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VERY many of our Order in England will deeply regret to hear of the departure of Bro. ARNOLD, P.G.C., for Florida, and his present absence from English Freemasonry. He had of late years been so identified with many public movements and wanted ceremonial, his addresses were so able and conciliatory, his genial presence and his pleasant manners were so welcome to all in the Craft, that many will miss an old friend when they see no more his kindly face, or listen to his thoughtful and well-poised words. As Deputy Provincial Grand Master for Surrey, he has rendered good service to his distinguished chief, and leaves that zealous province in the highest state of order and efficiency. We trust that amid the orange groves of Florida he may find rest and happiness, after many years of arduous labours. We congratulate the Freemasons in Florida on having so able and zealous and distinguished a Freemason sojourning among them, and we recommend them to make much of him and utilize him, as few better Freemasons exist anywhere than Bro. ARNOLD, P.G.C., and we feel quite sure he will soon make as many warm friends there, as he leaves behind him in England.

THE *New York Independent* finds fault with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada because he has approved of the expulsion of one HARRISON, it seems, from a lodge in Toronto because he called himself an Agnostic, and did not believe in the G.A.O.T.U. The universal and un-failing law of Freemasonry since 1723, at any rate, has been belief in the G.A.O.T.U. as a preliminary and essential condition for the admission of candidates into our Masonic Order. Beyond this Freemasonry does not really go in England, though there are other truths flowing from this Foundation,—Truth of our Order,—which loyal Freemasons cheerfully acknowledge and reverently ever assent to. We reject all deliberate Atheists (atheoi), and require belief and acknowledgment of a personal God, King, Maker, Preserver, Judge of all men. Beyond this, as remarked above, Freemasonry proper does not go. It enquires into no one's peculiar ideas, creed, and denominational belief; but it welcomes all within its humanizing and humanitarian pale, who loyally accept the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. But Freemasonry is in no sense a Church; it imposes no tests, and asks for no professions of faith, further than the necessary and cosmopolitan acknowledgment of the “Great God of all the Earth.” We cannot see how Freemasonry would ask for more; we are certain it will never require less. There may be special, abstruse, and specious forms of Agnosticism, and, like Comtism, it may have gradations and bye-issues; but the one point for Freemasons is, does the professor of this or that really acknowledge honestly the personal, and living, and directing Providence of the G.A.O.T.U.? It is our complaint of the Grand Orient of France that they, to encourage in their Order full toleration and freedom of thought and conscience, as [they contend, have blotted out this old and universal belief from their formularies. It would, indeed, be strange, grotesque, nay, suicidal, if any such absurd, or illogical, or Jesuitical plea for Agnosticism were ever listened to in Anglo-Saxon Freemasonry.

LODGE membership is a matter of which in the United States, as in Great Britain, we make frequent boast, and therefore we gladly reproduce from the *Masonic Token* a leaderette on the subject, which deserves perusal from all who admire Masonic fidelity, and prize Masonic loyalty:—

Bro. D. Murray Lyon, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, writes, a little time back, to the *London Freemason* that the oldest Mason in Europe is George Stirtan, of Mount Pleasant, Coupar Angus, now 103 years old. He is recorded in the books of the Grand Lodge as initiated December, 1808. This is six months older than our oldest.

Then came Bro. H. G. Buss, Assistant Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, and reports Bro. John Tresidder, aged 100, who was initiated at the age of 19 in Lodge Love and Honour, No. 75, Falmouth, August 6th, 1805.

And Bro. W. J. Hughan put forward Bro. Crowle, Feock, near Truro, aged 100, initiated 1806.

This obliges us to remodel our list.

MASONIC ELDERS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

John Tresidder, Falmouth, initiated August 6th, 1805.
Bro. Crowle, Feock, near Truro, 1806.
George Stirtan, Mount Pleasant, Coupar Angus, December, 1808.

IN AMERICA.

Captain Sylvanus Hatch, Port Lavacca, Tex., initiated 1809.
Edward Nichols, Woodbury, Conn., 1810.
Edward L. Kidder, Berlin, Conn., 1812.
Hon. James Garland, Lynchburg, Va., August, 1812.
James Scott, Middlebourne, 1812.
Elijah Pratt, Castleton, N.Y., 1812.
Abijah Ressque, Ridgefield, Conn., October, 13th, 1812.
John B. Hollenbeck, Burlington, Vt., 1813.
David McDaniel, Johnson, Vt., May, 1814.
Benedict Aldrich, Providence, R. I., May 30th, 1814.
Captain Hiram Ferris, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1815.
I. W. Doane, New Glasgow, N.S., June, 1815.
Silas Wheeler, Corry, Pa., September 12th, 1815.
Pierpoint Potter, Jamaica, L.I., October, 1815.
Hezekiah Hubbell, Huntington, Conn., 1816.
Phineas S. Bradley, Woodbury, Conn., 1816.

Does it not seem a striking fact “per se” this endurance of Masonic membership for 80, 70, 60, and 50 years? What changes and chances of Masonic life have such good brethren witnessed; and how remarkable to us appears it to-day that almost silent and unceasing flight of years, that ceaseless and yet rapid passage of Time, since first they saw the Light of Masonry, and were made links in that great chain of active and living Brotherhood which now spans the world!

WE are rejoiced to note from the *New York Dispatch's* interesting Masonic page, that Masonic work and Masonic sociality are progressing favourably, and in some cases recommencing there. The holiday jaunts of the American lodges are a great and most striking feature in American Masonic life. We have nothing of the kind in England at present, but we think they would do us a great deal of good.

A BROTHER out in Ohio, in the course of an oration delivered at a public ceremonial, says this:—

The bare railing, made of metal faced with gems, in front of the Oriental chair in which the Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany sits as chief officer of the Scottish Rite, cost 80,000 dollars.

To this statement objection has been taken by a very able American contemporary of ours, in the facetious words which follow: “When we reflect that the Scottish Rite does not exist in Germany, and consequently that the Kaiser does not sit in its Oriental chair, the value of the above quoted information may be guessed at, but never known.” Our weekly confrere is right in one sense and wrong in another. The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite does not “eo nomine,” we believe, exist in Germany. But one of the Grand Lodges of Germany, of which the EMPEROR is Grand Protector and G.M., works the Scottish Grades, and we think it is to this Grand Lodge that the writer refers. But Bro. FINDEL can put us right.

WE fully meant this week to dilate upon the “Roman Colleges,” but our leaderette stands over perforce to-day, other matters having cropped up.

UNDER the amusing heading “Pass Him Around,” our excellent contemporary, the *New York Dispatch*, sets before its readers the following “morceau” and “Masonic circular note,” which we think it well to print for the information of our many readers, as passages from America to England are very cheap now-a-days, and the pest of itinerant and mendicant Freemasons seems to be greatly on the increase. Let all our readers note its contents:—

A person calling himself Geo. W. Bird, at one place, and Charles A. Fish at another, and representing under the former name the Master of a lodge at Globe City, Arizona, and under the latter name as Secretary of the said lodge, has been working the lodges of Long Island, and those along the Hudson River, for aid pecuniarily. The Master and Secretary of White Mountain Lodge, at Globe City, Arizona, have not been out of that city for the past ten years, therefore it would be advisable if this individual should apply to another lodge to have him immediately arrested. We have the evidence of the misrepresentation under the seal of the lodge in our possession. It seems to us, both for the honour and welfare of Masonry, that all such notices should at once be passed round and handed on.

WHY is it that men of repute in the Craft, who are presumably also men possessing a certain amount of sense and culture, will insist on trying to perpetuate so many of those silly stories which the writers of a generation long since dead and gone were wont to palm off on a too credulous public as veritable Masonic history? It might have been expected that in an age when people closely examine almost every statement submitted to them, and call for chapter and verse in support of its authenticity, the custom of propounding obviously absurd and mendacious theories would have long since passed away. Yet hardly a week elapses but we come across evidence, more or less glaring, that there are still among us brethren who, while they are sane enough in respect of the ordinary concerns of life, and sensible enough when discussing questions of ordinary usage and everyday occurrence, have no hesitation in accepting and passing on to others any monstrous absurdities they may have read or heard of as part and parcel of the true history of our ancient and honoured fraternity. It is only a week or two since that, in reviewing a Massachusetts periodical which rejoices in the title of the "The Masonic World," we quoted two statements from an article published in one of its latest issues which for recklessness and audacity surpass anything of the kind we have seen for many a day. It is only on the supposition that the writer of the article had taken leave of his senses, or considered his readers were silly enough to swallow anything he chose to affirm, that we can understand a man in this nineteenth century of grace and light gravely informing his constituents that "HIRAM, King of Tyre, gave SOLOMON, King of Israel, authority to establish and work the Lower Degrees" of Masonry, and that "in 1685," JAMES III., of Scotland, constituted the Order of "the Knights of St. Andrew." As regards the former of these statements, there is not a tittle of evidence, written or traditional, that there were any "Lower Degrees" of Masonry in the days of HIRAM and SOLOMON, much less that HIRAM authorised SOLOMON to "establish and work" them. As regards the latter statement, it was properly pointed out in the review that "just 82 years before" the date mentioned—that is in 1603—JAMES the Sixth of Scotland became JAMES I. of England, while, according to the accepted profane historians of our country, this JAMES was succeeded by his son, CHARLES I., who was succeeded by his son, CHARLES II., who was succeeded in 1685 by his brother, JAMES II. of England, who, as a matter of course, would be JAMES VII. of Scotland. But it will be asked—why notice the silly assertions of a periodical like this "Masonic World," of Boston, Massachusetts, which, as the organ of an upstart system known as "The Royal Masonic Rite," must be looked upon as worthless? Unfortunately, however, it is not the worthless publications only which delight in repeating the silly fables we refer to. The "Masonic Review," of Cincinnati, Ohio, is a grave and reverend journal, which has entered on its 64th volume. Yet the following passage is from an address "delivered on St. John's Eve, June 24, A.D. 1885, at the dedication of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masonic Temple, at Bucyrus, Ohio, by Hon. J. R. CLYMER, 32°," and published in the August number of our worthy contemporary. "There are those," says Bro. CLYMER, "who affect to despise Freemasonry, its teachings and history; who do not remember, or else never knew, that England numbers of record 51 Grand Masters from A.D. 597 to A.D. 1717, including among them the great names of King ALFRED, the intellectual father of the English realm, King ATHELSTANE, EDWARD the CONFESSOR, Kings HENRY I., EDWARD III., and HENRY VII., Cardinal WOLSEY, THOMAS CROMWELL, KING JAMES I., and Sir CHRISTOPHER WREN, the architect of St. Paul's. The greatest men in nearly every walk of life, during the past ages, have conceived it to be an honour to enroll their names as Craftsmen. Look at some of them—JOHN LOCKE, the greatest metaphysician; NEWTON, the wisest of philosophers; SHAKESPEARE, the foremost poet of the world;" with GOETHE, and others, the majority, if not all, of whom are, or are known to have been, members of our Society. We confess to having experienced a deep sense of annoyance on reading the above extract from Bro. CLYMER's address in the pages of the "Masonic Review." We have a right to expect graver and sounder teaching than this from so distinguished a member of the A. and A. Rite in so respected an organ of Freemasonry; nor, with such an example before us, have we any cause to be surprised that the small fry of American Masonic journalism should follow suit. ATHELSTANE has always been associated traditionally with our Order; and, Bro. GOULD to the contrary notwithstanding, there are good grounds for believing, though there is no direct and positive evidence of the fact, that WREN was a Freemason; but as regards the other English Sovereigns and great political personages enumerated by Bro. CLYMER, it is a sheer mockery to speak of them as Grand Masters, while in the case of JOHN LOCKE and WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE there is very little to be said in favour of their membership—a doubtful letter in the case of the former, and a few Masonic expressions culled from the plays of the latter, being about the sum total adducible. Can we then wonder there are people "who affect to despise Freemasonry," when its leading lights and journals are thus utterly careless of the truth in their exposition of its history? Bro. CLYMER's address would have been as forcible without the errors, and, as a natural consequence, a thousand-fold more convincing, and if our writers would only bear this in mind, we should stand a fair chance of winning that respect for our traditions and history which the world already yields to us ungrudgingly for our principles. We commend this point to our contemporaries and Bro. CLYMER.

WHILE on this subject, we may as well draw attention to some other matters of consequence in relation to it. For instance, brethren and journals who seek to enlighten the world on the beauty and attributes and history of Freemasonry will do well to remember that enthusiasm is a kind of frenzy, and that it is not the custom, as a rule, to put much faith in the statements of frenzied people. What they say contains, perhaps, a certain substratum of truth; but there is all the difference in the world between a mere substratum and a building. "King ALFRED, the intellectual father of the English realm," possessed all the attributes of a good and great Freemason. He encouraged learning and the arts and sciences; he reduced government to a system; and he did all in his power to uphold and promote the cause of religion and morals; but vastly as these things are to the credit of our greatest and worthiest Anglo-Saxon King, they do not justify Bro. CLYMER in including him among the "51 Grand Masters"—mostly supposititious, as it happens—who flourished "from A.D. 597 to A.D. 1717." Again, in the mysteries and philosophies of the ancient world, there may have been Grades, or Degrees, to which members were eligible for admission as they advanced in knowledge and responsibility; but we must not deduce from this, as the "Masonic World" has done, that HIRAM authorised SOLOMON "to establish and work the Lower Degrees." This is the kind of statement that reduces the history of Masonry to the level of old women's tales. In

a free Society like ours, there can be no objection to a brother indulging a penchant for vain and worthless imaginings on his own account; they amuse him, and harm no one else. But we have a right to complain when these vain and frivolous nothings are uttered deliberately in public, and we are told they constitute part of the story of our ancient Craft. Masonry has suffered ridicule enough already from the silly assertions of its writers. Its history, both traditional and circumstantial, is certainly respectable, and what we are desirous of urging now is, that nothing shall be said or written of a character calculated to lower us in the world's esteem. "Dulce est desipere in loco," only in what relates to Masonry the "locus in quo" must not be the world at large.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF SOMERSET.

The annual Provincial Grand Lodge of Somerset was held on Tuesday, the 15th inst., at the Mechanic's Hall, Frome, under the banner of the Royal Somerset Lodge, No. 973, Frome. The M.W. Bro. the Right Hon. the Earl of Carnarvon, Pro Grand Master of England, is the Provincial Grand Master; the W. Bro. R. C. Else, P.G.D. England, being Deputy Prov. Grand Master. All the lodges in the province were represented, viz.: Royal Cumberland, 41, Bath; Royal Sussex, 53, Bath; Perpetual Friendship, 135, Bridgwater; Unanimity and Sincerity, 261, Taunton; Love and Honour, 285, Shepton Mallet; Rural Philanthropic, 291, Highbridge; Brotherly Love, 329, Yeovil; Honour, 379, Bath; Science, 437, Wincanton; Benevolence, 446, Wells; Pilgrims, 772, Glastonbury; Parrett and Axe, 814, Crewkerne; Royal Albert Edward, 906, Weston, near Bath; Royal Somerset, 973, Frome; Royal Clarence, 976, Bruton; Nyanza, 1197, Ilminster; Agriculture, 1199, Congresbury; St. Kew, 1222, Weston-super-Mare; Vale of Brislington, 1296, Brislington; Coleridge, 1750, Clevedon; Eldon, 1755, Portishead; St. Keyna, 1833, Keynsham; Prudence and Industry, 1953, Chard; Fidelity and Sincerity, 1966, Wellington; and Portcullis, 2038, Langport.

