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It will be seen from a paragraph we publish elsewhere, that Jubilee Address the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M., accompanied by the to the Queen. Deputy Grand Master, Bro. the Earl of LATHOM, his son, Prince Albert Victor, S.G.W., and the Grand Director of CEREMONIES and GRAND SECRETARY has, this week, presented to her MAJESTY at Osborne the dutiful address of United Grand Lodge of England, on the completion of her Jubilee. Where so many have been offered to the Queen in congratulation of this event, a solitary addition to the number seems hardly worth alluding to. Yet, we venture to say, that few of those she has received or may receive, will afford her MAJESTY greater pleasure than the Address of the Freemasons of England. Not entirely because her eldest son, the Prince of WALES is G.M., and another son, the Duke of CONNAUGHT, with her grandson, Prince ALBERT VICTOR OF WALES, hold high rank in the Craft, but because many of the nearest associations of her life have been with Freemasonry. Her father was not only a Mason and Grand Master of Masons, but also a very active member, while all her uncles but one were Masons, and most of them Grand Masters. Thus the QUEEN has lived all her life, as it were, in an atmosphere of Freemasonry. She knows what it is, and how loyal are its members, and is aware, therefore, that the address voted in the Royal Albert Hall, on the 13th June, and this week presented to her by the GRAND MASTER, is not a mere passing ebullition of kindly feeling, but the expression of a deep and genuine attachment to her person and the Throne she has occupied and adorned for so many years. We say again her MAJESTY must have received this address with unwonted pleasure, and we trust the prayer it contained for her continued happiness and prosperity may be realised.

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THE recent meeting at Bridgwater of the Provincial Grand A Well-Deserved Lodge of Somersetshire was very successful. All the lodges in the Province were represented, and there was a more than usually numerous muster of the brethren. The reports for the past year, both general and financial, were most gratifying, and it only needed the presence of the Prov. G.M., Bro. the Earl of CARNARVON, who was unfortunately detained at the last moment in London by his parliamentary duties, to complete the pleasure experienced by all who had the good fortune to be in attendance. There were also two unusual incidents which will render the meeting more than ordinarily memorable in the annals of Somersetshire Freemasonry. As regards the first, it will suffice if we state that it had reference to the QUEEN'S Jubilee, our Somersetshire friends, like the brethren generally throughout England, very wisely and loyally availing themselves of so excellent an opportunity to evince, by means of a formal, yet heartfelt resolution, their affection and respect for the gracious Lady who has reigned over the British Empire for the last half century. The other incident was of a more personal and local character. Bro. R. C. ELSE, P.G.D., who is Lord CARNARVON'S Deputy, has recently taken to himself a wife, and the brethren felt they could not allow so interesting an episode in his career to pass unnoticed. Nay, more, they eagerly grasped at the opportunity it afforded them of evincing once again, and more emphatically than on previous occasions, the love and esteem they bear him personally, and the high sense they entertain of his ability, courtesy, and kindness, as the Deputy of their Prov. G. Master. They, therefore, presented to him a handsome testimonial of plate, and an address beautifully engrossed on vellum and illuminated, with an album containing on its first Page a complimentary letter from Bro. Lord CARNARVON, and the signatures of the Prov. G. Officers, Present and Past, and the officers and members to the number of 635 of the 25 lodges on the roll of the province. Such an incident as this in the career of so distinguished a Mason as Bro. R. C. ELSE deserves more than a mere passing recognition, and we are glad of the opportunity it affords us to congratulate him both on the presentation and the circumstance which led to it. In the words of the resolution which Bro. STOTHERT moved, and the brethren accepted with acclamation in Provincial Grand Lodge—"May Bro. and Mrs. Else long enjoy every happiness the Great Architect of the Universe can bestow!"

