, but my only present means of reference are Krause's work containing the copy of the seal, together with long extracts from Cordiner, and my other occupations will not allow me time at present to look at Cordiner's book. Is it beyond doubt that the seal is the veritable Abbey seal? Are any abbeys or convents extant bearing an impression of this seal? Granted it was found amongst the ruins of the Abbey—even granted it belonged to the Abbey—this does not prove it to have been the Abbey seal. There appears to be some legend round the seal, but I am unable to decipher it. Again, on what grounds does Mr. Cordiner describe the chief figure as that of a Pontiff? and in another connection, be it observed, that he places his left hand, not his right, on his heart.

ENTERED APPRENTICE STUDENT.

#### MASONIC SYMBOLISM.

In Brunet's little book, "The Regal Armorie," he tells us "inter alia" that the "All-seeing Eye" is a very old religious emblem in all religions, more or less, and that the Sacred Name within a triangle is practically the same all the world over—in fact the "Tetragrammaton," with its mysterious import and mystical doctrines.

ANTIQUARIUS.

#### REPORTS OF MASONIC MEETINGS.

##### Craft Masonry.

**GIHON LODGE (No. 49).**—The annual meeting of this lodge, for the election of officers and other business, was held on Thursday evening, at the Guildhall Tavern, when there was a goodly muster, under the presidency of Bro. James Moon, W.M. Bro. John Walter Moore was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year; Bro. Stillwell was re-appointed Treasurer; and Bro. G. T. Longstaffe, was again entrusted with the post of Tyler.

With the conclusion of lodge business the brethren partook of an excellent banquet, and the evening was spent in a pleasant manner usual amongst Masons.

**ISRAEL LODGE (No. 205).**—The last regular meeting of this old and flourishing lodge took place on the 22nd inst., at the Cannon-street Hotel, E.C. Bro. H. P. Phillips, W.M., was supported by the following officers and brethren: Bros. Joseph Da Silva, S.V.; J. A. Gartley, J.W.; A. M. Cohen, P.M., Treas.; C. F. Hogard, P.M., Sec.; E. H. Norden, Steward; E. J. Ward, I.G.; R. J. Paton, Org.; L. Norden, I.P.M.; A. Bassington, P.M.; I. P. Cohen, P.M.; H. M. Harris, P.M.; S. M. Harris, P.M.; G. H. Philcox, C. Richmond, M. Goldberg, C. M. Anderson, M. Jacobs, S. Jacobs, J. Jacobs, A. Cohen, M. Cohen, H. C. Lonsdale, G. Salang, and others. Visitors: Bros. G. Rashleigh Banfield, 457; G. G. Meads, 1321; and G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623 (*Freemason*).

Lodge was duly opened and the minutes of the previous lodge meeting were read and confirmed. The ballot box was called into requisition and resulted unanimously in favour of the admission of Mr. H. J. Lonsdale into the Order, that gentleman being accordingly admitted and initiated into the mysteries of the Craft in an impressive manner. Bros. E. N. Nathan, and L. Nathan were admitted to the rank of Fellow Craft. Letters of apology from absent officers were read, and on the proposition of Bro. C. F. Hogard, P.M. Secretary, seconded by Bro. P. M. Harris, it was unanimously resolved to present an address, engrossed upon vellum, congratulating Bro. H. R. H. the Duke of Albany, P.G.W., upon his approaching marriage with H. R. H. the Princess Helena, of Walburg. Other lodge business was disposed of and the lodge was closed in due form.

**EUPHRATES LODGE (No. 212).**—The annual meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday evening at Masons' Hall Tavern, Basinghall-street, when there was a numerous attendance, under the presidency of Bro. Ricknall, W.M., who was supported by Bros. C. Droscher, S.W.; D. Glass, J.W.; J. R. Martin, S.D.; W. J. Cooper, J.D.; R. Millett, I.G.; J. D. Coalville, P.M.; Thomas Rushton, P.M.; J. Halsey, P.M.; Louis Stean, P.M.; Henry Wood, P.M.; J. C. Franks, P.M.; J. Coates, P.M.; J. Coverley, P.M.; J. J. Marsh, Tyler; J. Benabo, R. McLean, J. B. Copson, W. J. Bassett, S. Moss, S. J. Fisk, C. Wills, R. Medcalf, C. H. Evans, and others. Amongst the visitors were Bros. J. Blundell, W.M. 742; R. T. Cook, S.D. 435; J. Macgregor, J.D. 1445; and W. R. Davis, I.G. 87.

Lodge having been opened in due form and the business on the agenda disposed of, the voting took place for W. Master for the ensuing year in succession to Bro. Ricknall. The choice of the brethren fell unanimously on Bro. C. Droscher, who had efficiently discharged his duties of the Senior Warden's chair during the past year. Bro. Droscher received the hearty congratulations of the brethren and suitably acknowledged the compliment which had been paid to him. Bro. Thos. Rushton, P.M., was elected Treasurer, and Bro. Joseph J. Marsh was re-appointed Tyler.

At the conclusion of business the brethren sat down to a sumptuous repast, provided in excellent style by Messrs. Wood and Romaine, whose arrangements for the comfort and enjoyment of the numerous party elicited universal expressions and approbation. The customary loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and amidst an abundance of capital music and singing a most enjoyable evening was passed.

**NELSON LODGE (No. 700).**—The first monthly meeting of the above excellent lodge, under the reign of Bro. E. B. Hobson, W.M., took place on Wednesday, the 16th inst., at the Masonic Hall, William-street, and never was its strength and his popularity more openly shown than upon this occasion, the hall being filled with the brethren of the lodge and visitors, and presenting an appearance at once hopeful and imposing in no ordinary degree. The W.M. presided, and the following officers and brethren were present: Bros. J. Wilkins, I.P.M.; E. Bowles, P.M.; C. W. Hobson, P.M.; A. Woodley, P.M.; J. Warren, P.M.; G. Beaver, S.V.; J. H. Roberts, J.W.; T. Butt, P.M. and Treas.; C. Norman, P.M. and Sec.; T. Ovenden, S.D.; W. Ross, J.D.; C. Sweeting, I.G.; W. Bidgood, Org.; R. Hodgkinson, P.M. 13; H. S. Syer, W.M. 13; R. Bryan, P.M. 76; E. Farvig, P.M. 180; A. Penfold, P.M. 913; T. D. Hayes, P.M. 913; T. Peake, 706; E. Crews, 13; Shoebridge, 13; W. Rees, 913; F. W. Upson, 913; W. Jobson, 147; J. Spier, 553; H. Hammond, 1296; H. H. Tupper, 87; A. H. Lever, 1341; and C. Jolly, 913 (*Freemason*).

The lodge having been opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting passed, the ballot was taken for Messrs. J. T. Middleton and J. Tees, and proving successful, those gentlemen were duly initiated into Masonry; the ceremony was carried out by the W.M. and his officers in good style.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren partook of a neat yet plentifully served little supper, and afterwards drank the usual loyal and Masonic toasts. The I.P.M., Bro. Wilkins, then proposed "The Health of the W.M.," and said Bro. Hobson had well and faithfully served the



lodge for the last six years, and gone through all the minor offices with credit. From what they had seen of his working that evening they might safely conclude that the prestige of the lodge was safe in his hands. He wished him a year of hard work, and that it would be one that would, if possible, cement more strongly the bond of love and harmony that at present, and had for so long, reigned in the lodge. (Applause.) The W.M., in reply, thanked the brethren most sincerely for their cordial reception of his name. It was very gratifying to him and to the lodge in general, to have to commence so well as they had that night, and while their kind expressions of regard to him would be a source of encouragement for him to go on and make himself more efficient in his work, they might depend upon it that he should try all in his power to keep up the strength of the lodge, by introducing such good brethren into it as they had introduced that night. (Applause.) He only asked the officers and brethren to support him with the same earnestness and courtesy that they had his predecessors, and then he felt certain that at the end of his year of office the Nelson Lodge would not have suffered, but rather have increased in strength and usefulness, and kept its hitherto honoured name bright and untarnished before the Masonic world. (Cheers.) The next toast was that of "The Past Masters," and in giving it the W.M. said it was both gratifying and encouraging to him to see such an array of Past Masters present as they had that night, because it not only added to the *tone* of the lodge, but inspired himself and the officers to work well, and be worthy some day of sitting among their honoured ranks. He asked them to drink the toast with enthusiasm. (Applause.) After a few remarks from Bros. Wilkins, Bowles, and Norman, Bro. C. Hobson said that he had unfortunately been unable to attend so well during the last year or two as he should have liked to have done, but for eleven years previously he had hardly ever missed a night's attendance. (Cheers.) He was now in a position to attend more regularly; and, while he felt proud to see such an array of Past Masters present, he trusted it would continue, for, by their hearty co-operation and assistance, the Nelson Lodge would continue to deserve, as it had already acquired, a name for good working, good attendance, and hospitality, second to none in the district. (Applause.) Bros. Butt, Woodley, and Warren also briefly replied. "The Initiates" was the next toast; and Bros. Middleton and Tees severally responded. To the toast of "The Visitors" Bro. Syer expressed the pleasure he felt, as the representative of the Union Waterloo Lodge, at being present, and asked the brethren to return the visit. Bro. Hayes, as an old Mason, was gratified to see the excellent working of the W.M. and his officers, and wished him and the lodge every success. Bros. Farwig, Peake, and Bryan also responded. "The Officers" received a hearty greeting; and Bro. G. Beaver suitably replied. "The Masonic Press" was complimented, and Bro. Jolly returned thanks; and then the Tyler's toast concluded the proceedings.

**NEW CONCORD LODGE (No. 813).**—The members of this lodge assembled on Thursday, the 17th inst., for an "off night" at the Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-street, when there were present: Bros. W. Pierpoint, W.M.; L. C. Haslip, S.W.; Henry Tiddiman, J.W.; Nev. C. Stevens, Chap.; John Stilwell, Treas.; R. R. Harper, Sec.; Alfred J. Potter, S.D.; Peter Harnett, J.D.; J. Boulton, Stwd; Sampson George, P.M.; T. J. Cusworth, P.M.; F. W. Swales, J. Wicks, Frederick Perl, A. Perl, F. M. Wentorn, H. L. Alladice, H. Millson, W. Potter, C. Weedon, C. Smith, and T. C. Speight, P.M. 27, P.G. Tyler Surrey, Tyler.

The lodge having been opened in form, Bro. F. M. Wenborn was passed to the Degree of F.C. by the W.M. There being no other business the brethren adjourned to a light supper, and the evening was passed in fraternal amenity.

**WHITTINGTON LODGE (No. 862).**—The annual meeting for the installation of the W.M. of this lodge was held on Monday, at Freemasons' Hall, on which occasion there were present the following brethren: Bros. Rob. P. Tate, W.M.; John S. Brown, S.W.; A. J. Bolton, J.W.; Thos. Kingston, Treas.; James Weaver, P.M. Sec.; Charles E. Packer, S.D.; John Collinson, I.G.; D. J. Ross, D.C.; W. Hill, Charles Hayward, F. Brown, James Irvine, W. M. Parker, Geo. T. Cox, Sampson Godden, Alfred Moore, P.M.; H. Brocklehurst, J. Guisnau, Charles H. Pike, Henry Hobden, Frederick France, Aylway V. H. Pauncefort, W. Devine, W. Kneel, and Geo. Cox. Visitors: Bros. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, P.G.; H. Higgins, P.M. 1381; F. A. Burt, 13; R. Larchin, W.M. 1541; W. Ansey, P.M. 30; W. Vizzard, 1472; Thos. Gates, J.W. 1599; Howard W. J. Vaughan, 1503; John Mason, 1567, P.P.S.G.D. Middlesex; J. R. Stacey, W.M. 180; John Jones, 860; S. M. Dodson, P.M. 860; F. C. Hayes, S.D. 610; W. G. Dickinson, P.M. 860; J. Carnaby, P.M. 1382; J. Faulkner, W.M. 1423; G. Coop, 1612; Irvine Hare, I.P.M. 1780, P.P.G.P.; W. H. Marston, 572, 1599, P.M.; F. R. Callow, 45; Henry Turner, P.M. 1580; Thos. Alcock, P.M. 1228; J. H. Watts, P.M. 63 and 1201; W. A. Shaw, 1471; H. G. Gush, J.D. 1541; Robert Roberts, P.M. 742 209; Edward W. Davis, P.M. 95 and 172; Jollie Pattison, P.M. 1678; A. Hancock, 1541; and H. Massey, P.M. 619, W.M. 1928 (*Freemason*.)

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th October, Mr. Aylway Valentine Henry Pauncefort was balloted for as an initiate, and unanimously elected. He was then introduced and initiated by the W.M. in faultless style. Bro. John Brown, S.W. and W.M. elect, was afterwards presented to Bro. R. P. Tate, W.M., and in the same admirable style installed as W.M. of the lodge for the ensuing year in the presence of a Board of twenty-three Installed Masters. The following brethren were appointed to office: Bros. R. P. Tate, I.P.M.; A. J. Bolton, S.W.; C. E. Packer, J.W.; Thomas Kingston, P.M., Treas.; James Weaver, P.M., Sec.; T. Richardson, S.D.; J. Collinson, J.D.; D. J. Ross, I.G.; W. Hill, D.C.; and J. Gilbert, Tyler. After the delivery of the addresses, Bro. S. Godden, P.M., was, on the motion of Bro. Tate, I.P.M., seconded by Bro. Kingston, P.M. and Treas., elected as trustee of the Benevolent Fund in place of Bro. C. Walker, P.M., resigned. Bro. Tate, I.P.M., took the Stewardship of the lodge for the next festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and, on the motion of Bro. Weaver, P.M. and Sec., seconded by Bro. A. Moore, P.M., ten guineas were voted from the lodge funds to be placed on his list.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to Freemasons' Tavern to banquet. The usual toasts followed. In giving the toast of "The Pro Grand Master, &c.," the W.M., referring to the Grand Secretary, said that when the brethren constantly saw in the Masonic papers how Col. Shadwell H. Clerke went here, there, and everywhere, consecrating lodges and chapters, and doing everything he could for the good of Freemasonry, they must all be pleased that they had such a brother as Grand Secretary. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S., in reply, after thanking the W.M. for his complimentary remarks, said the Grand Officers were all ready and active in the discharge of their duties. The W.M. had, in proposing the health of the G.M., mentioned that H.R.H. was not able to be often present in Grand Lodge, but the brethren would of course always remember the numerous engagements their Royal Grand Master had. It was only just to H.R.H. to say, however, that although he was unable to be present at many of the meetings of the brethren, yet he took the very greatest possible interest in the working of the Order. There was scarcely a point beyond the routine business of the Craft which he (Col. Shadwell H. Clerke) had not to lay before H.R.H., and on which he did not express his own opinions and decisions. It was entirely a mistake to think that they had only an ornamental Grand Master. It was quite contrary. With reference to the ceremonies of the evening, he had had great pleasure in being present to see both the I.P.M. perform the installation so fluently, and the W.M. so ably follow in his footsteps. He augured from what he had seen that the lodge would become everything its members could desire. Bro. R. P. Tate, I.P.M., proposed "The W.M.," a very dear old friend of his. They had gone hand in hand together for the last five or six years both in parent lodges and in lodges of instruction. They had never once missed a meeting of their mother lodge. The W.M. had kept very close on his (Bro. Tate's) heels, so close indeed that he had trodden on them. But he was very pleased that that night he had had the honour of installing him in the chair of K.S. He was sure they would have a very good Master in the chair. The W.M. replying, said he was very proud to be in the chair. As a rule he thought that all when they were initiated looked forward to occupying that proud position. He was much pleased to follow Bro. Tate, but he was afraid it was a very arduous position to succeed such a Master. Still he had on his left a brother who was well qualified to assist him. It might have been a very easy thing to follow some brethren, but there was hardly a brother round the table who did not know what Bro. Tate had done. Still he would do the best he could, and he hoped that time next year to meet with the approbation of all the brethren. Before sitting down he would discharge a very pleasing duty—propose "The Health of the I.P.M.," and invest him with a Past Master's jewel. The jewel was presented by the lodge as a mark of the brethren's appreciation of his services. They had seen the way in which he had performed his duties that evening—how he had initiated Bro. Pauncefort, and installed him (Bro. Brown). That was a specimen of the way he had done his work during the year, and the brethren could not do better than present him with a token of their esteem. He trusted that Bro. Tate would live many years to wear it. Bro. Tate, I.P.M., replied, and said he had been much pleased with the remarks of the Grand Secretary about the work of the lodge, because that brother was so used to seeing work that he would not have said what he had said unless he had really felt it. He (Bro. Tate) was very much delighted at the handsome testimonial presented to him, and he should wear it with a great amount of pleasure. Whenever he looked upon it he should think of the many happy hours he had spent in the lodge, and of the great kindness he had experienced from the highest to the lowest member of the lodge. He hoped he had settled now among the Past Masters, and that he should receive the same amount of assistance as he had hitherto received. The W.M. then proposed "The Initiate," who, he trusted, would become one of the shining lights in Freemasonry. Bro. Pauncefort, while thanking the brethren for admitting him as a member of the ancient and honourable Order, reiterated the W.M.'s hope that he would become a shining light in Freemasonry. If he followed the footsteps of the W.M. he was sure he should. The W.M. next proposed "The Visitors," and called on Bros. Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.; Alcock, Davis, Mason, and Stacey to reply. Bro. Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S., thought he had already occupied the brethren's time long enough, and had thought of proposing an amendment to the W.M.'s proposition. As, however, the W.M. wished to give the brethren an opportunity of having a little "talkee-talkee" till late in the evening, he would ask them to excuse him, and pass the duty to the distinguished brethren whom he had coupled along with him. Bro. Alcock said it sometimes went against one's conscience to compliment lodges on their working, but the efficiency displayed throughout the evening in the Whittington Lodge, from the Master down to the junior officers, was of such an exemplary character that it really called forth commendation. The faultless manner in which the Installing Master performed his duties was a credit to the Whittington Lodge and to the Craft in general. The able manner in which the W. Master sustained that portion of his duties which devolved upon him the first night augured well for his year of office. It promised, at all events, that the lodge would not be likely to decay for want of a shining light to lead and an instructor to teach. He (Bro. Alcock) had had a double pleasure that evening, seeing that the Installing Master and the W.M. were personal friends of his own. He had observed them for some time past, and the brotherly bond of Masonic union that held them together—in fact he had frequently in his own mind likened them unto Jonathan and David, whose "souls were knit together," and he was happy to say that the union had never been harassed by an hair-brained King Saul. (Laughter.) He must tender his apology for having presumed to speak before some of the Gamaliels of the Order, the distinguished men to whom a great deal of credit was due for the very able manner in which the work of the Whittington Lodge had been performed; but it was at all times a pleasure to give honour where honour was due. Bro. Davis also replied, and referred to the time when he visited the lodge when it was held at the Whittington Club, and at Anderton's Hotel. He was glad to see how much it had prospered and strengthened since that time, and become a great ornament to Freemasonry. The last time he visited the lodge it was a very hard job to find men who could do the work. To-night, however, there was no