For the lodge the Mechanics' Hall was beautifully and chastely decorated, and on the walls were hung the banners of the various lodges, besides an immense number of flags and bannerets. The floor and platform were covered with crimson cloth, while in the centre was a very large Masonic carpet. Flowering and foliage plants were in profusion, and the whole lodge had the appearance of a vast conservatory. Owing to the enormous duties of Lord Carnarvon, as Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, he was unable to be present, but his place was occupied by the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. R. C. Else.

At the opening of the lodge a letter was read from the W. Prov. Grand Master, apologising for his absence. After the offices had been declared vacant, a letter was read from W. Bro. E. Turner-Payne, resigning the post of Prov. Grand Treasurer, which he had held for 25 years. A vote of thanks was passed to him, and this was ordered to be engrossed on vellum, and presented in due form.

The Deputy Prov. Grand Master then invested the following Prov. Grand Officers for the ensuing year:—

Bro. C. H. Dowson, P.M. 1226	...	...	Prov. G.S.W.
" G. W. Wiltshire, W.M. 973	...	...	Prov. G.J.W.
" Rev. T. W. Ruban, P.M. 1966	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" R. H. Maunsell-Eyre, Chap. 1198	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" C. F. Edwards, P.M. 1199	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" Watts, W.M. 53	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" J. C. Hunt, P.M. 135	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" J. H. T. Evans, P.M. 406	...	...	Prov. G.S.D.
" W. H. Good, P.M. and W.M. 437	...	...	Prov. G.J.D.
" A. G. Williams, P.M. 1833	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" George James, P.M. 1197	...	...	Prov. G.D. of C.
" George Halder, P.M. 285	...	...	Prov. G.A.D.C.
" C. Welch, P.M. 976	...	...	Prov. G. Swd. Br.
" C. Lucotte, P.M. 291	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" H. T. Stringfellow, P.M. 819	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" F. W. Dingle, P.M. 906	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" R. Stuckey, P.M. 135	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" G. Dando, P.M. 1755	...	...	Prov. G.A. Purst.
" B. Whitby, 329	...	...	} Prov. G. Stwds.
" B. Board, 219...	...	...
" J. G. Wilton, 41	...	...
" T. Holroyd, 973	...	...	...
" W. Woodward, 291	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler.
" A. J. Salter, 53	...	...	Prov. G.A. Tyler.

A very satisfactory report on the Charities of the province was read and adopted, and the Prov. Grand Lodge voted the sum of twenty guineas to Bro. G. Greenman, 81, of the Royal Albert Edward Lodge. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Royal Somerset Lodge, to its W.M., Bro. G. W. Wiltshire, and Bro. W. Mason, P.P.G.D., for the handsome manner in which the Grand Lodge had been received at Frome.

At the conclusion of the business a choir of Frome brethren sang Dr. G. Clarke-Whitfield's anthem, "Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren," during the singing of which a collection was made for charity. The sum of £7 18s. 3d. was collected, which it was decided to give to the Frome Cottage Hospital.

The brethren afterwards dined together at the Assembly Rooms.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

On Thursday afternoon, the 10th inst., this Provincial Grand Lodge held its annual assembly and general communication of Masons of the province in the Mechanics' Institute, Scarborough, under the banner of the Leopold Lodge, No. 1760. There was a very large assemblage of brethren, including those holding provincial rank, from all parts of the province, which extends from Hull to Middlesbrough. It is computed that about 300 brethren were present, and the spacious hall made an admirable place of meeting. During the day the weather was gloriously fine. The following brethren were present, besides the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. the Earl of Zetland:—

Bros. J. W. Tew, P.G.M. W. Yorks; T. Marshall, P.P.G.D.C., 294; C. Oord, 561; Monsell, P.G.S.W., 1848; W. H. Sissons, P.G.J.W., 1447; C. G. Paul, P.P.G.O., 1617; H. Procter, P.P.G.S., 173; W. Gillett, P.G. Std. B., P.P.G.S.O., 1605; H. B. Anderson, St. Cuthbert's; H. O. Piercy, 1040, P.P.G.S.W.; A. King, P.G.S.D., 17; T. Thompson, P.P.G.S.D.; H. J. Fooges, P.P.G.S.D.; N. H. Delamere, P.P.G.S.D., 1248; W. Cooper, P.P.G.R., 602; R. Davison, 602, P.P.G.O.; R. G. Sennit, P.P.G.D.C., P.M. 1010; T. B. Whythead, P.P.G.S.W.,

1611; Citilay, P.P.G.O., 312; G. G. Balsford, P.P.G.T., 1611; W. Staniland, jun., J.W. 566; M. Tesseyman, P.P.G. Stwd.; W. S. Robson, 200 and 645; F. Fullerton, J.W. 1010; A. Fraser, P.P.G.S.B., P.M. 200; W. Rowntree, Sec. 630; W. Peacock, P.P.G.D.C., 200; G. L. Shackle, P.P.G.S.D., 1511; J. Clarke, P.M. 561; W. Reynolds, P.P.G.D.C., 200; W. H. Marwood, P.P.G.S.W., P.M. 312, &c.; A. B. Brockwell, P.P.G. Director of Ceremonies, 200; J. Fairburn, P.P.G. Assistant Pursuivant, 1837; Miles Cuttle, P.P.G.S.D., 1244; John W. Woodall, Grand Treas., 200; J. Rymer, P.G.R. 236; M. Rook, P.P.G.S.D., 236; William Gill, P.M., P.G.O., 602; T. C. Davison, P.P.G.D.C., 1244; E. H. Hackers, P.G.D.C., 1760; L. H. Peacock, P.P.G.A.D.C., 200; W. Petchell, P.P.G.S.B., 1848; Gilbert Wilkinson, P.G.J.W., 250; Sam G. Cromack, P.P.G. St., 236; W. T. Orde-Powlett, P.P.G.S., 126; Henry Walker, P.G.S.W., 312; George Ayre, P.P.G.J.D., 1416; W. G. Long, P.M., P.P.G.S.B., 643; George F. Marwood, P.G.S.W.; B. Cleveland, 543; J. Moss, P.P.G.S.B., 312; J. Stephenson, P.P.G.J.W., 312; C. Palliser, P.P.S. of W., 1337; W. J. Watson, P.P.G.R., 602; J. S. Wilson, P.P.G.S.B., 1040; F. H. Holt, A.G.D.C., 1760; J. R. Riley, P.P.G.D.C., 387; V. Fowler, P.M., P.G.D.C., 643; G. H. Walshaw, P.M., P.P.G.D.C., 200; L. E. Atkinson, I.P.M., 1244; W. T. Harrison, P.G.P., 561; J. T. S. Reed, P.G.A.P., 561; W. Roolke, P.P.G.J.W., 200; Taylor, M.D., P.P.G.S.W. 200; and others.

Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from several brethren of high rank, and the balance-sheet, which was also submitted showed a satisfactory surplus. Various routine business was transacted, after which

The PROV. GRAND MASTER congratulated the brethren upon their very numerous attendance, and said that their visit to Scarborough that day reminded him of the fact that the lodge met at Scarborough five years ago. Since then Freemasonry in the province had increased in popularity and advanced with the greatest firmness—an evidence of which fact was to be seen in the consecration of the new Masonic Hall at Scarborough in December last. The Provincial Grand Master mentioned the fact that amongst other events of interest to Freemasons that had occurred since the last meeting of the lodge was the issue of a new Book of Constitutions, the installation of Bro. Tew as Grand Master of the West Riding—(applause)—and the election of Bro. J. W. Woodall, as Grand Treasurer. (Applause.) The noble lord also expressed the thanks of the brethren to the Worshipful Master and members of the Leopold Lodge for their hospitality, and the excellence of the arrangements which had been made for the reception of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and in conclusion announced that he had accepted the invitation of the Royal Lodge, at Filey, to hold the next Provincial Grand Lodge under their banner. (Applause.)

The following brethren were appointed to the respective offices attached to the names during the afternoon:

Bro. Sir Frederick Milner, 160	...	...	Prov. G.S.W.
" Reginald Bell, 1416	...	...	Prov. G.J.W.
" M. C. Peck, 1040	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" Rev. Richard Kennedy, M.A., 630	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" Rev. Frederick H. Holt, B.A., 1760	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" John Marshall...	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" Robert Hodgson, 57	...	...	Prov. G.S.D.
" Henry Forder, 1010	...	...	Prov. G.J.D.
" David Fletcher, 200	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" John H. Hackett, 1760	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" Henry C. Procter, 123	...	...	Prov. G.A.D.C.
" George H. Anderson, 630	...	...	Prov. G.Swd. Br.
" George Milner, 1511	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" Frederick W. Booty, 1248	...	...	Prov. G.A.Std.B.
" Charles Goulding, P.M. 294	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" James Wheldon, 1337	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" Walter Budd, 643	...	...	Prov. G.A. Purst.
" Frederick J. Lambert, 1010	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in ancient form, and the brethren repaired to the Royal Hotel, where a banquet was provided.

PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF WILTSHIRE.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter of Wiltshire was held at the Town Hall, Warminster, on Friday, the 11th inst., under the presidency of the Grand Superintendent of the province, the Right Hon. Lord H. F. Thynne, M.P., supported by Comps. R. Stokes, as P.G.H.; W. Nott, as P.G.J.; and other officers and companions of the province, and by Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., G. Supt. of Middlesex. The meeting was held immediately after the installation meeting of the receiving chapter—Thynne, 1418.

After Prov. Grand Chapter had been opened, the roll called, and the minutes of the last meeting confirmed, the report of the Charity Committee—which had met that morning—was read. From this it appeared that Comp. J. C. Maclean, P.Z. 355, had offered, and was recommended by the Committee for adoption, as Steward for the next festival of the Girls' School, and the Committee further recommended, should such Stewardship be adopted by the Prov. Grand Chapter, a grant of £21 to be placed on his list should be made.—These recommendations were unanimously approved.

Comp. JOHN CHANDLER, one of the Auditor's, presented his report on the Treasurer's accounts.

Com. J. V. TOONE, P.G. Reg., read his annual report, which gave as usual an account of the position of Royal Arch Masonry in the province and of the five chapters therein.

Comp. W. NOTT, P.G. Treas., as Secretary to the Benevolent Fund and Charity Organization Committee stated, in response to an enquiry from the M.E. Superintendent, that the Benevolent Fund was steadily increasing, as the whole of the funds were being invested, no claim upon it for assistance having as yet been made, whilst as regards the Charity Organization this province was still in active co-operation with several others, to the mutual advantage of all of them.

The M.E. SUPERINTENDENT, in addressing the companions, stated that it gave him great satisfaction to hold his Provincial Grand Chapter at Warminster for the first time since the consecration of the chapter there in 1881. He was glad to see that the numbers in the province were virtually maintained, and although he would like to see some increase yet he cordially concurred in the expression which appeared in the Prov. Grand Registrar's report that great care should be taken in admission to the Degree. He expressed his regret that he had not been able to attend the meeting of the Thynne Chapter earlier in the day, and to install the three Principals, and he took that opportunity of thanking the Comps. Maclean and Chandler for having done so in his place. He was glad to hear from Comp. Nott's account as to the finances that the province was in a sound position, and he expressed his pleasure that Comp. Maclean had undertaken the Stewardship for the Girls' School, and hoped that he would receive liberal support. He also expressed his great regret at the absence of Comp. H. C. Tombs, P.G.S.E., who was prevented from attending by the death of a very near relative.

The Grand Superintendent then appointed and invested the following Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year:

Comp. W. Nott, 632	...	...	Prov. G.H.
" H. P. Blackmore, 586	...	...	Prov. G.J.
" Henry C. Tombs, 355 (reappointed)	...	...	Prov. G.S.E.
" J. C. Maclean, 355	...	...	Prov. G.S.N.
" G. Pike, 1478	...	...	Prov. G. Soj.
" A. J. Beaven, 632	...	...	Prov. G. 1st A.S.
" Theobald Ringer, 1533	...	...	Prov. G. 2nd A.S.
" H. Bevir, 355	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" John Chandler, 355 (reappointed)	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" John Savory (re-elected)	...	...	Prov. G. Janitor.

After the Prov. Grand Chapter was closed, the companions dined together at the Bath Arms Hotel.

THE APPROACHING SCHOOL ELECTIONS.

The Voting Papers for both Schools are now in circulation, and it is permissible to offer, as is our custom, a few remarks on the prospects of the Elections next month. Speaking generally, we may say that there is nothing of an exceptional character about the lists of candidates. There is no overwhelming disproportion between the numbers to be elected and the numbers in the lists approved by the respective Committees; nor is there, as has occasionally happened, a lamentable deficiency of the former, even were the additional appointments to be made in the case of the Boys' School to be omitted from the calculation. What few features of interest there are will be noticed as they occur to us.

The Election for the Girls' School will take place at the Quarterly General Court, to be held at Freemasons' Hall on Saturday, the 10th prox. There are 34 candidates, and 16 vacancies to be filled. Of the former, only six remain from the Election in April last, of whom two have already competed twice, and four once, the remaining 28 being applicants for the first time. Of the whole 34, 10 hail from London and 24 from the Provinces, namely:—Four from Hants and the Isle of Wight; three each from Kent and West Yorkshire; two each from Essex, Lincolnshire, Suffolk, and Sussex; and one each from Berks and Bucks, Devonshire, Monmouthshire, Norfolk, Northumberland, and Yorkshire (North and East Ridings). Only two will be candidates for the last time on this occasion—No. 5—who was a candidate in April, polling 1403 votes, and whose prospects of success are therefore most encouraging—and No. 24, whose father was a Monmouthshire Mason, and had been subscribing member of a lodge for close on 18 years. One girl (No. 30) has a brother in the Boys' School, and another (No. 26) had a sister elected, who, however, died prior to her admission to the School. The fathers of eight of the children (Nos. 4, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 30, and 33) subscribed to, or were Stewards for, one or more of the Institutions; while in the case of No. 15 the father, who had subscribed to the Boys' and Benevolent Institution, and had had the collar of a Grand Warden of his province (Suffolk) conferred upon him, had been a subscribing member of the Society for 37½ years. On closely scrutinising the array of applicants it will be noticed that in the case of about half of them the fathers joined our ranks within the last 10 years; that is, since the Prince of Wales was first nominated for the position of Grand Master of England.

