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THE Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys will take place too late for this issue of the *Freemason*, and we can only hope next week to be permitted to record another of Bro. BINCKES'S great successes. Sure we are the Boys' School deserves the hearty, zealous, and liberal support of every member of our Craft. No Charity is more efficient, and certainly none more needed.

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OUR esteemed Bro. W. J. HUGHAN in the last *Freemason* alludes to our leaderette anent the newly-formed Grand Lodge of Australia. He will see by our leaderette last week also that the subject is not without difficulty. We apprehend that our Grand Lodge will be willing to recognize a Grand Lodge so formed, though the ostensible reasons for independence are utterly baseless and untenable. The recognition will, however, undoubtedly be based on the condition of recognizing the rights of the minority who, by our revised Book of Constitutions, have certain guaranteed and inalienable rights. Our esteemed brother was, like ourselves, ignorant when he wrote of the fact of a minority in each English lodge declining to join the movement.

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THE announcement of the resignation of Bro. Sir H. EDWARDS, Bart., Prov. G.M. of West Yorkshire, which has been officially communicated by Bro. W. TEW, D.P.G.M., to the W.M.'s of lodges, will be received by the brethren in West Yorkshire and elsewhere with much regret, especially for the reason assigned, continual ill-health. We do not pause to-day to ask why the announcement of the resignation of the PROV. GRAND MASTER was not made in the first instance to head quarters, or why it should reach them, so to say, second hand. It is however the fact, that when announced in the *Freemason* as an "on dit" about which there was really no doubt, it was not credited in London. We pass over this little incident, as it is not our duty to animadvert upon it, and once more express our regret at our esteemed and gallant brother's resignation, and our hope that a successor may be found of high social position, who will preside with energy and geniality over that most distinguished province. Bro. Sir H. EDWARDS when appointed PROV. GRAND MASTER, had a heavy task before him inasmuch as he followed, in an hour of great trial and anxiety, the most conscientious and courteous and constitutional of Masonic rulers, Lord RYON. Those of us who lived under his rule in cheery days of old, when our good Bro. BENTLEY SHAW and others were to the fore, will have grateful memories of his genial and gracious regime. But Sir H. EDWARDS has succeeded where others might have failed, in that, by his own great courtesy and consideration, his loyalty to his chief, and his good will to all the brethren, he has achieved in winning and retaining their affection and sympathy. Under his sway West Yorkshire has greatly distinguished itself in Masonic work and charitable efforts, and never at any time probably was Freemasonry so flourishing or popular in this province. We may fairly attribute much to Bro. Sir H. EDWARDS'S hearty good Masonic feeling, though we should not forget the careful and conscientious labours of his zealous Deputy, Bro. T. W. TEW. Our hearty good wishes, we know, from West Yorkshire and the Craft, accompany Sir H. EDWARDS on his retirement from his high office. The name of Lord WHARNCLIFFE has been mentioned as a probable PROV. G.W. But all, of course, remains with the GRAND MASTER. We hope the brethren of West Yorkshire will not fall into the mistake of seeking in any way to anticipate his decision.

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WE shall all regret to notice the death of H.R.H. the Prince of ORANGE, Grand Master of Dutch Freemasonry. Independently of our regrets for his family, the Dutch nation, and the Order, we fear that this sad loss of a member of the Dutch Royal Family, as connected with Freemasonry in

Holland, augurs ill for the future peaceful and loyal progress of Dutch Freemasonry. Their has long been a movement party in Holland, intent on assimilating the good old steady Dutch-English system, with the erratic programme of France, and Belgium. We may now fear very serious results. We did not and could not sympathize with the Dutch and Belgium Masonic fraternization sometime back, because we knew well what it portended, and where it must end. VAN LENNEP and SCHUYME, two leading and well known Dutch Freemasons in 1843, state over and over again, "we cannot have anything to do with the Belgian Freemasons, as their tendency is undoubtedly political." And though we do not believe the Roman Catholic allegation, knowing the small number of Freemasons in Belgium, that they have had any effect on the recent elections, we yet are quite aware, that they have said and done many foolish things, have allowed many unwise addresses in their lodges, and have servilely copied the Grand Orient of France. We shall be very sorry for their own sake if our Dutch brethren, forgetting their ancient precedents and their old caution, once more obsequiously seek to rival French abominations and Belgian weakness. "Stare super vias antiquas" ought to be the motto of all Dutch Freemasons!

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WE are much concerned to note that our esteemed confrere CLIFFORD P. MACALLA, in that excellent Masonic journal the *Philadelphia Keystone*, is severely and seriously exercised about our "deliverance" in respect of "cork legs" not presenting an insurmountable objection to Masonic initiation. In all that we ventured to put forth on so peculiar a subject we only, we assure him, sought to speak the language of actuality and common sense. It is quite clear that the old laws of the Operative Guilds cannot be maintained in 1884, nor have they in England been really maintained since 1717. Questions no doubt have arisen, as questions always will arise, from time to time, on the part of those who like little things and little difficulties, as to whether the olden regulations existed, and were binding still; but we have known several one-legged Masons who have been most active members of our Order. Indeed, we venture to think that our very able confrere answers his own evident objections to wooden and cork legs. He admits that "wooden heads" and "heartless Masons" are not wanting under the American regime; and why then should he, upbraidingly or sarcastically (as far as he can be upbraiding or sarcastic), condemn our English laxity (as he deems it), on the subject? If "wooden legs" and "cork legs" are accompanied by Masonic zeal and fraternal energy, why should we be arraigned if we think that these and similar laws were made for Freemasons, not Freemasons for them? There is a slavery of Masonic rubricity which has always seemed to us the height of absurdity and the "ne plus ultra" of "red tape." Surely laws made in a different state of society,—over 500 years ago, at any rate,—may be modified as time passes on, and in our newer and altered generation to-day. If the Guilds naturally objected to serfs and vassals bought and sold, if in the then dread state of domestic slavery the "villanus" could be branded and mutilated by angry lords, and taken away from the boroughs and from the Guilds, it was wise to enact such prohibitory laws then. But to deny to-day to an excellent person, lame by nature or accident, or minus a leg, or an arm, or an eye, admission into a lodge on such account, would, to our minds, savour of barbarism, intolerance, and injustice in the highest degree. If our esteemed confrere's argument is good for anything, we say it respectfully, we must refuse a blind person admission to our Order, and even a person wearing spectacles; indeed, any one suffering from bodily imperfection or infirmity. And yet we know for instance how many suffering under that grave deprivation of sight are men of the greatest ability, power, and utility; and surely any lodge would be graced with the presence of such a brother as her MAJESTY'S Postmaster-General, Mr. FAWCETT. But yet, according to the *Keystone*, we are wrong in receiving any such, on the faith of an obsolete law passed hundreds of years ago, and which concerned a special condition of affairs of society then. If our esteemed confrere will think with his usual honesty, he will, we believe, see and admit that logically and truly any such law as "primâ facie" seems to find favour in his sight, is absolutely cruel, as well as unsound, unfair, and untenable altogether.

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THERE is a mistake often made which we think it well to notice. Writers sometimes seem to deal with the "Charges" as if they were part of the "Law of Freemasonry." The Law of Freemasonry is, however, contained alone in the Book of Constitutions, and unless the Charges are re-enacted, so to

say, in the Book of Constitutions proper, they are not law. The Charges are indeed very valuable remnants and reminders of the past. The Antient Charges and Regulations are ordered to be read at the installation of a Master of a lodge, and the "Charges of a Freemason" may be read at an initiation. And, no doubt, there is a sense in which they could be taken cognizance of judicially and disciplinarily amongst us. If there was a clear contravention of any one of them the Board of General Purposes could no doubt take the matter into their consideration, as if not the Statute Law, yet by implication and custom part and parcel of the Common Law of Freemasonry. We remember a case where a brother about to be installed was alleged to have acted distinctly in defiance of the laws of the land. Through timidity or ignorance the matter was passed over and hushed up. Had the matter gone before the Board of General Purposes undoubtedly, that election would have been cancelled. Hence it is always most important to distinguish between what is enjoined or forbidden by law, and what is allowed and preserved by custom.

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WE call attention to a review elsewhere on the way Masonic history is sometimes written now-a-days. There seems sometimes to be an attempt and idea to make statements acceptable simply by boldness of assertion and recklessness of utterance. As the reviewer of the "Masonic World" points out, many facts so gravely put and so dogmatically announced have been proved to be hopelessly baseless again and again. But what matters? Perhaps if certain statements are regularly repeated some one will believe them at last. We fear that such a system augurs little either for the knowledge of the propounders, or the thoughtful criticism of its readers.

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By the "Bulletin du Grand Orient" of June, it would seem that the "Conseil de l'Ordre" have decided, by way of only reply to the recent Papal Encyclical, to reprint the entire Allocution, so as to let all the French Freemasons know its bearing and effect. We do not always approve of the words or acts of the governing body of French Freemasonry, and we think, on the contrary, that the line they have thought proper to take is most prejudicial to the interests of Cosmopolitan Freemasonry, and even, in part at any rate, alien to the charges of the recent heated and vehement Papal Missive. We are, therefore, glad of being able honestly to commend both the dignity of their declaration and the wisdom of their course.

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IT would seem as if the Grand Lodge of New York had some serious troubles to contend with in respect of some German Freemasons in that State, and under that jurisdiction. Certain German Freemasons claim, practically, "independence" in respect of the ruling Grand Lodge. They ask to be permitted to introduce not only their own language and ceremonial, but several foreign rites, not German in themselves and which are most distasteful to reverent minds, and are alike meaningless, unworthy, and grotesque. The claim of the German Freemasons is one that cannot be sustained, or even sympathized in, by any loyal Freemasons. It constitutes, in fact, an overt act of mutiny and rebellion against the supreme Masonic authority. We in England shall entirely sympathize with the Grand Lodge of New York in its constitutional efforts to uphold unimpaired the prescriptive and unquestionable rights of a lawful Masonic jurisdiction.

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THOUGH we do not agree in any essential points with the letter signed "C." elsewhere on the Papal Encyclical and the foreign Freemasons, we yet think it right to let all sides to the controversy have a hearing. There is no doubt a good deal of truth and force in our Correspondent's words; but in some jurisdictions foreign Freemasons have most needlessly stirred up many social and religious questions which have served no good purpose but that of "adding fuel to these flames." Their language and acts have not merely been directed against the Roman Catholic authorities, but against all religious teaching and institutions. Our worthy Correspondent does not seem to us attentively to have studied Lord CARNARVON'S courteous words and clear distinctions, which, however, were accepted cordially and unanimously by Grand Lodge, and will, we are convinced, be entirely endorsed by the vast majority of our brethren in Great Britain, our Colonies, and the United States.

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IT is a curious fact that as, according to the old adage, "it never rains but it pours," so Roman Catholic attacks never come singly; they succeed each other often in "tumultuous activity," the moment from time to time that the flood tides of intolerance have an outpour. We have hardly recovered from the last Papal blunder and foolishness, the act of an infallible authority, the issuing of an Allocution condemnatory of all Freemasons, when we are startled by reading in the *Standard* Cardinal MCCABE'S deliverance at Dublin. "His Eminency" has, according to the *Standard* of Monday last, "written a letter approving of the course taken by certain members of the Dublin Corporation in refusing to support a candidate for the Lord Mayoralty on the ground that he was a Freemason. The Cardinal says he cannot understand how a Roman Catholic could in conscience or honour help to place a Freemason in the office of first magistrate in the Roman Catholic city of Dublin. The succession of revolutions that have shaken society for the last century can, he says, be easily traced to Masonry—a confederation organized for the unholy purposes." Though such a statement is made so seriously and on such authority, we feel sure that our brethren in Ireland or elsewhere will laugh heartily at it, as anything more grotesque or untrue in history we cannot well conceive. We are only very sorry that any Roman Catholic prelate should be so ill-informed, so uncourteous, so unscrupulous in what he says in public, and should not hesitate thus to appeal to the bigotry of ignorance, and influence the bitterness of fanaticism.

## HISTORY OF THE ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

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### CHAPTER VII.

FROM THE ELECTION OF BRO. B. B. CABELL, AS TREASURER, TO THE PURCHASE OF PREMISES AT WOOD GREEN, 1846-1856.

With the advent to power of Bro. B. B. Cabell there appears to have been almost immediately a most remarkable infusion of energy into the proceedings of the Executive. This is by no means surprising. The twenty years of placid existence through which the Institution had passed under the successive auspices of Bros. Moore, Rodber, and Pollock were certain to provoke a policy of reaction, when the helm was taken by one who combined prudence with courage, and was sufficiently a man of the world to know that the Charity could never be made worthy of the Society which founded it, unless the plan of letting "I dare not" wait upon "I would" were at once and for ever discarded. He saw at once that the brethren were getting tired of hearing the same humdrum story repeated annually of so many boys being clothed and educated at an expense of about £7 each per annum, and the property of the Institution being increased by periodical purchases of a few hundred pounds' worth of Government Stock. This was well enough when the Institution was being extricated from the difficulties into which an incompetent Secretary had plunged it, but the said difficulties had long since been surmounted, and the question which probably suggested itself to the active mind of the new Treasurer was whether it was worth so much annually recurring labour and trouble in order to produce results comparatively so insignificant. The permanent income about sufficed to defray the cost of educating and clothing the boys, and the Festival yielded enough for the working expenses with a handsome margin to spare for contingencies. At this time the income all told may have amounted in round figures to about £1100, and the expenditure to £700. Was no effort ever to be made to carry out the original intentions of the founders in their entirety, and establish a school for the maintenance of the children as well as for their training? Or, was the Institution to continue as it had been for an indefinite term of years, doling out a small yearly pittance that might have done credit to a parochial body, but was quite unworthy of the powerful and wealthy fraternity of English Freemasons? The Committee were not long in making up their minds as to which was the better course to propose. Bro. Cabell succeeded to the Treasurership in October, 1846, and at the Quarterly Court held in April, 1848, Bro. George Smith, a Past Master of Lodge No. 109 (the Moira), now No. 92, gave notice of motion for the Court next ensuing, "for the Appointment of a Special Committee, to consist of seven Governors or Subscribers, to take into consideration the present financial position of the Charity, and with a view to extend its usefulness by establishing or renting a schoolhouse in or near Town, where shall be educated, maintained, and clothed, a certain number of Boys, the sons of deceased or decayed Freemasons. The Committee to report thereon and to say what sum they would recommend to be taken for the purpose out of the present Funded Property belonging to the Institution." In the July following, Bro. Smith's motion was submitted and passed unanimously, but in a modified form—"That a Committee be formed for the purpose of taking into consideration the present financial position of the Charity, with a view to extend its usefulness,"—the brethren chosen to serve on it being Bros. Cabell (Treasurer), Charles Button, Rev. J. E. Cox, Chas. H. Cornwall, J. L. Evans, H. Faudel, William Palmer, George Smith, and W. H. White, with power to add to their number. At the Quarterly Court in April, 1849, the Committee presented a very elaborate and carefully-digested report, which is all the more valuable from the fact of the inquiries instituted embracing a period of ten years—from 1838 to 1847, both inclusive. From the five tabular statements containing the results of these inquiries we gather (1) that the average income of the Institution during the period selected exceeded £1090 per annum; (2) that the average annual expenditure for clothing, educating, and apprenticing the boys was £450; (3) that the expenses of management averaged £240 per annum, or about 53 per cent. on the amount expended for the charitable objects of the Institution; (4) that the amount invested during the said period was £3950, making with the sum previously invested a total of £10,000 New 3½ per Cent. Stock; and (5) that the average number of boys provided for by the Institution was 67. Having described the nature and extent of the inquiries they had made in the course of their investigations, the Committee submitted a long series of recommendations, the first in order being that the cost of management, being greatly disproportionate to the sum expended for the real purposes of the Institution, should be reduced forthwith, by letting the house in Bloomsbury-place, or disposing of the lease, and arranging for the Committee Meetings to be held at Freemasons' Tavern, at a charge not exceeding half-a-guinea per meeting. The distinctive button was to be done away with, and a plain gilt one substituted. The clothing supplied to each boy was to be increased, the cost being estimated at £3 10s. for the first year, and £2 10s. for each succeeding year. An improved system of education was to be adopted, the sum assigned for this head of outlay being fixed in certain cases at £4 per boy per annum, instead of £3. A sum not exceeding £1 per quarter was to be paid to the parents or guardians of each boy towards his maintenance, the allowance being subject to the reports received as to the boy's progress and character. The apprentice fee to be retained in cases where it was considered expedient. Each boy to be placed under the protection of a lodge, whose Master for the time being was to be the medium of communication between the boy and the Committee, provincial lodges being invited to assist in carrying out the arrangement. Half-yearly examinations to be held at Freemasons' Hall, in the case of the London boys, those in the provinces to be examined by the nearest lodges willing to undertake the duty, and prizes for good conduct and distinction to be awarded annually. It was estimated that, notwithstanding these increased advantages, the cost would not exceed £12 per boy, or £840 per annum for the whole 70; the financial condition of the Charity being such as to justify such an expenditure. It was further recommended that the Secretary's salary should be increased to £60 per annum, and that, on getting rid of the house in Bloomsbury-place, he should be paid a sum of £50 in compensation for his surrender of, and the expense of surrendering, that portion of it he had been allowed to occupy as a residence; that a register of the boys should be kept for the use of the Committee; that the Trustees should execute a trust deed, setting forth the objects for which the property—amounting to £10,000—was held by them; that such trust deed be lodged with the bankers, and that copies of it

and all similar documents should be entered in a book kept by the Secretary. Such were the recommendations embodied in this report, and it is not to be denied that they testified to a desire on the part of the Committee to fulfil conscientiously the purposes for which they had been appointed. The report was ordered to be printed, and at a Special Meeting, convened for the purpose of considering it, on the 14th May following, a series of resolutions embodying all its material suggestions was adopted.