such difficulty. Bro. John Mason, P.P.G.D. Middlesex, also replied, and after similarly praising the work of the lodge, thanked Bro. Tate for taking the Stewardship of the lodge for the R.M.B.I., which was a fitting completion of the excellent work he had done during the year. Dwelling more particularly on the work of the institution which he represented, he said that in consequence of the success of the last festival they took on several additional old people; but they brought forward a large margin of 59 candidates, and they were now coming in so fast that unless great assistance was given to the institution the demand could not be met. He trusted that the next festival would be a great success, and that none of the brethren would hide their light under a bushel, but come forward like Bro. Tate and take upon themselves a Stewardship for this institution. Bro. Stacey likewise replied, and called the brethren's attention to the fact that the excellence of the I.P.M. and the W.M. was due to the fact of their attending lodges of instruction. In these lodges a confidence was acquired which enabled brethren to acquit themselves in their own lodges. To the toast of "The P.M.'s" Bro. A. Moore, P.M., replied. Bro. T. Kingston, P.M., and Treasurer, responded to the toast of "The Treasurer and Secretary," both of whom the W.M. said had filled those offices several years. The toast of "The Officers," to which each of those brethren replied, and the Tyler's toast closed the proceedings, which had been enlivened in the course of the evening by some excellent music.

**CITY OF LONDON LODGE (No. 901).**—The annual meeting of this proverbially urbane lodge, which has long maintained the reputation of being one of the most efficiently worked in the metropolis, was held on Monday evening at the Guildhall Tavern, under the presidency of Bro. C. Beaumont, W.M. There was a very large attendance of the brethren, who were subsequently joined by a sprinkling of visitors, and altogether the proceedings were of a very hearty and unanimous description. The W.M. was supported by Bros. Alfred Ginger, I.P.M.; George A. Cundy, S.W.; John Hughes, J.W.; Henry Darcey, P.M., Treas.; Geo. Darcey, P.M., Sec.; David Hughes, S.D.; T. McClelland, J.D.; Henry Harbord, D.C.; E. D. P. Harris, I.G.; Ernest C. T. Hand, Org.; J. Lawrence, P.M.; W. Lewis, P.M.; A. Griffiths, P.M.; H. Dance, P.M.; John Hoddinott, J. W. Fawse, A. J. Pritchard, D. W. Hughes, R. Pittam Stevens, Geo. Gross, C. Huish, W. R. Haylock, H. Souter, P. Newman, Robt. Diamond, John Vale, Stephen Roberts, George Smith, F. Eade, R. Gillard, Edwin Venner, W. Venner, Geo. Brittan, Henry Bardell, Thomas Hosking, George Chivers, G. Rubardt, J. Balcomb, W. B. Smith, C. G. H. Bisley, W. H. Easey, Henry Smith, William Little, J. Corkhill, H. Gordon, P. J. Walker, P. C. Rogers, E. W. Cundy, Thomas James, Alfred Parker, and J. Woodstock, Tyler. Amongst the visitors were Bros. W. Thomas, 1853; J. Timisdale, P.M. 1507; G. J. R. Tribbell, W.M. 1287; E. C. Massey, P.M. 1297; J. Pardoe, 1505; George Stur, 831; Geo. Messenger, 1525; T. Bramley, P.M. Leigh Lodge; and others.

After the customary rites lodge was advanced, and Bros. Faux and Diamond, having replied satisfactorily to the test questions, were duly passed to the Degree of F.C. by the Worshipful Master, who performed the ceremony in a most creditable manner. On the lodge being further advanced, Bros. P. C. Rogers and H. Souter were raised to the Sublime Degree, the Worshipful Master delivering the impressive charges in a style that afforded considerable interest as well as edification to all present. The working was watched throughout with keen and critical interest, and all admitted that in the almost closing act of his official career as ruler of the City of London Lodge Bro. Beaumont displayed the requisite wisdom to discern, and judgment to execute the functions of his exalted post. At the conclusion of the practical work on the agenda, the brethren proceeded to vote for a successor to Bro. Beaumont as W. Master, and the choice fell unanimously upon Bro. George A. Cundy, who as S.W. had been exceedingly popular, and had earned his prerogative for promotion by the efficient manner in which he had discharged the duties of the minor offices through which he had passed. The result of the ballot was hailed with the liveliest satisfaction, and Bro. Cundy acknowledged in a few happily chosen sentences the compliment which had been paid him. Bro. Henry Darcey, P.M. was unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and Bro. J. Woodstock, Tyler.

Lodge was then closed in due form, and the brethren adjourned to the throne-room of the hotel, where a sumptuous banquet had been provided by Bros. Ritter and Clifford, the arrangements, under the personal supervision of Bro. Henry Mills, giving the most unqualified satisfaction. After dessert the usual loyal and Craft toasts were honoured, the W.M. observing it was a source of congratulation to them to know they had the first gentleman in the land to be the ruler of the Craft, and he felt assured that none were more loyal to the Prince of Wales than were the body of Freemasons of England. In proposing "The Health of the Pro Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and other Officers of Grand Lodge," the W.M. said the City of London Lodge was not often honoured by the presence of Grand Officers at their festivities, but he hoped from the way in which they were progressing, they might soon deserve and receive attention at the hands of the rulers of the Craft. Bro. Alfred Ginger, I.P.M., in rising to propose the next toast, said when the gavel was given into his charge the brethren well knew the pleasant duty which accompanied it. During the time he had been I.P.M. of the City of London Lodge he had not been absent from one of its gatherings, and it had ever afforded him the utmost pleasure to propose, as he did to-night, "The Health of the W.M." He would not detain them by any repeated eulogiums of the brother who had so well held the reins of office in that lodge during the past year, with the exceptional remark that Bro. Beaumont had gone through the work really better than he had done before, which was proof that the further he went in Freemasonry the better he liked it, and the more was he capable of carrying out his duties. The W.M., who was cordially received, said this was the last time on which he should have an opportunity of addressing them from the chair at the festive board, and he should like to take advantage of it to thank them for the very kind manner in which they had supported him during his year of office. He could assure them the City of London Lodge had always been his hobby; he loved the lodge, and he had done all he could to promote its welfare. As in the past, so in the future he should

strive to advance its interests to the utmost of his power. In proposing "The Health of the W.M. Elect," he congratulated the brethren upon the choice they had made, and he felt assured the City of London Lodge would have in Bro. Cundy a Master of whom any lodge might well be pleased. His abilities were already known, from the very efficient way in which he had carried out the duties appertaining to his office as S.W. His kindness and urbanity were also known, for he had made himself beloved to the City of London Lodge. Therefore, it was with much pleasure he asked them to rise with him and wish Bro. Cundy every source of happiness and health, and might his year of office be the most prosperous in the annals of the lodge. The toast was received with prolonged applause; and Bro. Cundy, in reply, said he had felt great difficulty in accepting the office, though he did so with a great deal of pleasure, as he was a true lover of Masonry. He took great interest in the work of this lodge, and he felt it a great honour to have been elected to the chair he was to fill next year. He trusted he might be able to discharge his duties to his own satisfaction; if he did that he knew it would be to the satisfaction of the brethren. He should do his best for the good of Freemasonry in general, and for this lodge in particular; and all the duties entrusted to him should have his very best attention. There should be no effort spared on his part to add to the success which had attended the City of London Lodge, or to the enjoyment, harmony, and pleasure the brethren had experienced in the past. He again thanked them most cordially for the hearty way in which the toast had been received. The Worshipful Master then gave "The Visitors," whom the City of London Lodge was always most happy to welcome. The toast was acknowledged by Bros. Tribbell and Bramwell, the latter of whom delivered himself of some humorous sentiments. The W. Master next proposed "The Past Masters," with thanks for the kind and able assistance they had rendered him during his year of office. He regretted the absence, through indisposition, of Bro. Salisbury, P.M., who desired to be kindly remembered to all the brethren. Bro. Ginger, I.P.M., in responding, was sorry to have joined the ranks of Past Masters; he would rather remain I.P.M. He felt now, however, he must take a seat at the back, but he should endeavour to attend as often as he could and assist, or augment, at all events, the Past Masters of the lodge. Bro. Griffiths, also replied. He never came to this lodge but he appreciated the kindly heartiness of the brethren. He had been a member of the lodge many years and was very gratified to see it in such a prosperous condition. He trusted its success might be continued and increased under their W. Master elect, and that the prosperity it had hitherto enjoyed was only the drop before the shower. Bro. Lewis, P.M., in reply, said he had been a member of the lodge sixteen or seventeen years, and as to the way in which their W. Master had done his duty, not a word had been spoken more than he deserved. It was not right to retire immediately they had passed the chair, but if they wished to see the lodge prosper they must attend as often as they conveniently could. Bro. Lawrence, P.M., was loudly called for, and said he did not think the dictionary was printed yet that would afford him language adequately to express his thanks for the manner in which they had received the toast. He was sorry that many of the Past Masters were absent, especially the father of the lodge, Bro. Samuel Osborne, though they all thoroughly appreciated the high position this lodge had attained. He was exceedingly glad to see the City of London Lodge in its present state of prosperity. The W.M. next gave "The Health of the Officers of the Lodge," thanking them for the able and kind assistance they had rendered him during his year of office. He concluded by expressing the hope that they might successively and successfully occupy the chair he had now the honour to fill. Bro. John Hughes, J.W., in responding, expressed the hope that the officers of the lodge had done their duty to the best of their ability, and that they had given the satisfaction which the W.M. had described. If so the satisfaction to themselves would be immense. Several complimentary speeches followed, and the official programme was closed with the Tyler's toast. During the evening there were some capital recitations and songs; Bros. Easey and Souter lending efficient assistance on the pianoforte.

It was arranged that the annual ball in connection with the lodge should take place at Freemason's Tavern on Wednesday, the 11th January, and several officers and brethren volunteered as Stewards.

**VICTORIA LODGE (No. 1056).**—The brethren of this lodge held an "off-night," at the Guildhall Tavern, on Wednesday, under the presidency of the Worshipful Master, Bro. Frederick King. There was a goodly attendance. The agenda paper included five raisings, two passings, and an initiation, all of which ceremonies were admirably performed by the Worshipful Master and his officers. There was no banquet on this occasion.

**FRIARS LODGE (No. 1349).**—The usual meeting of this lodge was held at the Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate-street, E.C., on the 16th inst. The W.M. Bro. R. Durell, was supported by the following officers and brethren: Bros. A. Peterken, S.W.; H. Godolphin, J.W.; W. Musto, P.M. Treas.; W. Hogg, P.G. Sec.; E. J. Friedeberg, I.G.; J. Shepherd, P.M.; A. Budd, W.S.; T. Eastman, H. Kingston, W. Musto, J. Quincey, T. Christmas, W. J. Mitchell, R. S. Sadd, W. Hooper, A. Chappell, H. G. Thurston, A. J. Young, Tyler. The visitors were Bros. F. C. D. Fenn, J.W. 171, Amity; A. R. Greene, J.D. 861, Finsbury; J. W. Howling, 433; C. Veal, P.M. 1306, St. John; and G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623 (Freemason).

Lodge was opened promptly at 5.30 p.m., and after due formalities had been complied with the ballot was taken for the admission of Messrs. William Hooper and Alfred Chappell into the Order. This proving favourable Mr. Hooper was admitted and obligated. Mr. Chappell was next admitted and the remainder of the ceremony very impressively performed in favour of both the candidates. The ceremony of raising Bro. W. J. Musto to the Second Degree was admirably performed, the ceremony gaining no small advantage from the excellent deaconry of Bro. W. Musto P.M. Subsequently Bros. Christmas and Eastman were raised to the Sublime Degree of the Master Mason, this together with the previous work of the W.M. being ably rendered.

Other business having been satisfactorily performed, the lodge was closed, and the brethren sat down to a capital

repast, which fully maintained the reputation of Bro. Kingston as an experienced caterer. Bro. Musto also added considerably to the enjoyment of the visitors and brethren generally by the assiduous manner in which he performed the duties of Wine Steward. The lengthened business in the lodge having occupied considerable time, it caused Bro. Durell to give the toasts in somewhat brief style. The usual loyal and Craft toasts were heartily received, verses of the National Anthem being given. Bro. J. Shepherd, I.P.M., gave in very appropriate terms the toast of "The W.M.," congratulating the lodge on the possession of such an excellent worker as W. Bro. Durell was to occupy the chair of their lodge. The W.M. expressed his thanks for the compliment paid him, and his gratification at the appreciation of his efforts to uphold the prestige of the Friars Lodge, which it would always be his pleasure to continue to do. "The Past Masters" were honoured; Bro. Shepherd responding on behalf of the Past Masters. The W.M. next introduced the toast of "The Initiates." After alluding to the necessity of from time to time admitting new members in their midst, and the pleasure the brethren of the Friars Lodge always felt in welcoming gentlemen such as had been vouched for and initiated that evening, Bro. Durell dwelt at length upon the opportunities which a study of the teachings of Freemasonry would afford young brethren of acquiring that knowledge which would not only fit them for preferment in Masonic rank, but enable them, by adhering to its teachings, to discharge the duties of social life with credit both to themselves and the Order. The newly-made brethren suitably returned thanks for their admission to the Order, promising to do all in their power for the benefit of the Craft. "The Visitors," the W.M. said, was a toast highly appreciated in the Friars Lodge. He was not so intimately acquainted with some of them as he was with Bros. Fenn and Stephens, but he had no doubt they were all as proficient in Masonic knowledge, and he offered them a hearty and a cordial welcome. Each of the visiting brethren having acknowledged the honour done them, the W.M. gave the toast of "The Treasurer and Secretary," and to save time coupled the other officers of the lodge with this toast. Bros. Past Masters Musto and Hogg suitably responded, and the Tyler having been summoned to perform his duty, absent brethren were honoured, and a most enjoyable evening concluded.