For the Boys' School Election, which takes place on Monday, the 12th October, the number of candidates was originally 57, but one died before the voting papers were drawn up, and two others have withdrawn their names since, namely, Nos. 21 and 23. Thus the present number is 54, and of these two have been candidates at five previous elections, one at four, two at three, and seven at two, while five offered themselves for election for the first time in April last. This gives a total of 17 unsuccessful candidates remaining from the spring election, the applications of the remaining 37 having been received and approved during the past six months of the current year. Seven of the 54 boys will have their names removed from the list in the event of their failure to win places among the successful candidates on this occasion, namely, No 1, a candidate for the sixth time, who has seven votes to his credit; No. 3, applicant for the fifth time, with 238 votes to his credit; No. 12, who brings forward 719 votes as the result of two previous attempts; No. 13, who obtained 275 votes at his one and only attempt in April last; and Nos. 23, 25, and 34, with whom it is a case of "now or never," as they will have attained 11 years of age before the spring election of 1886 takes place. It should also be stated that 11 of the 54 boys have each a sister in the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, namely, Nos. 2, 6, 7, 10, 12, 24, 39, 40, 46, 47, and 49. In the case of 14 of the children (Nos. 7, 10, 11, 14, 22, 29, 32, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 49, and 50) the fathers subscribed to or acted as Stewards for one or more of the Institutions, and not a few of them have won provincial honours or assisted in the founding of new lodges. But here, as in the Girls' list, though by no means in so great a proportion, the connection of the fathers with Freemasonry dates in many instances from 1875, and even more recent years. As regards the distribution of the applicants between London and the provinces, 26 hail from London, and 28 from the provinces, Hants and the Isle of Wight sending four boys, Sussex three boys; Durham, Lancashire (East), Northumberland, Yorkshire (N. and E.), and Yorkshire (West) each two boys; and Cambridgeshire, Devon, Hertfordshire, Lancashire (West), Lincolnshire, Monmouthshire, Oxfordshire, South Wales (East), South Wales (West), Staffordshire, and the District of Malta one each.

There is one other point to which attention should be drawn, namely, that of the 34 girl candidates, 20 have only the mother living, one is motherless, and six have neither father nor mother, while five have both father and mother, and two have stepmothers. Of the 54 boy candidates, 45 are fatherless, two motherless, and four have lost both parents, while three have both father and mother still living.

These appear to us to be the chief matters which should be regarded by brethren who have not promised their votes, and have no particular interest in one candidate more than another. The fact of the names being on the lists is a guarantee that in each case the child is worthy of being received into the Institution for which he or she is an applicant. We assume that the friends of each will do all in their power to secure success, and we may look to see those children elected whose candidature receives the support of the Provinces or Associations to which the fathers, when alive, or when able to carry on their Masonic pursuits, were affiliated. We can only hope that the successful candidates will prove worthy of the benefits they are seeking to obtain, and, by their conduct in school and in after-life, will reflect credit on the brethren who are labouring so strenuously to assist them, and on the glorious Craft of Masonry, to which they will be indebted for the training to win for themselves an honourable livelihood.

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religiously, and no man of sense or self-respect will be
likely to take exception to his mode of treatment. His
object appears to be not to create a market for his book by
pandering to the prurient tastes of the multitude, but to
subserve the cause of religion and morals by combating
certain commonly accepted propositions which, rightly
enough, he considers harmful. His method is strictly
argumentative, and though there are necessarily
references here and there to the vices of civilisation,
none need be afraid of consulting his essay, or placing
it on his bookshelves, on the ground that in the one
case his sense of propriety will be disturbed, or in

the other case that, if opened for reading by the more deli-
cate-minded of either sex, there is the slightest fear their
modesty will be offended. It contains, indeed, just that
kind of advice which a wise father, knowing the evils which
beset young men on their entrance into life, might and
should tender to his sons, and the advice is tendered in
becoming language, not in that of the vulgar ranter who
cares little how he offends against decency, so long as he
can make noise enough, and be the subject of general
conversation. We have formed a high opinion of Bro.
Hime's essay, and, to judge from the fact of its having
reached the "eighth edition," we may reasonably hope
that it has been, and will be, beneficial to the cause it is
intended to promote. It is worth adding that the price of
the volume is only one shilling and sixpence, so that there
is nothing in its cost which is likely to stand in the way of
its free circulation among all classes.

UNBELIEF.—An Essay addressed to Young Men of
every Christian Denomination. By MAURICE C.
HIME. Second Edition. London: Simpkin, Mar-
shall, and Co., Stationers' Hall Court. Dublin:
Sullivan Brothers, 27, Marlborough-street.

This essay appears to have been written with a view to
counteract the evil influences of the agnostic teacher, the
introductory statement in Bro. Hime's preface being to the
effect that "there have been lately many blasphemous,
atheistical essays and tracts most industriously circulated
by some person or persons amongst the young men of our
city." Later on he quotes a passage from a speech made
some time since by Bro. Lord Richard Grosvenor, M.P.,
P.G.W., in which his lordship remarked: "Atheism and
infidelity are very ripe at the present day, and it is the duty
of all men who love religion to stand shoulder to shoulder
and fight in defence of their religion, and to try and put a
stop on the advance of atheism and infidelity." No one
knows better than Bro. Hime that it is outside the province
of a Masonic journal to treat of or discuss particular forms
of religious belief. At the same time, whatever is written
with a desire to check the progress of irreligion will
secure the sympathy of the Masonic Fraternity. Masons
are not all Christians, but all of them hold fast to the belief
that religion is the basis of our Society. They may not
accept Christianity as their form of religious belief, but
they know it is opposed to atheism and infidelity, and will
accept the lessons inculcated in its behalf as likely to be of
service generally. They will, therefore, welcome this
essay, not from the particular class of religious opinions it
upholds, but because, having been written to promote the
success of one form of religion over infidelity, it cannot
fail to be of service in the cause of religion generally. In
this case also we are glad of the opportunity of speaking
favourably of Bro. Hime's essay, and as it is published at
the same price as his "Morality," we trust it will have an
equally large circulation.

Masonic Notes and Queries.

THE BEE HIVE.

"This is one of the most important emblems of Masonry,
it being an emblem of industry, and commends that virtue
to all created beings. A man, to be worth or worthy of
anything, must be industrious in every relation of life in
which he is engaged or called to act, and a member of the
Masonic Fraternity who is not industriously endeavouring
to perform his Masonic duties, and propagate the useful,
sublime, and God-honouring teachings and principles of
this time-honoured Society, can scarcely be said to be
worthy the name of a Freemason. The counterpart of
industry is indolence, or too much rest. The German pro-
verb, 'If I rest, I rust,' is of universal application. The
Infinite Ruler of the universe of worlds and all therein con-
tained is evidently never at rest, else the incomprehensible
works of His Omnipotent hands must lose their power of
action, and early dissolution be the inevitable result. If
water too long rests, it stagnates; if vegetation rests, it
dies, for its wintry state is but half rest; if the lungs rest
we cease to breathe, and if the heart rests we die. Give
not your lodge too much rest, else you soon have no lodge."
—D. C. Dawkins. The above article of D. C. Dawkins
errs in this, that it does not add; that the Bee Hive is a
modern form of Masonic symbolism. It is found, no doubt,
in many charts, and some old glasses, and the like, and
mystical and symbolical engravings, but for all this it is quite
modern. Its parentage cannot date from earlier than quite
late in the eighteenth century, if even so early, if it be not
a product of early nineteenth century Masonic emblemato-
logy.

MASONIC STUDENT.



Craft Masonry.

LODGE OF PERSEVERANCE (No. 1743).
—This lodge held its installation meeting, on Saturday last,
at the Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct. The Lodge of
Perseverance, though not a very numerous body, is an ex-
ceedingly comfortable and well-conducted lodge, and, con-
sidering its size, the attendance of members on Saturday
was very good, and there were besides several visitors. The
hour of meeting was four o'clock, when the lodge was
opened by Bro. Eade, the W.M. There being no work
except the installation of the W.M. elect, the lodge was
opened in the Three Degrees, after which, at the request
of the W.M., Bro. Leins, P.M. and Treas., took the chair
of K.S., and, having resumed the lodge in the lower De-
gree, appointed temporary Wardens from the Past Masters
present, and directed the officers to give up their collars—
an excellent arrangement, as it prevents confusion when the
lodge room is cleared for the Board of Installed Masters.
At the request of the W.M. in the chair, Bro. J. L. Mather
acted as D.C. during the ceremony.

The I.P.M. presented Bro. W. Mollindinia, S.W., as
having been duly elected by the lodge to serve the office of
Master for the ensuing 12 months, whereupon Bro. Leins
addressed some observations to the brethren respecting the
election to the Master's chair, and when Bro. Mollindinia
had undertaken to observe the regulations laid down in the
ancient charges, obligated him as W.M. elect. The room
was then cleared for the Board of Installed Masters, in

whose presence the W.M. elect was duly installed into the chair of K.S. On the readmittance of the brethren, the newly-installed W.M. was proclaimed and saluted in the Three Degrees, according to ancient custom, and subsequently Bro. Mollindinia invested his officers, of whom the following is a list: Bros. Reed, S.W.; Mitchell, J.W.; Leins, P.M., P.Z., Treas.; Ferry, P.M., Sec.; Smith, S.D.; Fox, J.D.; Salter, I.G.; Lovell, D.C.; Swire, Asst. D.C.; Chamberlayn, W.S.; Clements, Asst. W.S.; and Goddard, P.M., Tyler.

On the completion of the investiture of officers, Bro. Leins delivered the customary addresses to the W.M., the Wardens, and the general body of the brethren in a very able and impressive manner.

The lodge was then closed in due form, and the brethren of the lodge and their guests adjourned to the banquet room. When the excellent dinner provided, which was admirably served, was over, the customary list of loyal and Masonic toasts was taken in hand by the W.M., who proposed "The Queen and the Craft," "The M.W.G. Master," and "The Grand Officers," introducing with a few brief but cheery sentences, and leaving it to the brethren to give them a hearty reception, which they certainly did.

Bro. Eade, I.P.M., then rose and said that a very pleasing duty now devolved upon him, namely, the duty of proposing to them to drink to "The Health, Success, and Happiness of their Newly-installed W.M., Bro. Mollindinia." Most of those present knew that their Bro. Mollindinia was one of the founders of the Lodge of Perseverance, and that he had at its commencement worked very assiduously as its Secretary. It was true he had not been through every office in the lodge; but he was nevertheless an excellent Mason, and thoroughly qualified to discharge the duties appertaining to the position of W.M. However, they all of them knew Bro. Mollindinia so well, that it was useless for him (Bro. Eade) to continue eulogising him. He should therefore content himself with proposing the health of Bro. Mollindinia, and expressing the hope that his reign over the lodge during the next 12 months might be a very prosperous one.

Bro. Mollindinia, whose rising was greeted with a round of applause, said that he thanked them very kindly, sincerely and earnestly, the Immediate Past Master for the kind words with which he had introduced the toast, and the brethren for the very hearty manner in which they had received it. He felt the responsibility of the position he held, he felt that the lodge ought to progress, and he was anxious to impart a little more motion to it. They were a young lodge and had gone on very well up to now, but they must have some new blood brought in. He hoped that they would give him an exceedingly busy time during his year. He was prepared to do the work, but they must give him the work to do. He thanked them again very sincerely for the hearty way in which they had received the toast.

The next toast was that of "The Visitors," that toast needed only a very brief introduction from the Master of the Lodge of Perseverance. They had the feeling that they did not know what they should do without the visitors, and they were always most anxious to give their visitors a real good hearty reception, and to give them the right hand of fellowship.

Several visitors acknowledged the compliment that had been paid them, among others Bro. Keeble, I.P.M. of the Great City Lodge, after thanking the brethren for the manner in which the toast had been proposed and received, said that he had almost come to consider himself part and parcel of their installation ceremony, he had been there so often, five or six years at least. He hoped that the lodge would continue to prosper and that he might be permitted to come among them again on similar occasions.

The W.M. then said that he had a very pleasing duty to perform and a very pleasant toast to propose. The toast was to "The Health of the I.P.M. of the Lodge of Perseverance, Bro. P.M. Eade," who had gone through his 12 months of office with a great deal of skill, although the work had not been heavy. Bro. Eade had done well for the lodge, and in the name of the brethren he (Bro. Mollindinia) in pinning it upon his breast would express the hope that Bro. Eade would for many years wear it in the lodge, and that it would be handed down to his children and his children's children as an ornament, which can only be gained by devoting a great deal of time and trouble to a lodge of this kind. He hoped that Bro. Eade would have the best of health to wear that jewel to the utmost span of life.

Bro. Eade said it was with feelings of very deep gratification that he rose to return thanks for the toast which had just been proposed in such flattering language, and for the very handsome jewel which had been presented to him. He had had but little work to do, and feared that he had not done sufficient to entitle him to such a memento of his year of office. He was not a good speech maker he said, and would very much rather sing them a song than make them a speech, and he would therefore only again thank them for the honour they had done him.

The W.M. said the next toast was "The Installing Past Master, Bro. Leins," a name which he need only mention to elicit a cordial greeting, that Bro. Lewis was entitled to as father of the lodge, as a friend to Masonry, and as his (the speaker's) father. Bro. Leins was father of many children, and now as his Installing Master he wished him a good greeting and gave them the good health of Bro. Leins.

Bro. Leins said he rose with a great deal of pleasure to return thanks for the very kind way in which his health had been proposed by the W.M., and the kind way in which it had been received. He did not think that he deserved that to the fullest extent. However, he was proud indeed in one way to have the opportunity to tell them that he had had the pleasure to initiate the W.M., and that they had worked together harmoniously and conscientiously, and like good brethren for twelve years; and now he had had the pleasure and gratification to install Bro. Mollindinia into the chair of K.S. Bro. Mollindinia was a true and faithful brother. If every two brothers worked faithfully together, as they had done, there would not be so much harm done as there was at the present time. Let them all strive to work harmoniously together in future as their W.M. and himself had worked for so many years. And he hoped that they might long be spared to see the train of P.M.s. grow larger and larger. And, moreover, if the remarks he had made had the desired effect, and they were able to complete their musical arrangements, then they could have a great deal of harmony. As father of the

lodge, he should like before he sat down to drink with all his children a jolly good health. Might God spare them many years, and might they be happy together with him.

The Worshipful Master then proposed "The Health of the Past Masters," which was responded to by Bro. Kearney, Bro. Marley, and others.

"The Healths of the Treasurer and the Secretary" was then proposed, and both of those officers acknowledged the compliment.

The toast of "The Officers of the Lodge," was acknowledged by the Senior and Junior Wardens, and then the Tyler's toast closed the proceedings.

The signature book showed the names of those present to be Bros. Eade, Mollindinia, Reed, Leins, Mitchell, Smith, Fox, Lovell, Ferry, Swire, Sparrow, P.M.; Kearney, P.M.; Marley, P.M.; Wade, P.M.; J. L. Mather, P.M.; Wall, O'Brien, Fidler, Bridgman, Lonsdale, Tyrell, Hersee, Daniel, Belhomme, Cooper, Clements, and Meaby. Visitors: Bros. R. A. Jamieson, 34; H. Page, 1580; F. H. Keeble, I.P.M. 1426; Chas. Lendall, P.M. 1625; W. Lucas, S.W. 1669; Wm. Wyatt (Doric, Canada), 121; and Wm. Smith, 933.