But great as was the improvement effected by these changes, the Executive was not satisfied, and in October, 1850, it was resolved that "A Committee be appointed to inquire and report to this Court whether any and what means can be adopted to extend the benefits and advance the interests of this Charity," the following influential brethren being elected to serve on it—three to form a quorum—namely, Bros. B. B. Cabbell (Treasurer); R. G. Alston, W. T. Adrian, George Barrett, J. Barnes, Rev. J. E. Cox, G. Chap., Alex. Dobie, P.G.M. Surrey, and G. Reg.; J. C. Fourdrinier (Auditor); R. H. Giraud (Hon. Solicitor); Lieut. Hill, R.N., Thomas Pryer, E. H. Patten, P.G.S.B.; Thomas Waring (Auditor); W. H. White, G. Sec.; and C. H. Winfield. This Committee at once set to work most vigorously, and, under the able guidance of Bro. R. G. Alston as their Chairman, very soon had their views set forth as to what could and should be done in a full and able Report, which is reproduced in its entirety in the Appendix. The idea of erecting or renting a Schoolroom was rejected on the ground that it would require an income of at least £1500, but a variety of measures were recommended which would, and undoubtedly did, have the effect of extending the benefits of the Charity, increased sums being allowed for the Education and Clothing of the children, the character of the education itself being also improved, and competition among the pupils still further encouraged by a more extensive award of prizes. Greater care was also taken in the selection of the Schoolmasters, while in respect of London it was, as far as possible, marked out into districts, in each of which a centrally-situated School was assigned to the boys resident therein. It was estimated that the increased outlay rendered necessary by these arrangements would amount to £315, and it was confidently asserted that there would be no difficulty in providing for this additional charge on the resources of the Charity. We are convinced that a bolder would also have been the better policy to propose, but if the Charity was to be continued on the same lines as before, we are ready to concede that the suggestions contained in the Report were as nearly perfect as the character of the Institution would allow. At all events, the Governors and Subscribers accepted them unhesitatingly, and arrangements were made for carrying them into effect from Lady Day, 1851.

It is probable that, having regard to the funds at the disposal of the Charity, considerable difficulties would have been experienced in framing a better or more workable series of resolutions than those proposed by the Special Committee, of which Bro. R. G. Alston was the Chairman, and which were accepted by the Governors and Subscribers so promptly. But it is clear that every step taken in the direction of extending the usefulness of the Institution only served to make it more and more apparent that no arrangements that could be devised for this purpose would be deemed permanently satisfactory which did not include a provision for the establishment of a school building, in which the boys received into the Charity might be lodged as well as clothed and educated. Hence the ink of Bro. Alston's report had hardly had time to dry when a renewed agitation set in with a view to obtaining school premises suitable for the requirements of the Institution. It has been stated that the improvements submitted by Bro. Alston's Committee were to take effect from Lady Day, 1851. In the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 6th December following, under the presidency of the same Bro. R. G. Alston, we are informed that "the Chairman reported that having submitted to the consideration of the President the necessity of certain alterations being made in the manner of dispensing the benefits of the Institution, and also the propriety of increasing them, he had the gratification to say that, in a conversation he had had with the President, his lordship had expressed his acquiescence in the alterations proposed, and given his full sanction to the measures." No sooner was this announcement made—from which, by the way, it is clear that Lord Zetland was actuated by no such fear of the consequences as his Royal predecessor in the event of a schoolhouse being built or erected—than the following resolutions were drawn up and adopted unanimously, namely:

That it is essential to the future prosperity and usefulness of this Institution to take measures for adding to its existing system an establishment for the maintenance, as well as education, of the sons of indigent and deceased Freemasons.

That it is a fundamental principle of this Institution that its benefits shall be extended to the children of all brethren under the Constitution of England, without any distinction arising from religious belief or other cause, and that therefore, under all circumstances, the benefits offered by the existing system of the Institution shall be continued to the children of brethren who, for good and sufficient reasons, may object to their being placed in an establishment.

That immediately after these resolutions shall have been confirmed, three Trustees be elected, to be called Trustees of the Building Fund.

That in the present and every future year, at the period when the annual accounts of the Institution are made up, the surplus of income over expenditure, if any exist, shall be divided into two equal portions—one-half to be invested as heretofore for the General Fund of the Institution, the other half to be paid to the Trustees of the Building Fund.

That the Trustees shall immediately invest in the Public Funds all sums thus paid into their hands, together with the dividends which shall from time to time accrue on the stock thus purchased, until a sufficient fund shall be accumulated for the purchase of suitable premises or for the purchase of land and erection of a School, subject, however, in either respect to the directions of the General Court.

That the accounts of the Building Fund shall be examined by the Auditors, and published with the annual accounts.

The foregoing resolutions were ultimately adopted, with some slight modifications of no very material account, and on 6th March, 1852, a draft report (copy of which will be found in the Appendix) showing the then state of the Institution was submitted, adopted, and ordered to be circulated. In April, Bros. the Earl of Yarborough, B. B. Cabbell, Samuel Scott, and R. G. Alston were appointed Trustees of the Building Fund, and it was resolved "That donations and subscriptions be received in aid of the Building Fund from any present or future Life Governor of the Institution, and that annual subscriptions for the same Fund be in like manner received from any present or future Life or Annual Subscriber to the General Fund of the Institution; and that all sums thus given in aid of the Building shall entitle the Donors to the same number of votes as if given to the General Fund." On the same occasion a letter from the Treasurer was read to the effect that he had opened a Building Fund Account at the bankers of the Institution, and in July we read of the first purchase of Stock—£535 Three per Cent. Consols—having been made in respect of this Fund, the Stock standing to the credit of the General Fund at the time being £10,700 New 3½ per Cents. In March, 1853, it was announced that a sum of £500, which

had been voted by Grand Lodge the December previous as a Sustainment of Building Fund, had just been confirmed, and the Committee in referring to the subject in their annual report took occasion to point out as a consequence not only that "a large and substantial benefit" was thus ensured to the Institution, but that they felt likewise that such "formal sanction of the principle adopted by the Charity" gave a "moral support," which was "yet more valuable," and for which they desired to offer their most grateful thanks "to the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the United Grand Lodge." In April, 1854, when Bro. Alexander Dobie was elected a Trustee in place of Bro. Alston, and a transfer of the Building Fund to the new Trustees became necessary, the amount of Stock thus transferred was £1100. In August of the same year, a letter from the Grand Secretary was read to the effect that a grant towards it of £350 had been voted by Grand Lodge, and, other investments having been made in the interval, Bro. Cabbell, as Treasurer, found himself in February, 1855, in a position to announce that the Fund had then increased to £2000 Three per Cent. Consols. From time to time other additions were made, the most considerable being a further and very handsome contribution by Grand Lodge of £1000, for which the Governors expressed their most cordial thanks. This was reported in November, 1856, and a Building Committee, consisting of Bros. B. B. Cabbell, M.P., as Treasurer for the time being, G. Barrett, John Hervey, J. S. S. Hopwood, Potter, Edward Roberts, Charles Robinson, and John Symonds, having been appointed in October, 1855, with full authority "to take such steps as they may deem necessary for carrying out the objects which the Governors of the Institution have in view, subject to the sanction of the General Committee, which may be convened at any time for that purpose by the Chairman," and having fulfilled as far as possible their instructions, they were "empowered to negotiate on the basis of the terms offered by the vendors for the purchase of the property known as Lordship Lodge, Tottenham," a certificate having been furnished by Bro. G. R. Rowe, M.D., as to the sanitary fitness of the locality. This was done forthwith; a sum of £350, being 10 per cent. of the purchase money, was paid to the vendors as a deposit, and the legal transfer of the property to the Institution having been made, the balance of £3150 was paid by the Treasurer, Bro. Cabbell, on the 26th December, 1856, the Building Fund Account, however, having to be very largely overdrawn in order to enable him to complete the transaction. Thus, after the lapse of over 58 years from the foundation of the Institution, after having had to encounter many difficulties, and in spite of the most determined opposition from brethren in high quarters, the Governors had at length the supreme satisfaction of possessing school premises of their own, in which to carry out their plans for the support and improved education of the children placed under their care, or at least of those amongst them whose parents or guardians were willing they should be lodged away from home.

(To be continued).

## ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

### THE ANNUAL FÊTE AT WOOD GREEN.

It seldom happens in this country that we are as fortunate in the weather as we were on Thursday, the day appointed for the annual visit of the Festival Stewards and their friends to our Masonic Institution at Wood Green, the distribution of prizes, and the sport and pastimes which have latterly become a part of the accustomed proceedings. As a consequence of this exceptional condescension on the part of the clerk of the weather in thus favouring the visitors of the Boys' School with plenty of bright warm sunshine, pleasantly tempered by a gentle breeze, there was an exceptionally strong muster of the brethren; and the fair sex, who long to grace these occasions by their presence, were as formidable in numbers as they were fascinating, both by reason of their natural graces and the brilliancy of their toilettes. Owing to the multiplicity of his engagements, the Lord Mayor, who, as President of the Festival, should have occupied the chair, was unable to be present. However, everything passed off most satisfactorily. The boys performed their part admirably, the acting and part singing showing great care in the preparation, both on the part of the coaches—if we may be allowed to use so irreverent a term—and themselves. The sports were held towards the close of the proceedings, so that we must reserve our account till next week, but the following will be found to be a correct list of the prizes awarded for school work:—

#### PRIZES PRESENTED BY THE INSTITUTION.

FIRST CLASS.—Scripture, 1, R. J. Warner. Latin, 1, F. Smith; 2, J. W. Hurst (for progress). French, 1, W. R. Cooper; 2, R. R. Riley (for progress). English, 1, G. Mey. Mathematics, 1, A. Salter; 2, H. Bingham (for progress). General Improvement, 1, R. P. F. Deeley; 2, S. C. Roberts (for progress). Certificate for Attention to Studies, 1, R. J. Warner.

SECOND CLASS.—Latin, 1, H. R. Hounslow. French and German, 1, W. R. Roberts. Arithmetic, 1, C. B. Sharp. General Improvement, 1, J. Langdon.

THIRD CLASS.—Latin, 1, J. Hogg. French and German, 1, G. B. Brooks. English, 1, W. R. Watson. Mathematics, 1, R. A. Grave.

FOURTH CLASS.—Latin, 1, C. P. O'Doherty. French, 1, F. Lucas. English, 1, W. Lucas. Arithmetic, 1, G. Jones.

FIFTH CLASS.—Latin, 1, C. J. Crow. French, 1, J. P. Templeman and W. J. Pringle. English, 1, W. J. Williams. Mathematics, 1, A. D. Ashdown and E. W. Sissons.

SIXTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, 1, W. E. Clark and W. T. Hodge.

SEVENTH CLASS.—General Proficiency, 1, G. C. Willett and C. E. Stewart.

#### PRESENTED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE. (SPECIAL PRIZES).

Writing—1, H. Bingham; 2, W. Smith. Dictation—1, R. Warner; 2, R. P. F. Deeley. History—1, H. Watkin; 2, G. Mey. Geography—1, H. R. Watkin; 2, P. A. Gedge. Mental Arithmetic—1, R. Warner; 2, G. May. Elocution—1, W. Smith; 2, C. King. Good Behaviour and Attention to Studies—1, William Sutton; 2, S. D. Carey. Efficiency as Teacher—1, H. R. Watkin. Efficiency as Monitor—1, H. Bingham; 2, J. Ward. Proficiency in Drill—1, H. M. Fellows. The Band—1, F. Smith, W. Brown, W. L. Garstin, and H. Bingham.

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Oban .....	9.40	—	—	4.45	12.15	12.15	2.34
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**To Correspondents.**

The following communications stand over until next week for want of space:—

- CRAFT LODGES:—Minerva, 250; Abbey, 1184; Saville, 1231; King Harold, 1327.
- MARK LODGE:—Prince Leopold, 238.
- CORRESPONDENCE:—An Old Certificate.

**BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.**

"Jewish Chronicle," "Loomis' Musical and Masonic Journal," "Hull Packet," "Bulletin du Grand Orient de France," "Broad Arrow," "Citizen," "Huddersfield Examiner," "Court Circular," "Keystone," "Diccionario Enciclopedico de la Masoneria," "Le Moniteur de la Chance Universelle," "Ceremonies in Commemoration of the Dead, Philadelphia Lodge of Perfection, 14th Degree," "Freemasons' Journal," "Montreal Herald," "The Tricycling Journal," "Allen's Indian Mail," "La Revista Masónica del Perú."



SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 1884.

**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.]

**SIR J. B. MONCKTON'S TESTIMONIAL.**

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

I have been a little disturbed by a circumstance which has just occurred. I took home two men from lodge to my Club to have a smoke. One of them to my astonishment said "I am sorry that you entertain feelings of animosity toward Sir J. Monckton and oppose a testimonial being given to him," "at least it is generally said so." Of course I repudiated this at once. Now in this world it is not only necessary to do right but to appear to do it.

Let me say to you now what I said to them. I received a printed circular from Bro. Clutton requesting me to subscribe and I replied that I was sorry to feel obliged to decline because I objected to testimonials unless under very special circumstances, as they frequently smacked of a job. That personally I had always practised what I preached. Grand Lodge has on three different occasions offered me through a Committee. (1) A service of Plate; (2) a carriage and horses; and (3) when both these were respectfully but firmly declined, the same Committee put a notice of motion on the agenda paper that such a sum of money should be granted by Grand Lodge as would purchase for me the right to have always one boy and one girl in their respective schools, and one old man as pensioner. That motion was never put to Grand Lodge. I purposely absented myself from Grand Lodge but wrote to the Grand Master, the Earl of Zetland, gratefully but firmly declining to accept it. The Grand Master read that letter from the throne and was moved almost to tears in doing so—it was ordered to be entered on the minutes, and was so, but I forget the date, nor is it material.

There is another objection to this particular testimonial, viz., the giving of it might seem a reflection on others who have done longer and larger service to the Craft than Bro. Sir J. Monckton, for example, in earlier days, Bros. Dobic, Henderson and J. L. Evans, who all served for much longer and in very trying times, and notably in the present month even, the case of Bro. McIntyre who retired after 22 years of good work—no one has offered a testimonial to any of them.

This is the substance of what I wrote to Bro. Clutton and I added some words of respect toward Bro. Sir J. Monckton.

I have never refused to accept a testimonial in the form of a vote of thanks inscribed on vellum—that costs next to nothing—I may mention in parenthesis that the last one voted to me by Grand Lodge was at the conclusion of the new building, when on behalf of the Committee over whom I had the honour to preside, I accepted the offer, but we never saw those vellums and I have never heard of them since.—Yours faithfully and fraternally,  
June 19th. JOHN HAVERS, P.G.W.