**WEST SMITHFIELD LODGE (No. 1623).**—This prosperous lodge held its first meeting since the installation at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on the 17th inst., the business on the agenda being very heavy. Lodge was called for three o'clock. Bro. W. Malthouse, C.C., W.M., was supported by Bros. T. McButt, S.W.; H. J. Lardner, J.W.; G. H. Stephens, S.D.; J. J. Howes, J.D.; W. Snow, I.G.; R. B. Greenwood, D.C.; Egbert Roberts, Org.; E. Mallett, P.M., Sec.; W. Pennefather, I.P.M.; T. W. Adams, P.M.; G. S. Elliott, P.M.; F. G. Cooper, J. King, P. H. Clisby, H. K. Clisby, C. J. Smith, J. T. Rumball, A. Silver, W. C. Smith, W. C. Brasher, R. T. Brickdale, S. D. Patterson, W. H. Holmes, W. Smith, Tyler, and others. The visitors were Bros. H. E. Coffin, 167, and R. Follett, 1326.

Lodge having been opened, and the minutes submitted and confirmed, the following business was very satisfactorily disposed of: The ballot was taken, and proved unanimous, in favour of Messrs. W. Worrell and W. H. Holmes, and those gentlemen were duly admitted into the mysteries of Freemasonry; Bros. H. K. Clisby, P. H. Clisby, C. J. Smith, and J. T. Rumball were admitted to the F.C. Degree; and Bro. S. D. Patterson, whose avocation calls him from England, was, after some months' consequent delay, raised in an impressive manner to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. We congratulate our brother upon his advancement, as he is about to start upon a long voyage.

Considerable time was engaged in discussing matters of lodge interest, and the lodge having been closed, the brethren repaired to the Holborn Restaurant, where, under the able superintendence of Bro. Hamp, a capitally served banquet was partaken of. At the conclusion of the repast, at a very late hour, Bro. Malthouse gave the toasts of "The Queen and the Craft," "His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, R.W.G.M.," "The Pro D.G.M., the Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon, the D.G.M., the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom, and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past." Each of the toasts were heartily received, and interspersed with the usual loyal melodies. Bro. W. Pennefather, in giving "The W.M.," dwelt in flattering terms upon the high efficiency displayed by Bro. Malthouse on the first occasion of his working in the lodge. Bro. T. McButt sang a song with much taste, and the W.M. expressed at some length his appreciation of the cordial manner in which the toast had been proposed by the I.P.M., and received by the brethren. In concluding, Bro. Malthouse assured the brethren he would do all in his power to conduct the affairs of the lodge in conformity with the ancient landmarks of the Order. "The Past Masters," "The Initiates," "The Visitors," "The Officers," and "The Lay Members" were in turn honoured and fully responded to respectively, and Bro. Smyth, the Tyler, gave the final toast, and the brethren separated in harmony.

**WOLSEY LODGE (No. 1656).**—The members of this lodge met on the 14th inst., at the White Hart Hotel, Hampton Wick, when there were present Bros. Astor, W.M.; J. Hurst, P.P.G.P. Middx., S.W.; T. C. Walls, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., J.W.; T. W. Ockenden, P.G. S. Middx., P.M. 1512, Sec.; Featherstone, S.D.; Forge, P.M. 1793, J.D.; Pillar, W.M. 1793, I.G.; W. Hammond, P.P.G.D. Middx., P.M.; J. Hammond, P.P.G.D. Middx. (Hon. P.M.); Rev. C. De Crespigny, P.P.G.C. Middx., P.M.; Gilbert, P.G.T., Tyler. The visitors were Bros. Beauchamp and Collier, 1793, and Johnson, 199.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. Lamb was impressively raised to the Degree of a M.M. by Bro. J. Hammond. A motion to remove the lodge was, after considerable discussion, withdrawn.

The lodge was then closed and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, which was well served. Upon the removal of the cloth the customary Royal and Craft toasts were duly honoured. "The Provincial Grand Officers" was coupled with the name of Bro. the Rev. C. De Crespigny, and he having fluently responded to the subject toast then gave "The W.M." In the course of his remarks the Reverend speaker congratulated the Wolsey Lodge upon a W.M. who, in order to be present that evening, had travelled all the way from Wakefield, in Yorkshire. This

toast having been warmly received, the W.M. made a jocose response. "The Health of the Visitors" followed, the toast being responded to by Bro. Collier, Beauchamp and Johnson. In their respective replies they particularly alluded to the excellent way in which the ceremony of raising had been performed that evening. In giving "The Officers" the W.M. paid a high compliment to Bros. Ockender, the Secretary, Featherstone and Forge, the Deacons, and Pillar, I.G. This toast having been warmly received Bro. Featherstone, S.D., by direction of the W.M. responded on behalf of himself and colleagues. The Tyler having been called upon to discharge his duty the proceedings terminated.

**KAISER-I-HIND LODGE (No. 1724).**—The installation meeting of this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, 8, Air-street, on Thursday, the 3rd inst. In the unavoidable absence of the W.M., Bro. Howard Vincent, owing to his being abroad, the lodge was duly opened by the I.P.M., Bro. Major G. F. Blake. There were present Bros. T. Barrett Lennard, S.W.; A. R. Bayford, J.W.; Rev. Ambrose W. Hall, Chap., G. Chap.; S. C. Diben, P.M., Treas.; F. W. Ramsey, P.M., Sec.; P. F. Walker, S.D.; R. A. Pritchard, J.D.; Capt. Konarski, I.G.; Capt. W. Cunningham-Field, R. Searl, Capt. G. Stovell. Visitors: Bros. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec.; Lieut.-Col. H. S. Somerville-Burney, Richard Goulden, P.M. 1537, and others.

The candidates for initiation were Messrs. A. Barnett, P. Berney Brown, and C. Berney Brown, who were duly initiated by Bro. Major Blake in a very able and impressive manner. The installation of Bro. T. Barrett Lennard as W.M. for the ensuing year was then proceeded with by Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Secretary, and it is unnecessary to say that he performed the ceremony in a most admirable manner. The newly-installed W.M. then proceeded to invest his officers for the year as follows: Bros. R. A. Bayford, S.W.; P. J. Walker, J.W.; Rev. A. W. Hall, Chap.; S. C. Diben, Treas.; F. W. Ramsey, Sec.; R. A. Pritchard, S.D.; Capt. Konarski, J.D.; Capt. G. Stovell, I.G.; Major Cummins, D.C.; and A. Field, Steward.

After the formal business was transacted the W.M. proceeded to close the lodge, and the brethren repaired from labour to refreshment, on which occasion the usual loyal and other toasts were duly proposed and responded to.

**ROYAL SAVOY LODGE (No. 1744).**—The annual meeting of this lodge was held on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on which occasion Bro. Jonathan L. Jones was installed as Master for the year. The great popularity of this lodge draws to it a very large number of gentlemen who desire to enter the portals of Freemasonry, and, judging from the agenda paper, the flow of new members is likely to be maintained. Previous to this annual gathering there were no less than thirteen candidates who had been accepted and were awaiting initiation. Accordingly it was decided to hold a lodge of emergency, which was done on Monday, the 21st, and on that occasion Messrs. T. Jefferies, A. H. Cole, J. Bishop, W. Clements, and W. N. Nadauld were initiated. On Tuesday the lodge was called for 3.30, and shortly after that time business was commenced.

There were present during the evening: Bros. Francis H. Clemow, W.M.; John Douglass, I.P.M.; J. L. Jones, S.W.; T. Hyland, P.M., J.W.; J. Willing, jun., P.M., Treas.; W. M. Stiles, P.M., Sec.; W. Cook, S.D.; G. H. Deller, J.D.; John W. Smith and W. Jaques, D. of C.'s; James C. Smith, Org.; and F. W. Sillis, Stwd. Among the visitors were Bros. W. Fountain, 870; A. Hayman, 375; H. Speedy, P.M. 742; H. Stiles, W.M. 1732; J. Garrod, W.M. 754; C. H. Mursell, W.M. 35; R. J. Taylor, P.M. 144; H. Medway, 177; G. L. Moore, P.M. 169; W. Birrell, 1310; B. Kauffmann, D.C. 1732; F. Butt, P.M. 700; J. J. Michael, W.M. 1107; P.P.G.P. Kent; W. Knight, S.D. 87; J. Mason, P.P.S.G.D. Middx.; J. E. Thomas, I.G. 619; J. Knowles, 1744; C. G. Brown, 1589; W. W. Morgan, jun., J.W. 1107; W. R. Davies, I.G. 87; T. Pinn, 860; J. H. Grant, 1507; A. Wingrove, 3; E. Storr, J.D. 167; C. Harris, 79; C. Baker, 201; W. J. Burgess, W.M. 1472; W. Abrahams, 201; J. Paul, 1287; W. H. Rohrs, W.M. 946; and others.

The lodge having been opened, the ceremonies of raising and passing were worked, Bros. H. Ward, E. L. Jewel, J. Saddington, and J. Knowles, of the Royal Savoy Lodge, and Bro. Medway, 177, receiving the former, and Bros. J. T. Buston, J. Plovman and J. C. Lorns the latter. The W.M. elect was then presented, obligated, and installed, afterwards investing the following brethren as officers of the lodge: Bros. Hyland, S.W.; Cook, J.W.; Willing, Treas.; Stiles, Sec.; Deller, S.D.; Holt, J.D. (by proxy); J. W. Smith, I.G.; Jaques and Sillis, D. of C.; F. Johnson, Steward (by proxy); J. C. Smith, Assist. Steward; P. F. Callaghan, Org.; H. Dickey, Assist. Sec.; C. Koester, Tyler. The addresses having been given, the W.M. proceeded to initiate Messrs. H. Zabel, W. H. Barling and F. G. Riley into the mysteries of Freemasonry, and then amid expressions of approval invested his predecessor with a gold Past Master's jewel. He was quite sure there was no brother more deserving of the honour the lodge conferred than Bro. Clemow, to whom he and every member of the lodge desired to express their thanks for the services he had rendered. It was not possible for him to adequately express his thanks, Bro. Clemow briefly acknowledged the presentation.

Some formal business having been disposed of, the lodge was closed, and the brethren proceeded to the large hall of the Freemasons' Tavern to banquet. The dinner was well served by Bro. Best, and at its conclusion the usual toasts were given. "The Health of the W.M." was proposed by Bro. Clemow, that of "The Past Masters" generally following from the chair. To this each of the brethren who have passed the chair of the lodge replied, and then Bro. Willing assumed the gavel. The W.M. had kindly commissioned him to propose "The Health of the Visitors," perhaps feeling that it required some one of greater assurance than he to do justice to so glorious an assemblage of guests. The presence of so many visitors was a particular pleasure to the founders of the Royal Savoy Lodge, for it must be remembered that it was but three years since that it numbered but seven founders, and the attendance now of so many distinguished members of the Craft was an assurance to those seven brethren that what they had done was looked upon with favour. He tendered them all the heartiest welcome the lodge could afford, and trusted



they and others would be present from time to time at the meeting of the lodge. Bro. W. H. Rohrs, W.M. 946, was the first to reply, tendering the thanks of himself and brother visitors to the brethren of the lodge for their hospitality. Bro. H. Stiles, W.M. 1732, followed. He had visited the Royal Savoy Lodge on several occasions and had seen each of its Past Masters occupying the chair, the welcome accorded to visitors under the rule of each had been most cordial. There appeared to be one feeling entertained by all as regarded the guests. They each strived to outdo the other in the warmth of their reception; and the invariable invitation was, "Come again, we are always pleased to see you." Bro. Michael, W.M. 1107, also spoke to the toast, as did Bros. Burgess, W.M. 1472; Mursell, W.M. 35; Garrod, W.M. 754; and others. The toast of "The Initiates" followed, each of the newly-admitted brethren replying. Bro. Willing gave the next toast. As time was rather short, the W.M. had desired him to adopt a somewhat informal course, namely, to propose in one toast "Success to the Masonic Charities and the Masonic Press." He looked upon these two institutions as two of the most important adjuncts to Freemasonry. In Bro. Mason, the representative of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, they had a thorough supporter of the Charities, and one who seemed to do everything it was possible for man to do to add to the success of the Institutions connected with the Craft. He ably represented Bro. Terry, the Secretary of the "Old Folks," to whom the brethren of the Royal Savoy Lodge were under some amount of obligation, as he had at the time of the foundation of the lodge rendered great service by acting as its Consecrating Officer. His absence on the present occasion was owing to his presence being required elsewhere, but he had sent a very good deputy, and one who could speak to the toast with confidence. He thought the best recommendation he could give Bro. Mason personally was to say that he was a somewhat dangerous man to know, as he seemed to possess the knack of advocating the cause of his Institution so well as to compel brethren to support it. He had that evening induced the Past Masters to promise that one of their number should act as Steward at the next festival of the Benevolent Institution, and it now only remained for the brethren to do their part to render Bro. Mason's work worthy of the reception it should receive. He could not omit to mention also that he had materially assisted the lodge that evening, by acting first in one capacity and then in another, at the earlier part of the evening. As a representative of the other toast he was glad to again welcome Bro. Morgan, jun., and he hoped that at many future meetings of the lodge the two brethren would be again present. Bro. Mason and Morgan having replied, the W.M. proposed "The Officers of the Lodge," and each of those brethren having spoken, the Tyler was called and the concluding toast honoured. The Past Master's jewel presented to Bro. Clemow bore the following inscription: "Presented to Bro. F. H. Clemow, P.M., by the Savoy Lodge, No. 1744, as a mark of esteem and in recognition of his valuable services as W.M. 1880-81."

**ST. DUNSTAN'S LODGE** (No. 1589).—A regular meeting of this lodge was held at Anderson's Hotel, Fleet-street, on Wednesday, the 23rd inst., under the presidency of the Worshipful Master, Bro. Thomas Anthony Woodbridge, P.M. 1194. Amongst those also present were Bros. G. M. A. Low, Alfred Tisley, Sec.; M. Farrington, Org.; W. Clemow, S.D.; F. Farrington, J.D.; W. E. Farrington, I.G.; J. W. Benningfield, Swd.; J. Gilbert, Tyler; Henry Turner, I.P.M.; Walter Williams, P.M.; H. W. Dalwood, P.M.; J. C. Dwarber, P.M.; John Dodson, P.M.; A. H. Jenkins, F. J. Elliot; M. W. Edwards, C. G. Brown, John Waller, E. Symmons, J. A. Harrison, H. G. Harris, David R. Lowe, John Jones, John Esson, W. H. Longman, Robert Skelton, John Giscard, A. Dickinson, and F. J. E. Young. Visitors: Bros. John Bertram, P.M. 742; George Hollington, P.M. 933; T. Watts, P.G.S.B. Middx.; J. B. Marshall, Treas. 1777; E. Blake, 507; W. Abbott, 507; H. E. Joyce, 1601; and Walter P. Story, 1365.

Lodge was opened in accordance with ancient rites, and having been advanced, Bros. F. J. Elliot, J. A. Harrison, and David R. Lowe were raised to the Sublime Degree, by the Worshipful Master, who performed the ceremony in perfect and impressive manner. This being the only business on the agenda, lodge was closed in form, and the brethren partook of an excellent repast, served by Bro. Clemow, in a style for which this old-established and reputed hotel is proverbial. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, and, interspersed with some excellent harmony, the evening was passed happily.