HONOR OAK LODGE (No. 1986).—A regular meeting of this lodge was held at the Moore Park Hotel, Honor Oak, S.E., on Wednesday, the 9th inst. Lodge was opened by the W.M., Bro. H. Maunders Williams, the officers and brethren present being Bros. H. Stokes, S.W.; H. Hooper, S.D., as J.W.; C. H. Phillips, I.P.M.; W. Hopekirk, P.M., Treas.; John Hammond, P.M., P.P.G. D. Middx., Sec.; A. Darch, P.M., J.D., as S.D.; J. Fuller, as J.D.; G. Mordey, I.G.; W. Bartlett, W.S.; G. R. Langley, Asst. Sec.; A. Pitman, Asst. Org.; Lawson, Cloake, Andrews, E. Bye, sen., B. Forster, W. H. O'Reilly, &c., and Bro. J. W. Hiscox, P.M., who was subsequently elected a joining member. There were also present as visitors Bros. James Stevens, P.M. 720, 1216, 1426; C. J. Axford, S.W. 2048; and J. Barrington Woolford, Mount Olive Lodge, No. 385, Demerara.

The minutes having been read and confirmed, the W.M. expressed his regret and disappointment that the candidate for passing was prevented from attending by important engagements at a considerable distance, and, there being no other business on the agenda, the cases of two applicants for relief were taken into consideration, and assistance was rendered to them as prayed. The lodge was then closed, and refreshment followed labour.

In the course of the evening a very hearty and cordial welcome was accorded to the brother visiting from a distant country, Bro. Woolford, who, in response, expressed his sense of the true Masonic spirit in which it was offered. A pleasant couple of hours were spent in a most enjoyable manner, the several complimentary toasts being excellently well responded to, and recitations and songs were interspersed throughout the proceedings.

DUDLEY.—Harmonic Lodge (No. 252).—A meeting was held on Tuesday, the 1st inst., at Freemasons' Tavern, Stone-street. Present: Bros. R. G. Walker, I.P.M., as W.M.; W. E. Walker, P.M., Treas., as S.W.; R. Stevenson, J.W.; Saml. Smith, P.M., Sec.; Jas. Warham, J.D.; M. Smith, D.C.; W. Swallow, I.G.; T. Chambers, Stwd.; F. Garner, Tyler; S. Spittle, Asst. Tyler; Edwin Turner, P.M.; Geo. Bagott P.M.; Hy. Bagott, Jno. Bywater, E. J. Chambers, Jas. Jones, Geo. Morgan, Wm. Hanson, J. Sidaway, Robt. Preece, and A. J. Baird.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last lodge were read and confirmed. There was but little business to be done; and after electing a brother, proposed at the last meeting, as a joining member, and receiving a proposition for initiation into Freemasonry, the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to banquet.

LYMINGTON.—New Forest Lodge (No. 319).—The annual meeting for the installation of the W.M. and officers of this lodge, was held at the Bugle Inn, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. The retiring W.M., Bro. the Rev. E. H. Elers, M.A., vicar of Boldre, received from the brethren a Past Master's jewel in recognition of his services. The position of W.M. was then conferred on Bro. Burbage. The other officers for the ensuing year were appointed as follows: Bros. Gould, S.W.; Mee, J.W.; H. Doman, P.M., Secretary; Hidden, P.M., Treasurer; Slater, S.D.; Daw, J.D.; Elers, Tyler; Harrison, D. of C.; and Bist, Asst. D. of C.

The Senior Warden, Bro. Gould, with great liberality, presented to the lodge an illuminated record of the principal officers of the lodge since 1814, for which he received the thanks of the brethren. It appeared that the warrant of the lodge was dated 1799, and transferred from Winchester to Lymington in 1814. A banquet prepared by Bro. Dore, P.M., was subsequently taken of, and the meeting terminated at 8 o'clock, to enable the brethren and visitors from Southampton to leave by train.

DARWEN.—Harmony and Industry Lodge (No. 381).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Monday, the 7th inst., at the Masonic Hall. Present: Bros. A. Millward, W.M.; John Marsden, S.W.; Wm. Hodgson, J.W.; W. G. Procter, Chap.; B. Lloyd, I.P.M., Treas.; C. H. Woods, Sec.; Thos. Barlow, S.D.; Peter Lowe, J.D.; Jas. Aspden, I.G.; Jos. Rawlinson, Stwd.; Thos. Shorrocks, Tyler; L. Roberts, P.M.; W. G. Thackeray, P.M.; John Wardley, P.M.; Thos. Grime, P.M.; A. M. Briggs, P.M.; J. H. Shorrocks, P.M.; and J. W. Shorrocks, P.M.

The lodge having been opened, Bro. R. H. Eccles was raised by Bros. Wardley, P.M., and Bidder, P.M., of Manchester. After the Masonic business the brethren dined together, and were honoured by the presence of Bro. Skelton, P.M., of Bolton, and others.

DERBY.—Arboretum Lodge (No. 731).—The holiday season being over, there was a good attendance at the regular meeting, held at the Masonic Hall, Gower-street, on Wednesday, the 9th inst. Lodge having been opened, there were present Bros. James Copstick, W.M.; Cawthorne Webster, I.P.M.; Edgar Horne, S.W.; A. Woodiwiss, J.W.; Rev. T. Orrell, Chap.; S. Taylor, J.D.; John Walker, D.C.; T. Forman, Org.; G. Sutherland, I.G.; W. Todd, Stwd.; T. Day, Tyler; G. T. Wright, P.M., P.P.G.J.W.; J. Taylor, P.M., P.P.G. D.C.; H. Burn, P.M., P.P.G.S. of Works; T. R. Gee,

P.M., P.P.G.A.D.C.; John Brown, P.M., P.P.G.J.D.; A. Fraser, P.M., P.P.G.S.D.; J. Worsnop, P.M., P.P.G. Purst.; J. Bland, P.M., P.G.J.D.; Ward, and Tawer. Visitors: Bros. J. E. Russell, W.M. 1085; H. Carr, S.W. 1085; Cumberland, and Eyre, 1085. Bros. W. Whittaker, P.M., Treas.; J. Chadwick, S.D.; J. Melrose and J. Jones, Stwds., were unavoidably absent.

The minutes of the last lodge were read and confirmed, and Mr. Henry Tempest, who had been elected at the previous meeting, was then admitted, and initiated in his usual able manner by the W.M., who also presented the working tools. The charge to the initiate was impressively given by the J.W., Bro. Woodiwiss. Bro. G. T. Wright, P.M., Chairman of the Provincial Charity Committee, announced to the brethren that the Board of Benevolence, London, had been pleased to confirm a grant of £50 to an old initiate of the lodge. It was then proposed by Bro. J. Brown, P.M., and seconded by Bro. G. T. Wright, P.M., that a letter of condolence be sent to the widow and family of the late Mayor, who died during his year of office—Bro. H. Fowkes, P.M., who was initiated in the Arboretum Lodge, and, after serving several offices in it, joined the Lodge of Repose, No. 802, and passed through the chair in that lodge. The W.M. having made the usual enquiries, and received the "Hearty good wishes" of the visitors, lodge was closed in harmony, and adjourned.

After supper in the Lower Hall, the Worshipful Master gave briefly the usual loyal and Masonic toasts. To that of "The Provincial Grand Lodge" were coupled the names of Bros. J. Bland, P.G.J.D., and Rev. T. Orrell, P.P.G. Chap., who suitably responded.

The Senior Warden then proposed "The Worshipful Master," who heartily thanked the brethren for their reception of the toast.

"The Health of the Initiate, Bro. H. Tempest," was then given by Bro. J. Brown, P.M., in one of his usual able and forcible speeches, in which he dwelt strongly on the great good to be derived by a close study of the symbols of the Order.

After the Entered Apprentice's song, the Initiate briefly responded, thanking the W.M. and brethren for admitting him amongst their number.

To the toast of "The Past Masters," Bros. J. Brown and G. T. Wright ably responded.

Bro. A. Frazer, P.M., humorously proposed the toast of "The Visitors," to which Bro. J. E. Russell, W.M. 1085, responded.

Bro. J. Bland, P.M., proposed the toast of "The Officers," paying great praise to them for the able manner in which they one and all performed their duties. As most of the officers had left, a slight innovation was made by coupling to the toast the names of Bros. C. Webster, I.P.M., and James Taylor, P.M., who had acted as Secretary in the absence of Bro. J. W. Brigg. Both brethren cordially responded, and the Tyler's toast shortly brought a very pleasant meeting to a close. Songs were ably rendered by Bros. J. Sutherland, W. Forman, and J. Brown, and recitations by Bros. Frazer and Bland, Past Masters.

CHORLTON-CUM-HARDY.—Chorlton Lodge (No. 1387).—The first meeting took place since the vacation at the Masonic Hall, on Thursday, the 10th inst. Present: Bros. Charles Heywood, W.M.; J. J. Lambert, I.P.M.; W. Hall, S.W.; J. M. Simpson, Asst. Sec.; J. Crompton, P.M., Org.; G. Locke, I.G.; W. Chessyre, Tyler; J. Emerson, A. H. Pownall, W. H. Milner, E. Michaelis, S. H. Muller, Robt. Davies, P.M., P.G. Std. Br.; T. Renshaw, J. Riley, J. Wilson, D. Kenerley, J. Thistlethwaite, and Chas. Martyn, Stewards; Frank Deakin, C. P. Robinson, Rich. Roebuck, and A. Morris. Visitors: Henry Crosby, P.M. 1588, P.P.G. Purst.; Chas. Cooper, W.M. 1588; J. H. Grimshaw, 204; T. W. Millar, 1045, 1563; Robert Westbury, 89; T. Fearnaley, 1588; Thos. E. Knobs, 163; and R. R. Lisenden, S.W. 317 (Freemason).

The brethren assembled at 6.30 for tea, and at 7.35 adjourned to the lodge room and opened the lodge. After the minutes of the last regular and the emergency meetings had been read and confirmed, the lodge was gradually elevated, and Bro. J. Emerson and A. H. Pownall being present, and willing to take their Third Degree, were interrogated as to their proficiency in the Second Degree, and subsequently withdrew, and after the usual preliminaries, Bro. J. Emerson was re-admitted to the lodge and raised to the Sublime Degree of a M.M. by the W.M. in a truly impressive manner. Afterwards, at the request of the W.M., Bro. J. Crompton, P.M., occupied the chair of K.S., and raised Bro. A. H. Pownall to the Third Degree. The traditional history was delivered to the two newly raised brethren and another brother by the W.M., and the S.W., Bro. Hall, presented and explained the working tools. The whole of the work was remarkably well done, and characteristic of the lodge. Prior to the closing of the lodge the sum of 10 guineas was voted from the Charity Fund towards the Allpass Memorial Fund. Three candidates were proposed for initiation at the next meeting, and one joining member. Bro. W. H. Milner rose and said that as possibly the lodge would like to have a portrait of the R.W.P.G.M., Bro. the Earl of Lathom, he felt great pleasure in presenting one to the lodge, trusting the members would accept it. The W.M. thanked Bro. Milner, in the name of the lodge, for his gift, which would be highly prized and appreciated. There being no further business, "Hearty good wishes" were expressed by the visitors, and the lodge was closed in peace and harmony.

TORQUAY.—Jordan Lodge (No. 1402).—On Tuesday, the 8th inst., the annual installation of the W.M. of this lodge took place at the Masonic Hall. The W.M. elect, Bro. S. Garcia, was duly installed by Bro. Knight, W.M. Bro. Garcia, W.M., then appointed and invested the following brethren as his officers for the ensuing year: Bros. F. Hex, S.W.; T. Prust, J.W.; A. T. Blamey, P.M., Chap.; John Dodge, P.M., Treas.; T. Brooks, Org.; T. H. Wills, Sec.; R. Lethcote, S.D.; G. Rowland, J.D.; McKellar, I.G.; W. Hill, D.C.; T. J. Crossman, S.S.; J. T. Brown, J.S.; and J. E. Newton, Tyler. Bro. J. Lane, P.M. 1402, was elected Representative of the Committee of Petitions. The following brethren were also present: Bros. J. Grant, W.M. 328; W. Taylor, I.P.M. 328; R. L. Mugford, J.W. 328; T. Beckett, 328; W. S. Yates, Tyler 328; H. Day, 328; J. A. Cridge, 328; Richardson, 328; W. J. M'Lean, P.M. 248; Dr. G. C. Searle, W.M. 248; Charles A. Winns, P.M. 27 and 248; H. Jarman, P.M. 1358; H. Marby, W.M. 1358; Thomas Johns, 610, Asst. D. of C.; J. Murray, P.M., P.P.G.D. of

C., 1402; John Lane, P.M., P.P.G.D.C., 1402; G. J. Pepprell, I.P.M., P.P.G.D.C., 1402; Victor Lauzel, T. J. Mycock, 1402; and others.
At the close of the lodge a large number of brethren adjourned to a banquet held at Bro. Bolt's, Royal Hotel, where a very pleasant evening was spent.

YORK.—Eboracum Lodge (No. 1611).—This lodge held its regular meeting on Monday, the 14th inst. Bro. Sir F. G. Milner, Bart., Prov. S.G. Warden, W.M., presided, and there were also present Bros. T. B. Whythead, P.M.; G. Simpson, P.M.; M. Millington, P.M.; J. T. Seller, P.M.; A. T. B. Turner, S.W.; Jas. Kay, Sec.; G. Chapman, S.D.; S. J. Dalton, J.D.; W. Lackenby, I.G.; and about 20 brethren and visitors.

The business consisted of the initiation of Mr. William Sharpe and the raising of Bro. Routledge, these ceremonies being performed by Bro. Whythead, the J.W. giving the charge in the First Degree. A resolution was passed to form a lodge of instruction in connection with the lodge; and another resolution making an addition to the by-laws was passed. Presentations of books were made by Bros. C. L. Mason, of Leeds, and T. B. Whythead. It was announced that Bro. the Earl of Zetland, Provincial Grand Master, had expressed his willingness to perform the dedication ceremony of the hall at some date to be fixed about the end of October, when the new furniture is expected to be ready.

After the close of the lodge, the brethren met in the smoke room, and an exceedingly pleasant evening was spent, enlivened by songs from the W.M., the J.D., the Organist (Bro. Child), and others.

"The Health of the W.M." was drunk with enthusiasm, and in reply he thanked the brethren most cordially, and stated his intention to do the utmost in his power for the interest of the lodge.