R.W. Bro. Lord Brooke, Prov. G. Master of Essex, cannot The Prov. Grand Lodge of Essex. fail to have been particularly gratified by the proceedings which took place at the annual meeting of his Prov. G. Lodge at Romford on the 26th ult. There was nothing unusual in the character of the attendance, nor was the number of those present conspicuously greater than we have seen on previous occasions. But the various reports which were handed in showed that Freemasonry had been strengthening as well as extending its position in the province, while the hearty reception prepared for the Prov. G. Master made it clear, not only that complete harmony prevailed between the chief and the lodges and brethren he had been appointed to rule over, but likewise that the former was held in the highest esteem and respect by the latter. His lordship had no light task before him when he entered upon his duties as G. Master of the province. His predecessor—the late Bro. Lord TENTERDEN—in the few years he had held office, had succeeded in making himself greatly beloved by our Essex brethren, and his sudden and unexpected death caused a widespread sorrow throughout the province. It was certain, therefore, that whoever was appointed in his stead, while he would necessarily benefit by the excellence of Lord TENTERDEN's government and the dignity with which he had been able to endue the office of Prov. G. Master, would, at the outset of his career at all events, be at a considerable disadvantage as regards personal influence. Lord BROOKE, however, had some countervailing advantages in his favour. He brought with him very high credentials, and had a most illustrious sponsor in the person of the late Duke of ALBANY. Thus it took him less time than might have been expected to win the hearts of the Essex brethren, and now there is not a provincial ruler throughout England who is more entirely beloved and respected by his Masonic subjects than his lordship. As regards the affairs of the province, they are in admirable order, thanks to the great ability of Bro. F. A. PHILBRICK, G. Registrar of England, who is the Dep. P.G.M., his long experience of the duties of the office, and the courtesy and tact he exhibits at all times; as well as to the sturdy zeal and energy of Bro. RALLING, Prov. G. Secretary, who fully deserves the recent honours that have been conferred upon him, and the encomiums which Lord Brooke passed on his conduct on this occasion. Essex, indeed is fortunate in its chief and the officers he has about him, and while they are able to administer its affairs, we have little doubt that its present term of prosperity will be prolonged for many years.

The duties which devolve on our respected and R.W. Bro. Freemasonry General Brownrigg, Prov. G.M. of Surrey, when he presides at the annual meeting of his Provincial Grand Lodge are seldom very exacting, and the gathering on Wednesday, the 27th ult., was no exception. The habits of discipline and order which he has succeeded in instilling into his officers and lodges have made the task of arranging and administering the affairs of the province comparatively easy, and when the Provincial Grand Lodge meets, as it did on this occasion, for the dispatch of business, not overmuch time is required to fulfil it thoroughly. The financial report showed a balance to the good of £189, and the brethren had the satisfaction of being able to vote 50 guineas to the Girls' School, 10 guineas each to the Boys' School and Benevolent Institution, 10 guineas to the Croydon Parish Church Restoration Fund, and 20 guineas to the "GREENwood Testimonial Fund." The returns from the different lodges were also satisfactory, and certain amen Iments in the by-laws of Provincial Grand Lodge were unanimously adopted, on the motion of the PROV. GRAND MASTER. Consequently there was little left for Bro. Browning to comment upon in his address; but what he did say was received with satisfaction and respect by the brethren. The compliments he paid to Bro. WEST for the manner in which he had discharged his duties as Deputy Prov. Grand Master during the past year were highly appreciated by the brethren, while his suggestion that, as the demands upon the brethren in connection with the various Jubilee celebrations had been so heavy, the "GREENWOOD Testimonial Fund" should remain open till the end of the year was both a kindly proposition in itself and merited the immediate and unanimous response it received from those present. We are glad that Surrey has determined that its tribute of respect to so distinguished a Mason as the late Bro. Charles Greenwood, for many years Prov. Grand Secretary, and afterwards Deputy P.G.M. for Surrey, and a Past G.S. Bearer of England, shall be worthy both of its own reputation and of that of the brother whose virtues and services to the Crast it is designed to commemorate. We trust that when the brethren of Surrey again meet in Provincial Grand Lodge, this duty will have been carried out in a manner that will prove honourable to the Province and gratifying to its worthy PROV. GRAND MASTER.