**THE PAPAL ENCYCLICAL AND THE FOREIGN FREEMASONS.**

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

Before the interest of Freemasons in the Pope's fulmination entirely subsides it would be satisfactory to many if before condemnation be heaped upon the heads of Continental brethren one or some of them were to enunciate their ideas on the subject. It is all very well for Englishmen, who see Roman Catholicism in its mildest aspect and most respectable form, to protest against their action; but did we know a tittle of the intolerance and injustice of the priestly orders on the Continent we should probably as a body adopt their line of action and resist to the utmost the Papal efforts to control and dominate the education of the lower classes on the Continent. The promotion of education is pre-eminently a Masonic duty, for without it, how can the masses become fit members of a well-organized society?

Without doubt, Freemasonry is the natural opponent of extreme sacerdotalism. While advocating order and a due attention to ritual and reverence for religion, it is a determined opponent of ignorance and superstition.

It is almost certain the Papacy would, if it could, obliterate our Order and all its works; annihilate the Society and the individual. It is only the strength of our principles and the unity of the brethren which prevent it from doing so.

Continental Freemasons are charged with Atheism. It will be found by careful observation that almost all "perverts" from Rome become more or less freethinkers, or what the Pope would denominate Atheists. There is for such scarcely any middle state; Protestantism is to them only a half-way house. If a man were to deny the efficacy of the Mass, the worth of relics, the Immaculate Conception, he would be at once stigmatized by his opponents as an Atheist. The Irish labourer in England when he forsakes Romanism generally becomes a Bradlaughite. Why should we expect different results elsewhere?

It is fair to suppose that Continental Freemasons are intelligent men, and as capable as we are of distinguishing right from wrong, and that they have had in the past, and have still, good reason for adopting their present line of conduct; and it is even fair to suppose that were we face to face with their difficulties—priestly intolerance and priestly encroachments—upon the rights of conscience and freedom of thought, as they are, we should adopt some similar line of conduct in opposition.

There is little doubt that but for Freemasonry on the Continent, the Papacy would be as obnoxious to free and intelligent men to-day as ever it was. It would sustain men's wills and restrict education to such an extent that there would scarcely be any education worth the name.

It would be a graceful act if the Pro Grand Master, or some other influential brother, were to ask the Grand Lodges of the Continent to favour English Freemasons with a brief statement of the cause of their determined opposition to the Papacy. The result would probably be that we should understand our foreign brethren better than we do and esteem them more; and look upon the Pope's Encyclical as a political expedient to discredit in the name of religion those who oppose its efforts to obtain more political power. The probability is that Continental Freemasons deserve, instead of reproaches, our warmest commendations and earnest support. Apologising for addressing you at so great a length, and putting forth this novel view of the position of parties,—I remain, faithfully yours,

J. C.

**CARDINAL McCABE.**

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

Will you find me a corner in the *Freemason* to protest against Cardinal McCabe's statement, recently published at Dublin, that the "succession of revolutions that have shaken society for the last century can be easily traced to Masonry, a confederation organized for the unholy purposes?" The good cardinal in saying this "ex cathedra" tells, as we say, a "thumper," as no one statement can be so absolutely untrue. Such words constitute a great insult and impertinence to our loyal Order in Ireland, where they have before their eyes the existence of disloyal secret societies, with which many Roman Catholic priests are connected, as in the last Irish revolution. We can all afford to laugh at such silly words; and I am yours fraternally,  
AN ENEMY TO INTOLERANCE.



**THE FREEMASONS' REPOSITORY FOR MAY.**  
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This very ably edited Masonic Serial is before us, and we are pleased to receive it and peruse it. "To shew how the wind blows" ament the Quebec Grand Lodge, &c., we note an editorial remark in respect of the "proscriptive action of the Provincial Parliament and the Grand Lodge of Quebec," which we do not even profess to understand. Does our esteemed confrere realize the force and effect of his own words? Are the laws of the land nothing to the Grand Lodge of Quebec, or Canadian and American Freemasons? If the Act against secret societies forbids Masonic lodges to meet except under certain conditions and limitations, is there any Masonic power which can overlook, override, and dispense with the provisions of such laws? If we understand certain Masonic writers aright on this point, it is "Anomia," or lawlessness to which they are leading in their heated advocacy of the Grand Lodge of Quebec? It is either a legal body or an illegal one—that is, legal not only according to Masonic precedent and usage (for there is no law on the

subject recognized in England), but legal as before the laws of the land. To obey the enactments of the Supreme Legislature is a cardinal point in all Masonic professions, and if Freemasonry be not legal in any State, it has no legal existence, and cannot therefore assert legal Masonic jurisdiction or claim legal Masonic obedience while thus "hors de la loi." If in the exigencies of a particular case of difficulty and excitement Freemasons everywhere are to put forward the Jesuit maxims, "the end justifies, the means," or "we may do evil that good may come," we not only render all our professions ridiculous among men, but actually offer plausibility to some of the allegations of Leo XIII., that we are an illegal secret society, which acts contrary to and is subversive of the laws of the land, and is therefore inimical and injurious to government and authority. We always make a little allowance for temporary excitement and aberration, and hope soon to see our brethren and our cousins across the water return to a sounder state of mind on the subject.

**LA FRANC MACONNIERIE.** Paris.

This is a monthly publication, which first appeared, it seems, last March, and which is printed by the "International Catholic Library," in Paris, and is believed to be a Roman Catholic clerical attack on Freemasonry under the apparent banner of Freemasonry. A brother who uses the pseudonym of "Dumas Dazil" is said to be its editor, and we is, we are told, well known in Paris. We regret to think that by this very Jesuitical proceeding the enemies of French Freemasonry should thus improperly adopt the honoured name of Freemasonry. If the Roman Catholic clergy have complaints against the Grand Orient, let them be spoken out openly and fearlessly. We do not profess to approve of the proceedings of the Grand Orient of France, but we like fair play and honesty of purpose. We detest Jesuitism and trickery, and feel that our French brethren may fairly complain of such a "pious fraud." They may even recite Canning's polished lines:  
"Give me the erect, give me the wary foe;  
I perhaps can meet, perhaps return the blow;  
But from all ills which Heaven in wrath can send,  
Save me, oh! save me, from the caudid friend."

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The "Masonic World," which is an organ of the Ancient and Primitive Rite, as has been shown before in these columns, cannot be commended by the calmly critical, as an exponent of Masonic History. Intent only on one thing viz., to decry the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and to promulgate the Ancient and Primitive Rite so called, it seems at times to be utterly regardless of the normally accepted canons of historical accuracy and verification. So long as it can "crack on" about its own order, it does not seem to care much what it says or how it says it. Into the great dispute as between the Ancient Scottish Rite and the Ancient Primitive Rite thus carried on and thus developed we do not care to enter to-day. Suffice it to say that, whereas the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite is undoubtedly early in the eighteenth century, and probably older than some like to think, the Ancient and Primitive Rite is the creation of some erratic Frenchman about 1830, and absolutely untrue in its assertion of any Egyptian origin, just as it is equally ridiculous on its fabrication of meaningless names, and impossible Degrees. It is almost ludicrous to note the blunders made by the writer in his attempt to make out his pet child to be born of reputable parents, and to be really something in the world, instead of a pure "filius terræ." We peruse for instance Masonic History, p. 190, and we find a succession of misstatements so peculiar and undoubted that we can only wonder any writer could take the trouble of putting them together. Indeed the ludicrous juxtaposition of names and the incongruous assertion of events serve to convince us that the writer is not only "greatly at sea," but must be for some purpose making his facts "square" with his theories, as there is not positively historically one "scintilla" of accuracy or verity in any one of these bold and untenable assertions. J. Balsamo if at Frankfort in 1771 did not communicate "a portion of the Degrees of the Egyptian Rite" (of which by the way there were only three), to Swedenborg as Swedenborg was not a Freemason, and the "Maconnerie Egyptienne" of J. Balsamo, of which we have an official copy, had nothing in the least to do with Craft Masonry, or any other known system, or with Swedenborgianism. J. Balsamo was found out in England, and certainly did not communicate his nonsense to many of the nobility. He professed to have obtained it himself from an Englishman, George Coston, or Cofton, or Gofton. He was turned out of the Lodge of Antiquity. 2. It is true that he was at St. Petersburg, like many other places, but being "wanted by the police" there as elsewhere, suddenly left that capital, as many others. It is true that he was at Strasburg, where he became the portege of that ill-conducted Bishop and discreditable intiguer, Prince L. de Rohan, and founded the "Mere Loge" of "Sorgesse Triumphante," at Lyons, which claimed to be a Grand Lodge. It may be that it was for some time affiliated in some way with a French Craft lodge; but they soon parted company, as was inevitable, when his system was known. He was mixed up with the "Philalæthes," the "Ecosais Philosophique," and the "Illuminati;" but he was not "recui" by the respectable French Freemasons, to their honour. Mirabeau never was a Freemason, though an Illuminati, and though several of the other names were it may be "Martinistes," or Illuminati, there is no evidence we are aware of their being Freemasons. The Duke of Orleans (Egalite) was at one time Grand Master of the Grand Orient; but was properly expelled from the Order, having become an Illuminati. Happily, none of Cagliostro's work stood, and he was eventually driven by the police from Paris and France as an impostor and rogue. He had begun his old game at Rome, —of imposing on rich women and practising his ridiculous Egyptian Masonry,—when the Rome police very properly stepped in, closed his lodge, and put him in prison. There is nothing in common with J. Balsamo and the Ancient and Primitive Rite, and we should doubt some of its respectable members in England at all relishing the association, and therefore we protest against this method of writing history. It is absolutely degrading to the name "history," while it is revolting to the thoughtful student, and injurious to the study of all Masonic archæology. There is also an article on the "Book of the Dead," which, interesting if correct, is rendered of little use scientifically by its critical incorrectness. The passage from the "Book of the Dead" is thus set forth: "Says Thot to Osiris, King of Eternity, I am

the great God in the divine boat; I fight for thee; I am one of the divine chiefs who are the True Living Word of Osiris. I am Thot, who makes to be real the word of Horus against his enemies. The Word of Osiris against his enemies make truth in Thot, and the order is executed by Thot. I am with Horus on the day of celebrating the festival of Osiris, the good Being, whose Word is truth; I make offerings to Ra (the sun); I am a simple priest in the Under-world, anointing in Abydos, *elevating in higher degrees of initiation*; I am prophet in Abydos on the day of opening or upheaving the earth. I behold the mysteries of the door of the Under-world; I direct the ceremonies of Mendes; I am the assistant in the exercise of their functions; I am Grand Master of the Craftsmen who set up the Sacred Arch for support." How full of meaning is this language to the Freemason! Degrees of initiation! The true living Word! The Grand Master of the Craftsmen who set up the Sacred Arch for support! And all this language used five thousand years ago! And used still! We have submitted the article to a very learned Egyptological authority, and we append his comments: "The piece given in the *Masonic World* is not the whole of this portion of the text. Dr. Birch, in 'Bunsen's Egypt,' thus translates the two sentences, or at least what seem to be the two sentences of most importance. First—'Elevating to higher degrees,' &c., Birch translates 'I see the hidden places of the Rosta.' The previous sentence about the 'True living word of Osiris' runs 'justifying Osiris against his enemies.' That about 'Grand Master' seems to be 'I am the great workman who made the Ark of Socharis on the Stocks'—a possible explanation is if he translated the text from the French the word 'arche' has been made into *arch*, instead of *ark*. It is a singular fact that, although this writer is particular to give his authorities in other instances, all, I think, but to this one is no reference to whence it was obtained." It is just possible that the writer may have taken the extract from 'Tiele's History;' he has not obtained it from Rawlinson or Bunsen, but we are inclined to think it comes from his "inner consciousness," and is only another proof what a foolish way some good folks have of stating facts, and composing history.



### 361] SIR CHRISTOPHER WREN'S FUNERAL.

Can any Dryasdustian brother collect from dusty files of contemporary papers a full account of Sir Christopher Wren's funeral in 1723? Such no doubt exists. We have seen one account,—a short one,—which merely says that the funeral procession was attended by mourning carriages with his friends. But no names are given. There are pressing reasons why I ask for this information, which I have not time to obtain myself at present.

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### 362] SCOTS MASONS.

Much obliged to Bro. Woodford for the explanation offered as to the title "Scots Masons," though I cannot say it quite satisfies me, because the period covered by his supposed clue is not early enough for the purpose. "Scots Masons Lodge" occurs so early as 1736, and brethren were made "Scots Masons" in 1746. There is also the singular title of "Highrodian," &c., of the old Lodge of Industry, in 1746. I am now investigating this point as to "Scots Masons," &c., and have other references which appear to me to throw more light on the subject, one especially being a translation from one of Dr. Kloss's works (kindly made for me by Bro. Speth). These will be duly noted in my forthcoming work, entitled "Origin of the English Rite of Freemasonry," which I am now having printed, or they should be mentioned herewith.

W. J. HUGHAN.

### 363] CHESHUNT GREAT HOUSE. By Bro. F. D. REES COPESTICK.

The present home of the Gresham Lodge, No. 869, is in the Cheshunt Great House, in the Manor of Andrewes, and Le Motte, Hertfordshire, and as the brethren enjoy such unique privileges through the kindness of the Rev. Charles Erskine Mayo, meeting as they do in the only Baronial Hall in the kingdom which has been placed of late years at the service of the members of the mystic tie, a history of their special surroundings should certainly be furnished in a handy form, for the information of all concerned. This Bro. F. D. Rees Copestick has well done, for within the compass of some thirty pages is graphically described the more prominent features of the grand and imposing old building from the fourteenth century down to the present time, both architecturally and generally, the fine hall, and a list of paintings therein, being duly noted. Bro. Copestick corrects an error of previous historians, who declare that the estate was granted by Henry VIII. to Wolsey, whereas the fact is proved incontrovertibly from evidence at the Record Office, that it was purchased by the Cardinal in 1519. Its subsequent history is carefully and interestingly narrated, so much so as to make it most pleasant reading for all antiquaries, whether connected with the lodge or otherwise; and as I see any profit arising from its sale will be devoted to the Masonic Charities, I hope this short reference to its merits will lead many to become purchasers, though if the edition is exhausted, the net result cannot be much, as the cost per copy is only three shillings and sixpence. The frontispiece of the "Banqueting Hall" gives a good idea of the character of the building, and makes one wish other lodges were equally fortunate in having such a congenial and most suggestive habitation. The history of the lodge has been written by Bro. Walter E. Gompertz, so the brethren may well congratulate themselves on having two such able and zealous officers as their Treasurer and Secretary to thus describe their eventful career as a lodge from 1861, and the magnificent home in which they are privileged to be located. The printing in each case was done at the *Freemason* office, and is creditable to all concerned.

W. J. HUGHAN.

The Prov. Grand Superintendent for Kent, Lord Holmesdale, has fixed Saturday, the 28th (to-morrow), for the consecration of the Knole Chapter, No. 1414. A report will appear in our next.



## Craft Masonry.

**QUEEN'S WESTMINSTER LODGE (No. 2021).**—An emergency meeting of this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Red Lion-square, Holborn, on Tuesday, the 17th inst. Present: Bros. Geo. Lambert, P.G.S.B., W.M.; R. Payne, J.W.; C. Bellerby, Treas.; G. Coop, Sec.; H. C. Lambert, P.G.D. Herts, S.D.; Wm. Jones, J.D.; A. Jones, I.G.; Delevante, Org.; T. Bradley, Tyler; Goldney, Kingdon, Walters, Fowley, Livett, Payne, Hodges, Russell, Gibson, Kempton, Currie, Godfrey, Nugent, Birch, and Hotton. Visitors: Bros. Brewrey, 141; F. Smith, 1305; and Chapman, 1962. The lodge was opened in ample form, and Bros. Hodges and Brewrey (by permission of the W.M. of Lodge of Faith, 141), having proved their proficiency, were entrusted. The lodge having been advanced those brethren were duly passed. The lodge was resumed, and a ballot was taken for Messrs. J. E. W. Birch, E. R. Hotton, and G. J. Nugent, which proving unanimous in their favour, those gentlemen were duly admitted into the Order. Several letters were read from members regretting that their duties at the regimental camp at Sandown Park prevented their attendance. The Secretary informed the lodge that the W.M. had paid the sum of £10 10s. to the Boys' School Festival in the name of the lodge. The J.W. proposed, and Bro. C. Kempton seconded, that the best thanks of the lodge are due to Bro. G. Lambert for his many services and great interest he took in all matters connected with the lodge, and also for his kindness in going up as Steward for the lodge, and hoped that, as the Master had made so good a beginning, the lodge would be well represented at future festivals of the Institutions.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to the Holborn Restaurant. During the evening the Master announced that he had secured the Venetian Saloon for Tuesday, November 18th, and trusted that he should be able to see every member of the Queen's Westminster Lodge present on that occasion, as it would be the date of his giving up the Mastership of the lodge, and taking up the less onerous duties of I.P.M. The usual Masonic toasts were duly given and responded to.