CROYDON.—George Price Lodge (No. 2096).—The fourth regular meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, the 26th ult. There were present Bros. J. W. Langton, W.M.; H. M. Hobbs, S.W.; F. T. Ridpath, J.W.; J. Langton, Treas.; J. S. Fraser, Sec.; M. W. Levey, J.W.; J. G. Horsey, P.P.G.D.C. Surrey; George Price, P.G. Treas. Surrey; W. D. Merritt, W. G. Oates, E. C. Holdsworth, C. Holden, W. Fraser, J. Rosenberg, A. B. Crundall, J. Klien, and W. Lane, Tyler. Visitors: Bros. W. Grellier, I.G. 21; H. G. Smith, 1475; N. Coinock, 186; G. Burrey, P.P.G.D.C. Surrey; C. Daniel, P.M. 65; E. R. Holton, 2021; J. T. Hoerth, 1790; and A. Daw Kerrill, P.M. 145.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the W.M. invested Bro. W. W. Merritt, P.M. 1000, as acting I.P.M., subsequently appointing and investing Bro. W. G. Oates as Steward. Bros. Oates, Holdsworth, Holden, and Rosenberg were raised to the Third Degree, and Mr. A. B. Crundall was initiated into Freemasonry in ancient form. The W.M. having intimated his desire to represent the lodge at the next Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, the offer was accepted. Afterwards the W.M. called the attention of the brethren to the Arnold testimonial, then being got up by the Surrey Lodges, when a subscription list was sent round. Bro. W. G. Oates proposed Mr. Arthur Mathey, F.R.C.S., for initiation.

Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed and the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where a very excellent repast was served under the personal supervision of Bro. Bentley, the able and courteous manager of the hotel.

INSTRUCTION.

PRINCE FREDERICK WILLIAM LODGE (No. 753).—A meeting of this lodge of instruction was held on Tuesday, the 15th inst., at the Eagle Tavern, Clifton-road, Maida-hill. Present: Bros. Scattergood, W.M.; Humfress, S.W.; Green, J.W.; Baker, P.M., Treas., and Preceptor; Thomas, Secretary; Duffin, S.D.; Wickens, J.D.; Dillon, I.G.; Stratton, Stwd.; Williams, Conway, and Day.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last lodge meeting read and confirmed. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. Conway was examined and entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Conway as candidate. The 2nd and 3rd Sections of this lecture were worked by Bro. Baker, assisted by the brethren. The lodge was closed in the Third and Second Degrees. Bro. Day was elected a joining member of this lodge of instruction. Bro. Duffin, W.M. of the mother lodge, was appointed W.M. for the ensuing week. The votes of the lodge were handed to Bro. Humfress in favour of the boy Arrowsmith. All Masonic business being ended, the lodge was closed.

HYDE PARK LODGE (No. 1425).—A meeting was held on Monday, the 14th inst., at the Fountains Abbey Hotel, 111, Praed-street, Paddington. Present: Bros. O. W. Battley, W.M.; M. J. Green, S.W.; P. Burton, J.W.; G. Read, P.M., Treas.; H. Dehane, P.M., Sec.; E. C. Mulvey, S.D.; E. F. Ferris, J.D.; A. Williams, I.G.; C. Coleman, Stwd.; Capt. A. Nicols, P.M. 1974; H. Perdue, P.M. 834; J. C. Conway, J. Lawrence, W. H. Tronson, C. Mote, P. W. Rogers, J. Cruttenden, and E. J. Day. Visitor: Bro. A. Williams, 834, I.G. 2090.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last lodge meeting were read and confirmed. The 1st Section of the lecture was worked by Bro. Read, assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Purdue as the candidate. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. Read, at the request of the W.M., assumed the chair, and, after the usual preliminaries, the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Tronson being the candidate. Bro. Williams was elected a member. Bro. Green was elected W.M. for next meeting (21st inst.) and appointed his officers in rotation. The votes for the Girls' and Boys' Institutions, viz., four girls and two boys, were then unanimously voted to Bro. Read. The lodge was then closed.

COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge of instruction was held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden-lane, Covent-Garden, W.C., on the 10th inst., when there were present Bros. E. J. B. Bromley, W.M.; E. C. Mulvey, S.W.; J. R. Hamell, J.W.; W. Fowles, S.D., also acting as Preceptor; Frank Gulliford, J.D.; Wilkie Jones, I.G.; G. Reynolds, Secretary and Treasurer; and T. E. Weeks.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. E. C. Mulvey worked the 1st Section of this lecture. Bro. Fowles worked the 2nd Section of this lecture. Bro. G. Reynolds having taken the collar of I.G., Bro. Wilkie Jones offered himself as a candidate for initiation. The W.M. was pleased to rehearse the ceremony. Bro. Wilkie Jones resumed the collar of I.G. Lodge opened in the Second Degree. Lodge opened in the Third Degree. Lodge closed in the Third and then the Second Degree. On rising for the second time, Bro. E. C. Mulvey was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week; being proposed by Bro. W. Fowles, and seconded by Bro. J.W. The W.M. elect was pleased to appoint his officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, Bro. G. Reynolds proposed that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes of this lodge of instruction to Bro. W. Fowles for the very efficient manner in which he

had acted as Preceptor in the absence of Bro. W. C. Smith, who was away for a month. Seconded by the S.W.; carried unanimously. Bro. W. Fowles thanked the brethren for their kind appreciation of his services. He was always willing to do all he could for the Covent Garden Lodge of Instruction, and promised to attend the weekly meetings for a month during the absence of Bro. W. C. Smith. He felt sure the brethren wished their worthy Preceptor a pleasant holiday. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed.

NEW FINSBURY PARK LODGE (No. 1695).—The usual weekly meeting was held at the Hornsey Wood Tavern, on Tuesday, the 15th inst. Present: Bros. Oldis, W.M.; Gush, Preceptor; Beck, S.W.; Hildreth, J.W.; Berry, Sec.; Cross, S.D.; Kearney, J.D.; Barnett, I.G.; Fenner, Treas.; Russell, Goodie, Lovell, Salmon, Thorpe, Partington, Sycklemore, Frampton, Jenkins, Snelling, and Follett.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The lodge was then opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. Partington answered, and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and that Section of the lecture was worked by Bro. Jenkins. The ceremony of raising was then rehearsed, after which the 2nd and 3rd Sections were worked by Bros. Fenner and Jenkins respectively. Bro. Beck having been elected W.M. for the ensuing week, the lodge was closed.

UBIQUE LODGE (No. 1789).—A meeting was held on Friday, the 11th inst., at the Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, S.W. Present: Bros. Coulthard, W.M.; Wade, P.M., S.W.; Green, sen., J.W.; Boulton, P.M., Preceptor; P. Coughlan, Sec.; Grist, S.D.; Mimms, J.D.; Snooks, I.G.; Coleman, Edwards, Mann, Jones, and Nicholls.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Jones as candidate. Bro. Nicholls, a candidate to be passed to the Second Degree, answered the usual questions and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Nicholls as candidate. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. having risen for the first time, the following brethren were unanimously elected joining members: Bros. Mann, 144, Edwards, 144, Nicholls, 902, Snook, 1604, Mimms, 1604, and Jones, 1428. These brethren having returned thanks, the W.M. rose for the second time, and Bro. Wade was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week. It was also proposed, seconded, and unanimously carried, that a vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes to the W.M. for the very able and efficient manner he had worked the ceremonies of initiation and passing for the first time. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed.

CHISWICK LODGE (No. 2012).—A meeting was held on Saturday, the 12th inst., at the Hampshire Hog, King-street West, Hammersmith, W.C. Present: Bros. F. Craggs, W.M.; Arthur Williams, S.W.; John Brown, J.W.; George Gardiner, Treas.; W. Johnson, Sec.; W. W. Williams, S.D.; C. Coward, J.D.; H. D. Mayor, I.G.; T. E. Weeks, Tyler; E. Ayling, P.M., Preceptor; Perdue, P.M.; Smithers, Furze, Fruin, Wilson, Sims, and V. Wing. Visitor: Bro. A. Martin, 1539.

Lodge was opened in due form. Lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. then rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Furze being the candidate. Bro. Perdue then worked the 1st Section of the First Degree. The W.M. rose for the first and second time, and the S.W. was elected to fill the position of W.M. for the ensuing week. The W.M. rose for the third time, and notice was given that the installation ceremony would be worked on Saturday, the 26th inst. Nothing further offering, the lodge was closed.

Royal Arch.

ROYAL NAVAL CHAPTER (No. 59).—The regular meeting meeting was held at Freemasons' Hall, on the 14th inst. Present: Comps. J. L. Mallett, P.Z. and Treas., as M.E.Z.; Chas. Belton, Z.; S. B. Wilson, P.Z., as H.; A. Torkington, J.; Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.E.; A. M. Broadley, P.Z.; Dr. W. Bull; C. F. Matier, P.Z., S.E.; Tyler, S.N.; Hone Goldney, P.S.; Edwards, Beale, Brill, and others.

After the chapter was opened by the Principals the minutes were read and verified, and on a ballot being taken, Bro. Augustus Harris, 909, was unanimously elected, and on being introduced by the P.S., was exalted to the Degree of H.R.A. Letters of apology were read from Comps. Viscount Molesworth, F. Binckes, H.; and several others for unavoidable absence.

The chapter was closed with the accustomed solemnity, and the companions afterwards banqueted at the Holborn Restaurant.

ROYAL ALBERT CHAPTER (No. 907).—The quarterly convocation of this rising chapter was held on Thursday evening, the 10th inst., at the White Hart Tavern, Abchurch-lane, E.C. Present: Comps. Thomas Griffiths, P.Z., as M.E.Z.; Henry J. Lardner, H.; F. A. White, P.Z., as J.; T. Burne, S.E.; J. Lyon, S.N.; W. H. Causton, P.S.; J. Young, 2nd A.S.; T. Hastings-Miller, P.Z.; and J. K. Coleman, P.Z. Visitors: Comps. T. Butt, P.Z.; and H. S. Clements, M.E.Z.

The minutes of the last regular convocation having been read and confirmed, the candidate, who had been duly elected at that convocation, Bro. Sir Francis Charles Knowles, Bart., of Mayfield, Ryde, Isle of Wight, Prov. G.W. designate, Sussex, W.M. of the Gordon Lodge, No. 1726, Bognor, was duly exalted into the mysteries of Royal Arch Masonry. The ceremony was of more than usual interest owing to the advanced age of the exalte (born 10th June, 1802), and was faultlessly rendered by Comps. T. Griffiths, P.Z., acting as M.E.Z.; H. J. Lardner, H.; F. A. White, P.Z., acting as J.; and W. H. Causton, P.S.

The election of principals and officers was the next business on the agenda, when the ballot proved unanimously in favour of Comps. H. J. Lardner, as M.E.Z.; R. Jennings, as H.; W. H. Causton, as J.; T. Burne, as S.E.; J. Lyon, as S.N.; F. J. Van der Pant, as P.S.; and J. A. Farnfield, as Treasurer. The Audit Committee having been appointed, the usual P.Z. jewel was then unanimously voted to the retiring M.E.Z., Comp. T. Barr, who, to the great regret of the companions, was through illness unable to be present.

Nothing further offering, the convocation was adjourned, and the companions then proceeded to the banquet room, where, as usual, a most excellent repast was served under the personal direction of the most able and courteous of hosts—Comp. G. Anderson.

BACUP.—Chapter of Strength (No. 286).—The installation festival was held on Thursday, the 10th inst., at the Masonic Rooms, Green Man Hotel. There were present Comps. J. E. Wright, Z.; D. Hargreaves, H.; Jas. Shuttleworth, J.; Richard Lord, S.E.; J. Nuttall, S.N.; John Plane, P.S.; W. Greenhalgh, Asst. Soj.; John

Wilson, P.Z.; John Crossley, P.Z.; Jas. Pilling, P.Z.; Richard Harris, Daniel Lord, James Lord, and others. Visitors: Comps. J. H. Sillitoe, P.Z., P.G.J.; Joseph Harling, P.Z. 285; and Jas. Collinge, S.N. 285.

After the chapter had been properly opened, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed, Comp. Sillitoe proceeded to instal the principals and invest the officers for the ensuing year, viz.: Comps. Hargreaves, Z.; Shuttleworth, H.; Nuttall, J.; R. Lord, S.E.; Daniel Lord, S.N.; P. Harris, P.S.; J. Plane, 1st Asst. Soj.; W. Greenhalgh, 2nd Asst. Soj.; Harris, Treas.; and H. Maden, Janitor.

At the close of the ceremony Comp. Wright proposed, and Comp. Shuttleworth seconded, a vote of thanks to Comp. Sillitoe, which was carried with acclamation.

The chapter was closed and the companions adjourned to the Market Hotel, where the host, Comp. James Lord, had prepared a sumptuous banquet, which reflected the greatest credit on himself and the worthy hostess, Mrs. Lord, and which was heartily enjoyed by all who partook of it. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

"The Health of Comp. Sillitoe" was proposed by the M.E.Z. in felicitous terms, and drunk with great cordiality and enthusiasm.

The toasts of "The Newly Installed Principals"; "The I.P.Z."; "The Officers"; "The Visitors"; "The Host and Hostess"; and "All Poor and Distressed Masons" were proposed and suitably responded to.

During the evening Comps. J. Lord, R. Harris, and J. Wilson enlivened the proceedings with some capital songs.

INSTRUCTION.

NORTH LONDON CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT (No. 1471).—A convocation was held at the Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's-road, Canonbury, N., on Thursday, the 10th inst., when there were present Comps. G. Gregory, P.Z., Z.; H. E. Dehane, H.; J. Strugnell, J.; J. E. Sheffield, S.E.; T. J. Bird, S.N.; S. George, P.S.; T. C. Edmunds, Preceptor.

The minutes of the last convocation were read and confirmed, and the ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Edmunds as candidate. A ballot was then taken, and Comp. Strugnell was successful, and decided to place it on Comp. Storr's list for the R.M.B.I. at the next festival. A vote of thanks was passed to Comps. Gregory, Dehane, and George for their trouble in scrutinizing the attendances of the companions entitled to participate in the ballot. This is now the third ballot that has been drawn out of the very small fees paid for attendance in a little over two years, showing that there has been an evident desire by the companions to profit by the instruction to be obtained at this comfortable chapter of improvement. Nothing further offering for the good of R.A. Masonry, the chapter was closed, after the election of officers for the next meeting, when Comp. Strugnell will be Z.

Mark Masonry.

STONEHOUSE.—Sincerity Lodge (No. 35).—A meeting of this lodge was held on Monday, the 7th inst., at St. George's Hall. W. Bro. R. H. Rae, P.M., P.P.G.T., presided. During the evening a handsome tracing-board of the degree, the gift of Bro. Lemon, was accepted by the lodge. It is the only tracing-board of the kind at present in possession of the Mark brethren of the Three Towns. Bro. Lemon said that on his recent visit to London to accept the office of Grand Chaplain of the Order, it occurred to him, on seeing several tracing-boards there, that his lodge ought also to have one. Thanks were voted him for his kind consideration, which Bro. Rae said would be much appreciated by the brethren of the lodge and the brethren in the province generally, amongst whom, also, Bro. Lemon is well known and much esteemed. The tracing-board is to bear the following inscription: "Presented to the Lodge of Sincerity, No. 35, Mark Master Masons, by the Very Worshipful Bro. the Rev. T. W. Lemon, M.A., 31^o, P.M. and Chaplain No. 35, P.P.G.C. of Devon, Grand Chaplain of England, September 7th, 1885.