WE are constantly being asked why it is our news column Ireland and from Ireland is so scantily filled, and the only answer we Masonic Press. are able to furnish is that, notwithstanding all our efforts, the

news will not arrive to an extent worthy of so important a jurisdiction. Within the last few days an esteemed correspondent has propounded a still more difficult question-Why is it that Ireland has not a Masonic organ of its own like the Freemason? To this we reply that there is no reason why Ireland should not have its representative organ in the Masonic Press, but that until its Grand Lodge frees itself from the prejudices against Masonic journalism, which, apparently not without some show of reason, are ascribed to it, no one, we think, would be foolhardy enough to venture upon so costly a speculation. It is not a bed of roses that the proprietor of a Masonic newspaper lies upon, even under the most favourable circumstances, when news is always forthcoming, and subscribers are numerous and considerate. He has his share of the difficulties which are the common lot of all newspaper proprietors, and, in addition, the constituency he appeals to, and on which he must chiefly rely for support, is composed of somewhat heterogeneous elements, which it is by no means the easiest task in the world to reconcile one with another. Yet, strange to say, though the Grand Lodge of Ireland is said to be strongly opposed to publicity being given to its doings and those of its subordinate lodges, there is hardly a lodge meeting in the country, and certainly no event of unusual importance in Masonic circles, which is not reported in the daily or weekly Press. If a concert or bazaar is held in aid of the Irish Masonic Charities, if the first stone of a new building is laid with Masonic ceremonial, or if a new hall is dedicated to the purposes of Masonry, a full and particular account of what happened is always certain to be found among the current news of the day in the columns of the local or general Press, so that the Irish public appears to take an interest in our proceedings if the Irish Craft does not. cannot pretend to explain this; but we venture to say that Freemasonry in Ireland would fare more prosperously if, in the absence of any organ of their own, our Irish brethren availed themselves more freely of the opportunities for discussing Masonic questions of general interest which the Freemason and other similar journals are able to afford them. We should all benefit by an interchange of ideas, and Ireland, with its old-world notions about a secresy which is seldom observed by its members, certainly not less than other Masonic communities.

WE have much pleasure in drawing attention to a letter from R.W. Bro. H. M. Addison (of Adelaide, S.A.) to our Masonic Historian (Bro. R. F. Gould). We take the same view of the subject as Bro. Gould does in his History of Freemasonry. Surely it was inconsistent of the Grand Lodge of South Australia to recognise the mushroom organisations called "Grand Lodges" in New South Wales and Victoria, and yet to seek and obtain the recognition of the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland? Grand Lodges, when formed by a majority of lodges in any Country, State, or Province, are entitled to recognition, with due regard to the rights of the minority. This was the case with Australia, and we were delighted that such cordial support was so soon given to that vigorous body. But when a small minority of lodges, as in New South Wales, seeks to form a Grand Lodge against the wishes of the majority, we fail to see how such can be legally and fairly recognised. Bro. Addison evidently realises this inconsistency on the part of his Grand Lodge; but pleads for a consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the We admire the spirit of his letter exceedingly; but would like to ask him, in all courtesy, What about the majority in New South Wales? The great body of brethren in that Colony refuse to recognise the so-called "Grand Lodge of New South Wales," and yet the Grand Lodge of South Australia is on terms of amity with it! According to his plan, the members of both those bodies might together visit lodges in South Australia, though opposing one another in New South Wales. Scotland withdrew its recognition on this and on other grounds, which we much regret. was a pity the recognition was granted to New South Wales.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER OF ENGLAND.

The Quarterly Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England was holden at Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday evening. There were present the following companions: -