**CRYSTAL PALACE LODGE (No. 742).**—The annual meeting of this lodge was held on Thursday, the 5th inst., at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, when the following officers were present: Bros. Edward Ayres, W.M.; F. A. Pullen, S.W.; J. Kay, J.W.; T. Foxall, P.M., Treas.; W. Land, P.M., Sec.; Wm. H. Toten, S.D.; F. Wright, I.G.; W. Seymour Smith, Org.; B. Fullwood, P.M., D.C.; J. W. Lassam, Stwd.; Geo. Cole, P.M.; Chas. D. Hume, P.M.; J. Blundell, P.M.; H. Cox, P.M.; George Weeks, P.M.; Dick Radclyffe, P.M.; W. W. Baxter, P.M.; R. Roberts, P.M.; H. Finch, P.M.; H. T. Thompson, P.M.; and others.

The lodge having been opened with the customary formalities, the reports of the Audit and of the Benevolent Fund Committees were submitted. Bro. F. J. Ingram was passed, and then the W.M. elect was presented for installation. In due course he was placed in the chair of K.S., Bro. Hume, P.M., carrying out the ceremony in a really impressive manner, even excelling his previous efforts in this respect. Having been saluted by the brethren, the new W.M. proceeded to invest his officers, conferring the collars on the following brethren: Bros. Kay, S.W.; Toten, J.W.; Foxall, P.M., Treas.; Land, P.M., Sec.; Wright, S.D.; W. Morrow, J.D.; A. Levy, I.G.; W. Seymour Smith, Org.; Fullwood, P.M., D.C.; and J. Woodstock, Tyler. The ceremony of installation was then completed, after which Bro. F. A. Pullen at once proceeded to show his ability to carry out the duties of his office. The ballot was brought into requisition, first on behalf of Bro. Frederic Purkiss, 720, who desired to join, and then for Mr. William Richard Parker, who came forward as a candidate for initiation. The result was favourable in each case, and the latter gentleman was at once brought forward to receive the benefit of Masonic light. Having been initiated, he was regularly entrusted, and the business of the day thus brought to a conclusion. The brethren then repaired to the banquet room, where the remainder of a very enjoyable day was spent.

At the conclusion of the banquet, and after grace had been said, the Worshipful Master proceeded with the customary toasts. The first on the list—that of "The Queen and the Craft"—needed no words of introduction in so loyal a lodge as the Crystal Palace had ever shewn itself to be. It was heartily drunk and followed by the National Anthem. The toast of "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of the Order," was another equally sure of a hearty welcome. At all times and in all places the Prince of Wales had proved himself worthy of every esteem, and among Masons especially so. They were always pleased to do him honour.

The Worshipful Master in proposing "The Health of the Grand Officers" referred to the recent action of the Earl of Carnarvon in Grand Lodge concerning the Pope's letter. He considered the Earl refuted, in the most emphatic manner, the charges made by the Pope against Freemasonry, and he hoped when his Highness received that flat contradiction, especially emanating as it did from such an authority as the Grand Lodge of England, which has the Prince of Wales at its head and is backed up by such men as the Earl of Carnarvon, that he might see the error of his statements and be induced to offer some sort of apology. The W.M. had pleasure in coupling with the toast the name of an old and esteemed member of Grand Lodge, Bro. C. A. Cottebrune, P.G.P.

Bro. Cottebrune in the course of his reply referred to the approval which had been expressed and which would be expressed at the action taken by the Pro Grand Master to which reference had just been made. This was but another evidence of the way in which the Earl of Carnarvon performed the work which fell to him in his official capacity, and was but a pattern of how the Grand Officers generally fulfilled their duties; they were one and all willing at all times to undertake such work in order to benefit Freemasonry and Freemasons. Bro. Cottebrune was especially

pleased to see the W.M. placed in the chair that night, as he could distinctly remember the day when he was initiated, and it was always gratifying to see the advancement of brethren who in years gone by had stood before them as initiates.

The Worshipful Master then proposed "The Health of the Initiate." This he considered a most important toast in Freemasonry. Without initiates the Order must soon come to an end. Masters must naturally feel a little proud of their first initiate—he knew he did. He hoped the reception accorded to Bro. Parker that day and the ceremony he had taken the chief part in, had made a lasting impression on his mind. If they had, he (Bro. Pullen) should feel he had done well in his first attempt at carrying out the duties of W.M.

Bro. Parker desired to tender his sincere thanks for the manner in which he had been received that day, for the way in which his health had been proposed, and the hearty reception it had met with. He considered it a very high honour to be admitted into Freemasonry. He hoped he might become a good Mason, and, as a true brother, ever be a loyal subject of her Majesty the Queen.

"The Health of the Visitors" was next honoured. The W.M. gave them a most hearty reception. It was at all times a pleasure to see visitors in a Masonic lodge; he knew of no lodge where they were more welcome than they were there. He hoped all would enjoy themselves.

Bro. Bush, P.M. 185, felt the W.M. had entrusted the toast to very unworthy hands, but nothing gave him greater pleasure than to reply to the kindly words which had just been spoken. On behalf of himself and brother visitors he tendered his sincere congratulations to the Master on the position he had that day been installed into. Personally he felt assured that the work of the coming year would be properly done, and that the interests of the lodge would be advanced, because he knew the way in which Bro. Pullen had always carried out the true principles of the Order—brotherly love, relief, and truth—and felt sure he would continue to act in the future as he had done in the past. He hoped he might leave the chair, as he was certain he would do, with the hearty approval of the members, and that not only would it be found that he had been honoured by the confidence reposed in him, but also that the lodge had conferred honour on itself by the selection made. If the brethren who were to follow on in the chair of the Crystal Palace Lodge only acted as he felt sure Bro. Pullen would do, the success of the lodge was assured, and the good name it had enjoyed in the past would be handed down to posterity. He sincerely hoped that both the W.M. and every member of the lodge would enjoy every happiness in the future.

Other visitors having also responded to the toast, the I.P.M. assumed the gavel. In asking the brethren to drink to "The Health of the W.M.," he was asking them to honour one who had filled his offices in the Crystal Palace Lodge with credit to himself and satisfaction to the lodge. He felt sure that Bro. Pullen would carry out any duties he might be called upon to perform in a manner that would meet the approval of the brethren.

In acknowledging the toast, the W.M. expressed the pleasure he felt in being elevated to the position he then occupied. He should do all that lay in his power to properly discharge the duties of his office. He now had a most pleasing duty to perform—to wish long life and happiness to his predecessor—and in doing so he had the additional pleasure of presenting to him a P.M.'s jewel, which he hoped he would live to wear for many years to come. He felt that no one more fully deserved such a distinction than did his immediate P.M. He congratulated him upon having ended his term of office in so auspicious a manner, and having finished a work the arduous nature of which he fully appreciated.

Bro. Ayres tendered his thanks. He had passed through his term of office to the best of his poor ability. Whether or no he had been able to carry it through in a way which should have satisfied himself had been decided for him by the way in which the brethren had so kindly voted the jewel with which he had been just presented. He endeavoured to do his best for all with whom he came in contact, especially was this the case in regard to Freemasonry. He hoped his efforts met with some amount of success; he felt from his reception that night among them that they did.

The next toast, the W.M. considered, was a very simple one to propose, as it required but very few words from him to ensure a hearty welcome. The toast was "The Installing Master, Bro. Hume, and the Past Masters generally." They could but thank one and all of them for what they had done for the Crystal Palace Lodge.

Bro. Hume did not feel himself able to respond on behalf of the many Past Masters then around him. It had been his good fortune to place the present Master in the chair, as he had the good fortune to do as regarded other of the Masters of the Crystal Palace Lodge in the past. If what he had done had but given the brethren satisfaction he was amply repaid.

Bro. Cox considered it was their privilege, as it was their pleasure, to do all they could for the Crystal Palace Lodge. It was then nearly twenty-one years since he had been initiated in the lodge; he had filled every office in it, and was proud to see it making such progress. The installation ceremony had been well performed that day, and he hoped would prove to be a specimen of what was in store for the lodge during the coming year. He concluded by thanking the brethren for the assistance they had rendered him at the time he acted as Steward for the Girls' School.

The W.M. said the toast of "The Treasurer and Secretary" was one that was sure of a hearty reception without any word of introduction from him. The brethren who filled these two offices in the Crystal Palace Lodge were held in the greatest respect, and he felt sure that no lodge in England had better Masons on its roll than the two officers he was then referring to.

Bro. Land, the Secretary, replied. He thanked the company for the handsome manner in which they had just honoured the toast. He was happy to say that the lodge had been brought into the position he desired for it many years ago—that it should be among the foremost as regards Charity, that it be kept from running into debt, and that it should number among its members a number of the shining lights of Masonry. The lodge was now 53 members strong, and of that number 22 were Past Masters of the Order—a fact which was in itself, he thought, a great credential that the lodge was upheld. As regarded the funds of the lodge, he was happy to say they were in a most satisfactory condition. The lodge was Vice-President of the Boys' and the

Girls' Institutions and of one branch of the Benevolent. He had had it on his mind to suggest that a sum should be voted from the funds sufficient to carry them half-way towards the Vice-Presidency of the other section of the Benevolent Institution; but their worthy Treasurer had come forward with the proposition that the whole of the amount needed should be voted at one time, and accordingly it would be his pleasure to propose on an early occasion a grant of 50 guineas on behalf of the Old People. There was very little doubt but that the proposal would be agreed to, and thus would the lodge make a further advance on its great work of charity.

The toast of "The Officers" was next given. The W.M. felt that he might rely on the assistance of the brethren he had that night appointed to office, and he would inform them that he needed all they could bestow. It was all very well to consider one's self perfect; it was one thing to rehearse the ceremonies in a lodge of instruction, and quite another to carry them through in a regular lodge, surrounded, as he had been, by a brilliant assemblage of visitors and members high in the Order. It was but natural one should feel a little nervous on such an occasion.

Bro. Kay returned thanks. It afforded him very great satisfaction to fill the position he did. He and the other officers would do the best for the welfare and good-being of the Crystal Palace Lodge. This brought the proceedings to a close; the Tyler was therefore summoned, and he having given the usual closing toast, the brethren separated.

Among the visitors were Bros. C. A. Cottebrune, P.G.P.; W. C. Smith, 1563; Arthur Cox, 1471; R. Berwick, 19; A. T. Chapman, 834; P. Rose-Innes, S.W. 1261; W. S. Pring, P.M. 151; W. Minns, P.M. 1755; E. West, P.M. 1327; W. Gilbert, P.M. 1327, P.P.G. J. W. Herts; W. J. Graham, P.M. 700; W. J. Miller (Leigh); W. Burgess, J.W. 1767; W. Banbery, 217; R. T. Whitley, P.M. 946, P.P.G.D.C. Middx.; H. Marchant, 141; W. H. Allaway, 1598; J. Laird, W.M. 720; E. M. Lander, P.M. 1642; C. Everist, P.M. 720; J. Funge, P.M. 69; H. Finch, 134; E. J. Jones, I.G. 134; T. W. C. Bush, P.M. 185, W.M. 1728; J. T. Tanqueray, S.W. 1965; F. Burnett, 1965; George Lewis, 1671; J. W. Morley, I.G. 1891; Henry Glum, 17; J. Barber Glenn, 3; and J. Holt, 807.

**CITADEL LODGE (No. 1897).**—The installation meeting of this flourishing lodge was held at the Railway Hotel, Harrow Station, on Saturday, the 21st inst. The lodge was opened by Bro. T. J. Bird, P.P.G.S.B. Middx., W.M., assisted by Bros. Osborn, S.W.; Gregory, J.W.; Lee, P.M., Sec.; Mayes, Prov. A.G.P. Middx., P.M.; Woodman, S.D.; Weston, P.M., J.D.; Von Holtorp, D.C.; Gaskin, Stwd.; Mayne, Stephens, Bayne, Hibberd, Sheffield, Hughes, Davison, Young, and Cole.

The lodge was honoured by the presence of the R.W. Prov. G.M., Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., and the following visitors: Bros. John Mason, P.P.G.D. Middx.; H. Cox, W.M. 1471; Squire, S.W. 1356; Hollidge, J.D. 1602; 1293; Pearson, P.M. 1567; Paddle, P.M. 1851; Nicholson, Delvalle, 1602; Dutton, W.M. 1567; and Forge, W.M. 619.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, and the report of the Audit Committee received and adopted, ballot was taken for Mr. Peter Young, a candidate for initiation, which proved favourable, and he was then initiated into Freemasonry by Bro. Mayes, P.M., who by permission of the W.M. performed this ceremony. Bros. Hibberd and Bayne were then impressively raised to the Third Degree by the W.M. Bro. John Osborn, P.M. 1602, the W.M. elect, was then presented for installation, the ceremony being performed by Bro. Bird, W.M., in a manner that elicited the warmest commendation from all present.

The following officers were appointed and invested: Bros. Gregory, S.W.; Woodman, J.W.; Lee, P.M., Sec.; Weston, S.D.; Von Holtorp, I.G.; Bayne, Org.; Gaskin and Wright, Stwds.; and Very, Tyler. After the ceremony Bro. Osborn, W.M., said that he had a very pleasing duty with which to commence his year of office—it was to present to Bro. Bird, the I.P.M., the Past Master's jewel of the lodge, which had been unanimously voted at the previous meeting, as a slight recognition of the admirable manner in which he had performed the duties of W.M. during the past year.

Bro. Bird, I.P.M., thanked the W.M. and brethren for their kindly feelings towards him, as shown by the jewel with which he had been presented, and was highly gratified to find that they were satisfied with the manner in which he had fulfilled his duties.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to an excellent banquet, after which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

The Worshipful Master, in proposing "The Health of Col. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., R.W. Prov. Grand Master for Middlesex," said that he felt highly gratified at having the Provincial Grand Master on his right hand. He thanked him for the honour he had conferred on the Citadel Lodge by his visit, and hoped that he was satisfied with what he had seen of the lodge. He called upon the brethren to give this toast a hearty reception.

The toast was received in a manner which clearly proved that the brethren of the Citadel Lodge cordially echoed the sentiments of their W.M.

Colonel Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., P.G.M., said: It has been to me a source of very great pleasure to have had the opportunity of visiting you to-day for the first time since I had the honour to consecrate the Citadel Lodge three years since, and I may at once say that I am thoroughly satisfied with all that I have seen; the working of the lodge is highly satisfactory, and I am convinced that there is no lodge in the province where the ceremonies of Freemasonry are better carried out than in the Citadel Lodge; a standard of perfection has been attained which I hope to see continued for many years to come. My visit to-day was unexpected—it was a surprise; and it is therefore the more gratifying to me to speak so satisfactorily of the manner in which your lodge is worked by the W.M. and his officers, and I cannot speak too highly of the very admirable way in which Bro. Bird installed his successor to-day; the ceremony was beautifully rendered, and was perfect in every respect, presenting a degree of excellence seldom equalled and certainly never surpassed. I thank you, W.M. and brethren, for the cordial manner in which I have been received here to-day, and I wish to your lodge every success and every prosperity.

Bro. Pearson, P.P.G.D.C. Middx., returned thanks for "The Provincial Grand Officers," and expressed himself pleased with his visit, and congratulated the lodge on the success it had attained.