CHORLEY.—Lawrence Lodge (No. 313).—The annual installation meeting of this lodge was held at the Masonic Rooms, Town Hall, on Wednesday, the 9th inst., the following brethren being present: Bros. James Lawrence, P.P.G.S.W. Lancashire, W.M.; James Corbitt, Prov. G.A.D.C., S.W., W.M. elect; J. M. Kerr, J.W.; John Heald, M.O.; L. Eccles, Sec.; John Bradshaw, Prov. G. Stwd., S.D.; Dr. Farmer, J.D.; J. B. Withnell, I.G.; James B. Cardwell, Prov. G. Treas. Lancashire; Thomas Sharples, Prov. G. Stwd.; James D. Murray, Past Grand Standard Bearer England, Installing Master; Peter Yates, D.C.; A. G. Bird, and James Jolly, Tyler.

The lodge was opened in the usual form by the W.M., and the minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. Correspondence and letters of apology for non-attendance were read. Bro. J. D. Murray then assumed the chair, and Bro. James Corbitt, S.W., W.M. elect, was presented for installation by Bro. James Lawrence, P.P. G.S.W., and, after the usual preliminaries, was duly installed as second W.M. of the Lawrence Lodge, Bro. Lawrence having been Master for over two years. Bro. Corbitt then appointed and invested his officers as follows: Bros. James Lawrence, I.P.M.; J. M. Kerr, S.W.; John Heald, J.W.; Robert Irving, M.O.; A. Hall, S.O.; John Bradshaw, Prov. G. Stwd., J.O.; T. F. Jackson, P.G. Stwd., S.D.; J. B. Withnell, J.D.; Dr. Farmer, Sec.; Thos. Sharples, Prov. G. Stwd., I.G.; and James Jolly, Tyler. Bro. Grimshaw was re-appointed Organist, and Bro. Peter Yates, D.C. The lodge was then closed and the brethren adjourned.

Order of the Temple.

YORK.—Ancient Ebor Preceptory (No. 101).—On Tuesday, the 8th inst., a meeting of this body took place at the Masonic Hall, when in the absence of the E.P., Frater T. B. Whythead, P., presided. There were also present Preceptors W. Lawton, G. Simpson, and M. Millington, and Frater W. Brown, J. T. Seller, Major McGachin, and others. Comp. W. Watson having been balloted for, was installed as a member of the Order. The remainder of the business was of a formal nature, and the members subsequently supped together.

Scotland.

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

It has been arranged that the Grand Master Mason of Scotland, Col. Sir Archibald C. Campbell, of Blythswood, Bart., accompanied by a deputation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, will to-day (Friday), at half-past one o'clock, lay the foundation stone of the new public buildings at Kirriemuir. To-morrow (Saturday), at one o'clock, the Grand Master will install the Earl of Mar and Kellie as Provincial Grand Master of Stirlingshire in the Masonic Hall at Alloa. At noon the Grand Master will present to the Countess of Mar and Kellie the bust of Lord Mar and Kellie, subscribed for by the Grand Lodge and members thereof on the occasion of his lordship retiring from the throne of Scottish Freemasonry.

PRESENTATION TO A BIRKENHEAD FREEMASON.

Bro. Hugh D. Roberts, ironmonger, of Church-road, Higher Tranmere, having determined to emigrate to Florida, his brother Freemasons in Birkenhead and Seacombe presented him with farewell addresses a few days ago. Bro. Roberts has been for some years past connected with the Warren Lodge, Seacombe, No. 1276, of which he has latterly been Secretary. He is also at present P.G.I.G. of Mark Master Masons of Cheshire. The address from the Warren Lodge expressed sincere regret at the severance of the fraternal intercourse which had existed for so many years, and the decision of the brethren to record on the minute book their appreciation of Bro. Roberts's zeal for the good of the Order, his fidelity and ability in the various offices he had filled in the lodge, and their earnest wishes that he might have God speed in his new career. The signatories to this address were Bros. E. G. Mason, W.M.; Robert James, S.W.; T. B. Hughes, J.W.; Geo. Allister, I.P.M.; Richard Luke, S.D.; W. Worth, J.D.; Alfred Fay, I.G.; Henry Matthews, P.M., D.C., P.P.G.S. of Cheshire; and W. Jones, P.P.G.S. of Cheshire.

Bro. Roberts also received an address from the members of the De Tabley Chapter, No. 605, of Holy Royal Arch Masons, who meet at the Queen's Hotel, Birkenhead. He held the office of Scribe E. in this chapter during the past year. This address was signed by Comps. J. R. Simm, Z.; Owen Jones, H.; T. M. Bleakley, J.; and J. Gamlin, E. Bro. Roberts sailed on the 9th inst., with his wife and family, per the City of Rome.

ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY OF THE SOUTHDOWN MARK LODGE, No. 164.

The Southdown Lodge of Mark Master Masons, No. 164, held their annual garden party at the Station Hotel, on Friday afternoon, the 28th ult. The lodge first met for business, and was presided over by the W.M., Bro. R. B. Y. Powell. Although the weather was cold and unpropitious, some of the company indulged in lawn tennis and other games. The banquet was held in the Corn Exchange, which had been tastefully furnished by Mrs. and Miss Golding. The tables were bountifully spread with choice viands, and was quite a picture for arrangement. Bro. R. B. Y. Powell, W.M., presided, and Bro. and Host Golding, J.O., occupied the vice-chair. The company comprised Bro. J. Saxby; Bro. H. W. G. Abell, Sec., and 75, Miss Abell, and Miss Roby; Bro. C. Clarke, J.W.; Bro. J. J. Abell, 75, and Mrs. Abell; Bro. Grinberg and friends; Bro. E. Cully, 1726, and Mrs. Cully; Mr. and Mrs. Belcher and son; Mr. S. and the Misses Powell; Mr. Howell; Mr. and Miss Golding; Mr. and Mrs. Earr; Mrs. Plomer; and others. After a short toast list, the room was cleared for dancing, which was enjoyed until 11 o'clock. The music was supplied by Mr. Devin, of Brighton.

A MASONIC DOG.

We often hear of "The Regimental Dog," or "Bob, the Fireman's Dog," but seldom do we hear of "A Masonic Dog." However, such an animal exists in Bacup. "Spot," a favourite terrier belonging to a member of the fraternity in that town, has for some years past been accustomed to accompany his master to the meetings of both the lodge and chapter. He behaves with the greatest decorum, and watches with seeming interest the working of the different ceremonies. At the festive board "Spot" plays an active part, and the sagacity he displays is marvellous. When told to sit in any particular place, he goes straight to it, and when asked whether he would like anything, he answers with a "sniff." When told to speak up, he "sniffs" twice in a louder key, and in response to "Louder still," his sniff is almost a bark.

"Spot" knows his master's Masonic apron case so well that when he sees him take it out, and is told to go and wait, he goes straight to the lodge-room. He is well known amongst the school children in the town, and may frequently be seen marching along on his hind legs between two children with a fore paw in the hand of each.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

BIRTHS.

BLAXLAND.—On the 15th inst., at Old Brompton, Chatham, the wife of Capt. A. H. Blaxland, Royal Marine Light Infantry, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

CLARKE—SAUNDER.—On the 9th inst., at the parish church, Morchard Bishop, Devon, R. Clarke, of Blackborough, Cullumpton, to Matilda Jane, daughter of the late P. Saunder, Esq., of Rudge, and Lapford Court, Morchard Bishop, Devon.

DEATHS.

DOHERTY.—On the 15th inst., at Vernon House, Weston-park, Bath, General Henry Edward Doherty, C.B., late 14th Hussars.

McFADEN.—On the 28th ult., at Redesdale, Northumberland, aged 75, Jessie, for 55 years the beloved wife of Donald McFaden, and mother of Bro. McFaden, Bridlington Quay.



"I have left it behind me," was Bro. Augustus Harris's remark on Saturday night, when called before the curtain to make a speech at the close of the performance, and he contented himself with thanking the audience on behalf of all those engaged in the piece. When he hoped he might call it a success, the stalls, pit, dress circle, and gallery shouted unanimously "Yes." "Human Nature," which is the joint work of Bro. Augustus Harris and Mr. Pettitt, must be pronounced a decidedly welcome addition to the dramas of the day, and doubtless, though its expenses must be enormous, it will be a big financial success. We do not say there is anything very new in its plot. We still have the husband and wife separated by the false tongues of an adventuresome and a man, even worse than she is. The lawyer's clerk who "splits," the stolen child, the wicked solicitor, all are there, and so is a battle scene of the Soudan; but these are so cleverly worked up, that they seem all new. During the five acts of the drama it would not be possible to mention one scene which can be said to be tedious or out of place. The grand spectacular effects are dovetailed in as not to appear as if they have nothing to do with the play. Captain Temple is an officer in the Army. In his absence on service his wife engages an old school friend to be a companion to her. This Cora Grey is an adventuresome whom Temple has known in years gone by, and whose face he never wishes to see again. Mrs. Temple has also welcomed to her house a Frenchman, one Paul de Vigne, who is a friend of her husband, and engaged with him in an invention. But the designs of these two people are not good. The former seeks to win the affections of the husband, and the latter of Mrs. Temple. Captain Temple returns home, and is introduced by his wife to her companion, whom, when he gets her alone, he orders to leave his house, as not fit to associate with his wife and child. He tells De Vigne that their patent has proved a failure, and that he must ask De Vigne to pay up his share of the expenses. This man backs out of the transaction, and says he was not a partner, and instead of being his debtor, he must ask Capt. Temple to hand him a cheque for money advanced. Temple informs his wife he will have to go to London that night to raise the money demanded by the morning. The scoundrel De Vigne gets an interview with Mrs. Temple, and offers to forego the debt at the expense of her dishonouring her husband. Cora Grey knows of the difference between De Vigne and Temple, and persuades Mrs. Temple to write a letter to De Vigne, thereby becoming the possessor of an envelope addressed in Mrs. Temple's handwriting to De Vigne. She then gets Mrs. Temple to ask another friend to come and see her, mentioning that her husband goes to London that night. After Mrs. Temple has gone into the house, Cora Grey opens the latter letter and places it in the envelope, together with the key of the conservatory, and then declares to Capt. Temple that his wife is not faithful. As Temple is going to the station she offers to prove his wife's infidelity if he will wait a bit. Temple will not hear a word, but, as a servant is approaching, asks her where she has come from. The girl replies she has just left a letter from Mrs. Temple at Mr. De Vigne's. His jealousy is at last aroused. He waits, and then sees the Frenchman creep into the garden, open the conservatory which leads into Mrs. Temple's rooms. The scene changes, and De Vigne is seen inside the house waiting—as he thinks—for the lady who has made the appointment. Mrs. Temple enters the room, when the villain makes his overtures, and at the same time, before she has had time to call for assistance, the window is burst in, and Temple throws her on the floor, exclaiming to De Vigne, "My reckoning is with you." Temple is ordered abroad, he places his affairs in the hands of his cousin, a solicitor, who is even a greater scoundrel than Cora Grey. He asks him to arrange a judicial separation, but Hawker, to suit his own ends, obtains a decree nisi, which Temple did not seek, his object being by this to gain possession of Temple's little son, who stands between him and a large fortune. As Temple's next-of-kin the Court orders him to have the custody of the child, which he steals from the mother, and hands over to a brutal pair, making it pretty plain to them that the death of the child will be welcome. Mrs. Temple, of course, tries to find her boy. In this she is helped by the lawyer's clerk, who gives her all information, and keeps her posted up in Hawker's doings. When charged by Hawker as an accomplice of Mrs. Temple he owns to it, and adds that "I was engaged to you as a clerk, not as a bloodhound." The interest now reverts to the Soudan. De Vigne has enlisted in the service of the Mahdi—an allusion to Olivier Pain. Here takes place one of the most realistic scenes, such as Bro. A. Harris treats his patrons to. We have the troops in their tropical uniform inside a zareba. They are called to go forward at the dead of night under the charge of Temple. He meets De Vigne, who has fled from his troops. The latter, thinking he is dying, confesses Mrs. Temple's innocence. Shortly after this he is shot down by the Egyptians and dies there. And if the French nation do not know how the traitor, Olivier Pain, has died, Bro. Harris is able to explain all, and shows us it. The next scene shows us the triumphant entry of the troops on their return from the Soudan through London. We have Trafalgar-square, with the crowds of people being kept back by the police, both mounted and on foot; Landseer's lions swarmed upon, and views of the Grand Hotel and the Liberal Club on either side of the Northumberland-avenue. This is the finest scene of all. Over 600 people are employed on the stage in this, one of the largest things that Bro. Harris has attempted. We need follow the plot no further to explain how the hero and heroine are again united, the lawyer's clerk rewarded, and married to Mrs. Temple's "help," the solicitor handed over to justice, or the adventuresome killed by the husband she deserted before the curtain rises. Of the acting, Miss Isabel Bateman, as Mrs. Temple, takes her audience with her throughout, and sustains with deep emotion the part of the wronged wife. Bro. Henry Neville is always suited to such parts as Capt. Temple, who loves and honours his wife, and does everything that is noble. Mr. Harry Nicholls, the clerk, is intensely amusing; he creates his part. Mr. Clynds we felt

a little disappointed with. Miss Emmeline Ormsby, who has not been seen on the stage since the days of "Claudian," acts her character of the adventuresome with success. We should say "Human Nature" is likely to go on until the pantomime season, for it is a play which interests alike stalls, pit, and gallery. * * *

Bro. Henry Irving did well when he told his audience, on Saturday week last, that he had not brought them a new play. No such thing is required for many a long day. It has been our good fortune to see Bro. Irving in most of his characters, and we think, not excepting Mathias in "The Bells," Richelieu, Charles I., Benedict, or Shylock, we like his Dr. Primrose in "Olivia" the best. This delightful play of Mr. Wills was still in its full swing when the lessee, for the purpose of a holiday and renovation of his theatre, closed the house. The auditorium has completely changed its aspect. The proscenium, the ceiling, and the fronts of the several tiers have a white ground, being picked out in gold and colours. The drapery is now saffron colour, which makes the house at once bright and rich. The stalls have been altered by making the passages between each row wider. The gallery has had its roof heightened, and the stage can be clearly seen from every part of the theatre. The ventilation and exits have not been forgotten in the alterations. Probably our readers are familiar with Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield." Miss Ellen Terry also has never been seen to greater advantage; she seems to become possessed by her part, and throws her whole soul into what she is doing. Spirited and bright in the first act, she rises in the second act—when parting with her mother, sister, and little brothers, and bids the latter always to pray for her, into what is nothing short of genius. It must be a callous heart indeed that cannot feel all Miss Terry says as Olivia, when she addresses each member of the family in a way that means such a lot to her, though they only think of her leaving home for a situation. Then again in the third act, when she gets home, sick, and her believed-to-be husband gives her leave to go home and see her parents, her joy and innocent delight, like a little child's, is something to be remembered for long; then the sudden shock when Thornhill opens her eyes to the perfidy that he has accomplished, and tells her she is not married; then her reproaches to the man who has done this, and whom she loves, and the meeting of her father and falling on his breast for forgiveness—all these are so splendidly acted that one begins to think from their naturalness that they are real. Bro. Irving endows the part of Dr. Primrose with a refined dignity, carrying a sad expression to his indications of a kindly humour. Who could not help loving and feeling for that dear old country parson, as interpreted by Bro. Irving? When he finds his run-away daughter, who is broken-hearted at the disgrace she has brought on her own family, the audience feels the emotion in the words "for me thou hast no stain." Mr. Terriss is admirable also as the selfish, yet not entirely debased young squire. In Olivia there is not a line nor a word at which any one could carp. No one can see that play without going away the better for it. "Olivia," as acted at the Lyceum, is a play one could see over and over again without being wearied. With Bro. Irving's dignified, yet warm hearted, forgiving, Dr. Primrose, and Miss Terry's unsurpassable Olivia, the play deserves a long success, which doubtless it will have. * * *

"The Japs" is to be produced to-night (Saturday), at the Novelty. It has met with success and been well received at Bristol and Brighton, and is said to spell success. Bro. Brough's part, which is not so good as in the last burlesque, will probably be worked up for the London audience. We hear there are some good songs in it.