**CHESTER.—Cestrian Lodge** (No. 425).—The usual monthly meeting of this lodge was held at the Grosvenor Hotel, on Thursday, the 17th inst., at six p.m. There were present Bros. W. M. Lightfoot, W.M.; James Salmon, P.M.; P.P.G.S.D.; F. A. Dickson, P.M.; P.P.G.J.W.; E. J. Williams, P.P.S.G.D.; Rev. J. F. Roundthwait, P.G. Chaplain; W. C. Hunt, P.M.; E. Cuzner, P.M.; P.P.G. Org.; S. Spence, S.W.; C. Duncan, J.W.; E. Minshall, Treas.; John Mills, J.D.; F. Miller, I.G.; D. Baynes, Tyler; C. W. Seller, J. K. Evans, P. Roberts, A. Parkes, W. Shones, and R. Potts. Visitors: Bros. G. B. Richmond, 1576; H. Ellis, J.W. 721; E. Johnson, 721; J. Humphrys, 721; Webster Williams, 1609 and 1182; E. Bramall, 1609; J. C. Robinson, P.M. 249 (*Freemason*), and others.

After the lodge had been opened, and the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, Bro. Lightfoot, W.M., said that at the last meeting he had the pleasure of presenting a pair of ivory gavels for the Senior and Junior Warden's pedestals, and he had now the pleasure of presenting a pair of wands. The Masters's gavel having met with an accident at the last meeting, he had had that repaired and mounted in silver at his own expense, and he hoped to the satisfaction of the brethren. A vote of thanks was ordered to be recorded on the minutes for the very valuable presents. Bro. J. B. Manningham being desirous of going forward, having given proofs of his proficiency, was passed to the Degree of F.C. by the W.M. in a very effective manner.

After the transaction of the usual routine business the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where a couple of very pleasant hours were spent, the evening being enlivened by the admirable singing of Bro. Webster Williams and the humorous recitations of Bro. Bramall, both being from Liverpool.

**CHESTER.—Lodge of Independence** (No. 721).—This lodge held its usual monthly meeting in the newly decorated lodge-room, 27, Eastgate-row, on the 14th inst. A large number of the members were present, and in addition there were present the Worshipful Master of the Cestrian Lodge, 425, and his Junior Warden, Bro. Duncan, with other visitors. The business of the evening consisted of a First and Second Degree. The former was worked in its usual form by the W.M. The candidate was then examined by the W.M. and having proved his efficiency retired. The W.M. then vacated in favour of Past Master H. P. Swindelles, who passed the candidate to the Second Degree, afterwards delivering the lecture on the tracing board in his old careful and impressive manner, affording thereby both instruction and a large amount of pleasure to the brethren and apparently to the candidate. The lodge was then closed. The Worshipful Master said he had a most sad and melancholy duty to perform that evening, that was to announce to them the death since last lodge of two old members of the lodge. The first in order of dates was Bro. Joseph Wildig, whose genial face they would well remember, until he was attacked with paralysis, since which time and unto his death he had been confined to his house (now nearly four years.) The other sad loss they had sustained was that of their worthy Treasurer, Bro. Tom J. Mason. Bro. Mason was a member of the City Council and a solicitor in very good practice, with his time fully occupied, and yet he found time to be with us at most of our meetings. His loss was a specially sad one, as he had died far away from his home, and, as might be said, in harness. He had been deputed to attend, with the Duke of Westminster and some members of the City Council, on Mr. Dodson on the subject of the River Dee pollutions, but was taken ill of rheumatic gout, and gradually sunk and died at Ridley's Hotel, in London. Both of the late brethren left large families, but it was hoped in both cases they were in positions to support themselves. It was proposed and unanimously carried that letters of condolence be sent in both cases to the bereaved families of the late brethren. The W.M. said that he should be glad to see as many of the brethren as possible at eleven o'clock a.m., on Wednesday morning to attend at Bro. Mason's funeral, and pay the last sad office of respect to departed merit. The W.M. then said that in consequence of these sad circumstances they had decided not to have the usual banquet that evening, but he trusted they should have the company of all their visitors at the December meeting, when they hoped to have a more enjoyable meeting than this had been. The lodge was then closed in the usual solemn form and adjourned.

**STAFFORD.—Staffordshire Knot Lodge** (No. 726).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday evening, the 16th inst., at the North Western Hotel. Present: W. Bro. T. Wood, Prov. G. Reg., W.M.; Bros. J. Senior, S.W.; J. Baker, J.W.; Rev. E. C. Perry, M.A., P.M., Chap.; J. Storer, P.M., Treas.; F. Woolley, Sec.; J. Mottram, S.D.; E. J. Mousley, J.D.; J. Bervon, Org.; J. Wooldridge, acting I.G.; T. Rigby, Steward; R. Tomlinson, Tyler; J. L. White, W. H. Frith, W. D. Batkin, J. Nevitt, H. Thorn, J. Taylor, C. J. Nevitt, S. S. Plant, and W. P. Duncalfe. Visitors: Bros. J. W. C. Warmington, 1284; J. E. Horder, S.W. 1039; F. Walton, W.M. 1838; J. B. Morgan, S.W. 1838; G. Buttery, Sec. 1039; J. Turnock, 1039; E. Marshall, 1039; and J. Robinson, 1039.

The lodge having been opened, and the minutes read and confirmed, Mr. F. Espley was duly initiated by the W.M. This being the whole of the business on the notice paper, the lodge, after receiving "Hearty good wishes" from the visiting brethren, was then closed in ancient form, and the brethren adjourned for refreshment.

**JERSEY.—Prince of Wales Lodge** (No. 1003).—The installation meeting of this successful lodge was held at the Masonic Temple, on Wednesday, the 9th inst., when there were present Bros. John F. Baal, W.M.; E. Kebly, I.P.M.; Barrow, P.P.G.S.W., acting S.W.; H. Bartlett, J.W.; G. L. Renorf, P.M., Treas.; J. G. Pallot, P.M., Sec.; Woodsford, acting S.D.; H. G. Newman, J.D.; P. Hamilton, acting I.G.; E. Doneden, Org.; G. Rogers, P.M., Tyler; C. D. Bishop, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; H. M. Walden, P.M., P.G. Reg.; P. Bois, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; Anthony F. Pearce, Wilcox, O'Neil, G. Walters, E. Oldridge, E. Bransford, J. T. Cox, Wakeham, McRea, and others. Visitors: Bros. A. Bratby, Sec. 491; John Oatley, P.M., P.P.G.S.W.; J. Baker, P.M. 244; W. Jarvis, P.M. 491; W. H. Chapman, P.M. 950, P.P.G.D.C.; Major Du Jardine, W.M. 244, P.G. Treas.; T. Leete, W.M. 245; Charles Naylor, W.M. 958, P.G.D.C.; C. A. Woodsford, 958; D. W. Porter, 491; Stone, 245; Ferry, 209; Hayne, 903; Le Capplain, 958; Cabot, 244; L. Livermore, 958; A. Campbell, 244; and Holloway, 245.

The lodge being opened in due form, and the minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed, Bro. P. Bois, Installing Master, assumed the chair of K.S., and Bro. J. T. Baal, who had been re-elected, was introduced for re-obligation as Master, the ceremony being most impressively rendered by Bro. Baal. The usual salutations having followed, the W.M. proceeded to invest his officers for the ensuing year as follows: Bros. E. Kelly, P.M., I.P.M.; Henry Bartlett, S.W.; H. G. Newman, J.W.; J. G. Renorf, P.M., Treas.; P. Bois, Sec.; F. Pearce, S.D.; F. Vincent, J.D.; E. Doneden, Org.; P. Hamilton, I.G.; and G. Walter, D.C. The W.M. having received the unanimous good wishes of all the members, closed the lodge in due form.

The banquet followed, covers being laid for sixty brethren, the table presenting a very inviting picture by the handsome manner the floral decorations had been provided by the brethren. Grace preceded the banquet, which gave evident satisfaction, all present doing justice to the viands. Banquet being over, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given and responded to most heartily. The toast of the "Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales," was received with a well given fire. "The Officers of the Prov. Grand Lodge of Jersey, Present and Past," met with a hearty reception, and was duly responded to. "Prosperity to the Lodge" was proposed by Bro. Major Du Jardine, W.M. 491, Prov. G.T., in a manner which called forth the applause of the brethren, the gallant major eulogising the good qualities of the W.M. and the good work of the lodge at all times. The W.M. responded, thanking the brethren for having again placed

him in the proud position of Master of the lodge, remarking that he would much rather have given place to their departed Bro. Poignestrest, S.W. for the past year, but who, unfortunately, had been called from among them a few months since to, he hoped, the Grand Lodge above. The W.M. continued, that even a repetition of the support of the officers the previous year would amply satisfy him, but, for his own part, he intended to keep them as much as possible to improvement in the work. Remarking upon his choice of officers for the ensuing year, he felt he had been rightly congratulated in his choice of them all. The W.M. resumed his seat amid the applause of the brethren. The toast of "The Past Masters" was then proposed and duly responded to. The next toast proposed was that of "The Visiting Brethren," coupled with the name of Bro. Charles Naylor, P.M. 918, P.G.D.C., who responded, giving his assurance on behalf of those present of the enjoyment the lodge had provided for the visitors, both in the lodge and at the festive board. The admirable working of the W.M. and the well-rendered ceremony performed by Bro. Bois deserved special mention. Looking forward to the future year with a hope of their old friend, Bro. H. Bartlett, coming to the front, nothing but prosperity could attend the Prince of Wales Lodge during the ensuing year with such a union of officers. The toast was enthusiastically received. Other toasts followed, and songs, especially those of Bro. Livermore, of the "Livermore Brothers," and Bro. A. Campbell, being interspersed, a most happy evening was brought to a close with the Tyler's toast.

**WAKEFIELD.—Sincerity Lodge** (No. 1019).—At the usual monthly meeting of the above-named lodge, which was held in Zetland-street, Bro. Joseph Mathewman, S.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year, Mr. Matthew Samuel Walker was initiated into Masonry, and, at the close of business, Bro. William Henry Gill, J.P., P.M., P.P.G.W., presented a full set of Provincial clothing and jewel to Bro. Henry France, P.M., P.P.G.D.C., which had been purchased by a few members of the lodge as a slight recognition of long and valued services. Bro. France was initiated in Wakefield Lodge, 727, now 495, May 14th, 1861, and was a founder of Sincerity Lodge, 1019, in 1864. He served the office of W.M. in 1866, and was appointed Prov. G.D. of C., by Bro. Bentley Shaw, and invested by the Marquess of Ripon, in 1872. Bro. France has a son a member of the lodge. Bro. France's father (G. H. France) occupied the office of Prov. G.D. of C. from 1830 till 1849, when he was made Prov. S.G.W., and was held in high esteem by the Craft.

**MANCHESTER.—Ashbury Lodge** (No. 1459).—The installation meeting and St. John's festival was held at the Justice Birch Hotel, West Gorton, on Thursday, the 17th inst. The members present were Bros. J. N. Newton, W.M.; E. J. Cumings, I.P.M.; James Wright, S.W.; E. J. Reynolds, J.W.; W. H. Beaston, Sec.; Jas. G. Abbott, Treas.; John Gallagher, P.M., D. of C.; J. Meadows, Tyler; Thos. Hughes, P.M.; G. F. Brownridge, P.M.; John Storey, W. A. Brown, Thos. Ainscow, W. Dabble, Thos. Aspinall, William Bee, S. Atherton, T. Milligan, John Stanby, and J. Read. Visitors: Bros. H. Lampton, 1083; Thos. Hall, W.M. 235; James Simmons, 1011; J. H. Clarke, Lec. 935; C. W. Gaddy, 935; W. H. Peak, W.M. 993; Wm. Dunville, P.M. 1011; Robert Dottie, W.M. 1161; J. H. Greenwood, 163; Daniel Donbavand, P.M. 317; F. Hancock, P.M. 992; G. C. Williams, W.M. 152; Chas. H. Smith, W.M. 1083; J. Taylor, W.M. 1458; and R. R. Lisenden, 317 (*Freemason*). The lodge was opened with meritorious punctuality at 2.30, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The balance-sheet was reported on, taken as read, and adopted. The W.M. elect, Bro. James Wright, was presented to the Installing Master, Bro. E. J. Cumings, I.P.M., and with due rite and ceremony was inducted into the chair of K.S. The usual proclamation was made and salutes given, after which Bro. John Gallagher, P.M., proceeded to invest the newly appointed officers as follows: Bros. E. J. Reynolds, S.W.; W. H. Beaston, J.W.; Jas. G. Abbott, Treas. (re-appointed); Harvey (by deputy) Sec.; J. Gallagher, P.M., D. of C. (re-appointed, and invested by Bro. E. J. Cumings); Roberts, S.D.; Nicolas, J.D.; Drabble, I.G.; Meadows, Tyler. The appearance of Bro. Jas. G. Abbott for investiture as Treasurer was the cue for a burst of applause, and after addressing him in the usual language Bro. John Gallagher said a further and most pleasing duty devolved upon him, which was to present Bro. Abbott in the name of the members with a gold Treasurer's jewel, and as the mouthpiece of the members, Bro. Gallagher said he wished to convey to Bro. Abbott their high appreciation of his valuable services, and hoped the G.A.O.T.U. might long spare him amongst them. Bro. Abbott, in reply, said he thanked the brethren most sincerely for their appreciation of his humble efforts, and hoped that so long as he remained a member of this lodge he should never give them cause to regret having presented him with this handsome jewel. When the investiture was concluded, Bro. E. J. Cumings, I.P.M., delivered the address to the W.M., and Bro. J. G. Abbott to the Wardens and brethren. The whole of the work was efficiently done, and we congratulate the lodge on possessing two such able executives as Bros. Gallagher and Cumings. When "Hearty good Wishes" had been expressed by the visitors, the lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 4.45.

The festival of St. John was afterwards celebrated with a banquet, at the conclusion of which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. In proposing "The Health of the W.M.," Bro. Ingham, P.M., said it was a pleasing duty so to do, having done it on many previous occasions, and it might be justly called the toast of the evening. Bro. Ingham said that his own health had been so proposed eight years ago, and he should never forget the occasion. He had been one of the founders of the lodge, and it was gratifying to him to see the progress it had made. There had been W.M.'s of the Ashbury Lodge who were well-qualified for the high position, and one or more had become W.M.'s of other lodges. Bro. Ingham informed the brethren that in visiting a neighbouring lodge recently, he was pleased to find at its head one who had formerly belonged to their own lodge, and the manner in which that brother performed his duties was a source of gratification to him, as he had no doubt it would be to them all. With respect to the toast he had risen to propose, Bro. Ingham remarked that from the first he had noticed the care and



interest that Bro. Wright had taken in every duty allotted to him, and felt every confidence that in the proud position he now occupied the brethren would never have cause to regret placing him there. The toast was well received, and the W.M., in reply, said he thanked Bro. Ingham sincerely for his kind wishes, and the brethren for so heartily responding to the toast. He felt very proud at having attained the position he had so long desired; and, at the same time, he felt grateful to the P.M.'s and brethren for rallying around and supporting him as they had done, and with such help he felt he could do all in his power to warrant their confidence during his year of office. In proposing "The Health of the Installing Master," Bro. Moors, P.M., said he was sure the announcement of such a toast would receive the enthusiasm from the brethren it deserved, as no one member had done more for the welfare of their lodge than Bro. Cumings. Bro. Moors also remarked that it was very pleasing to notice so many faces there that evening that had been associated with the lodge since its formation, and there was only one familiar face absent, which was that of Bro. Hall, P.M., whom he (Bro. Moors) understood he was at the present time in Cape Town, where he was no doubt doing his duty. In concluding his remarks, Bro. Moors said he did not think for so young a lodge they could be accused of want of hospitality, inasmuch as he had noticed many faces present that he had had the pleasure of seeing there year after year, and he felt very glad that, possessing so expert a brother as their Installing Master, there would not be any occasion to seek the assistance of other lodges when such work was required to be done as had been so satisfactorily performed that day; and he trusted that when the time arrived, which he hoped would be far distant, that Bro. Cumings thought fit to sever his connection with the lodge, that he would do his utmost to instruct one or two brethren to follow in the footsteps of so worthy a brother. Bro. Cumings, replying, said that the pleasure of installing the W.M. had been greatly enhanced by the knowledge that Bro. Wright was his proposer in Masonry, and such a pleasure rarely falls to the lot of any Mason. Bro. Cumings, in thanking Bro. Moors for his kind remarks, said he had always taken a great interest in the welfare of their lodge, and had never considered any duty a trouble. He had always been, and hoped still to be, of service. He could well afford to sit down now as a P.M., having worked his way up, step by step, to that honourable position, and he thought that the younger brethren should be stimulated by the same desire to attain that coveted distinction. Bro. Cumings also referred to the late Bro. Romaine Callender, who consecrated the lodge and installed Bros. Simpson and Hall; and he (Bro. Cumings) felt sure that the members of the Ashbury Lodge would be glad to know that they need not go outside the lodge for assistance when work was required to be performed. He thanked them all for their kind expressions of appreciation for his humble efforts, which he would at any time be pleased to render. Bro. Reynolds, S.W., next rose, and, in eulogistic terms, proposed "The Health of the I.P.M., Bro. Newton." At the same time he felt very pleased on behalf of the members to present him with a Past Master's jewel in acknowledgment of the services he had rendered during his year of office. This announcement was received with applause, and after it had subsided, Bro. Newton rose and returned thanks in suitable terms for the handsome present. Several other toasts were proposed and responded to, and a most enjoyable evening was enlivened by some excellent singing from Bros. J. H. Greenwood, W. Dumville, and Peels, whilst our talented brethren Bros. R. Dottie and Daniel Donbavand delighted their hearers with some masterly readings, the latter brother's "Dream of Eugene Aram" being artistically rendered.