Bro. Bird, I.P.M., proposed "The Health of the W.M., Bro. John Osborn," whom he had known for 25 years and was proud to have had the honour of installing him. Bro. Osborn was already a P.M. of another lodge, and would no doubt prove an excellent occupant of the chair of the Citadel Lodge.

Bro. Osborn, W.M., returned thanks for the honour conferred upon him; he would do his best to further the interests of the lodge, and hoped that at the end of the year the brethren would be satisfied with his efforts.

The toast of "The Initiate, Bro. Young," was then given, and suitably responded to by that brother.

"The Visitors" received a cordial welcome from the W.M. and brethren of the Citadel Lodge, and Bro. Forge, W.M. 619, responded, thanking the brethren for the cordial reception the visitors had received.

Bro. Capt. Nicholson, 1293, said that he had seen Masonic ceremonies performed in all parts of the world, but had never seen them better carried out than in the Citadel Lodge that day.

The toast of "The Installing Master, Bro. Bird, I.P.M.," was cordially received and acknowledged in appropriate terms by that brother.

"The Officers" toast having been given and acknowledged the Tyler's toast terminated the proceedings, and the brethren returned to town highly gratified at the success which had attended the meeting. The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. Wright, assisted by Bros. Bayne, Woodman, Hibberd, and others.

**SEAHAM HARBOUR.—Fawcett Lodge (No. 661).**—The regular meeting of the above lodge was held on Monday evening, 9th inst., the W.M., Bro. E. Atkinson, in the chair. He was supported by the following officers: Bros. J. Scorfield, I.P.M.; D. G. Smith, S.W.; T. Shepherd, P.M., acting J.W.; J. Richardson, P.M., Treas.; H. Wright, Sec.; T. R. Mitchell, S.D.; T. Richardson, I.G.; B. Wells and G. Woodman, Stwds.; T. Taylor, Tyler; James Ayre, P.M., P.P.G.S.B.; R. Candlish, P.M., P.P.G.S.D.; W. Forster, P.M., P.P.G.S. of W.; John B. Wells, P.M.; S. J. Cockburn, P.M.; H. W. Emerson, P.M. There was a large party of visitors in attendance, the Prov. Grand Secretary, Bro. R. Hudson, and several present and past Provincial Officers honouring the lodge with their presence on this occasion. Among the visitors were Bros. John Wood, P.G.J.W. Durham; R. Hudson, P.G. Sec.; W. Liddell, P.P.G.J.D.; J. J. Clay, P.P.G.S. of W.; M. Douglass, P.P.G.J.D.; Page, P.G.J.W. Northumberland; G. C. Watson, P.G.J.D.; A. P. Anderson, P.G. Std. Br.; C. McNamara, P.G. Std. Br.; J. Potts, P.P.G.J.D.; G. Hardy, P.G.A.D. of C.; the Rev. W. C. Harriss, P.G. Chap.; Probert, P.M. 48; J. C. Moor, W.M. 97; R. Singleton, J.W. 97; Anderson, 97; T. Atkinson, I.G. 80; J. B. Wilkinson, J.W. 1389; T. W. Heppell, 80; and others.

The lodge was duly opened by the W.M., Bro. Atkinson, shortly after which the minutes of the previous regular lodge were read and confirmed. Mr. Steele was then balloted for and declared elected. He was introduced and initiated into Masonry by Bro. Emerson, P.M., who performed the ceremony in a very creditable manner. Bro. Hudson, P.G.S., afterwards addressed the brethren assembled on the desirability of candidates being obligated singly, a custom which it had been found was not observed in another part of the province. A candidate could not be so impressed as he ought to be by the ceremony and the obligation if more than one was obligated at the same time. He also said a word regarding the able manner in which Bro. Emerson had initiated the candidate that evening, in the presence of many Provincial Officers and others. The visiting brethren having expressed their "hearty good wishes" the lodge was duly closed.

At refreshment afterwards, "The Health of the Queen and H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M.," were suitably honoured.

"The Pro G.M., the R.W. the Earl of Carnarvon, and the Grand Officers" having been given, Bro. J. Richardson, P.M., proposed "The R.W. the Prov. G.M., the Marquess of Londonderry, K.P.," which was very heartily received by all present.

Bro. S. Cockburn next gave "The Deputy P.G.M., Sir Hednorth Williamson, Bart., and the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, coupled with the name of Bro. R. Hudson, Prov. Grand Secretary.

Bro. Hudson, who was received with applause as the Provincial Grand Officers rose with him to respond, said it had given them much pleasure to come amongst them and to see that the work was so well conducted in the lodge at Seaham. He thanked them for the hearty reception the Present and Past Provincial Officers had met with that evening. He felt proud to respond for the province, and he trusted that nothing would occur during his career as Prov. Grand Secretary that would tend to diminish the lustre of that office.

Bro. Emerson, P.M., proposed "The Health of Bro. Page, P.G.J.W. Northumberland," who suitably responded.

Bro. Ayre, P.M., next gave "The Visitors," coupled with the name of Bro. W. Liddell, who replied in eloquent terms.

Bro. John Wood, P.G.J.W., submitted "The Fawcett Lodge, and the name of the W.M., Bro. Atkinson," who replied.

In the earlier part of the proceedings it should be stated Bro. Emerson, P.M., suitably proposed "The Newly-initiated Candidate, Bro. Steele."

The evening was a very enjoyable one. Through the courtesy of the P.G.M. a special train was run between Sunderland and Seaham for the convenience of the visiting brethren.

**WOOLWICH.—Florence Nightingale Lodge (No. 706).**—The installation meeting of the above lodge took place on Tuesday, the 17th inst., at the Masonic Hall, William-street, when Bro. Capt. J. Sculley, R.H.A., S.W. and W.M. elect, was duly installed into the chair of K.S., and saluted in proper form. The duty of Installing Officer was undertaken by Bro. J. Scott-Mutch at rather short notice, yet he performed the arduous task in excellent style. The W.M. invested his officers as follows: Bros. A. Burnett, S.W.; Dr. H. Bernays, J.W.; Sydney Clarke, P.M., Treas.; E. Denton, P.M. and P.G.D. Kent, Sec.; N. D. Livesay, S.D.; F. G. Nichols, J.D.; C. G. Risch, I.G.; K. Ugland, D.C.; Dr. Bottrell, Asst. D.C.; W. Ayling, Stwd.; and J. Lackland, Tyler. A handsome and valuable Past Master's jewel was then presented to Bro. G. C. Mathams, I.P.M., for valuable services rendered,

and also as a token of esteem for him on the part of the brethren of the lodge, for which he suitably returned thanks. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Mutch for his services as Installing Officer, which vote was ordered to be inscribed on the minutes of the lodge. There being nothing further to offer for the good of Freemasonry, "Hearty good wishes" were tendered, and the lodge was closed.

The banquet took place in the hall, and was splendidly served by Bro. Moulder, whose effective floral decorations were especially admired. Amongst the other brethren present were C. Coupland, P.M. and P.P.G.J.V. Kent; Dr. A. Sharpe, P.M.; J. Black, P.M.; Capt. Eugene Sweny, P.M.; Dr. Jos. Pope, P.M. 946; J. Birch, P.M. 1223; W. C. Claridge, P.M. 1962; J. H. Roberts, W.M. 700; R. Edmonds, W.M. 913; W. Rees, S.W. and W.M. elect 913; A. Saunders, S.W. and W.M. elect 1536; E. Palmer, J.W. 913; W. Moulds, J.W. 1536; and C. Jolly, J.W. 1472 (Freemason).

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts having been duly honoured, Bro. Mathams, in eloquent terms, proposed the toast of "The W.M." He said that the toast should have been in abler hands to do it full justice, yet at the same time it was one that he felt sure they would receive with pleasure, especially as their esteemed W.M. was so well known, that nothing he could say in his favour would cause them to respect him more than they did at present. They had heard that their W.M. had intended to have given way to Bro. Dr. Godwin had that brother been in England, but while they were sorry that Bro. Godwin was not present, they had much to congratulate themselves upon in having Bro. Sculley to rule over them at least for the next twelve months. They sincerely trusted he would have a good year of office, with plenty of work. There could be no doubt that he had a good set of officers under him who would well support him, and would help him to make his reign a memorable one for the Florence Nightingale Lodge. The W.M., in response, thanked them much for the warmth with which they had received his name, and could only assure them that he should endeavour to prove himself worthy of their choice and of the high prestige of the lodge. He had always taken a great interest in it, because when a boy he had been under the care of the noble woman after whom it was named. That, and that alone, might make any man proud to rule over such a lodge, but in its ranks were those with whom he had been for years and was now associated both in military and civil life. He believed in the prosperity of the lodge, and only asked them to assist him in making that prosperity a solid fact. He again thanked them, and resumed his seat amid applause. In response to the toast of "The Installing Officer," Bro. Mutch cheerfully remonstrated against the toast coming before that of the Past Masters, but would now apologise for any failures that might have occurred while doing the work, especially as he had been "out of office" for the last four years and had but short notice over that done that afternoon. It was, however, a pleasing task to have to do again that which recalled the time when one was of some importance and not relegated as now to the left of the chair. He should, however, be always happy to do what he could for the lodge, and, while thanking them for the toast, hoped for many years to come they might all meet in that room and rejoice over the continued prosperity of the Florence Nightingale Lodge. Bros. Mathams, Clarke, and Black responded for "The Past Masters," and Bros. Coupland, Edmonds, and others for "The Visitors." The other toasts were "The Treasurer and Secretary," responded to by Bros. Clarke and Denton. "The Officers," by Bro. Burnett, "The Masonic Press," by Bro. Jolly, and the Tyler's toast, concluded the proceedings. Bro. Nichols presided at the pianoforte, and some excellent singing filled up the pauses between the toasts.

**TAMWORTH.—Marmion Lodge (No. 1060).**—The annual meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, the 11th inst., at the Masonic Rooms, under the presidency of Bro. Chatterton, P.G.M. There was a large number of Tamworth brethren present, and amongst the visitors were Bros. Buttry, W.M. Lichfield; Hooper, W.M. Burton-on-Trent; King, P.M. Burton; and Rowbotham, P.M. Walsall. Bro. H. J. Faussett, W.M. elect, was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year by Bro. Oliver, P.M., P.G.J.D. Staffordshire. The W.M. appointed the following as his officers: Bros. John Chatterton, I.P.M.; Alfred Lucy, S.W.; H. J. Clarkson, J.W.; W. Tempest, P.M., Treas.; W. G. M'Laughlin, Sec.; W. M'Gregor, Chap.; John Rowbotham, S.D.; Thomas Buxton, J.D.; J. H. Rowe, Org.; Charles Jones, P.M., D.C.; Thos. H. Hamer, I.G.; George Hoskison, S.S.; Henry Turner, J.S.; and James Clarke, Tyler. A banquet was afterwards served at the Castle Hotel, and amongst the numerous brethren present were Bros. J. Spencer Balfour, M.P., Lucas Balfour, and Tonman Mosley.

**LIVERPOOL.—Hamer Lodge (No. 1393).**—One of the numerous summer festivals which occur so frequently at this season took place at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, on Thursday afternoon, the 10th inst., when the brethren of this lodge installed their W.M. for the coming year. It is now many years since this lodge met in Everton, but it was pleasing to see at this celebration some of those present who in times gone by sat in it with the well-known Mason from whom it takes its name—the late Bro. Hamer. The lodge is now in a thriving condition, its finances being sound and its contributions to the Masonic Charities substantial. There was a large number of brethren present, 21 W.Ms. and P.Ms. being admitted to the installation. The chair was taken by Bro. W. H. Jewett, W.M., supported by Bros. J. Pilling, P.M.; John Houlding, P.M., P.P.G.R.; R. Leason, P.M.; M. Callaghan, S.W., W.M. elect; W. C. Erwin, P.M., Treas.; P. Tomlin, J.D.; Thomas Pierrepoint, Sec.; W. J. Oversby, I.G.; and others. Among the visitors were Bros. Evan J. Callow, W.M. 1094; John King, S.W. 823; W. Evans, I.P.M. 594; Alfred Cross, W.M. 1713; James Lyon, Sec. 1620; John N. Hounsell, S.W. 203; Morris Davies, W.M. 249; John Pemberton, P.P.G.A.D.C.; C. Birch, P.M. 203; J. S. Warden, I.P.M. 1264; W. R. Roberts, J.D. 594; Hugh Williams, P.P.G.A.D.C.; Robert Foote, P.G.S.; Squire Chapman, W.M. 1013; C. Wadsworth, W.M. 292; Dr. F. J. Bailey, P.P.G.S.D.; E. Catrall, W.M. 203; J. P. Bryan, P.G.O.; John Tunstall, S.W. 1035; W. H. Cooke, Sec. 1013; W. Marshall, S.W. 1750; John Galley, Sec. 823; J. Grierson, P.M. 1750; and others. The W.M. elect, Bro. Matthew Callaghan, was presented by Bros. W. C. Erwin, P.M., and R. Lea-

son, P.M., and the retiring W.M., Bro. W. H. Jewett, performed the installation ceremony with much effectiveness.

After the usual honours, the following officers were invested: Bros. W. H. Jewett, I.P.M.; Thomas Pierrepont, S.W.; Robert L. Stockton, J.W. (by proxy); Walter C. Erwin, P.M., Treas., (re-elected for third time); James Tomlin, Sec.; W. J. Oversby, S.D.; F. A. Rainbow, J.D.; James R. Hankey, I.G.; James Pilling, P.M., D.C.; Walter Burnet, Org. (re-appointed); Jas. Smith, S.S.; John C. Brookes, J.S.; George S. Shenton, A.S.; John A. Hignet, A.S.; and M. Williamson, re-elected Tyler. Before the lodge was closed, a vote of thanks, proposed by Bro. J. Houlding, P.P.G.R., was unanimously accorded to Bro. Jewett for his performance of the installation ceremony; and the W.M. presented him, on behalf of 1393, with a handsome P.M.'s jewel.

The brethren afterwards dined in the large banqueting room, where dinner was well served by Bro. Casey, house steward. After the usual loyal and Masonic toasts, "The W.M." was given and heartily received.

The Worshipful Master returned thanks, and proposed "The Health of the I.P.M., Bro. W. H. Jewett," to whom he presented, on behalf of the private members, a beautiful keyless gold lever chronometer (by Penlington), which the I.P.M. acknowledged in felicitous terms.

A capital musical entertainment was furnished by members and visitors, under the practised and intelligent supervision of Bro. W. Burnet, Org., and a very pleasant evening was spent.

**CLARENDON LODGE (No. 1769).**—On Wednesday evening, the 11th inst., Bro. T. Grove, Half-Moon-street, Bishopsgate, and Clarendon Lodge, Lower Tooting, entertained a large party of guests to celebrate the presentation recently made to him by the "Bishopsgate Boys." The W.M. (Bro. W. H. Mayes), officers, and brethren of the Clarendon Lodge, No. 1769, were among the company. A charming entertainment was provided by the host. The bill of fare was a pretty literary production, and we give it in its entirety, as it has the peculiarity of having an apt quotation for every guest:

C. C. S. FETE.

"I know a hawk from a hand-saw."—*Hamlet, Act ii., Sc. 2.*

MENU.

"Sirs, you are very welcome to our house,  
It must appear in other ways than words,  
Therefore I scant this, breathing courtesy."

Roast Beef. Ox Tongue. York Ham. Fillet of Veal.  
"Oh! my sweet beef!"—*1st part King Henry IV., Act i., Sc. 1.*

"Neats' tongues powdered well, and 'jambons' of the hog,  
With fillet of veal and savoury knacks, to set men's minds  
agog."—*Old English Song.*

Steak and Kidney Pie. Mutton Pies.

"I am tied unto the stake and cannot fly."—*Richard III., Act iv., Sc. 3.*

"Will't please you to taste of what is here."—*Tempest, Act iii., Sc. 3.*

Sweets.

"Will't please your honour taste of these conserves."—*Taming of the Shrew, Act i., Sc. 2.*

Cheese. Salads and Cucumber.

"I think this word sallet was born to do me good."—*2nd part Henry VI., Act iv., Sc. 10.*

"In the south suburbs is the best to lodge."—*Twelfth Night, Act iii., Sc. 3.*

THE GUESTS.