Obituary.

BRO. GEO. TOWNSEND, P.M. 820 and 754.

We have received the sad news of the death of our above-named and esteemed brother, which event occurred on the 13th inst. at his residence, Little Hermitage-street, Wapping. Bro. Townsend was in his sixty-second year, and he succumbed to an attack of dropsy. He was a Past Master of the High Cross Lodge, No. 954, and of the Prince Leopold Lodge, No. 1445, being one of the founders of the last-named lodge, which was consecrated at his premises, and for years had its home in the Sandringham-road, Dalston. Bro. Townsend was a subscriber to all the Charities, and was also distinguished in private life by the exercise of that distinguishing characteristic of the Craft—Charity. Upon one of the members of Lodge 1445 dying and leaving four little ones wholly unprovided for, our brother nobly undertook the care of them, educating and fitting them to take each a place in the battle of life. Soon after his niece was left with three children, and Bro. Townsend again undertook charge of these, and was doing his best for them at the time of his decease. These efforts of kindly benevolence have, we fear, not permitted our late brother to leave behind him much of this world's gear; but we may rejoice together in that he is now in possession of those riches which perish not, and is now receiving the reward promised by Him who divinely said, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of these, ye did it unto Me." So mote it be!

BRO. H. C. WELCH.

Bro. H. C. Welch, one of the Divisional Officers of Inland Revenue situated at Colchester, and residing in Roman-road, died rather suddenly at his residence on Friday afternoon, the 4th inst., after a short illness, at the early age of 35 years. The deceased, who was a member of the United Lodge (which meets at the George Hotel), leaves a wife and one child, was much respected by all who knew him. The funeral took place at the Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon, the 9th inst., the service being performed by the Rev. N. P. Gepp (rector of St. James's). As a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, Mr. G. Curtis, Mr. W. H. Ginger, and Mr. G. Campbell attended from the Inland Revenue Office, and between 20 and 30 Freemasons also attended, and according to custom each deposited a white glove and sprig of acacia on the coffin. The members of the Craft included Bros. T. J. Bailey, T. Rix, T. Eustace, G. Eustace, G. P. Hazell, J. Howe, R. Godfrey, J. Ashdown, J. G. Renshaw, A. Ward, J. G. Potton, D. Page, T. Skingley, J. Hart, C. Frost, United Lodge; F. Quilter, C. E. Denton, H. E. Williams, A. O. Stopes, Angel Lodge; Jackson, Blackwater Lodge; Drake, Bowles, and others.



Bro. the Earl and Countess Granville left their residence in Carlton House-terrace for Walmer Castle on Saturday last.

R.W. Bro. Sir M. E. Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., Chancellor of the Exchequer, will address a Conservative meeting at Salisbury on Wednesday, the 30th inst.

The veteran actor, Bro. W. Creswick, will take his benefit at Drury Lane Theatre on Thursday, the 29th October.

Bro. the Bishop of Peterborough made his first appearance in public, since his illness, on Thursday, the 10th inst., when his lordship opened some new schools in connection with St. Mark's, Peterborough.

R.W. Bro. the Marquis of Hartington, M.P., has been one of the party of guests entertained by Bro. Christopher Sykes, M.P., at Branlingham Thorpe, during the present week.

Bro. Sir H. Drummond Wolff, M.P., has written to the chairman of the Portsmouth Conservative Association to say that he hopes to return to England in time for the General Election in November.

Bro. the Earl of Donoughmore, P.G.W., has been elected, subject to the approval of the Chilean Minister in England, member of the Committee on Peruvian Bonds in place of Mr. W. T. Morrison resigned.

Bro. the Earl and Countess of Carnarvon met with a hearty welcome on their arrival at Londonderry on Saturday last, and, after lunch with the High Sheriff, left for Baron's Court, the seat of Bro. the Duke of Abercorn, G.M. of Ireland.

The Capper Lodge, No. 1076, resumed its meetings for the season on Thursday, the 17th inst., at the Guildhall Tavern, the chair being occupied by Bro. W. Trevins, W.M., who was supported by his wardens and other officers.

The Supreme Council, 33°, of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern jurisdiction of the United States, was to hold its stated triennial meeting in the Masonic Hall, Boston, Massachusetts, on Tuesday, the 15th inst.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., will open the West London Art and Industrial Exhibition at Queen's Park tomorrow (Saturday), and on Thursday next, the 24th inst., his lordship will visit the new borough of Norwood, on the occasion of opening the new Public Hall.

Bro. Sir E. Watkin, Bart., M.P., and several directors of the South Eastern Railway Company visited Sandwich Haven on Saturday last, their object being to consider a scheme for the navigation of the Stour, with a view to reviving the former commercial importance of Sandwich.

We are requested to announce that the Prince Leopold Lodge of Instruction, No. 1445, held at Bro. Myers Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, E., will resume its working on Monday, the 23rd inst., when a good muster is confidently anticipated. Lodge opens at 7 prompt. Brethren are cordially invited.

Bro. Lord and Lady Carrington were entertained at luncheon on Thursday, the 10th inst., by the Mayor and Corporation of Wycombe previous to their departure for New South Wales. Among the principal guests were Bros. Sir Charles Palmer, Bart., F. Knollys, C.B., Lieut.-Col. G. Smith, M.P., and others.

The Fifteen Sections will be worked on the 27th inst., at the Israel Lodge of Instruction, No. 205, Rising Sun, 248, Globe-road, Mile End-road, E., near Globe Road Station, G.E.R. The veteran worker and Preceptor, Bro. T. J. Barnes, P.M. 554, 933, &c., will preside, and will be supported by very eminent workers. Brethren are cordially invited. Lodge opens at 7 o'clock p.m. prompt. Bro. W. Musto, P.M. 1349, Preceptor. Bros. G. H. Stephens, P.M. 1623, and A. W. Price, 1623, Hon. Secs.

The installation meeting of the West Smithfield Lodge, No. 1623, took place on Thursday, the 10th inst., at Freemasons' Hall, W.C. Bro. J. J. Howes, S.W., and W.M. elect, was ably installed W.M. by his predecessor, Bro. G. H. Stephens, I.P.M., who received a very handsome presentation Past Master's jewel in token of the esteem and appreciation of the brethren, for the manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the lodge during his year of office just ended. The brethren subsequently banqueted at the Holborn Restaurant. We trust to give a report in our next issue.

By command of Bro. the Right Hon. Lord de Tabley, R.W.P.G.M., the annual Provincial Grand Lodge meeting of Cheshire Freemasons will be held at the Music Hall, Cloughton-road, Birkenhead, on the 23rd inst., under the presidency of Bro. the Right Hon. Lord Egerton of Tatton, D.P.G.M., for the purpose of transacting the usual business of the division. The agenda paper contains a notice of the following motion by Bro. John Wood, P.P.G.S.W.:—"That a grant of 50 guineas be made from the funds of the province to the Royal Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons." The brethren will, after business, attend Divine service at St. Anne's Church, Beckwith-street, where a collection will be made in aid of the Provincial Fund of Benevolence and the Wirral Children's Hospital.

The death is reported as having occurred in New York, on the 6th July last, of Bro. Lieut.-Commander H. H. Goringe, United States Navy, whose name will always be associated with the removal of the Egyptian obelisk, presented by the Khedive of Egypt to the United States, from Alexandria to Central Park, New York. Bro. Goringe was only 45 years of age, and his death, the consequence of an accident he met with in December last when boarding a train in motion in Philadelphia, and he received injuries to his spine which have thus proved fatal. The deceased was born in Tobago, and having entered the United States Navy before the mast during the Civil War, rose rapidly to the rank of Lieut.-Commander.

The proposed visit of Bro. Lord Randolph Churchill to Sunderland on the 6th October next has been postponed on the score of ill health.

Bro. Baron Henry de Worms, M.P., has resigned his candidature for Greenwich, and will stand in the Conservative interest for the Toxteth Division of Liverpool.

It seems the Grand Lodge of Connecticut recognises public installations; but has ordained that they shall be performed when the lodges are "called off."

The Baroness Burdett Coutts has taken Heydon Hall, near Norwich, the seat of the Bulwer family, and intends to reside in Norfolk.

Bros. the Hon. W. Vernon and Sir Joseph Devereux were among those present at the funeral in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, and St. Andrew's Churchyard, Clewer, on Tuesday, of the Rev. Canon Frederick Anson.

The Sheriffs of London and Middlesex—Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Whitehead and Sheriff Phillips—have issued invitations to a farewell banquet to be given by them at Drapers' Hall on Wednesday next, the 23rd inst.

Bro. the Earl of Dalhousie will preside at the 221st anniversary festival of the Scottish Corporation, to be held on the 30th November next, being St. Andrew's Bro. Day.

It seems there are, according to the latest returns, 12,698 subscribing Masons in the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, being an increase of 294 over the previous year. The dues amount to 6476 dollars.

A new Masonic Hall, at Battle Creek, Michigan, said to be the first in the State, with the exception of that at Detroit, was completed and solemnly dedicated to the service of the Craft on the 19th August last.

Bro. Sir John Bennett presented a silver watch to the highest scorer on the winning side in the recent cricket match between the Chiselhurst Fire Brigade and the R. Division of police.

Bro. Sir Edward Watkin, Bart., M.P., presided on Friday, the 11th inst., at a meeting held at the central offices of the Liberty and Property Defence League, when a series of test questions, to be asked of candidates at elections for Parliament, were considered and adopted.

Bro. T. Bowman Spink presided on Wednesday, the 9th inst., at a meeting of the Westminster Board of Works, when matters relating to the School Board of London were submitted and agreed to be referred to the Parliamentary Committee, power being given to consider the whole question of educational expenditure.

Bro. the Lord Mayor has invited Bro. General Sir F. Roberts, the new Commander-in-Chief in India, to a banquet at the Mansion House, and it is expected that, if the latter accepts the invitation, the dinner will take place at an early date, as it is believed the gallant general's stay in England will be of short duration.

On Friday last, the 11th inst., the Prince of Wales privately inspected the scientific collections of the University of Christiania, and the following day Oscar's Hall and an old church. On Sunday his Royal Highness attended Divine service at the Anglican Church, and later in the day left for Vredensborg, where he arrived at noon on Monday.

According to the latest statistics to hand, there are 2379 subscribing members in the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Florida, while, as regards funds, the two sides of the account appear to be pretty nearly balanced, the total on the Dr. side being 2692 dollars as against appropriations amounting to nearly 2642 dollars, the trifling balance of 50 dollars (£10) being, at all events, on the right side of the account.

The usual monthly meeting of the Star in the East Lodge, No. 650, Harwich, was held on Tuesday, the 8th inst., when a large number of the brethren were present, and the W.M., Bro. F. R. Hales, presided. The business included the election of Worshipful Master for the year ensuing, and the choice of the brethren fell upon Bro. M. L. Sanders, who was elected unanimously.

We are asked to state that the Metropolitan Chapter of Improvement will commence its session on the first Tuesday in October, at the White Hart, Abchurch-lane, corner of Cannon-street, at half-past six o'clock, and the Preceptor, Comp. Brown, will be glad to see a good muster of the members and their friends on that and every succeeding Tuesday; the work is usually over about eight o'clock, thus enabling all to reach their homes at an early hour.

Bro. the Lord Mayor stated on entering the justice room of the Mansion House on Thursday, the 10th inst., that he had received many letters suggesting that a subscription should be opened at the Mansion House for the relief of the sufferers from the cholera in Spain; that he had accordingly obtained the consent of a number of gentlemen to act together as a committee with a view to giving effect to the proposal, and that any moneys contributed would be at once forwarded to Madrid. His lordship concluded his remarks by appealing to the public for assistance.

Bro. the Lord Mayor, M.P., accompanied by Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Whitehead, paid an official visit of inspection to West Ham Park on Thursday, the 10th inst., and when the tour of the grounds had been made, the party were entertained at a *déjeuner* in Church Hall, Meeson-road, the caterers being Messrs. Ritter and Clifford, of the Guildhall Tavern. Among those who accepted invitations to be present were Bros. Alderman Sir F. W. Truscott, P.G.W., Alderman Gray, Sir John Bennett, H. H. Lavington, T. Loveridge, H. B. Marshall, P.G.T., W. H. Pannell, L. F. Littell, P.G.P., J. W. Goodinge, and others.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Epidemic Diseases.—The alarming accounts prevailing of the cholera and the diarrhoea should be a warning to everyone to subdue at once any irregularity tending towards disease. Holloway's Pills should now be in every household to rectify all impure states of the blood, to remedy weakness, and to overcome impaired general health. Nothing can be simpler than the instructions for taking this corrective medicine, nothing more efficient than its cleansing powers, nothing more harmless than its vegetable ingredients. Holloway's is the best physic during the autumnal season, when decaying fruits and unwholesome vegetables are frequently deranging the bowels, and daily exposing thousands, through their own negligence in permitting disordered action, to the dangers of diarrhoea, dysentery, and cholera.—[Adv't.]

The Mansion House Fund for the relief of the sufferers from the cholera in Spain had reached about £1800 on Wednesday, and contributions have been since received.

The Prince of Wales will to-morrow (Saturday) lay the foundation-stone of the new English Church about to be erected in Copenhagen.

Bro. J. E. Simmons, Past Grand Master of New York, and Masonic editor of the *New York Dispatch*, has had the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws conferred upon him by the University of Vermont.