**LIVERPOOL.**—Lodge of Israel (No. 1502).—There are very few lodges in the extensive provinces of West Lancashire which has more clearly justified its consecration and dedication to Freemasonry than the Lodge of Israel, No. 1502. It embraces many true and working brethren; has held a front place in the work of charity, which is at once the glory and the honour of the Craft; has long enjoyed a succession of admirable Masters, Wardens and officers, by whom the glorious ritual of our Order has been rendered worthy of its place, and it has been attended by an amount of prosperity which it has well and honestly deserved. The brethren gathered in strong force on Monday, the 20th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, for the purpose of assisting at the celebration of the eighth anniversary of the lodge's consecration. It may be stated that the membership consists mainly of brethren of the Hebrew persuasion, and the energy and enthusiasm which marked the proceedings on this occasion showed how heartily the brethren took up and promoted the best interests of the Craft. An interesting announcement was also made during the proceedings that a new Royal Arch Chapter would soon be consecrated in connection with the lodge, which will no doubt add greatly to its reputation and usefulness.

The lodge was duly opened on Monday last by Bro. S. J. Henochsberg, W.M., who was supported by Bros. M. Aronsberg, S.W.; M. P. Tueski, J.W.; H. A. Tobias, I.P.M.; P.G.S. of W.; S. Schonstadt, P.M.; Alex. Jones, P.M.; Alex. Levy, P.P.G.S.D. Griqualand; Maurice Hart, P.M., Treasurer; J. Sabar, Secretary; H. F. Wright, S.D.; D. Gabrielson, J.D.; H. M. Silver, I.G.; and others. A large number of visitors were present, among whom were Bros. H. S. Alpass, P.G. Sec.; J. P. Platt, P.B.J.G.W. Cheshire; W. Ashley Clayton, P.G.J.W.; J. S. Beauford, P.P.G.J.W.; Dr. Bailey, P.G.S.; Councillor J. Ball, W.M. 673; Dr. H. Pitts, W.M. 1620; W. Marquis, W.M. 537; and others. The W.M. elect, Bro. Maurice Aronsberg, S.W., was duly presented, and installed in true Masonic fashion by Bro. Henochsberg, the retiring W.M. After the usual honours, the following officers were appointed and invested for the ensuing year: Bros. Rev. Professor J. Prag, Chap. (by proxy); Rev. Dr. W. Stern, Deputy Chaplain; S. Schonstadt, P.M., M.C.; M. P. Tueski, S.W.; Jos. Sabar, J.W.; M. Hart, P.M., Treasurer (re-elected); H. F. Wright, Secretary; D. Gabrielson, S.D.; H. M. Silver, J.D.; M. Baum, I.G.; P. S. Levy, S.S.; H. Archer, J.S.; E. Capstick, A.S.; Samuel J. Henochsberg, I.P.M.; W. H. Ball was re-elected Tyler. After the ceremony the new W.M. opened his year of office by very creditably initiating two gentlemen into the Craft.

At the banquet which followed, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. During the proceedings

a handsome Past Master's jewel was presented to the I.P.M. on behalf of the lodge, and suitably acknowledged by that brother. In responding for "The P.G. Officers," Bro. Alpass congratulated the lodge upon the hearty feeling existing between all religious denominations in the Craft, and incidentally mentioned that the P.G.M., the Earl of Lathom, would in all probability honour the lodge with his presence at the consecration of their new chapter on Tuesday next.

**YORK.**—Eboraum Lodge (No. 1611).—The annual meeting for the installation of Master of this lodge took place on Monday, the 14th inst., at the Masonic Rooms, Queen's Hotel. The brethren and their visitors mustered at 3 p.m., and soon after that hour Bro. J. T. Sellers, the W.M., opened his lodge. He was supported by Bros. G. Simpson, S.W., W.M. elect; M. Millington, J.W.; A. T. B. Turner, S.D.; T. D. Smith, as J.D.; with several other Past Masters and brethren, and a number of visitors. As soon as the minutes were confirmed, and a successful ballot taken for a candidate, the chair was taken by Bro. T. B. Whytehead, F.M., who acted as Installing Master, and appointed as his Wardens for the ceremony Bros. J. S. Cumberland, P.M., and G. Balmford, P.M. The W.M. elect was then presented by the outgoing W.M., and the ceremony of installation proceeded with, and the W.M. was duly installed in the chair of K.S., and afterwards saluted and greeted. The working tools were given in each Degree by Bro. C. G. Padel, P.M. The W.M. then proceeded to invest his officers, the address in each case being given by Bro. J. S. Cumberland, P.M. The Installing Master gave the address from the West to the W.M., Bro. J. S. Cumberland that to the Wardens, and the Installing Master the final charge to the brethren.

The following is the list of officers appointed: Bros. J. T. Seller, I.P.M.; Jas. Kay, S.W.; M. Millington, J.W.; Rev. Jas. Kay, Chap.; G. Balmford, P.M., Treas.; C. G. Padel, P.M., Sec.; T. Humphries, Assist. Sec.; A. T. B. Turner, S.D.; W. J. Girling, J.D.; T. B. Whytehead, P.M., M.C.; R. Walker, Assist. M.C.; J. S. Cumberland, P.M., Preceptor; J. Davis, Org.; J. R. Jackson, I.G.; W. B. Dyson and Brown, Stewards; and P. Pearson, Tyler. Bro. T. B. Whytehead presented to the lodge, on behalf of Bro. A. M. Broadley, P.M., P.D.F.G.M. Tunis and Malta, who is an honorary member of the lodge, a rare French work, being a defence of Freemasonry against the Papal Bulls. At the same time, he read a fraternal message from Bro. Broadley, stating that he had procured the book at Sfax, and conveying warmest greetings to the lodge. Bro. Whytehead also read a warm letter of congratulation to the lodges from Bro. Hughan, of Truro. Several other letters from prominent Yorkshire Masons were also read, apologising for non-attendance from various causes. On the motion of Bro. Cumberland, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Broadley for his gift, and to Bro. Hughan and other brethren for their fraternal aid and assistance since the lodge had been founded. Bro. Whytehead was re-elected to the office of Charity Representative of the lodge for the Provincial Association. The name of a candidate for initiation was proposed and seconded and the lodge was closed amidst the "Hearty good Wishes" of the visitors and brethren. Amongst the visitors present we noticed Bros. J. Todd, P.M. 263; Rev. W. C. Lukis, P.M. 837; W. Harrison, P.M. 837; J. Barker, P.M. 1102; S. Middleton, P.M. 1760; F. Smith, W.M. 837; H. Rymer, P.M. 1337; J. S. Rymer, S.W. 236; G. Kirby, J.W. 236; A. M. White, J. T. Foster, W. Smith, J. Redfare, C. Anderson, H. C. Pickersgill, E. J. de Salis, W. H. Godby, and others.

At six o'clock the brethren met at a banquet served in excellent style by Bro. H. Churchill. The W.M. presided and was supported by most of the brethren named above. The list of toasts was not long but embraced most of the topics usually dealt with. The toast of "The Prov. Grand Lodge" was responded to by Bro. J. S. Cumberland, P.M., P.J.P.G.W. The newly installed Master and the Installing Master paid one another the usual compliments. The J.W. responded for the "Officers of the lodge." Bro. Whytehead proposed "The Sister Lodges" and Bro. M. Rooke, W.M., of the York Lodge responded. Bro. Balmford proposed "The Visitors" and Bros. Rev. W. C. Lukis, of Ripon, and J. Barker, of Mirfield responded. Bro. Cumberland, Provincial Charity Steward, made a capital speech in reply to "Masonic Charities," and a very pleasant evening was passed, several brethren contributing by their vocal efforts to the harmony of the night. The toast list itself was again a work of art, from an original medieval design by Bro. Whytehead, each toast being accompanied by a quotation from Chaucer or some other quaint writer.

**GOSPORT.**—Prince of Wales's Lodge (No. 1705).—The annual meeting of the above lodge took place on Thursday, the 27th of October, for the purpose of installing the W.M., at the lodge rooms, India Arms Hotel. The lodge was opened by the W.M. Bro. the Count Des-Geneys supported by his officers, and the usual business having been transacted the report of the Audit Committee was read and confirmed, as well as a ballot taken for the Treasurer for the ensuing year, when a unanimous vote was recorded for Bro. A. Knight, J.D. At the same time the brethren of the lodge desired to express their acknowledgment of the services rendered by the late Treasurer, by passing and recording a unanimous vote of thanks to Bro. C. B. Whitcomb, P.M., P.G.J.D. The ceremony of installation was proceeded with, when Bro. G. F. Lancaster, P.M. 903, P.P.G.J.D., presented Bro. the Count Des-Geneys, W.M. and W.M. elect, to the Installing Master Bro. G. Grant, I.P.M., for the benefit of re-installation. The ceremony having been most ably conducted, the lodge passed a unanimous vote of thanks to the Installing Master, which being expressed by the W.M. was suitably responded to by the I.M., Bro. G. Grant. The W.M. invested the following brethren as officers for the ensuing year: Bros. T. Batchelor, P.P.G. Org. as S.W.; W. F. Burrell, J.W.; A. Knight, Treas.; G. Darby, Sec.; A. J. Cave, S.D.; J. S. Senior, J.D.; W. M. Chalcraft, I.G.; A. Miller, D.C.; J. Howell and R. Fraser, Stewards; and L. Cauvin, Tyler.

Among the members of the lodge and visitors present were Bros. M. E. Frost, P.M. 257 and 1428, P.G. Treas.; G. F. Lancaster, P.M. 903, P.P.G.J.D.; Capt. Balliston, R.N., 1705; C. B. Whitcomb, P.M. 1705, P.G.J.D.; R. W. Mitchell, P.M. 903; V. Brown, P.M. 903, P.G. Purst.; R. W. Downing, W.M. 903, P.G. Stwd.; W. Touhy, P.M. 342 and 1428, P.P.G.D.C.; G. P. Arnold, W.M.

1428; J. R. Hayman, W.M. 257; G. Bond, P.P.G.S.B.; R. Osborne, P.M. 487; J. Patterson, W.M. 431; J. Palsgrave, W.M. 487; W. Green, P.M. 387 (I.C.) and 1717; C. J. E. Mumby, 1705; G. Dean, 487; B. E. Horn, 903; D. J. Gilmour and W. A. Hill, Stwds. 309; G. Veller, 35; J. Mares, 1428; A. Jolliffe, J.D. 257; C. A. Pates, I. W. Leaver, and R. P. Briant, 1705.

After the conclusion of the ceremony the lodge was closed in perfect harmony, and the visitors and brethren, numbering about forty, adjourned to an elegant banquet provided by the host, Bro. Kingswell, and, after spending an agreeable evening in fraternal amity, diversified by the usual loyal and Masonic toasts and by singing, the brethren retired at a late hour.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—Landport Lodge (No. 1776).—On the 17th inst. the installation of Bro. T. H. Williams, of this lodge, took place at the Masonic Hall, Commercial-road. There was a very large attendance present to witness the ceremony, which was done in a manner reflecting great credit on the Installing Master, W. Bro. E. S. Main. The following were the officers appointed and invested for the ensuing year: Bros. C. G. Adams, I.P.M.; G. T. Cunningham, S.W.; J. F. Bacigalupo, J.W.; J. G. Niven, Treasurer; C. Burbridge, Sec.; J. M. Foster, Asst. Sec.; G. Drake, S.D.; A. Russell, J.D.; A. H. Hancock, I.G.; Wm. Mills, Organist; P. Murch, D.C.; C. F. Brown and T. H. Casey, Stewards; and J. F. Parkinson, Tyler. After the business of the lodge a very handsome Past Master's jewel was presented to the I.P.M. as a mark of appreciation from the brethren for the satisfactory and zealous manner in which he had carried out his duties during the year.

At the conclusion of the lodge a most *recherché* banquet was partaken of in the banqueting hall.

## INSTRUCTION.

**PROSPERITY LODGE (No. 65).**—The annual supper of this lodge took place at Bro. Maidwell's, Hercules Tavern, on Tuesday, the 15th inst. Present: Bros. Chichen, W.M.; Roberts, S.W.; Shadler, J.W.; Ferry, Brown, Maidwell, Bond, Marshall, Davidson, Clements, Rich, Walker, Daniel, Haynes, Hollands, Moss, and Harold.

The lodge was opened and closed in due form. The brethren did full justice to the excellent repast, provided by Host Maidwell. After the usual loyal and Masonic toasts, occasion was taken to present Bro. Moss, the indefatigable Preceptor, and his wife with a small token of the brethren's appreciation of his services. Bro. Moss having responded in suitable terms, the toasts of "The Secretary, Bro. Hollands;" "The Treasurer, Bro. Maidwell;" and "Bro. Brown, Past Master, Secretary of the Benevolent Association connected with this Lodge of Instruction," were given and severally responded to. Bro. Brown stated that the sum of £280 had been sent to the different Masonic Charities during the last eighteen months. The evening was enlivened by the harmony of Bros. Marshall, Bond, Shadler, Maidwell, Davidson, Haynes, and Hollands.

The regular weekly meeting of the above lodge also took place on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at Bro. Maidwell's, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, E.C., when there were present Bros. Chichen, W.M.; Clement, S.W.; Shadler, J.W.; Posener, S.D.; Harris, J.D.; D. Moss, Preceptor; Kleingenstein, Sec.; Hollands, Walker, Brown, Hansbecker, Mann, Roberts, Keys, Daniels, Herald, and others.

Lodge was opened in due form and the minutes confirmed. Lodge was advanced, and Bro. Kleingenstein was entrusted. The W.M. then worked the ceremony of raising. The Auditors' report of the Benevolent Fund connected with the lodge was submitted and adopted, and the following sums were unanimously set apart from the balance in hand: £1 1s. to the "Old People's" Christmas entertainment, and £5 5s. to the funds of the same excellent Institution, upon the list of Bro. Chichen, the W.M. of the Mother Lodge. Bro. Clemow was elected to be W.M. for Tuesday next, the 29th inst., and the lodge was closed in harmony.

**ISRAEL LODGE (No. 205).**—The regular meeting of this lodge was held at Bro. W. Yetton's, Rising Sun, Globe-road, E., under the presidency of Bro. T. W. Jones, P.M., who was assisted by Bros. I. P. Cohen, P.M., S.W.; J. R. Shingfield, J.W.; A. Abrahams, S.D.; L. C. Haslip, J.D.; Macgregor, Horley, Job, Huxley, Exridge, Hughes, Taylor, W. Musto, P.M., Preceptor; G. H. Stephens, Hon. Sec.; Yetton, P.M., Treas.; Wm. Iron, 1579 (visitor); and others.

The lodge having been opened, the minutes of the previous meeting were submitted and confirmed. The ceremony of raising was in due course worked, Bro. Horley being candidate. The whole of the Section of the Lecture were worked by the Secretary, assisted by the brethren. Bro. W. Iron, 1579, was duly elected a member, and Bro. Cohen also elected W.M. for the ensuing lodge meeting, and the lodge was closed.