Rev. J. H. Smith.—"Sir, I praise the Lord for you; and so may the parishioners; for their sons are well tutored by you, and their daughters profit very greatly under you."—*Love's Labour Lost, Act iv., Sc. 2.*

Rev. J. N. Bishop.—"H'as a book in his pocket with red letters in't—the man is a proper man of mine honour."—*2nd part King Henry vi., Act iv., Sc. 2.*

Rev. R. H. Haddon.—"But all his mind is bent to holiness, his weapons—*holy saus* of sacred writ; his study is his tilt-yard."—*2nd part King Henry vi., Act i., Sc. 3.*

Mr. G. Thatcher.—"We single you, as our best moving fair solicitor."—*Love's Labour Lost, Act ii., Sc. 1.*

Mr. G. Croxton.—"I would that the lightning had burnt up those logs, that you enjoined me to pile."—*Tempest, Act iii., Sc. 1.*

Mr. H. W. Mayes.—"Why, brother, wherefore stand you on nice points?"—*3rd part Henry vi., Act iv., Sc. 7.*

Mr. E. E. Elverston.—"When the butt is out, we will drink water; not a drop before."—*Tempest, Act iii., Sc. 2.*

Mr. W. Heath.—"Remember, William, vocative is 'ca'ret'—and that's a good root!"—*Merry Wives of Windsor, Act iv., Sc. 1.*

Mr. T. Drewett.—"He cannot creep into a halfpenny purse, nor into a pepper box."—*Merry Wives of Windsor, Act iii., Sc. 5.*

Mr. W. Green.—"And what of him; did he take interest?"—*Merchant of Venice, Act i., Sc. 3.*

Mr. W. Shoobert.—"When we mean to build, we first survey the plot, then draw the model."—*2nd part King Henry IV., Act ii., Sc. 3.*

Mr. G. W. Langenchied.—"And here's a pot of good double beer; neighbour; drink, and fear not your man."—*2nd part of King Henry VI., Act ii., Sc. 3.*

Mr. R. Halfyard.—"We must away; our waggon is prepared."—*All's Well that ends Well, Act iv., Sc. 4.*

Mr. D. Kelley.—"A second Hector, for his firm aspect and large proportion of his strong knit limbs."—*1st part King Henry VI., Act ii., Sc. 1.*

Mr. W. Blades.—"Thus yields the forest to the axe's edge."—*3rd part King Henry VI., Act v., Sc. 2.*

Mr. F. Desmond.—"Look you, bring me in the names of some, the most sufficient of your parish."—*Measure for Measure, Act ii., Sc. 1.*

Mr. E. Beckett.—"A man of my kidney, think of that!"—*Merry Wives of Windsor, Act iii., Sc. 5.*

Mr. R. Amos.—"I know the gentleman to be of worth, and worthy of estimation."—*Two Gentlemen of Verona, Act ii., Sc. 4.*

Mr. R. Evans.—"Now, brother Richard, will you stand by us?"—*3rd part King Henry VI., Act iv., Sc. 1.*

Mr. E. Hogg.—"As good men as ever trod upon neats' leather, have gone upon my handiwork."—*Julius Caesar, Act i., Sc. 1.*

Mr. Wm. Loobar.—"How's the day? On the sixth hour; at which time, my lord, you said *our work should cease*."—*Tempest, Act v., Sc. 1.*

Mr. A. Hubbard.—"What harmony is this? my good friends, hark! Marvellous sweet music!"—*Tempest, Act iii., Sc. 3.*

Mr. A. Coleman.—"Experience is by industry achieved, and perfected by the swift course of time."—*Two Gentlemen of Verona, Act i., Sc. 3.*

Mr. F. Simmonds.—"Travellers ne'er did lie, though fools at home condemn them."—*Tempest, Act iii., Sc. 3.*

Mr. A. J. Tebbatts.—"If we go down, on as these gentry sup, We dine upon them if we haul them up."—*Old Song.*

Mr. W. D. Pool.—"And many strokes, though with a little axe, hew down and fell the hardest timbered oak."—*3rd part King Henry vi., Act ii., Sc. 1.*

Mr. Williams.—"He is a great observer, and he looks quite through the deeds of men."—*Julius Caesar Act i., Sc. 2.*

The company returned to town about 11 o'clock, charmed with the day's entertainment.

**CROYDON.**—Parthenon Lodge (No. 1826).—

The installation of the W.M. of this lodge took place on Saturday, the 14th inst., at the Greyhound, the lodge having changed its place of meeting, with the permission of the R.W.G.M., from Egham. Bro. Rev. G. P. Merrick, I.P.M. of the lodge, was unavoidably absent, and the task of installation fell on Bro. Dr. Lavies, P.M., founder of the lodge; and the occasion was specially interesting, inasmuch as a founder's jewel had been voted at the last lodge to that brother, to be presented on this occasion. Several distinguished Masons were present, including Bros. Kelly, Hollingworth, Eve, Pearse, Hodson, and others. The business of the evening consisted of two initiations and the installation of Bro. Wm. Clifford as W.M. Bro. Lavies performed the important work of installation in his usual admirable manner, without always adhering exactly to the accustomed ritual. Nothing could have been more impressive and beautiful, many of the charges and periods being rendered in exquisite verse, and received with evident pleasure by the brethren. During the banquet Bro. Kelly, P.G.S., alluded to this, and said that he had never heard the ceremony of installation so beautifully, impressively, and perfectly done. Bro. Eve said that it was delightful to hear Bro. Lavies make a mistake, for that he always substituted something infinitely more charming than what he ought to have said. Some fine old English glees were sung during the evening.

**WHITSTABLE.**—Graystone Lodge (No. 1915).—

The regular monthly meeting of this lodge was held at the Foresters' Hall on Thursday, the 12th inst., when there were present Bros. J. T. Reeves, W.M.; H. Ward, W.M. 31, P.M. 589, 622, 1112, P.P.G.J.W. Wilts, acting I.P.M.; J. Plant, P.M. 31, as S.W.; Rev. H. M. Maughan, J.W.; Rev. A. C. Graystone, Chap. 1, as Chap.; J. McCue, S.D.; G. J. Lawson, J.D.; G. A. Gann, I.G.; and about 30 members of the lodge. Visitors: Bros. P. Higham, P.M. 31, P.P.G.J.W. Kent; S. W. Graystone, 859; R. M. Mercer, 31.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of last meeting were confirmed. Bro. W. Brannan was passed to the Second Degree, and Mr. G. H. Pont was initiated into the mysteries and privileges of Freemasonry by the W.M., assisted by Bro. H. Ward. Bro. the Rev. A. G. Graystone then presented to the lodge a magnificent banner, bearing his coat-of-arms, with the name and number of the lodge, which was specially manufactured by Bro. George Kenning, and was a splendid specimen of art, &c. The W.M., in the name of the lodge, received the banner, and tendered his thanks to Bro. Graystone, and on behalf of Bro. R. Boughton-Smith, I.P.M. and Sec., who was unavoidably absent, proposed a vote of thanks to Bro. Graystone, which was seconded by Bro. the Rev. H. M. Maughan, J.W., carried by acclamation, and ordered to be entered on the minutes. Bro. Graystone replied, expressing a wish that the lodge might continue to be prosperous, and wishing the brethren health and happiness. Bro. S. W. Graystone, 859, was proposed as a joining member. After "Hearty good wishes" was expressed, the lodge was closed in order.

The brethren then adjourned to the dining room of the hall, and partook of a capital supper, provided by the lodge Stewards. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given. Bro. Higham, P.M., responding on behalf of the province. The toast of the evening—"The Health of the Rev. A. C. Graystone"—was most ably proposed by Bro. Ward, P.M., who made special allusion to his kindness in presenting the banner and associating himself with the lodge; this was responded to by Bro. Graystone, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

**KIRKBURTON.**—Beaumont Lodge (No. 2035).—

The second monthly meeting of this lodge was held at the Royal Hotel, on Saturday afternoon, the 21st inst. The lodge was opened at 3.30 by the W.M., Bro. W. Schofield. Shortly after the W.D.P.G. West Yorks, Bro. T. W. Tew, P.M., entered the lodge, and he was accompanied by W. Bros. the Rev. T. W. Sylvester, P.G.C.; the Rev. J. T. Wilkinson, P.P.G.C.; Jonas Craven, P.P.G.S.W., &c.; and Bro. the Rev. W. P. Ingledow, Chaplain of the lodge. There was a good attendance of brethren and visitors. The ballot was then taken for the Rev. R. Collins, M.A., J. A. Robinson, J. W. Senior, Geo. Barden, and W. Pope, who were all duly elected, and afterwards initiated into the mysteries of Freemasonry. Bro. John Murdoch, 1736, was balloted for and elected as a joining member. The ceremony of initiation of the first three candidates was most ably and gracefully performed by the W.D.P.G.M.; the fourth ceremony by Bro. L. B. Brierley, W.M. 290, and one of the founders of the Beaumont Lodge, and the fifth by Bro. R. H. Armitage, W.M. 275. Bro. Schofield, W.M., was elected Charity member of the lodge, and after the transaction of the ordinary business Bro. Wm. Fitton, P.M., S.W., in feeling terms proposed a vote of condolence with the W.M. on the sudden death of his eldest son, who was proposed on the day of consecration of the lodge, the 8th May last, for initiation in the Beaumont Lodge. Bro. Fitton, however, remarked that it was a painful satisfaction to know that the sad event would bind the W.M. more closely to the Beaumont Lodge, as his son, if not amongst them, was lying in the ancient graveyard of the parish church of Kirkburton, close to where they were then assembled. The death of Bro. Joe Wood, P.M., who was present at the last lodge meeting (the last Masonic lodge he ever attended), was also feelingly alluded to as being a great loss to not only his own lodge but to

Masonry in West Yorkshire generally. Bro. Stocks, J.W. in suitable terms seconded the vote of condolence, and it was unanimously carried. Bro. Schofield, who was very visibly affected, thanked the brethren, and assured them that he was deeply sensible of their kindness, and that he should ever remember the touching expressions that had been made use of towards him in his great sorrow. The lodge was closed in peace, harmony, and concord at 7 p.m.

The brethren afterwards dined together, when the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed, but the musical part of the festive board was dispensed with under the circumstances.

## INSTRUCTION.

**COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).**—At the weekly meeting, held at the Cranbourne Hotel, 1, Upper St. Martin's-lane, W.C., on the 19th inst., there were present Bros. Frank Gulliford, W.M.; Graham, S.W.; G. H. Reynolds, J.W.; Fowles, S.D.; Corby, J.D.; Willie Jones, I.G.; W. C. Smith, Preceptor; G. Reynolds, Sec.; and Stroud.

The lodge was opened in due form and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. G. H. Reynolds, S.W., worked the First Section of this Lecture. Bro. Frank Gulliford, W.M., worked the Second Section of this Lecture. Bro. Fowles, S.D., worked the Third Section of this Lecture. Bro. Stroud offering himself as a candidate for passing, he was duly questioned, entrusted, and retired. Lodge opened in the Second Degree, and the W.M. rehearsed the ceremony of F.C. Lodge closed in the Second Degree. Bro. Graham, S.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week, and the W.M. elect was pleased to appoint his officers in rotation. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed in ancient form.

**CHISWICK LODGE (No. 2012).**—The ceremony of consecrating the above lodge was performed by Bro.

James Terry, P.P.G.S.W. Notts and Hunts, P.P.G.J.W. Herts, P.M. 223, 1278, 1306, and Secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, at the Chiswick Hall, on Saturday, the 21st inst., when an assembly of nearly 100 brethren were present; the hall, being completely furnished, constituting a sight seldom seen on such occasions. The P.O. having opened the lodge in the Three Degrees, proceeded to rehearse the ceremony, his officers being Bros. George Everett, P.M., P.Z. 177, W.M. 2012, &c., S.W.; Dr. Fred. Lawrence, P.M. 255, Treas. 2012, J.W.; W. Silver Hall, P.M. 253, D.C.; Rev. M. Haines, 205, Chap.; and C. Corston, P.M. 805, I.G. There were also present Bros. W. C. Williams, 1585; A. Williams, 834; S. Pidcock, 1982; J. Manning, 177; G. W. Knight, 1507; J. Hockley, 1003; W. H. Wilson, 2012; J. Brown, 2012; H. Furze, 2012; R. H. Wimpey, 2012; J. L. Barrett, 1201; H. A. Dale, 540; G. Rixon, 1668; H. Price, 2012; J. Taffs, P.M. 186; W. Hall, 253; W. P. Smith, 388; C. J. Morse, 1257; W. H. Chalfont, P.M. 1425; W. J. Mason, 1328; J. J. Cantle, P.M. 1441; J. Terry, P.M. 228; W. W. Stiles, W.M. 1744; P. Burton, 1828; W. Mann, P.M., P.Z. 186; G. C. Penny, 181; F. R. Kinke, 1319; J. H. Wood, 1642; P. Butter, P.M. 1413; J. B. Copson, 212; C. F. Hughes, 2012; C. Corston, 865; H. B. Corston, 865; C. C. Price, 1694; E. A. R. Ewen, 858; T. C. Allenjam, 858; H. Room, 858; W. Johnson, P.M. 865; W. Gardiner, P.M. 788; C. Green, 1137; W. Schmitt, 1048; W. H. Ellis, 1982; H. H. Rorer, 1159; H. C. Barker, 21; A. L. Chapman, 255; V. Wing, 1585; R. J. Laundry, 1681; W. Rippin, 2012; D. Stroud, 55; W. Barling, 1744; R. Nadenly, 1744; H. Perdue, W.M. 834; H. O. Smith, 2012; F. Keeble, W.M. 1426; S. Stortch, 1950; C. Hudrews, P.M. 780; E. W. Bayley, 2012; D. King, P.M. 1440; A. H. Strong, 2012; J. C. Conroy, 1819; C. J. Fox, 1743; G. Gardner, 177, 2012; J. Harvey, 177, 2012; F. Botley, 780; A. J. Bellis, I.P.M. 1901; A. Nicholls, P.M. 1308; W. Scurrelle, 1744; C. Matchere, 181; J. Cameron, 181; W. W. Williams, 834; M. Horton, W.M. 871; W. Cleghorn, P.M. 1287; J. Crossley, P.M. 30; T. Hall, 15; J. Warner, P.M. 23; W. Ferguson, 1580; J. B. Luych, 813; H. Fruen, 2012; J. S. Wood, 177; J. Lehtenfeld, 205; D. M. Davis, 1017; F. Tyler, 59; H. Room, 858; and L. G. Reinhardt, Tyler.

We need not say how very eloquently and efficiently the ceremony was rehearsed by Bro. Terry. Suffice it to say that the whole affair was an immense success and very creditable to the brethren of the lodge. At the conclusion votes of thanks were recorded to the presiding officer, and to the St. Ambrose Lodge, for the loan of their organ (which Bro. Kinke most ably presided at), and to the Gordon for the loan of their very handsome carpet.

About 50 of the brethren then sat down to supper, presided over by the W.M., Bro. G. Everett. The loyal toasts having been responded to, "The Health of Bro. George Everett" was given and received with acclamation, who, in responding, expressed his great satisfaction at the way in which the brethren of the Chiswick Lodge had, under the direction of Bro. George Gardner, carried out the proceedings.

Other toasts being responded to, including that of "The Treasurer, Bro. G. Gardner," who, in thanking them, said that he had worked hard for the establishment of the mother lodge to make it a success; if he had succeeded, he had received his reward, but he might add that the promoters of the lodge of instruction had authorised him to give five guineas to the Boys' School, for which he is an unattached Steward, in commemoration of the very happy event that had taken place that evening.

Some very excellent singing and organ recitals having been listened to, the meeting concluded, and so ended one of the pleasantest evenings on record.

**ACCIDENT TO THE GRAND TREASURER.**—We regret to have to record the fact that a serious accident occurred to Bro. H. B. Marshall, C.C., on Wednesday morning. Whilst driving from his home at Loughborough to the City his horse stumbled, and he was thrown from his trap violently to the ground. Bro. Marshall walked home, but on medical assistance being obtained it was found that he had sustained a compound fracture of the left arm. Dr. Ball is attending him, and it is satisfactory to learn that he is progressing as favourably as can be expected. It is hoped that with rest and quiet (the latter being strictly enjoined) he will speedily recover to carry on his numerous works of benevolence and his many labours for the general good.