Bro. the Right Hon. Hugh C. E. Childers, M.P., has arrived at Pontefract from the Lake District, where he had been staying for some weeks past, to the marked improvement of his health.

We are asked to state that the case No. 10, on the list of candidates for the Girls' School, is described as having a mother living. We are informed it should have been "Stepmother."

A marriage is arranged between the Hon. Louis Greville, third son of the Earl of Warwick, and brother of R.W. Bro. Lord Brooke, M.P., P.G.M. Essex, with Miss Lily Gordon, daughter of the late Mr. J. H. Gordon.

Bro. the Lord Mayor opened the September session of the Central Criminal Court at the Old Bailey on Monday, Bros. Alderman Gray, Alderman Evans, and Alderman and Sheriff Whitehead being among those who accompanied his lordship.

On the 17th ult., Bro. Frank R. Lawrence, G. Master of New York, was presented with a very elegant and costly Grand Master's jewel, the presentation being made by Bro. E. M. L. Ehlers, G. Secretary, on behalf of Washington E. Connor, Grand Marshal.

Bro. the Lord Mayor presided at a meeting held at the Cannon-street Hotel on Wednesday afternoon. There was a numerous gathering of persons interested in South African matters, the subject of consideration being the return home to this country from Bechuanaland of Bro. Sir Charles Warren.

At the Quarterly Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania, which was appointed to be held at the Masonic Hall, Philadelphia, on the 3rd inst., the R.A. Degree was to be exemplified by M.E. Grand H.P. Comp. G. W. Kendrick, assisted by his Grand Officers.

To-day (Friday) there will be a grand programme of military music at the Promenade Concerts, Covent Garden, in celebration of the return of the Guards from Egypt. Several additional bands have been engaged, and Bro. Maybrick will sing a new military song composed expressly for the occasion.

It is said that Her Majesty's acting Consul-General at Frankfort has received a copy of a letter addressed by the Prefect of Police of that city to Mr. Ex-Sheriff Wragg, containing an apology to Bro. Major Chas. Harding, Miss Harding, Mr. Wragg, and the other English tourists for the treatment they were recently subjected to when arrested. This copy has been handed to His Excellency, Bro. Sir E. Malet, G.C.B., our Ambassador at Berlin, who is still staying at Homburg.

A second concert was given on the 8th July last, in the Town Hall, Bombay, under the auspices of the Masonic Fraternity in that city in aid of the Distressed Mariners' Fund. The brethren mustered in goodly numbers, wearing their clothing and regalia, but the public were not in such force as on the first occasion, owing, probably to the state of the weather. The concert, however, was most successful, and we shall be glad to hear that the Distressed Mariners' Fund has appreciably benefited by the two entertainments held in its behalf.

The Bishop of La Paz, in Peru, has been deservedly snubbed for his pains. It seems that some time since the right reverend gentleman, in the belief that Freemasonry must be put down at all hazards, wrote, and called the attention of the President of that State to the progress the Craft had latterly been making, and expressing it as his opinion that such progress was evidence of a neglect of duty on the part of the Government. The President of Peru does not, however, appear to have attached much importance to the bishop's complaint, and wrote him, in reply, his belief that freedom of thought was to be supported, not suppressed.

The *Keystone* of Philadelphia, in one of its recent numbers has a brief, but appreciative, notice of Bro. Joseph E. Bowen, whose death occurred on the 23rd August last, the event being no doubt hastened by an accident which befel Bro. Bowen some four weeks previously, when he fell and broke his thigh. The deceased was in the 94th year of his age, and in December 1817, that is 68 years since, was installed the first W.M. of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 155, Philadelphia. Bro. Bowen was re-elected to the chair in 1818 for a second term of office, and on his retirement from that position, was appointed Secretary, an office he continued to hold for the next 25 years. Bro. Bowen was the oldest member of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and, indeed, was considered to be the oldest Mason in the jurisdiction. His funeral was arranged to take place on the 30th August, in Mount Moriah Cemetery.

The corner-stone of the New School Buildings of All Saints, Parish of All Saints, Beaconsfield, Griculand West, was laid with full Masonic ceremonial by Bro. R. M. Connolly, P.M. of the Charles Warren Lodge, No. 1832, assisted by the officers and members of the lodge. Great preparations had been made for the unusual event, and everything passed off most satisfactorily. Among the brethren who took part in the proceedings were the following officers and members of the Charles Warren Lodge, namely: Bros. W. H. Hull, W.M.; C. Aburrow, I.P.M.; E. T. Somerset, S.W.; D. E. Doveton, P.M., as J.W.; R. Blackbeard, P.M., Treas.; Richard Harbord, Sec.; G. M. McKay, S.D.; C. Masterson, J.D.; A. F. C. Alport, I.G.; F. Illig and R. Wray, Stwds.; J. C. Wylie, P.M.; C. A. Blackbeard, P.M.; W. J. Short, John M. Donald, Jas. Brunton, John Langford, A. Lembkuhl, P. Meskel, H. Mastiensen, and T. P. Stow, Tyler. Visitors: Bros. J. D. Norden, P.M.; R. Woodward, P.M.; D. McKay, P.M.; W. H. Hartley, A. Reid, W. Clark, W. P. Husband, J. W. Lawrence, E. P. Scrutton, E. R. Wells, W. Gasdyne, J. W. Greir, H. J. Kennett, W. C. Hunt, W. Hanger, A. Campbell, J. J. Morgan, C. Shepherd, J. Manzie, and others.

METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the week ending Saturday, September 26, 1885.

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

Lodge 720, Panmure, Balham Hot., Balham.
 " 901, City of London, Guildhall Tav.
 " 2060, La France, Café Royal, Regent-st.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Loughborough, Cambria Tav., Cambria-rd., S.E.
 Strong Man, Excise Tav., Old Broad-st., at 7.
 Sincerity, Railway Tav., Fenchurch-st., at 7.
 St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.
 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High-st., Camden Town, 8.
 Wellington, White Swan Hot., High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10.
 St. Mark's, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd.
 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Ho., Clapham-rd.-station, 7.30.
 Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 6.
 Perfect Ashlar, Jamaica Tav., Southwark Park-rd., at 8.
 John Hervey, Albion Hall, London Wall, at 8.
 Hyde Park, Fountains Abbey Hot., 111, Praed-st., Paddington, W., at 8.
 Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, 7.
 Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hot., Victoria-park-rd., E.
 Metropolitan, Moorgate Tav., 15, Finsbury Pavement, 7.30.
 United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.
 Royal Commemoration, Railway Hot., Putney, 8 till 10.
 Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd., at 8.
 Kingsland, Cock Tav., Highbury, N., at 8.30.
 Coborn, Eagle Hot., Snaresbrook, at 8.
 St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hot., W. Kensington, at 8.
 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at 8.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

Lodge 186, Industry, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 1158, Southern Star, Bridge House Hot.
 " 1441, Ivy, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-rd.
 " 1580, Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield.
 Chap. 548, Wellington, White Swan Hot., Deptford.
 " 1269, Stanhope, Bridge House Hot., London Bridge.
 " 1604, Wanderers, Freemasons' Hall.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bldgs., at 7.
 St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at 8.
 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., at 8.
 Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30.
 Joppa, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., at 7.
 Israel, Rising Sun Tav., Globe-rd.
 Pilgrim (German language), Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st., E.C., 1st and 3rd Tues.
 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8.
 Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-st., Woolwich, 7.30.
 Prince Fredk. Wm., Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-hill, 8.
 Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8.
 Dalhousie, The Sisters' Tav., Pownall-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.
 Finsbury, King's Head Tavern, 42, Threadneedle-st., at 7.
 Wandsworth, East Hill Hot., Alma-rd., S.W., at 8.
 Capper, Railway Tav., Angel-lane, Stratford, at 8.
 Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Plough-rd., Rotherhithe, 8.
 Beacontree, Red Lion, Leytonstone, at 8.
 Emblematic, Red Lion, York-st., Jermyn-st., W., at 8.
 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30.
 Kennington, Horns Tav., Kennington, 7.30.
 Corinthian, George Hot., Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 7.
 Mount Edgcombe, Three Stags, Kennington-rd., at 8.
 Islington, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., E.C., at 7.
 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30.
 Chaucer, The Old White Hart, High-st., Borough, at 8.
 Duke of Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, 8.
 New Cross, Chester Arms, Albany-st., N.W., at 8.
 Upper Jorwood, White Hart Hot., Church-rd., at 8.
 Royal Diaval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.
 Ravenbourne, George Inn, Rushey Green, Lewisham, 7.30.
 West Middlesex, The Institute, Ealing, at 7.30.
 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood T., Finsbury Park, at 8.
 Enfield, Rose and Crown, Church-st., Edmonton, at 8.
 Duke of Albany, Rock Tav., Battersea-park-rd., at 8.
 Camden Chapter, The Moorgate, Moorgate-street, at 8.
 Earl of Carnarvon Chapter, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove-road, Notting-hill, at 8.
 Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon-street, 6.30.
 Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., East Brixton, at 8.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

Board of Benevolence, at 6.
 Lodge 753, Prince Frederick William, Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood.
 " 754, High Cross, Seven Sisters' Tav., Tottenham.
 " 1056, Victoria, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.
 Chap. 1024, Eccleston, Freemasons' Hall.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Fidelity, Alfred Hot., Roman-rd., Barnsbury, at 8.
 Kent, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, Bishopsgate-st., 8.
 United Mariners, Lugard Hot., Lugard-rd., Peckham.
 Mt. Lebanon, Windsor Castle, Southwark-bridge-road, 8.
 Pythagorean, Portland Hot., Greenwich, at 8.
 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st., 7 till 9.
 United Strength, Hope Tav., Stanhope-st., Regent's-pk., at 8.
 La Tolerance, Portland Arms, Gt. Portland-st., W., at 8.
 Brownrigg, Sun Hotel, Kingston-on-Thames.
 Panmure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7.
 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav., Burdett-rd., Limehouse, 7.30.
 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.
 Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-st., at 8.
 Temperance in the East, Geo. the Fourth, Ida-st., E., at 7.30.
 Burgoyne, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st., at 7.
 Finsbury Park, Cock Tav., Highbury, at 8.30.
 Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8.
 Peckham, Lord Wellington Hot., 516, Old Kent-rd., at 8.
 Duke of Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-st., Hackney, 8.
 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st. S.W.
 Londeshorough, Berkeley Arms, John-st., Mayfair, at 8.
 Eleanor, Trocadero Hot., Liverpool-st., E.C.
 Earl of Lathom, Station Hot., Camberwell New-rd., at 8.
 Finsbury Park, Cock Tav., Highbury, at 8.30.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.

General Committee Girls' School, at 4.
 Lodge 65, Prosperity, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.
 " 66, Grenadiers, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 507, United Pilgrims, Bridge House Hot.
 " 766, William Preston, Cannon-st. Hot.
 " 1421, Langthorne, Swan Hot., Deptford.
 " 1524, Duke of Connaught, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.
 " 1563, City of Westminster, S. Air-st., Regent-st.
 " 1658, Skelmersdale, Surrey M.H., Camberwell.
 " 1816, Victoria Park, Queen's Hot., Victoria-park.
 Chap. 157, Bedford, Freemasons' Hall.
 " 177, Domatic, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.
 " 704, Camden, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.
 Mark 118, Northumberland, M.H. Tav., Basinghall-st.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.
 Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., 7.30.
 Vitruvian, Bridge House Hot., London Bridge, at 8.
 Justice, Brown Bear, High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10.
 Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.
 Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305, High Holborn, at 7.
 High Cross, Coach & Horses, High-rd., Tottenham, at 8.
 City of London, Tiptree Tavern, 6, Leadenhall-st., at 6.
 Royal Albert, White Hart Hot., Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.
 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New-rd., at 8.
 Southern Star, The Pheasant, Stangate, S.W., at 8.
 Duke of Edinburgh, Bricklayers' Arms, Narrow-st., Limehouse, at 7.
 Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st.
 Stockwell, Cock Tav., Kennington-rd., at 7.30.
 Ebury, 12, Ponsoby-st., Millbank, at 8.
 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hot. (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 7.30.
 Highgate, Boston Hot., Junction-rd., N., at 8.
 The Great City, M.H., Masons'-avenue, 6.30.
 Leopold, Old White Hart, Borough High-st., at 7.30.
 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tav., Liverpool-rd., at 8.
 Covent Garden, Bedford Head Hot., Maiden-lane, Covent Garden, W.C., 8.
 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, at 9.
 Guelph, Blackbirds Inn, High-st., Leyton.
 Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham-ct.-road, at 8.
 Victoria Park Yorkshire Grey, High-st., Stratford, at 8.
 Burdett Coutts, Swan Tav., New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.
 Prince Frederick William Chapter, Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-vale, 7.30.
 North London Chapter, Alwyne Castle Tav., St. Paul's-rd., Canonbury, at 8.
 Creaton, Wheatheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-rd., Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

Lodge 569, Fitz-Roy, Head-quarters Hon. Artillery Company, City-rd.
 " 780, Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge.
 " 1602, Sir Hugh Myddelton, Agricultural Hall, N.
 Chap. 1044, Mid-Surrey, Surrey M.H., Camberwell.
 " 1591, Studholme, 33, Golden-sq.
 " 1839, Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Robert Burns, Portland Arms Hot., 40, Gt. Portland-st., W.C.
 Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hot., London-st., Greenwich St. George's, Globe Tav., Greenwich, at 8.
 St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-rd., Chelsea, 7.30.
 St. John's, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, N.W., at 8.
 Temperance, Duke of York Tav., Evelyn-st., Deptford, 8.
 Unions Emulation (for M.Ms.), F.M.H., at 7.
 Chigwell, Loughton Public Hall, at 7.30.
 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., 7.30.
 Westbourne, Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 8.
 St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., S.E., at 8.
 Wm. Preston, St. Andrew's Tav., George-st., Baker-st., W.
 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Queen-st., Hammersmith, W., at 8.
 Doric, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 8.
 Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hot., Fleet-st., at 7.
 Royal Standard, The Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-rd., N.
 St. Marylebone, British Stores Tav., St. John's Wood.
 Clapton, Lord Stanley, Sandringham-rd., Hackney, 8.
 Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8.
 All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.
 West Smithfield, Red Lion, Red Lion-court, Fleet-st., at 7.
 Ubique, 79, Ebury-st., Pimlico, S.W., at 7.30.
 Lily Chapter, Greyhound Hot., at 8.
 Panmure Chapter, Stirling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, at 7.30.
 Kintore Mark, Stirling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, 9.
 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

Lodge 1541, Alexandra Palace, Imperial Hot., Holborn Viaduct.
 " 1679, Henry Muggerridge, M.H., Masons'-avenue.
 Chap. 176, Caveac, Albion Tav., Aldersgate-st.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Manchester, 17, London-st., Fitzroy-sq., at 8.
 Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.
 Star, Five Bells, New Cross-rd., S.E., at 7.
 King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7.
 Alexandra Palace, Station Ho., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30.
 Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, Pimlico, at 7.
 Chiswick, Hampshire Hog, King-st. W., Hammersmith, at 7.30.

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