**DORIC LODGE (No. 933).**—The regular weekly meeting of the above lodge was held at Bro. J. Clayton's the Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, E., on the 18th inst. Bros. G. A. Payne was W.M.; Hopkins, S.W.; Richardson, J.W.; Lloyd, S.D.; Chown, J.D.; Job, I.G.; B. Cundick, P.M., Preceptor; W. Musto, P.M., Sec.; and there were also present Bros. Defriez, West, Mitchell, Loane, Taylor, Dix, Gaskell, Bullwinke, Adams, Stewart, Clements, Moss, J. Clayton, A. Benabo, Barnes, P.M.; Stephens, and others.

Lodge was duly opened and the minutes read. After Bro. Loane had been interrogated, the ceremony of raising was worked in a careful manner, Bro. Loane being the candidate. Bro. I. P. Cohen, P.M., worked the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sections of the Second Lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. W. Adams, 1687, was admitted a member of the lodge, and Bro. Hopkins was elected W.M. for the ensuing lodge meeting. The business to be performed will, according to the revised bye-laws, consist of working as many of the Sections as the usual hours of meeting will permit. Among the brethren who have promised to assist are Bros. West, 933; Stewart, 1278; Richardson, 174; Cohen, P.M. 205; Moss, S.D. 1275; Cundick, P.M. 1421; Stephens, S.D. 1623; Musto, P.M. 1349; Hopkins, 749; and others.

**BURDETT COUTTS LODGE (No. 1278).**

At a regular meeting of the above lodge on the 23rd inst., at the Lamb Tavern, Bethnal Green, Bros. Col. Webb, P.M. 174 and 1607 was W.M.; T. J. Barnes, P.M., S.W.; E. Ward, J.W.; W. Musto, P.M. 1349, I.P.M.; A. Hand, Hon. Sec.; A. G. Clements, J.D.; J. Clark, I.G. The evening being devoted to the working of the Fifteen Sections, a good attendance of members was anticipated and realised. Among those present were Bros. Brown, Roberts, Walker, Anderson, Hammond, Huxley, Ford, Jones, Job, Cotter, Chitson, D'Ardenne, Richmond, A. Cohen, M. Cohen, Haslip, Dupree, Bromley, Goldberg, Cheverton, Cracknell, Musto, jun., Hodges, Carr, and the brethren who worked the Sections.

The following brethren were elected members: Bros. A. Cohen, 205; M. Cohen, 205; Goldberg, 205; Bromley, 228; Haslip, 813; W. Musto, jun., 1349; Hodges, 1278; Cracknell, 1423; Cheverton, 1472; Carr, 1607; Dupree, 1851. A cordial vote of thanks to Bro. Webb for the very excellent manner in which he had presided was unanimously passed, also conferring upon that brother the honorary membership of the Burdett Lodge of Instruction. A similar expression of thanks was also accorded Bro. Past Master Barnes for the able manner in which he had performed his duties as S.W. These were suitably acknowledged, and lodge was duly closed and adjourned.

**ISLINGTON LODGE (No. 1471).**

About thirty members of the above lodge of instruction met at the Moorgate Tavern, on Tuesday evening, the 15th inst., to hold the annual supper of the lodge, under the presidency of Bro. J. L. Mather, P.P.G.D.C. Herts, the Preceptor. On the cloth being withdrawn, the usual loyal toasts were given by the Chairman and duly responded to. Bro. Binckes, the Secretary of the Boys' School, replying to the toast of "The Charities," made an eloquent appeal on their behalf, observing that from the frequency of his utterances on this subject a great deal of ingenuity would be required on his part to say anything new. He could only reiterate what he had so often said before, and lay the claims of the several Charities before the brethren for support with all the earnestness he could display, asking those who had assisted to continue their efforts in the cause, and those who had not yet contributed to give the matter their earnest consideration. Bro. Binckes' remarks were listened to with much attention by the brethren present.

**ROYAL COMMEMORATION LODGE (No. 1585).**

At the ordinary weekly meeting of this lodge, held on Monday, the 31st ult., at the Railway Hotel, High-street, Putney, at eight o'clock, the installation ceremony was worked by Bro. Charles J. Digby, P.M. 933, in his usual careful and impressive manner. There was a very large attendance of brethren, and amongst them were the following P.M.s and members of the lodge: Bros. Walker, 27; W. Carter, 144; Elkington, 190; Garnar, 975; J. G. Carter, 1044; A. N. Newens, 1044; J. H. Newens, 1044; Hancock, 1767; and Dawson, 1768. Visitors: Bros. Stuart, P.M. 141; Crocker, P.M. 429; Morgan, P.M. 1044; Hewett, P.M. 1622; Noble, W.M. 975; and Barker, W.M. 1767. After the ceremony a cordial vote of thanks to Bro. Digby for his kindness in attending, and for the pleasure and instruction he had afforded the brethren, was carried by acclamation; and he having replied in felicitous terms the lodge was closed in ancient form, and the brethren separated after a most enjoyable evening.

**TREDEGAR LODGE (No. 1625).**

The last regular meeting of this lodge was held at the Royal Hotel, Mile End, Bro. Moss occupied the chair, supported by Bros. Clements, S.W.; J. Taylor, J.W.; Hubbert, S.D.; C. Kendall, J.D.; Brittain, I.G.; T. J. Barnes, P.M. Treas.; B. Stewart, Hon. Sec.; also Bros. Clark, Macdonald, Stephens and others. Lodge was opened in due form and minutes were read and confirmed and lodge advanced. Bro. Clark was interrogated and entrusted, after which the ceremony of raising was worked, Bro. Clarke being candidate. The third section of the lecture was worked by Bro. Stephens with the assistance of the brethren, Bro. P.M. Barnes acting Preceptor. Bro. Clements was elected W.M. for the first Monday in the ensuing month, the meeting on Monday next, 28th inst., being set apart for working the Fifteen Sections, when Bro. G. H. Stephens will preside. Lodge was then closed.

**CRUSADERS LODGE (No. 1677).**

The adjourned annual meeting of this lodge was held at St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, on Thursday, the 10th inst., there being present among numerous other members Bros. William Simpson, W.M.; Arthur E. Gladwell, S.W.; J. S. Fletcher, J.W.; R. D. Cummings, Preceptor; Chas. G. Payn, S.D.; J. S. Tillett, J.D.; W. J. Goods, I.G.; Harold Halliday, Sec. The lodge was opened with the usual ceremony and the minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. The ceremony of passing was then rehearsed very ably by Bro. Simpson, and special thanks were due to him for the able manner in which he had managed the whole of the business duties of the evening. This being an off night the officers were to be elected for the ensuing year, the revised bye-laws were to be discussed, and other business had to be transacted which required great tact. This was all done to the greatest satisfaction of all present. Bro. A. E. Gladwell was unanimously appointed W.M. for the 17th inst., and appointed officers in rotation. The Secretary was ordered to get the revised bye-laws printed and distributed to the members on the night of the supper if possible, which will take place on the first Thursday in December. Bro. Cummings, Preceptor; G. H. Calderwood, Treas.; H. Halliday, Sec.; were unanimously elected for the ensuing year. Bro. Cummings, who is going up as Steward at the annual festival in aid of the funds of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for the aged people, on this evening instituted a ballot association for the purpose of enabling members of this lodge to become Life Subscribers or Life Governors of either of the Masonic Charities by weekly payment of one shilling, a ballot to take place as soon as £5 5s. is subscribed. This ending the business, lodge was closed in due form and adjourned.

Bro. Col. J. A. Lloyd-Philipps, R.W. Prov. G.M. for South Wales (Western Division), will preside at the forthcoming festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Free masons on the 22nd of February, 1882.

**Royal Arch.****NORWICH.—Cabbell Chapter (No. 807).**

The most successful meeting of this chapter since its resuscitation was held on Friday, the 4th inst., at the Masonic Club-rooms, No. 23, St. Giles-street, Norwich, when every officer of the chapter evinced their proficiency in the highest degree. The chapter was opened at about 7.30 o'clock in the evening, by the Principals. There were present Comps. S. N. Berry, M.E.Z., P.G. Org.; Arthur J. Berry, H.; Jno. B. Bridgman, J.; Edwin Baldwin, P.Z., Prov. S.E.; E. Geo. Green, N.; H. A. W. Reeves, P.S.; Thos. Campling, 1st A.S.; Henry Rosling, 2nd A.S.; J. W. Browne, Org.; William Murrell, Janitor; Hugh Fox, H. Thoulless, E. Pepper, W. N. Cooper, J. H. Guyton, T. J. Mackley, J. Hoborough, Wm. Shorten, and J. Stanley, sen. Among the visitors were Comps. F. Mills, 52; J. Stanley, M.E.Z.; E. Orams, A. Atkinson; James Offord, W. W. Stanley, Thos. Isley, and G. W. G. Barnard, 213.

The minutes of the last convocation were then read and confirmed. The business of the evening was to exalt Bro. Jefferson Holt, of Cabbell Lodge, No. 807, and Jesse Weyer, of Walpole Lodge, No. 1500, which ceremony was excellently and impressively rendered by the Three Principals, the lectures being perfectly and correctly given. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bye-laws were read and confirmed. The election of officers then took place, which resulted as follows: Comps. A. J. Berry, Z.; J. B. Budgman, H.; George Green, J.; J. Edwin Baldwin, E.; Thos. Mackley, N.; H. A. W. Reeves, P.S.; Thos. Campling, 1st A.S.; Henry Rosling, 2nd A.S.; and George Baxter, Treas. The voting being unanimous.

The chapter was then closed in ancient form. At the conclusion Comp. S. N. Berry, M.E.Z., for the first time for many years past, gave the charge in an excellent manner. During the proceedings Ex. Comp. J. Stanley, on behalf of his father, the last S.E. of the chapter previous to its somewhat decay, in a very impressive speech, presented the old minute and other books belonging to the chapter, which had been in his father's possession since they were committed to his care; and the same were graciously accepted. A vote of thanks was then passed to Comp. Stanley for his kind gift and expressions. The companions then adjourned to the banqueting-room, where an excellent supper had been prepared, at the conclusion of which the usual Royal Arch, loyal, and Masonic toasts were given and duly acknowledged. We congratulate Comp. S. N. Berry on his success during the past year, and look forward to the equal success of his brother and Comp. A. J. Berry.

**INSTRUCTION.****DORIC CHAPTER (No. 933).**

This flourishing chapter, which is now established in its new quarters at Bro. J. Clayton's, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, E., held its usual meeting on Monday evening, the 21st inst., commencing at seven o'clock p.m. The were present Comps. T. J. Barnes, P.Z., Preceptor; Macdonald, Z.; P. Macarthy, H.; Durell, J.; W. H. Myers, P.Z.; Scribe E.; I. P. Cohen, N.; W. Musto, P.Z., P.S.; Robson, and others.

The chapter having been opened, Comp. Macdonald worked the ceremony of exaltation, Comp. Robson being candidate. The very able manner in which the entire work is done by all the companions is a very enjoyable feature at this chapter of instruction, and must be witnessed to be appreciated. Chapter was closed in due form, and adjourned until the first Monday in December. There will not be a meeting here next Monday in consequence of several of the companions having undertaken to work Sections at the Tredegar Lodge on the 28th inst.

**Mark Masonry.****FRANCIS BURDETT LODGE (No. 211).**

The members of this lodge met at the Albany Hotel, Twickenham, on the 16th inst., when there were in attendance, among others, Bros. Raymond Thrupp, P.P.G.W. Middx. and Surrey, &c., &c., acting W.M., in the absence through severe indisposition of W. Bro. E. Hopwood, P.P.G.S.B. Middx. and Surrey; Sanders, S.W.; T. C. Walls, G.S.B., &c., J.W.; W. Hammond, P.G.S., &c., Secretary; Handel, S.O.; Tozer, I.G.; and Harrison, Tyler. Bro. John Hammond was a visitor.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken upon behalf of Bro. Briggs, P.M., &c., and it proving to be unanimous he was duly advanced. Bro. Sanders was elected W.M.; W. Taylor, Treasurer; and Harrison, Tyler, for the ensuing year. A jewel having been unanimously voted to W. Bro. W. Wigginton, P.G.S. of W., &c., the founder and first W.M. of the lodge, and a letter of sympathy ordered to be forwarded to Bro. W. Taylor, who was absent in consequence of the serious illness of his wife.

The lodge was duly closed, and the brethren adjourned to an excellent collation, ably presided over by Bro. W. Hammond, P.M. The usual toasts followed. Bros. Thrupp and Walls replied upon behalf of the Grand Officers. The toast of "The W.M." was warmly proposed by Bro. Thrupp, in which he expressed a hope that Bro. Hopwood would soon be restored to his accustomed good health. Bro. Hammond having replied upon behalf of the absent W.M., then gave "The Advance." Bro. Briggs in response stated that he had been highly impressed with the ceremony of his advancement, and he hoped in time not only to be better acquainted with the highly interesting and instructive Degree of a M.M.M. but to preside over the destinies of his mother lodge. "The Officers," coupled with the name of Bro. Sanders, W.M. elect, terminated the proceedings, which were throughout highly successful.

**Ancient and Accepted Rite.****MOUNT CALVARY CHAPTER (No. 3).**

A convocation of this chapter was held at the Masonic Hall, Golden-square, on the 11th inst. Among those present were Bros. the Rev. Dr. Ace, D.D., 31°, M.W.S.; F. Cullier, 30°, H.P.; A. Williams, 30°, 1st General; T. C. Walls, 2nd General; F. W. Driver, G.M.; C. W. Taylor, Raphael; W. Paas, 30°, Treas.; D. M. Dewar,

P.M.W.S., Recorder; R. W. Stewart, P.M.W.S.; E. M. Lott, Org.; E. J. Gardiner, 30°, D.C.; C. H. Driver, 31°, P.M.W.S.; H. J. Lardner, T. W. Adams, J. E. Anderson, G. Graveley, J. Murray, G. Pigache, and G. W. Berkeley. Ill. Bro. H. D. Sandeman, 33°, G.S.G., was a visitor.

The ballot having been taken for Bros. Thomas Poore and N. J. F. Basnett, and it proving to be unanimous, they were duly "perfected." Previously to the chapter being closed, a resolution was unanimously passed that a Past Sovereign's jewel should be presented to each of the subscribing P.M.W.S.'s of the chapter.

The banquet was served at the Café Royal, Regent-street. Upon the removal of the cloth the customary toasts were proposed. In giving "The Supreme Council," the M.W.S. congratulated the chapter upon its being favoured with the presence that day of Ill. Bro. Sandeman. They were all aware of the great interest the Grand Secretary General took in the well-being of the Rose Croix Degree; and what an excellent worker he was in all the ceremonies appertaining to the Ancient and Accepted Rite. (Hear.) This toast having been warmly received, the recipient of the honour made a most fluent and exhaustive speech, in which he expressed the great gratification it had afforded him in being present that day at their meeting. He said that the members of the Mount Calvary Encampment had reason to be proud of their prosperous and distinguished chapter, more especially as it was one of the oldest in the Order. In conclusion he said that he had enjoyed himself so thoroughly that he should look forward with pleasure to time when he should meet them again. "The Health of the M.W.S." was proposed by Ill. Bro. Paas, and this toast having been duly honoured, Bro. Dr. Ace briefly acknowledged the compliment, and then gave "The Newly-Perfected Brethren." Bros. Poore and Basnett having replied, "The Past Most Wise Sovereign" was then given, and Bros. R. Stewart and D. M. Dewar having said a few words in response, the proceedings terminated. Some very excellent instrumental and vocal music was given by Bros. Lott, Pigache, and C. Driver.

**Rosicrucian Society.**

**METROPOLITAN COLLEGE.**—The quarterly convocation of this college was held at the Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen-street, W.C., on Thursday, October 13th. The chair was taken by the Supreme Magus, Frater Woodman, the vice-chair by Frater Entwistle, Chief Adept of Lancashire. The R.W. Frater H. G. Buss was installed in the chair of the college in due form by the Supreme Magus, after which Bro. G. Francis Legg, proposed by Frater Major Penrose Dunbar, was admitted to the Grade of Zelator in due form. The chairs of the Antients were filled by Fraters D. M. Dewar, J. L. Thomas, G. A. Rooks, and E. Thiellay. Among those present were Fraters C. E. Peek, Secretary-General of the Order, and Chief Adept Cambridge, Frater Major Penrose Dunbar, Fraters T. Massa, T. C. Walls, W. Wynn-Westcott, J. Collinson, and W. Dodd took the other offices, John Gilbert acting as Acolyte. The convocation being closed the Fraters adjourned to their customary banquet.