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Comps. J. M. P. Montagu, as M.E.Z.; F. A. Philbrick, Q.C., as G.H.; Rev. H. A. Pickarl, as G.J.; Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.E.; Emil E. Wendt, D.C.L., G.S.N.; Baron de Ferrieres, G.P.S.; Rev. Dr. Smyth, 1st G.A.S.; George Cooper, 2nd G.A.S.; Frank Richardson, as G.D.C.; E. Letchworth, Major J. Sampson Peirce, D. P. Cama, P.G. Treas.; J. M. Case, H. J. P. Dumas, Major Harding, Dr. Ralph Gooding J. H. Matthews, Robert Grey, Wilhelm Ganz, F. S. Knyvett, Rudolph Gooding J. H. Matthews, Robert Grey, Wilhelm Ganz, F. S. Knyvett, Rudolph Glover, A. A. Pendlebury, Assistant G. Scribe E.; Edgar Bowyer, Beech, W. M. Bywater, H. Maudslay, J. Shirley Hodson, M.E.Z. 1706; J. Warren, J. 1348; T. Ovenden, M.E.Z. 13; G. Haldane, P.Z. 349, and 1615; Hugh Williams, P.Z. 580, 1094; C. F. Matier, P.Z. 59, 645; Chas. Fredk. Hogard, P.Z. 10, 141, 142, 205; H. E. Dehane, H. 890, 1st A.S. 862, H.; H. M. Hobbs, M. E.Z. 2096; H. E. Frances, P.Z. 452; Chas. H. Driver, P.Z. 742; H. Massey, P.Z. 619, 1928, H.; W. H. Perryman, Z. and P.Z. 1348; E. Stanton, P.Z. 181; Joseph J. Marsh, 1326, M.E.Z.; W. A. Dawson, P.Z. 382; Henry Wright, J. 1615; L. G. Gordon Robbins, P.Z. 10; and H. Sadler, G. Janitor.

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, the following report

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes, the following report of the Committee of General Purposes was, on the motion of Comp. Robert Grey, president, taken as read, received and ordered to be entered on the minutes:-

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES. To the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England.

The Committee of General Purposes beg to report that they have examined the accounts from the 20th April to the 19th July, 1887, both inclusive, which they find to be as follows :-

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,, Subsequent ... ... 208 12 7
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Which balances are in the Bank of England (Western Branch.)

The Committee have likewise to report that they have received the following petitions:--

1st. From Comps. John Scrivener Palmer, as Z.; John Potts, as H.; Edward Prescott, as J.; and six others for a chapter to be attached to the Cherwell Lodge, No. 599, Banbury, to be called the Cherwell Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Banbury, in the county of Oxford.

and. From Comps. William Watson, as Z.; John Purser Griffin, as H.; Thomas Watson, as J.; and six others for a chapter to be attached to the Gundulph Lodge, No. 1050, Rochester, to he called the Gundulph Chapter, and to meet at the King's Head Hotel, Rochester, in the county of Kent.

3rd. From Comps. Thomas Mathews, as Z.; Edward William Shackell, as H.; Henry White, as J.; and ten others for a chapter to be atttached to the Bute Lodge, No. 960, Cardiff, to be called the Sir George Elliot chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Hall, Working-street, Cardiff, South Wales (Eastern Division.)

4th. From Comps. William Long, as Z.; Thomas Barnes, as H.; Thomas James Scoones, as J.; and eight others for a chapter to be attached to the Coleridge Lodge, No. 1750, Clevedon, to be called the Adair Chapter, and to meet at Regent House, Clevedon, in the county of Somerset.

5th. From Comps. the Rev. William Mortimer Heath, P.A.G. Soj., as Z.; John Mowlem Burt, as H.; Henry James Mason, as J.; and seven others for a chapter to be attached to the de Moulham Lodge, No. 1146. Swanage, to be called the de Moulham Chapter, and to meet in the Town Hall, Swanage, in the county of Dorset.

6th. From Comps. James Douglas Christie, as Z.; Francis William White, as H.; Thomas Edwin Cocker, as J.; and seven others for a chapter to be attached to the Star of Southern China Lodge, No. 2013, Canton, China, to be called the Jubilee Chapter, and to meet at Canton, China.

The foregoing petitions being in all respects regular, the Committee recommend that the prayers thereof be respectively granted.

The Committee have likewise to report that they have received a memorial from the companions of the Chapter of Concord, No. 124, Durham, praying for a charter authorising them to wear a centenary jewel, in accordance with the resolution passed by the Supreme Grand Chapter on the 1st February, 1882. This memorial being in form, and the chapter having proved an uninterrupted existence of 100 years, the Committee recommend that the prayer thereof be granted.