**Mark Masonry.**

**TORQUAY.**—Jordan Lodge (No. 319).—The annual meeting of this lodge was held at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday, the 18th inst., when there were present Bros. John Lane, G. Stwd., Prov. G.M.O., W.M.; W. J. Hughan, P.G.W. Eng.; C. S. Lane, P.G.D. Eng.; A. T. Blamey, S.W.; W. Bradnee, J.W.; G. C. Searle, Prov. G.D.; and a goodly number of the members.

After the Treasurer's accounts had been received and adopted (being deemed very satisfactory for a new lodge), Bro. A. T. Blamey was presented for installation by Bro. W. J. Hughan to the W.M., Bro. J. Lane, who installed his successor in an able, highly satisfactory, and most complete manner. Bro. A. T. Blamey appointed and invested his officers as follows: Bros. W. Bradnee, S.W.; J. Dodge, J.W.; G. J. Pepprell, M.O.; B. Knight, S.O.; W. E. Taylor, J.O.; T. Taylor, Treas.; J. Lane, I.P.M., Sec.; M. T. Wicks, R. of M.; G. Rowland, S.D.; R. Letheren, J.D.; S. Sandison, D. of C.; T. Brooks, Org.; W. Hill, I.G.; T. Prust and G. A. Hussey, Stwds.; and J. E. Newton, Tyler.

The Worshipful Master then said the first duty he wished to discharge was to refer to the services rendered to the lodge by their I.P.M., Bro. John Lane, one of the founders, and practically the father of the lodge, and, alluding to the gratifying fact that Bro. Lane had during his year of office been appointed P.G.M.O. for Devon, and also G. Steward in Grand Lodge, stated that the brethren were themselves desirous of testifying to their estimate of Bro. Lane's zeal and energy by presenting him with a Prov. G.M.O.'s jewel, which he had then the pleasure of fixing to Bro. Lane's breast. The jewel, of choice design, which was supplied by Bro. Geo. Kenning, bore the following inscription: "Presented to V.W. Bro. John Lane, Prov. G.M.O. (Devon), by the members of the Jordan Lodge, No. 319, Torquay, in appreciation of his services as their first Master, June 18th, 1884."

Bro. J. Lane, in responding, begged the brethren to accept his very best thanks for the handsome jewel they had so kindly and unexpectedly presented to him, and although he could not then find fitting words to express his grateful acknowledgments, he assured them it would be his constant endeavour to promote the success of the lodge.

After a few congratulatory words to the newly-installed W.M. by Bro. W. J. Hughan (who had initiated Bro. Blamey in 1869), and the nomination of two candidates for advancement, the brethren adjourned to Bro. Bolt's, Queen's Hotel, for refreshment, under the presidency of the W.M. The loyal toasts having been duly honoured, the W.M. proposed "The Right Hon. the Earl of Kintore, M.W.G.M.M., and the Officers of Grand Mark Lodge," which was responded to by Bros. W. J. Hughan, P.G.W., and Chas. S. Lane, P.G. Deacon.

"The Prov. G.M.M. of Devon, Bro. Col. J. Tannier Darry, and the Officers of Prov. G.M. Lodge" was acknowledged by Bros. John Lane, Prov. G.M.O., and Dr. G. C. Searle, Prov. G.J.D.

Bro. J. Lane then proposed "The W.M., Bro. A. T. Blamey," expressing his belief that in the hands of so able a brother the lodge would continue to increase and prosper.

The W.M. then suitably acknowledged the compliment, and assured the brethren he would do his best to maintain the proud position in which he had that day been placed.

Bro. W. J. Hughan then took the gavel, and, by desire of the W.M., proposed "The Health of the Installing Master." He congratulated Bro. John Lane, I.P.M., on the able manner in which he had discharged that duty, the lengthy ritual being faultlessly rendered, and so far as he had been able to detect (and he had paid particular attention) the ceremony had been conducted from beginning to end in the prescribed form. He hoped, however, that though Bro. Lane had done so well—in fact, no one could do better—the W.M. would install his successor, as he considered that a duty which the new Master would succeed in ably discharging, and he much objected to one brother always working that ceremony in a lodge.

"The Health of the Past Masters of 319," proposed by Bro. J. Dodge, J.W., was acknowledged by Bro. C. S. Lane, and the several officers present responded to the toast of "The Wardens and other Officers," after which Bro. C. S. Lane proposed "The Masonic Charities," which was duly acknowledged by Bro. G. J. Pepprell, M.O., who acts as Steward this year (as Master of the Craft lodge) for each of the three great Masonic Charities. The Tyler's toast brought to a close a very pleasant evening.

**Red Cross of Constantine.**

**LEICESTER.**—Byzantine Conclave (No. 44).—The annual festival of this flourishing conclave and the enthronement of the M.P.S. took place at the Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday, the 11th inst. Among the Sir Knts. present were Thomas Worthington, M.P.S.; Wm. Kelly, F.S.A., Chief Intendant General; S. S. Partridge, P.S.; R. Waite, P.S.; Dr. H. Meadows, V.E. and M.P.S. elect; Thompson, S.G.; J. D. Harris, Prelate; R. Taylor, Treas.; W. J. Curtis, Recorder; W. L. Ball, F. Griffith, W. A. Fielding, S. A. Morris, S. Cleaver, Miles J. Walker, J. Shuttlewood, and others. Letters of apology were read from Sir Knts. J. Woodall (Scarborough), Dr. Hammond, and others.

The conclave having been opened and the preliminary business transacted, a Senate of Sovereigns was opened, and Sir Knt. Dr. Meadows was duly enthroned as M.P.S. by the Chief Intendant General of the district, Ill. Sir Knt. Kelly, F.S.A., assisted by Sir Knts. Partridge and Worthington, Past Sovereigns. A college of Viceroy's having been opened, Sir Knt. Thompson was duly installed as V.E. The other officers were then invested, Sir Knts. Dr. Hammond and J. D. Harris, as S. and J. Generals; R. Taylor, Treas. (with a vote of thanks for past services); W. L. Ball, Prelate; Miles J. Walker, Recorder; most of the other officers being promoted a step. The M.P.S. intimated his intention of holding a conclave of instruction to enable the newly appointed officers to perform their duties in carrying out the beautiful ritual of this chivalric Order in that efficient manner for which this conclave has always been voted.

The sir knights afterwards adjourned to an elegant banquet, and a most agreeable evening was spent, the usual loyal and official toasts being duly honoured.

**THE POPE'S ENCYCLICAL LETTER—  
"DE SECTA MASSONUM."**

(Concluded from page 301.)

You too, Reverend Brethren, we beg and entreat to strive earnestly in co-operation with Us to extirpate this foul plague which is spreading through all the veins of the country. It is your business to protect the glory of God, the safety of your fellowmen (*proximorum*): and with these objects to contend for. You will have no lack of courage, no lack of fortitude. It will be for your prudence to decide by what means these obstacles and hindrances may best be surmounted. But since according to the authority of Our office it is fitting that we Ourselves should point out some reasonable course of action, be this your determination, first, to strip the mask from Freemasons and present them as they are: and then to teach the people by discourses and special episcopal letters, what are the artifices employed by such societies to flatter and entice, what depravity there is in their opinions, and what baseness in their actions. As Our Predecessors have often asserted, no one should think it lawful to enrol himself in the sect of Freemasons on any account whatever, if the catholic profession and his own safety are of such weight with him as they ought to be. Let a pretence of honesty deceive no one: for some may think that Freemasons demand nothing which is openly contrary to the sanctity of religion or morality: but in spite of this, because both the plan and motive of the sect itself are wholly vicious and criminal, it is right that it should be unlawful for any one to unite with them, or in any way to assist them.

Next you ought by constant teaching and exhorting to draw the multitude to a careful study of the precepts of religion: and for this purpose we strongly advise you to explain by writings and reasonable discourses those elements of most holy matters, in which the christian philosophy is contained. And the object of this is, that men's minds may be restored to health by learning, and may be fortified against the manifold forms of error and the varied inducements to vice to be found especially in this license of writing and inexhaustible greed for learning. In truth it is a mighty work: in which however your labours will be especially shared and lightened by the clergy, if with your assistance they have been well trained by a course of discipline and by a knowledge of literature. In truth a cause so honourable and so weighty calls for aid from the industry of such of the laity, as unite affection for religion and their country with probity and learning. With the allied strength of both bodies do you, Reverend Brethren, strive that men may thoroughly know the Church and hold her dear: for the greater knowledge and love of her, the greater will be the dislike and avoidance of secret societies. Wherefore not without reason do we seize this fitting opportunity and repeat what we have elsewhere explained, that the Third Order of Franciscans, whose discipline we have recently tempered with a prudent gentleness, should be spread and guarded as carefully as possible. For its whole design, as it was arranged by its founder is to call men to imitate Jesus Christ, to love the church, to practise all the duties of the christian virtues; and hence it ought to have much power towards suppressing the contagion of the most wicked societies. Let, then, this holy brotherhood be renewed by daily additions, and from it much fruit may be expected, and in particular that glorious one, that men's minds may be drawn over to liberty, to fraternity, and to equality of rights; not as Freemasons absurdly understand these terms, but as Jesus Christ purchased them for the human race, and as St. Francis sought them. We mean the liberty of the "Sons of God," by which we are the slaves neither of Satan, nor of our desires, most cruel masters: we mean that fraternity, whose origin is in God the common creator and parent of all men; we mean that equality, which is based on the foundations of justice and affection, and which would not remove all distinctions between men, but from varieties of life, duties, and pursuits would produce that wonderful agreement, and harmony as it might be called, which naturally tends to the interests and dignity of a state.

In the third place there is a certain wise institution of our ancestors, which has been neglected in course of time, but which may be of some importance under present circumstances as an exemplar and pattern. We mean schools or colleges of workmen for protecting both property and morals under the guidance of religion. And if our ancestors felt from the experience of time and from experiment the utility of these colleges, perhaps our age will feel it the more because they afford a singular means of crushing the strength of sects. Those who support themselves by the wages of manual labour, besides that by their mere condition they of all men are most deserving of affection and consolation, are especially exposed to the allurements of those who proceed by fraud and deceit. Wherefore they should be assisted with greater kindness wherever possible, and should be invited to join honourable societies, lest they may be led astray into dishonourable ones. For this reason we should greatly wish those colleges to be everywhere re-established for the safety of the common people under the auspices and patronage of the Bishops in a manner suitable to the times. And we are greatly pleased that already in several places brotherhoods of this sort as well as combinations of their patrons have been formed, each having for its object to assist the honest classes of the lower orders, to protect and guard their children and families, and to preserve in them the pursuit of piety, and the precepts of religion, together with integrity of morals. And in this matter we are unwilling here to pass over in silence that society named from its founder, Vincent, which is alike remarkable as a spectacle and an example, and which deserves so well of people of the lower order: What it is doing, and what it desires to do, is well known, viz., its whole object is to voluntarily come to the aid of the poor and distressed, and to do this with an admirable sagacity and modesty; and the less it wishes to be seen, the better does it fulfil its purpose of christian charity, and the more seasonable is its assistance to distress.

In the fourth place, in order the more easily to obtain what we wish, we more urgently bespeak your fidelity and watchfulness for the youth, since on them the hopes of human society rest. Bestow the greatest part of your care on their training: and you should think no forethought too great to be displayed in order to keep the young from those schools and masters, whence the pestilent breath of sects may be dreaded. Let parents, spiritual directors, and Parish Priests be urgent under your guidance, amid the

precepts of christian doctrine in seasonably advising their children and pupils of the infamous character of societies of this sort, and let them learn in good season the deceitful and varied arts, which it has been the custom of the propagators of such societies to employ to ensnare men. Indeed those who rightly teach youths to understand holy matters, would be acting wisely, if they were to induce individuals to determine and promise, never to bind themselves to any society without the knowledge of their parents or the approval of either their Priest or Confessor.

However we well understand that our united labours will be far from adequate to root out these deadly seeds from the Lord's soil, unless the heavenly lord of the vineyard should graciously aid our endeavour. Therefore we must implore his aid and assistance with such earnestness and anxiety as the imminence of the danger and the greatness of the necessity require. The sect of Freemasons, exulting in its success, bears itself with insolence, and seems likely now to put no limit to its pertinacity. All its followers linked together by a certain infamous alliance and secret community of designs are furnishing mutual aid, and encouraging one another to a wicked audacity. So vehement an onslaught demands a little resistance: without doubt all good men must enter into a full alliance for both action and prayer. We ask them therefore to range themselves with unanimity in close and unshaken array against the advancing power of sects: and let them with many a groan extend supplicant hands to God, and entreat of him that christianity may thrive and flourish: that the Church may obtain the liberty she needs: that the foolish may return to their senses: and that errors may at some time give place to truth, and vice to virtue. Let us invite as our assistant and intercessor the Virgin Mary, mother of God, that she who overcame Satan from the moment of her conception, may show herself powerful over these wicked sects, in which it is clear that the boldness of the evil spirit is reviving with unconquered treachery and deceit. Let us pray to Michael, chief of the Heavenly Host, who repulsed the hellish foe: let us pray to Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin, who is the gracious patron in Heaven of the Catholic Church: let us pray to Peter and Paul, the great Apostles, who are the authors and invincible avengers of the christian faith. With their support and united and constant prayers, we trust that God may seasonably and graciously succour the human race under the dangers to which it is exposed.

As a proof of heavenly gifts and of Our affection, we most lovingly in the Lord bestow our Apostolic Blessing on you, Reverend Brethren, on the Clergy, and on all the people committed to your vigilance.

Given at Rome at St. Peter's, on the 20th of April, 1884, in the seventh year of Our Pontificate.

LEO PP. XIII.

**SUMMER OUTING OF THE CRUSADERS  
LODGE, No. 1677.**

The summer banquet and ladies' day of this lodge was held on Tuesday, the 24th inst., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Virginia Water, and proved so attractive that no less than 35 availed themselves of the opportunity which too seldom occurs of laymen and Masons and their ladies meeting to enjoy a mutual outing.

With such a goodly company it is small wonder that an enjoyable day was anticipated, but from the beginning it was apparent that all had made up their minds to enjoy themselves, and that they were amply gratified could not for one moment be doubted, the beaming faces of the ladies in particular being a sure indication that they were securing the greatest amount of pleasure that could be obtained in the few hours at disposal. The weather proved as fine as could possibly be, and advantage was taken of this for a drive through Windsor Park and around Virginia Water, the enchanting scenery producing the same charm its influence always possesses; this and the bracing air gave a zest to the banquet which awaited their return to the hotel. This having had ample justice done to it, the brethren and visitors bled their way home, but not before expressing a hope that a similar outing would follow in due course.

Of the ladies (in whose honour, be it remembered, the outing was held) among others present were Mrs. Pigot, Mrs. John Maclean, Mrs. S. J. Fletcher, Mrs. Cummings, Mrs. Mullord, Mrs. L. Thierry, Mrs. Coles, Mrs. H. Halliday, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Vernon, and Miss Scull.

Among the brethren were Bros. J. Pigot, W.M.; R. D. Cummings, S. J. Fletcher, and Harold Halliday, Hon. Sec., as representing the Committee; Bros. Frank Rothschild, P.M.; Alex. Mullord, P.M. Finsbury Park Lodge; John Maclean, P.M. Lodge of Asaph; Geo. David Edmunds, W.M. New Finsbury Park Lodge (who in a neat and happy speech responded to the ladies' toast); C. M. Brander, City of Westminster Lodge; Thos. Vernon, Robert Burns Lodge; Taylor, and others; and among the laymen Messrs. Coles, Leonidas Thierry, and Arthur Miller.

The Committee wish to record their thanks to the brethren and visitors who so kindly assisted in making such an unequivocal success of the outing, and especially to Bro. F. Rothschild, P.M. Crusaders and Finsbury Park Lodges, for the great help he gave throughout the day.

**COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO BRO. DR.  
SAMUEL BENTON, I.P.M. ALDERS-  
GATE LODGE, No. 1657.**

The members of the above lodge met at the Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court, on Wednesday last, for the purpose of entertaining at dinner Bro. Dr. Samuel Benton, the I.P.M. of the lodge. The brethren present included Bros. Samuel White, W.M.; E. Y. Jolliffe, S.W.; W. H. Froom, J.W.; Rev. Richard Lee, Chap.; J. D. Allcroft, P.M., Treas.; Rev. Dr. P. H. E. Brette, P.M., Hon. Sec.; George Kenning, P.M.; M. R. Webb, Hudson, Anderton, Larkin, J. A. Prothero, Spreckley, David Evans, Daly, Rome, Thomas, A. G. Hockley, Paddon, Sprague, Dr. Stretch Dowse, and others.

The toasts of the "The Queen and the Craft" and "H.R.H. the Prince and the Princess of Wales" were proposed and duly honoured.

The other toasts were "Dr. Samuel Benton, I.P.M.;" "The Aldersgate Lodge," replied to by Bro. J. D. Allcroft, P.M., Treas.; "The Visitors," replied to by Bros. Daly, Spreckley, and others; and "The W.M.," proposed by Bro. Dr. Samuel Benton.



Bro. Charles Du Val, having concluded his present season of monologue performances, will have a grand complimentary benefit, which is now definitely fixed for Friday afternoon, the 4th, and Saturday evening, the 5th, of July, at St. George's Hall, Langham-place. Upwards of 30 leading artistes of the musical and dramatic professions will take part in the programme, including Mesdames Lydia Thompson, Camille D'Arville, Leonora Braham, Louise Phillips, Lydia Cowell, Minnie Bell, Florence Glamoys; Messrs. Hermann Veizin, Charles Kelly, George Grossmith, F. Gaillard, Walter Clifford, Howard Paul, Henry Walsham, Herbert Standing, Harry Paulton, Arthur Roberts, J. G. Taylor, and numerous other leading artistes.

The new play at the Prince's Theatre named "Called Back," may justly be said to be the piece of this season. Mr. Edgar Bruce has not been fortunate hitherto with his newly-built theatre, but whatever he has lost he must be rapidly regaining, for every night since its production, some three weeks ago, the house is nightly crowded. Mr. Hugh Conway's novelette has been dramatized by himself and Mr. Comyns Carr, and with more than the ordinary success which attends plays taken from books. The book itself has for some time been read by every one, but since its name has become more widely known through the Prince's Theatre, 20,000 copies have been sold. But Mr. Comyns Carr has wisely not kept to the strict text of the novel, but in a prologue lets the audience into the secrets on which follow all the excitement and interest with which the play abounds. Were it not that the audience knew from the first the reason of the blind Gilbert Vaughan's desire for revenge the interest would necessarily flag, and therefore we have soon after the rising of the curtain the murder scene. It is not often that a spice of melodrama takes in a thoroughly West-end theatre, but it is because the drama has such strong stuff in it that a fashionable audience is not merely content to sit it out but is literally spellbound. And so we go from one act to another, more and more exciting, until at the close pure love wins the day and lust and crime receive their just reward. It would require a much greater space than we are able to spare to relate the whole story and probably it is known ere this to many of our readers. The cast includes Mr. Kyrle Bellew, Mr. Anson, Mr. Lethcote, Mr. Beerbohm Tree, Miss Lingard, and Miss Tilbury, all of whom do full justice to their respective parts, Mr. Tree particularly being free from artificiality or staginess. In Miss Lingard's hands the character of Pauline is well sustained. It might be expected that it would be repulsive to see a girl who has gone out of her mind, but there is nothing but gentleness and quietness in her madness as portrayed by Miss Lingard. Since Mr. Conway's great success he has been entertained by the Mayor of Bristol, of which city he is a native, in a public manner.

### Obituary.

**BRO. F. W. BARNES, P.M. 1380.**

On Thursday afternoon, the 19th inst., the body of the late Bro. Francis W. Barnes, of Fairfield Villa, Liverpool-road, Crosby, near Liverpool, was interred in the churchyard of St. Luke's, Great Crosby. Deceased was one of the P.M.'s of the Skelmersdale Lodge, No. 1380, and a very influential and representative gathering of brethren assembled at the graveside to pay their last respects to the memory of the departed. The funeral service was conducted by Bro. the Rev. T. W. Richardson, Prov. G.C. W.L., and a P.M. of Lodge 1380, and he was assisted by Bro. the Rev. J. Creaser, M.A. The coffin was an oak one, French polished, with brass mountings, and bore the following inscription:—"Francis Willen Barnes, died June 16, 1884, aged 36 years." It was covered with wreaths and floral emblems, amongst which was an handsome immortelle from the members of his mother lodge. The funeral cortège consisted of a hearse and three broughams. In the first brougham were Mr. John Barnes and Miss Barnes, Capt. Adams, and Mr. P. Barnes; in the second brougham were Messrs. J. Barrow, T. Bark, and J. Bertois; and in the third brougham the Revs. T. W. Richardson and J. Creaser. At the church the cortège was joined by a number of Freemasons, amongst whom were Bros. R. A. Davies, W.M. 1380; G. Broadbridge, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; R. H. Exton, P.M.; Edward Ford, P.M.; H. A. Tobias, W.M. 1502 and S.W. of 1380 and P.P.G.S. of W.; A. Breslauer, R. Lewis-Andrews, George Ratcliffe, Sec.; J. C. Langley, P. Blackbourne, W. J. Woosley, G. H. Taylor, J. Gregson, L. Smith, Dr. A. P. May, T. Balshaw, and P. J. Fegan, all of Lodge 1380. There were also present Bros. G. F. Woollan, Bootle Lodge; R. W. Taylor, W.M. 1299; T. Coonan, 241; and others. It may be stated that deceased, as a life member of the West Lancashire Masonic Institution, took a great and practical interest in the Charity, and was greatly liked by all with whom he came into contact. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. Henderson and Co., of Church-street, Liverpool.

### Birth, Marriage, and Deaths.

#### BIRTH.

**HARRISON.**—On the 22nd inst., at Church-row, Hampstead, the wife of R. W. Harrison, of a son.

#### MARRIAGE.

**BRIDGES—STETSON.**—On the 23rd inst., at St. Bride's, Liverpool, Herbert Weston Bridges, of Anerley, to Josephine, daughter of J. H. Stetson, of Damariscotta, Maine, U.S.A.

#### DEATH.

**SAUNDERS.**—On the 13th inst., of blood poisoning, at Upper Norwood, Mary Harriet, the beloved wife of Bro. William Harris Saunders, Past Prov. Grand Deacon Middlesex, &c., of Frinton Wick, near Colchester and Great Warley; formerly of Great Pilgrim House, South Weald, and Moira House, Hampton Wick. Buried in Kingstons Cemetery.



Bro. Sir John Whittaker Ellis, P.G.W., the new Member for Mid-Surrey, has been elected Master of the Merchant Taylors' Company.

The students of the Guildhall School of Music gave a concert on Wednesday evening at the City of London School, Victoria-embankment.

Bro. the Earl of Carnarvon, as President of the Society of Antiquaries, entertained the Council and members of the Society on Wednesday evening.

The Marquis of Lorne was on Wednesday admitted to the freedom of the Company of Tin-plate Workers, and in the evening was entertained at dinner.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales will on Tuesday perform the ceremony of opening the new buildings of the Improved Industrial Dwellings Company in Soho, which have been erected to accommodate 357 families.

Bro. John Lane, G. Stwd., Prov. G.M.O. of Devon, was presented with a handsome jewel, as Prov. G.M.O., by the members of the Jordan Mark Lodge, No. 319, Torquay, on Wednesday, the 18th inst., on his leaving the chair as the first Master and founder.

The public examination and distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Warehousemen and Clerks' Schools will take place at the Institution on Saturday, July 5th. The chair will be taken and the prizes distributed by the Right Hon. Viscount Sherbrooke.

The summer fête and entertainment to the inmates of Earlswood Asylum will take place at the Institution, Redhill, on Wednesday next. A varied and interesting programme has been prepared, including instrumental performances by the band of the Coldstream Guards.

Chevalier L. Desanges has been commissioned to paint three whole length portraits for the Grand Lodge, to replace those that were destroyed by fire last year. These portraits represent the Prince of Wales in full Masonic clothing, and the Duke of Manchester and the Earl of Zetland in their Peers' robes.

Dr. Woodman, of Exeter, has for many years managed all the correspondence of the Rosicrucian Society of England; he has now resigned the Secretaryship. All communications should in future be addressed to Dr. Wm. Wynn, M.B., 4, Torriono-avenue, London, N.W., who is now the Secretary of the Metropolitan College.

Bro. E. Lukey, P.M.P.Z. 199, has just been presented by the racing members of the Dover Rowing Club with a magnificently mounted timepiece, on his retirement from the position of Captain. Bro. Lukey for a number of years devoted his time largely to the interests of the club, and great regret was expressed at his enforced abandonment of the Captaincy.

The laying of the first stone of the chapel of the Royal Society of St. Anne's Schools, at Redhill, by the Prince of Wales, on the 9th July, will be accomplished, with full Masonic honours. His Royal Highness will be accompanied by the Grand Officers. It is to be hoped that the ceremony will be the dawn of a new era of success and prosperity for this most deserving charity.

The Æolus Waterspray and General Ventilating Company, Limited, whose business has passed into the hands of the late engineer of the company—Mr. R. Oakley, 235, High Holborn—have recently applied their system with complete success to the Royal Academy, under the direction of Mr. Norman Shaw; the Beckenham Town Hall, under Mr. George Vigers; and the banqueting hall of the Mercers' Company, under Mr. G. Barnes Williams. Mr. Oakley has just received instructions from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to apply the same system to the Church of St. Peter, Limehouse, under the direction of Mr. E. Christian.

A meeting of the sub-committee of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution, appointed some time ago to enquire into the cases of children to be recommended to the general committee for election on the foundation of the West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution for clothing, maintenance, and education, was held on Friday, the 20th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-st., under the presidency of Bro. R. Brown, P.P.G. Treas., one of the vice-presidents of the Charity. After careful consideration of the merits of each case, the sub-committee unanimously resolved to recommend four boys for the full benefits of the Institution. These were all the candidates whose cases the sub-committee were called upon to take into their consideration.

**THE LATHOM TESTIMONIAL PORTRAIT.**—A meeting of the general committee entrusted with the arrangements for securing a testimonial portrait of Bro. the Earl of Lathom, D.G.M., P.G.M. of West Lancashire, was held on Friday, the 20th inst., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-st., under the presidency of Bro. J. B. MacKenzie, P.G.S.D., chairman, when it was unanimously resolved to give the commission for the picture to Mr. J. Haynes Williams, of London. Bro. G. Broadbridge, P.P.G.D.C., was appointed treasurer of the fund, and the necessity for immediate payment of subscriptions by the various lodges in West Lancashire was pointed out by the secretary (Bro. R. Martin, P.M. 1182). Now that an artist of eminence has been secured for carrying out the work, the subscriptions to a well-merited compliment to the esteemed head of the West Lancashire Province are certain to flow in freely.

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Mr. Frederic Maccabe, the well-known ventriloquist and entertainer, commences a season at St. James's Hall this week.

Bro. T. Holleyman was installed W.M. of the Excelsior Mark Lodge, No. 270, on Friday last, at Woolwich. A full report will appear next week.

On Wednesday the new Cunard steamer Umbria was launched from Messrs. Elder's yard at Glasgow. Her horse-power is 12,500, the largest in the world.

Bro. Belt has been commissioned to execute a bust of the late Bro. Sir Michael Costa, and will have the assistance of a cast of features taken after death.

Bro. the Earl of Lathom on Wednesday distributed the prizes in connection with the Local Examinations of the Royal Academy of Music, at Manchester.

His Royal Highness the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has signified his intention of inspecting the Brigade of Guards in Hyde Park on the 11th prox.

Extensive preparations are being made at Mentmore for the reception, at the end of the present week, of the Prince and Princess of Wales, on a prolonged visit to the Earl and Countess of Rosebery.

Sir Frederick Leighton and the members of the Royal Academy of Arts received last night, at Burlington House, a numerous company, consisting of persons distinguished in society, politics, science, literature, and art.

Bro. the Earl of Carnarvon, as President of the Society of Antiquaries, and the Countess of Carnarvon entertained the council and members of the society at an evening party, at their residence in Portman-square, on Wednesday night.

The annual festival of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Kent will be held at Deal on Wednesday, the 2nd prox. The lodge will be opened at the Guildhall at 1.15. Service at St. Andrew's Church at 2.30, and banquet at St. George's Hall at 4.15. A report will appear in our next.

Bro. J. R. Dean, 423, Strand, has invented a new improved field boot, suitable for riding, shooting, and fishing. The boot has elastic springs in front of the instep and over the heel, and is left in the stirrup in case of a rider being thrown. It is also very easy to get on and off. A pair of the new pattern boots has been made for his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The Earl of Derby entertained at dinner, at his house in St. James's-square, on Wednesday evening last, Viscount Sherbrooke, Lord Monson, Lord Lawrence, the Right Hon. J. G. Dodson, M.P., the Marquis Cassar-Desain, Sir Fredk. A. Weld, K.C.M.G., Sir Arthur Blyth, K.C.M.G., Sir Saul Samuel, K.C.M.G., Sir Hugh Low, K.C.M.G., Mr. M. Biddulph, M.P., Mr. F. W. Grafton, M.P., Mr. Hugh Mason, M.P., Mr. R. T. Goldsworthy, C.M.G., Mr. Sanderson, Mr. John Bramston, Mr. R. P. Ebdon, and Mr. R. L. Antrobus.

Bro. David Evans, the new Alderman, is the principal partner in the firm of Messrs. R. Evans and Co., of 24, Walling-street, and has represented Cordwainer Ward in the Court of Common Council for 10 years. His ward in 1875 offered him the then vacant gown, which he declined on the ground of youth, a difficulty which has been since removed. Bro. Evans was born at Llantrisant, Glamorgan-shire, in 1849. He resided for some years at Llantrisant, but has since acquired his estate, Ewell Grove, Surrey, which he purchased from the present baronet, Sir John Rae Reid, and which the late Sir John occupied for so many years. Bro. Evans is a Welshman, an advanced Conservative, a member of the City Conservative Club and the City Constitutional Club, and also a liveryman of three City Companies, namely, the Haberdashers, the Broderers, and the Gold and Silver Wyre Drawers. Bro. David Evans was initiated in the Burdett Lodge, No. 1293.

**CARDINAL M'CABE AND FREEMASONRY.**—At a recent private meeting of Nationalist members of the Dublin Corporation, Bro. Winstanley, a Protestant, was nominated as the Lord Mayor for the ensuing year. Several Catholics, however, objected to him on the ground of Freemasonry, and Cardinal M'Cabe, now writing on the subject, says that as Bro. Winstanley, "on his own admission, is a member of a confederation which has for its object the destruction of religion and the overthrowing even of civil government which is not amendable to its behests, we object, and must object, to his candidature for the mayoralty of Dublin, not because he is a Protestant or an Englishman, but because he is a member of a confederation which is organised for the unholy purpose. He may plead non-participation in the guilty designs of his confederates, but this plea cannot be admitted as long as he remains a brother of the men who govern and direct it."

Bro. Alderman Whitehead, one of the newly-elected Sheriffs of London and Middlesex, is son of the late Dr. James Whitehead, of Appleby, Westmorland, and was born on March 2nd, 1834. He springs from an old Quaker family, one of whom, George Whitehead, the "Father of Quakerism," was a contemporary of Penn and Fox. He was educated at the Appleby Grammar School, and commenced his business career in the same town in 1849. He then went to Kendal, and afterwards, up to 1881, when he retired, was engaged in the Bradford trade. He is Chairman of the Liberal Association in the district of West Kent, in which he resides, and a member of the City Liberal, the Devonshire, and the National Liberal Clubs. He is Free Warden of the Fanmakers' Company, and a Liveryman of the Shipwrights' Company. In the latter part of 1880 he went on a voyage round the world in company with his eldest son, now an exhibitor of Trinity College, Oxford; and in October, 1882, on the death of Mr. Alderman Breffit, was elected Alderman of the Ward of Cheap. In 1860 he married Mercy Matilda, fourth daughter of Mr. Thomas Hinds, of Huntingdon, and afterwards of Bank House, St. Neots. Their family consists of four sons and two daughters. The Alderman is the accepted candidate for the representation of Westmorland, in the Liberal interest.

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