Before the meeting of the college there was a High Council meeting at which some important business was transacted, especially with regard to the northern colleges.

**DARING BURGLARY AT BRO. SIR W. W. BURRELL'S, P.G.M. SUSSEX.**

An audacious burglary was committed at West Grinstead, Park House, the seat of Bro. Sir W. W. Burrell, M.P., P.G.M. Sussex, on Friday night, the 18th inst. The entry was effected by the burglars by forcing the sash of a window two stories from the base, and which opened into Bro. Sir Walter's dressing-room in the east front of the house. Among the valuables missing were found to be a large diamond and ruby gold pin, one Masonic gold pin, a Mason's set of gold studs and links, one emerald and pearl stud, one set of ruby and diamond studs, one silver snuffbox with crest, one pair of gold eyeglasses, and fourpence in coppers. In their hurry (being probably disturbed by the servants) the thieves overlooked a dressing-case with silver fittings and a large gold horseshoe pin lying on the table. The value of the missing articles have been roughly estimated at £50.

**Births, Marriages, and Deaths.**

[The charge is 2s. 6d. for announcements not exceeding Four Lines under this heading.]

**BIRTHS.**

**BLACKWOOD.**—On the 20th inst., at Littlemore, near Oxford, the wife of Major R. Blackwood, Oxfordshire Light Infantry, of a son.

**KAY.**—On the 17th inst., at Brooklyn Villa, Woodside, S.E., the wife of Mr. Edwin Kay, of a son.

**MARRIAGE.**

**PAYNE—WHITMORE.**—On the 21st inst., at the Cathedral, Calcutta, India, Arthur J. L. Payne, son of Dr. A. J. Payne, Bengal, to Grace Emily, daughter of the late Mr. William Lechmere Whitmore.

**DEATHS.**

**DAY.**—At Hyrst Cottage, Dewsbury, Bro. Henry Day, aged 47.

**SINCLAIR.**—On the 10th inst., at Fairford, Gloucestershire, Mr. William Sinclair, aged 54 years.

**HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.**—The extraordinary range of temperature prevailing in our climate is extremely trying to the delicate-chested, the weak, and nervous. All troubled by these afflictions should resolve to resort to this strengthening and regulating medicine immediately they perceive in themselves discomfort or that feeling of restlessness which betokens disordered digestion and defective secretion of bile. One of Holloway's Pills taken about noon and followed at bed-time by a dose sufficiently large to act aperiently will speedily recruit the faulty functions, and restore order throughout the whole system. A treatment so safe in operation and so successful in result should be known and practised when, from climatic or other causes, disease is attempting to gain a vexatious footing.—[ADVT.]

## Masonic and General Tidings.

Comp. the Earl of Lathom, Prov. Grand Superintendent of West Lancashire will consecrate the Chapter of Israel, No. 1502, at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, Liverpool, on Tuesday, the 29th inst. The Principals designate being Comps. Maurice Hart, P.M. 1502, Z.; Sigismund Schonstadt, P.M. 1502, as H.; and Henry A. Tobias, P.M. 1502, P.G. Supt. of Works, as J.

A lodge of instruction, called the Emulation, has been formed in Christchurch, New Zealand.

Bro. Lieut.-Colonel Sir J. McGarel-Hogg, Bart., K.C.B., M.P., has been elected for the 12th time as Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works, at a salary of £2000 per annum.

Bros. the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, and Sheriff Ogg will dine with the Law and City Courts Committee, at the Guildhall Tavern, on Monday, December 5th.

Bro. Z. C. Luse, P.G. Master of Iowa, is offering for sale his Masonic library, which is one of the largest and best in the world.

Bro. Dr. John Johnstone, P.M., was presented with a Past Master's diamond-mounted gold jewel by the brethren of the Croxteth United Service Lodge, 786, Liverpool, upon the expiration of his year of office as W.M.

Bro. H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, has definitely consented to visit the town of Sutton, Surrey, and lay the foundation stone of the new church of St. Barnabas, New Town. The ceremony will take place about the middle of January next, that time suiting the Prince's convenience. The new mission-room in connection with the church has just been completed, and will be opened for service on Advent Sunday.

A Provincial Grand Lodge of Emergency of the Freemasons of Sussex is to be held at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on Monday, December 12th, to welcome all brethren attending the Brighton Health Congress.

Bro. Eugene Thieclay will preside at the annual dinner of the Hairdressers' and Perfumers' Benevolent Institution on Tuesday, the 29th inst., at Freemasons' Tavern.

The Kensington Lodge will, in future, hold their meetings at the South Kensington Hotel, Queen's Gate-terrace, instead of at the Courtfield Hotel as formerly.

Bro. J. Farncombe, P.G. Sword Bearer Sussex, P.M. 311, and P.Z. 311, and Bro. James Adames, P.M. 311 and P.Z. 311, have been elected aldermen of the newly-incorporated borough of Lewes. Previous to incorporation the feudal system of government by high constables had existed nearly 600 years.

Bro. H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, is to be the guest of Mr. Coleridge-Kennard shortly before Christmas, but will not remain over Christmas Day.

**CORRECTION.**—In a portion of our impression last week the name of Lord Leigh appeared as Lord Sleigh, in a paragraph referring to the Festival of the Girls' School.

Bro. H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, will preside at the 217th anniversary festival of the Scottish Corporation, on St. Andrew's Day, 30th November, at Freemasons' Tavern.

Bro. the Rev. Dr. P. H. Ernest Brette has been appointed Examiner at Eton College.

Comp. Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Scribe E., assisted by Comp. Sir John B. Monckton, P.G. Prin. Soj., Rev. C. W. Arnold, P.G.A. Soj., and Peter de Lande Long, P.G. Prin. Soj., will consecrate the Castle Chapter of Harmony No. 26, at the Regent Masonic Hall, Café Royal, 68, Regent-street, on Wednesday, November 30th, at four o'clock precisely. The Principals designate are Comps. William Coppard Beaumont, Z.; George Bernard Brodie, M.D., P.Z. 2, H.; and Edward Milner, J.

Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, K.G., will be installed as Past Grand Master in the Mark Degree of Freemasonry at a Grand Lodge of that Degree, to be held at Freemasons' Tavern on December 6th.

Bro. T. D. Hayes, P.M. 913, and M.E.Z. 913, has been presented with a valuable and handsomely illuminated vellum, for services rendered as Steward at the festival of the Girls' School on April 16th, 1880. Upon that occasion he attended as the representative of the Pattison Lodge and Chapter, and took up the handsome sum of £207 10s. The inscription is as follows: "Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, under the patronage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. Presented by the Committee of the Institution to Bro. T. D. Hayes, I.P.M. 913, in grateful recognition of valuable services rendered by him at the anniversary festival, Friday, April 16th, 1880; H.R.H. Prince Leopold, K.G., P.G.W., R.W.O.R., R.V.G.M. of Oxfordshire, in the chair; when the amount realized by the joint exertions of 294 Stewards was £13,759 2s. 6d." The present is a very handsome one, and one that any Mason might fairly and honestly be proud of.

At a meeting of the St. Ninian Lodge, Newton-Stewart, on the Secretary stating that he had received a circular asking for the usual annual contribution to the Prov. Grand Lodge, the R.W.M. instructed the Secretary to state that St. Ninian Lodge was hardly aware that the Prov. Grand Lodge was in existence. No meeting of it had been held for about fifteen months. Vacancies in the Prov. Grand Lodge had not been filled up, the province had not been visited, and altogether, Masonry, through the neglect of the Prov. Grand Lodge, was in a very poor condition. He only hoped that the Grand Lodge would give Galloway a little of its attention. These remarks were endorsed by the brethren present.

Bro. Kennett Harris was unanimously elected W.M. of the Temple Bar Lodge, No. 1728, at the regular meeting of the lodge, on the 17th inst.

Mr. Taylor, R.I.B.A., has just published a book entitled, "The Towers and Steeples of (Bro.) Sir Christopher Wren's Churches;" and in the preface he expresses his thanks to Rev. Dr. Sparrow Simpson, F.S.A., Prebendary Vine, Bro. Major Gough, and Bro. Henry Wright for the assistance they have rendered.

The annual meeting of the Grand Conclave of the Knightly Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, under the Presidency of the Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., will take place on Monday, the 5th of December.

Bro. Henry Irving was entertained in Edinburgh by the Pen and Pencil Club, and also by the Edinburgh Philosophical Institution, before whom he lectured on the stage on its opening night of the session.

We are glad to hear that Bro. Alderman Knight has so far recovered from his recent serious illness, acquired whilst on a visit to the United States, as to be able to go to the seaside, and is now pronounced convalescent.

Bro. the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor and Bros. Alderman and Sheriff Hanson, and Sheriff Ogg, will dine with the Makers of Playing Cards Company, at the Guildhall Tavern, on Monday, December 12th. Bro. R. P. Spice, C.E., is one of the Wardens of the Company.

Bro. John Esson presided at a meeting of the friends and supporters of M. Weingott, on Monday, to further the candidature of that gentleman as one of the representatives of the Ward of Farringdon Without.

Bro. Henry Irving, who is at present fulfilling an engagement at the Prince's Theatre, Manchester, was entertained at luncheon in the Queen's Hotel, Manchester, by some of his admirers on Wednesday, Professor Ward was in the chair, and Mr. Jacob Bright, M.P., was also present.

At the National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart and Paralysis, Soho-square, the number of patients under treatment for the week ending November the 12th was 937.

Bro. H. J. Byron is writing a new burlesque to be produced at the Royalty, until which the manager has revived "Genéviève de Brabant."

Bro. W. Martin, J.D. 879, will work the Fifteen Sections in the King Harold Lodge of Instruction, at the Britannia Hotel, Waltham New Town (adjoining Waltham Station, G.E.R.), on Saturday, the 26th inst. The lodge opens at 6.30 p.m.

Bro. Sir Charles Bright, C.E., distributed the prizes to the pupils of the Trade and Mining School at Bristol, on Tuesday last, and delivered an interesting address upon the practical applications of electricity.

Bro. the Earl of Shaftesbury has fixed Tuesday, the 29th inst., as the date for opening the new premises of the Golden-lane and Hoxton Christian Mission.

Bro. J. D. Allcroft, F.R.A.S., Treasurer for the Royal Hospital for Incurables, presided on Friday, at the twenty-seventh annual meeting and autumnal election, at the Cannon-street Hotel.

At the Tredegar Lodge of Instruction, 1625, of which Bro. T. Wooding, S.W. 1306, is the Preceptor, the Fifteen Sections will be worked on Monday evening, the 28th inst., at seven o'clock precisely. Bro. G. H. Stephens, S.D. 1623, will preside.

The annual concert in aid of the funds of the Post Office Orphan Home will take place on December 17th, at St. James's Hall, Regent-street and Piccadilly, under distinguished patronage. Bro. Sir Julius Benedict will be the conductor.

Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by Princess Beatrice and Royal suite, arrived at Windsor on Scotland on Wednesday. Her Majesty will stay at Windsor Castle until after December 14th, the anniversary of the death of the Prince Consort, and then proceed to Osborne, where she will spend her Christmas.

The installation ceremony will be rehearsed in the Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, No. 1445, held at the Moorgate, 15, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., on Wednesday next, the 30th inst., at seven p.m., by Bro. W. H. Myers, P.M. 820 and 1445, Preceptor. Brethren are earnestly invited to attend.

The Provincial Grand Chapter of Middlesex will be held on Wednesday next, the 30th inst., at the Grotto Hotel, Twickenham. The esteemed Grand Superintendent, who has just returned from Derbyshire, will, as usual, preside on the occasion.

Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught dined with the Benchers of Grays Inn, on the "Grand day" (Tuesday last), of Michaelmas Term, in Gray's Inn Hall.

Bro. Sir P. Cunliffe Owen was one of the speakers at the annual meeting of the Leek School of Art, and announced that Mr. J. Nicholson, silk manufacturer, intended to erect a library and museum, to cost £10,000.

Bro. Dresser Rogers's, C.C., house at Peckham is about to be converted into a Conservative Club.

The quarterly meeting of the York College of Rosicrucians will be held at York this afternoon, when a paper will be read by one of the members on a "Few Notes of a Tour by a Freemason in Egypt." We notice that this college is drawing to itself many of the most intelligent brethren in the North of England, and this is scarcely to be wondered at since its gatherings are always marked by the reading of one or more papers of sterling interest.

Bro. Edward Bacon, army schoolmaster, doing duty with the Royal Artillery at Shoeburyness, and I.P.M. of the Gibraltar Lodge of Mark Master Masons, No. 43, was last week presented with a handsome P.M. jewel, purchased by means of a private subscription among the members of the lodge. Owing to Bro. Bacon's recent removal from the Rock, the presentation was made privately by Bro. Broster White, the W.M. for the ensuing year, and just now en route to Dublin. The jewel bears the following inscription:—"Presented to Bro. E. Bacon, I.P.M., by the members of Mark Lodge No. 43, as a slight recognition of his untiring zeal in Mark Masonry, June 1881." It may be noted that Bro. Bacon's year of office was remarkable for the large number of brethren advanced, for the perfect and singularly effective working of his officers, and for the safe mooring to "43," after hard struggles, of an ark called the Cockburn Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners. It is a matter of extreme regret that Lodge No. 43 has lost also the services of its present excellent W.M., who will, we are sure, make as distinguished a mark in Dublin as he did at Gibraltar.

Bro. H.R.H. Prince Leopold, Duke of Albany, who has lately been spending a good deal of his time on the Continent, has just been betrothed to the Princess Hélène de Waldeck, younger sister of the Queen of the Netherlands, a niece of the Queen of Sweden. Bro. the Duke of Albany was born April, 1853.

Bros. Alderman Ellis, and Lord Mayor and Alderman and Sheriff Hanson took part, on Saturday last, at the Crystal Palace, at the distribution of prizes to the successful competitors of the London Rifle Brigade. Bro. Sheriff Hanson expressed his pleasure at being asked to take part, having been connected with the corps for many years. Captain the Earl of Waldegrave took the gold badge of the year, among other prizes, for shooting.

Bro. the Rev. Dr. P. H. Ernest Brette, 31<sup>o</sup>, was installed M.W.S. of the Palestine Rose Croix Chapter, by Bro. Colonel Shadwell Henry Clerke, 33<sup>o</sup>, on Tuesday the 22nd inst.

Bro. Sims's comedy, "The Member for Slocum," was played on Wednesday, the 23rd inst., at the Gaiety afternoon performance.

Bro. Alderman Nottage, who was taken ill at the Guildhall on Lord Mayor's Day, and had to leave before the company broke up, is, we are glad to state, now out of danger. He has been attended by two physicians for congestion of the lungs and liver.

At the meeting of the Israel Lodge, 205, it was resolved to present to Bro. H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, Past Grand Warden, &c., a congratulatory address, handsomely engrossed on vellum, upon his approaching wedding to H.R.H. the Princess Hélène de Waldeck.

The funeral of Bro. Tom J. Mason, Treasurer of the Lodge of Independence, 721, Chester, took place on the 16th inst., when the brethren of the lodge, to the number of between forty and fifty, assembled in front of the Town Hall, and, on the mournful procession reaching that spot, they took their places at the head of the line, and led it through the city to the cemetery, where the members of the City Council and the Law Association had already formed on both sides of the path leading to the cemetery chapel. The Masons marching through this line, formed open column at the chapel doors, and after the remains of the late brother and the mourners had entered the brethren followed, and listened to the first part of the mournful ceremony. They then formed line again, and followed the coffin to the grave, where the remainder of the service was most impressively read by Canon Grantham. This being over, the brethren forming round the last receptacle of their departed brother, cast their emblematic sprigs of acacia on to his coffin. It had been arranged that the W.M. should deliver a short oration over the grave, but the wind was piercing cold, so it was omitted, and the brethren dispersed.

The vacancy in the commission of Lieutenancy of the City, caused by the death of Bro. Sir W. A. Rose, will be filled up in January.

Bro. Alderman Knight presided on Tuesday last at a meeting of the City of London Fire Assurance Company.

Bro. Alderman Sheriff Hanson has become a Vice-President of the City Church and Churchyard Protection Society.

Bro. Edgar Atwood, Past Prov. Grand Sword Bearer South Wales (W. Division), will be installed W.M. of the Aberystwyth Lodge, No. 1072, by Bro. G. T. Smith, P.M., P. Prov. G.S.W., P. Prov. G. Sec. S. Wales (W. Division), at the Masonic Rooms, Belle Vue Royal Hotel, Aberystwyth, on Thursday, December 1st, on which occasion the R. Worshipful Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Col. J. A. Lloyd-Phillips will make his annual official visit to the lodge.

Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., P.G.D., is confined to his room, suffering from a cold.

At the installation meeting of the Clapham Lodge, No. 1818, at the Grosvenor Hotel, Belgravia, on Wednesday last, Bro. William C. Hale was installed Worshipful Master by Bro. Louis Hirsch, P.M. A report will appear in our next.

The Covent Garden Lodge of Instruction will in future meet at The Constitution, Bedford-street, Covent-garden, at 7.45 p.m.

The remains of the late Bro. T. E. Purdy were on Monday, the 14th inst., conveyed to their final resting-place, Abney Park Cemetery. Bro. Purdy was one of the sub-inspectors of the New River Company, which office he has held for many years, succeeding his father. His district included Shoreditch, St. Luke's, and part of Clerkenwell. He was one of the oldest and certainly one of the most respected of the Company's officers. He died after about five days' illness from inflammation and pleurisy. A great number of his friends attended his funeral, including Mr. Kershaw, Mr. Page, and many other officers of the New River Company, the Vestry Clerks, Surveyors, and other officers of Shoreditch, St. Luke's, Clerkenwell, and Bethnal Green, and by a large number of his personal friends, but more particularly by about forty members of the Finsbury Lodge, No. 861, of which his father was one of the principal founders and of which the deceased was a P.M., having also for many years filled the office of Hon. Secretary. Upon the coffin being lowered into the grave, a number of beautiful wreaths were deposited. Bro. Purdy was not only highly respected for his qualities as a public officer, but equally so for his goodness and charity in a private sense. It is rare to find by the side of the grave so many testimonies of esteem, and certainly none more deservedly bestowed.

Great success has attended the working of the Guardsman Coffee Tavern in London, and, after paying all expenses, a surplus remains for the central council to devote to the establishment of similar taverns in other garrisons. The new Army Coffee Tavern at Sandgate will be opened on the 2nd prox. The Secretary of State for War has granted a site for a coffee tavern on the Lynchford-road, Aldershot, and the council have ordered its immediate erection.

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# METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS

For the Week ending Saturday, December 3, 1881.

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

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26.

Lodge 1679, Henry Muggerridge, M.H., Masons' Avenue.  
 " 1706, Orpheus, F.M.H.  
 " 1793, Sir Charles Bright, M.H., Queen's-rd., Teddington.

Chap. 176, Caveac, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st.  
**LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.**  
 Manchester, 17, London-st., Fitzroy-sq., at 8.  
 Star, Marquis of Granby, New Cross-rd., at 7.  
 Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.  
 Eccleston, King's Head, Ebury Bridge, Pimlico.  
 Alexandra Palace, Masonic Club, Loughborough, at 7.30.  
 King Harold, Britannia Hot., Waltham New Town, at 7.  
 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Mare-st., Hackney, at 7.

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28.

Lodge 4, Royal Somerset House and Inverness, F.M.H.  
 " 26, Castle Lodge of Harmony, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.  
 " 28, Old King's Arms, F.M.H.  
 " 79, Pythagorean, Ship Hot., Greenwich.  
 " 183, Unity, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.  
 " 902, Burgoyne, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.  
 " 905, De Grey and Ripon, F.M.H.  
 " 1608, Kilburn, Queen's Arms Hot., Kilburn-gate.  
 " 1615, Bayard, 33, Golden-sq.  
 " 1632, Stuart, S.M.H., Camberwell.  
 " 1745, Farringdon Without, Holborn Viaduct Hot.  
 " 1828, Shepherd's Bush, Athenaeum, Goldhawk-rd., N.  
 Chap. 188, Joppa, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st.  
 " 1201, Eclectic, F.M.H.  
 Mark Grand Masters, M.H., 8a, Red Lion-sq.  
 " 5, Mallet and Chisel, Bridge House Hot.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 7.  
 Wellington, White Swan Hot., High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10.  
 St. John, Gun Hot., Wapping, 8 to 10.  
 Sincerity, Railway Tav., Fenchurch-st. Station, at 7.  
 Camden, 174, High-st., Camden Town, at 8.  
 Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd., at 8.  
 St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
 Perfect Ashlar, Jamaica Tav., Southwark Park-rd., Bermondsey, at 8.  
 United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.  
 Marquis of Ripon, Pembury Tav., Amherst-rd., Hackney, 8.  
 Loughborough, Cambria Tav., Loughborough Junc., at 7.30.  
 Hyde Park, The Westbourne, 1, Craven-rd., at 8.  
 West Smithfield, Cathedral Hot., St. Paul's Churchyard, 7.  
 St. George's, Globe Tav., Royal Hill, Greenwich, at 7.  
 Doric Chapter, 248, Globe-rd., Mile End-rd., at 8.  
 Royal Commemorative, R. Hot., High-st., Putney, 8 till 10.  
 Eastern Star, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd., 7.30.  
 St. Mark's, S.M.H., Camberwell New-rd.  
 John Hervey, Albion Hall, London Wall, at 8.  
 Kingsland, Canonbury Tav., N., at 8.30.  
 Metropolitan, "The Moorgate," Finsbury Pavement, 7.30.  
 Strong Man, Excise Tav., Old Broad-st., at 7.  
 St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hot., W. Kensington, at 7.  
 Old Kent Mark, Crown and Cushion, London Wall, 2nd and 4th.

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29.

Lodge 141, Faith, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.  
**LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.**  
 South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Waltham Green, 7.30.  
 Pilgrim, F.M.H., 1st and last Tues.  
 Varborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8.  
 Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30.  
 Faith, 2, Westminster Chambers, Victoria-st., S.W., at 8.  
 Prince Fredk. Wm., Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 7.  
 Prosperity, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., at 7.30.  
 Dalhousie, The Sisters' Tav., Pownall-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.  
 Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-st., Woolwich, 7.30.  
 Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bldgs., at 7.  
 Israel, Rising Sun Tav., Globe-rd.  
 Royal Arthur, Duke of Cambridge, 216, Bridge-rd., Battersea Park, at 8.  
 Upper Norwood, White Hart Hot., Church-rd., at 8.  
 Beacontree, Red Lion, Leytonstone, at 8.  
 Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Rotherhithe, at 8.  
 Islington, Moorgate Tav., 15, Finsbury Pavement.  
 Kennington, Horns Tav., Kennington, 7.30.  
 Leopold, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., Bermondsey, at 8.  
 Mount Edgecumbe, 19, Jermyn-st., St. James's, at 8.  
 Duke of Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, 8.  
 Sir Hugh Myddelton, 162, St. John's-rd., at 8.  
 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood T., Finsbury Park, at 8.  
 St. Marylebone, Eyre Arms, Finchley-rd., at 8.  
 Corinthian, George Hot., Millwall Docks, at 7.  
 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30.  
 Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.  
 Eleanor, Angel Hot., Edmonton.  
 Chaucer, The Grapes, St. Thomas's-st., Borough, at 8.  
 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30.  
 Metropolitan Chap, Jamaica Coffee Ho., St. Michael's Alley.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

House Com. Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at 3.  
 Lodge 898, Temperance-in-the-East 6, Newby-pl., Poplar.  
 " 1768, Progress, F.M.H.  
 Red Cross Con. 15, St. Andrew's, 8, Air-st., Regent-st.  
**LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.**  
 Prince Leopold, Moorgate Tav., Finsbury-pavement, at 7.  
 Confidence, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch-st., 7 till 9.  
 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.  
 Mt. Lebanon, Horse Shoe Tav., Newington Causeway, 8.  
 Pythagorean, Portland Hot., Greenwich, at 8.  
 Burdett Courts, Lamb Tav., Bethnal Green Railway Stn., 8.  
 La Tolerance, Morland Hot., Dean-st., W., at 8.  
 Peckham, Lord Wellington Hot., 516, Old Kent-rd., at 8.  
 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8.30.  
 Southwark, Southwark Park Tav., Southwark Park, at 8.  
 Duke of Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-st., Hackney, 8.  
 United Strength, Prince Alfred, 13, Crownvale-rd., N.W., 7.  
 Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-st., at 8.  
 Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8.  
 Temperance in the East, G. the Fourth, Ida-st., E., at 7.30.  
 Eleanor, Trocadero Hot., Liverpool-st., E.C.

Zetland, King's Arms Hot., High-st., Kensington, at 8.  
 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav., Burdett-rd., Limehouse, 7.30.  
 Creation, Prince Albert Tav., Portobello-ter., Notting hill, 8.  
 Panmure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7.  
 Thistle Mark L. of I., F.M. Tav., at 7.  
 Wanderers, Black Horse, York-st., S.W., at 7.30.  
 Emblematic, Goat and Star, Swallow-st., Regent-st., at 8.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1.

Lodge 27, Egyptian, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.  
 " 45, Strong Man, M.H., Mason's Avenue.  
 " 192, Lion and Lamb, Cannon-st. Hot.  
 " 227, Ionic, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-st.  
 " 231, St. Andrew's, F.M.H.  
 " 538, La Tolerance, F.M.H.  
 " 554, Varborough, Green Dragon, Stepney.  
 " 822, Victoria Rifles, F.M.H.  
 " 1178, Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hot.  
 " 1351, St. Clement's Danes, 265, Strand.  
 " 1361, United Service, Greyhound Hot., Richmond.  
 " 1672, Mornington, London Tav., Fenchurch-st.  
 " 1773, Pimlico, Morpeth Arms, Millbank.  
 Chap. 2, St. James's, F.M.H.  
 " 9, Friendship, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.  
 " 174, Sincerity, Cheshire Cheese, Crutchedfriars.  
 " 1716, All Saints, Vestry Hall, Fairfield-rd., Bow.  
 Mark 197, Studholme, 33, Golden-sq.  
 " 199, Duke of Connaught, 773, Bishopsgate-st.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.  
 Kent, Duke of York, Borough-rd., Southwark, 7.30.  
 Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., 7.30.  
 Fidelity, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., W.C., at 8.  
 The Great City, M.H., Masons' Avenue, 6.30.  
 Finsbury, Jolly Anglers' Tav., Bath-st., City-rd.  
 Ebury, 12, Ponsonby-st., Millbank, at 8.  
 Highgate, Boston Hot., Junction-rd., N., at 8.  
 Wandsworth, East Hill Hot., Alma-rd., S.W., at 8.  
 High Cross, Coach & Horses, High-rd., Tottenham, at 8.  
 Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
 Southern Star, The Pheasant, Stangate S.W.  
 Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st.  
 Rose, Walmer Castle Hot., Peckham-rd., at 8.  
 Burgoyne, Cock Tav., St. Martin's-ert., Ludgate-hill, 6.30.  
 Prince Frederick William Chapter, St. John's Wood.  
 United Mariners, Three Cranes Tav., Mile End-rd., at 8.  
 Vitruvian, White Hart, Belvedere-rd., Lambeth, at 8.  
 Royal Oak, Lecture Hall, High-st., Deptford, at 8.  
 Capper, Railway Tav., Angel-lane, Stratford.  
 Royal Albert, White Hart Hot., Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.  
 Stockwell, Cock Tav., Kennington-rd., at 7.30.  
 Victoria Park, The Two Brewers, Stratford, at 8.  
 West Middlesex, Feathers Hot., Ealing, at 7.30.  
 Guelph, Blackbirds Inn, High-st., Leyton.  
 Langton, Mansion House Station Restaurant, Queen Victoria-st., at 6. (Emulation Working.)  
 St. Michaels, Moorgate Station Restaurant, at 8.  
 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at 8.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2.

Lodge 706, Florence Nightingale, M.H., Woolwich.  
 " 890, Hornsey, F.M.H.  
 " 1275, Star, Ship Hot., Greenwich.  
 " 1489, Marquis of Ripon, 90, Ball's Pond-rd.  
 " 1627, Royal Kensington, F.M.H.  
 " 1815, Penge, Thicket Hot., Anerley.  
 Chap. 8, British, F.H.H.  
 " 259, Prince of Wales, Willis's Rooms, St. James's.  
 Mark 8, Thistle, F.M. Tav.  
 " 223, West Smithfield, Cathedral Hot., St. Paul's.

## LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Stability, M.H., Masons' Avenue, at 6.  
 Robert Burns, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
 Belgrave, Harp Tav., Jermyn-st., W., at 8.  
 Unions Emulation (for M.M.'s), F.M.H., at 7.  
 Temperance, Victoria Tav., Victoria-rd., Deptford, at 8.  
 Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hot., Fleet-st., at 7.  
 St. Marylebone, British Stores Tav., St. John's Wood.  
 Westbourne, Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 8.  
 Unite 1 Pilgrims, S.M.H., Camberwell New-rd., 7.30.  
 St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., S.E., at 8.  
 Duke of Edinburgh, Silver Lion, Penny-fields, Poplar, at 7.  
 Doric, 79, Duke's Head, Whitechapel-rd., at 7.  
 St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-rd., Chelsea, 7.30.  
 Chigwell, Prince's Hall, Buckhurst-hill, at 8.  
 Royal Standard, The Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-rd., N., at 8.  
 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith, at 8.  
 William Preston, Feathers Tav., Up George-st., Edgware-rd.  
 Earl of Carnarvon, Mitre Hot., Golborne-rd., Notting-hill.  
 Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hot., London-st., Greenwich.  
 St. George's, Globe Tav., Greenwich, at 8.  
 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 7.30.  
 Clapton, White Hart Tav., Clapton, at 7.30.  
 St. John's, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, at 8.

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3.

Gen. Com. Boys' School, at 4.  
 Lodge 142, St. Thomas's, Cannon-st. Hot.  
 " 1559, New Cross, Ship Hot., Greenwich.  
 " 1572, Carnarvon, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st.  
 " 1622, Rose, S.M.H., Camberwell.  
 Chap. 975, Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew B.

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For the Week ending Saturday, December 3, 1881.

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28.

Lodge 148, Lights, M.R., Warrington.  
 " 1325, Stanley, M.H., Liverpool.  
 Chap. 241, Friendship, M.H., Liverpool.  
 Derby L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29.

Chap. 721, Grosvenor, M.R., Chester.  
 Merchant's L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

Lodge 86, Loyalty, Crown Hot., Prescot.  
 " 484, Faith, Gerard's Arms, Ashton-in-Makerfield.  
 " 580, Harmony, Wheat Sheaf, Ormskirk.  
 " 730, Ellesmere, Royal Oak, Chorley.  
 " 758, Ellesmere, M.H., Runcorn.  
 Alpass Encamp., M.H., Liverpool.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1.

Lodge 249, Mariners, M.H., Liverpool.  
 " 1032, Townley-Parker, Howard's Arms, Whittle-le-Woods.

" 1070, Starkie, Black Horse Hot., Kirkham.  
 " 1473, Bootle, Town Hall, Bootle.  
 " 1561, Morecambe, M.H., Morecambe.  
 " 1576, Dee, Union Hot., Parkgate.

Chap. 758, Bridgewater, M.H., Runcorn.  
 Duke of Edinburgh L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.  
 Harmonic L. of I., Adelphi Hot., Liverpool.  
 St. John's L. of I., M.H., Liverpool.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2.

Lodge 680, Sefton, Adelphi Hot., Liverpool.  
 " 1375, Didsbury, Didsbury Hot., Didsbury.

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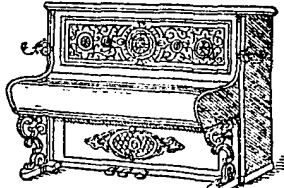
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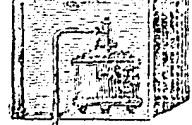
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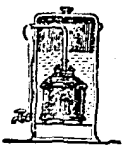
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