The Committee have further received a memorial, with extract of minutes, on the removal of the Orpheus Chapter, No. 1706, from the Freemasons' Hall, to the Holborn Restaurant.

The Committee being satisfied of the reasonableness of the request

recommend that the removal of this chapter be sanctioned. ROBERT GREY, President. (Signed)

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.

19th July, 1887.

Comp. Robert Grey then moved, and Comp. Letchworth seconded, the recommendations contained in the above report, which were put, and carried unanimously.

Comp. Col. SHADWELL H. CLERKE next addressing the acting M.E.Z., said that companion was aware that at a recent meeting at the Royal Albert Hall his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the M.W.G.M. of Grand Lodge of England, was pleased to grant special rank in honour of her Majesty's Jubilee. As First Grand Principal of Supreme Grand Chapter of England his Royal Highness had now been pleased to declare that those brethren appointed as Past Grand Craft Officers should have Past Grand rank in Grand Chapter, provided, of course, that they were duly qualified according to the Royal Arch regulations. He had, therefore, now to announce, by his Royal Highness' command, the names and ranks of those companions on whom he had conferred Past Grand rank.

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Comp. Sir Reginald Hanson, Bart., Lord Mayor ... Sir John Staples, K.C.M.G. ... Sir Philip Cunliffe Owen, K.C.B., K.C.M.G. Thomas Trollope, M.D. ... ... ... ... Sir Charles Warren, G.C.M.G. ... ... ... ... George B. Brodie, M.D.
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              William E. Stewart ...

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	"	Rev. Richard Evans		•••		• • •	A.S.
		John E. Dawson	***		***	•••	A.S
	"	Alfred Spencer	•••			•••	Std. B.
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	"	William Goodacre	•••	•••			Std. B.
	,,	Thomas Forrester	*	***	•••		D.D. of C.
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	"	William H. Sissons,			***		Swd. B.
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	"	Augustus F. Godson,	MP	•••	•••		A.S.
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Comps. Driver, Col. Haldane, C. F. Matier, C. F. Hogard, and A. A. Pendlebury being in attendance, were invested, and took their seats on

Grand Chapter was then closed.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF SURREY.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Surrey, which this year celebrates its Jubilee, held its annual meeting at the Greyhound, Croydon, on Wednesday, the 27th ult. The gathering was remarkable as being the largest that has ever assembled. The arrangements for the reception of the Prov. G.M. and brethren were in the hands of the East Surrey Lodge of Concord, which is to be congratulated on the successful results of its efforts. Amongst the large number of brethren were the following Prov. G. Officers: Bros. R.W. P.G.M., General Brownigg, C.B.; F. West, D.P.G.M.; F. H. Guimaraens, S.W.; J. D. Langton, J.W.; G. Price, G. Treas.; A. Saxelby, G. Reg.; C. Greenwood, G. Sec.; H.M. Hobbs, S.G.D.; A. C. A. Higerty, J.G.D.; J. W. Moorman, Asst. D.C.; C. M. Gray, G. Org.; H. Burgess, R. Bruce, and John Youlden, G. Stwds.

Past Prov. Grand Officers-

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Bros. George White, P.P.S.G.W.; W. Catterson, P.P.G.P.; S. P. Catterson, P.P.G. Std. Br.; N. C. Leigh Bennett, P.P.G.S.W.; H. G. Thompson, P.P.J.G.D.; John Hooke, P.P.G.D. of C., P.M. 463; G. D. Lister, P.M. 410, P.P.G.S. of W.; G. Dunkley, 1851, P.P.G.O. Surrey and Middx.; H.W. Turner, P.P.G. Chap.; H. J. Strong, P.G.W.; H. J. Lardner, P.P.G.O.; Abel Laurence, P.P.G.D.; W. J. Kemp, P.P.G.P.; H. F. Jeffery, P.P.G.S.B.; R. W. Price, P.G.W.; H. J. Dumas, P.G.J.W.; Joseph Steele, P.P.G.S.B.; R.T. Elsam, P.D.C.; C. Lardidge, P.G.A.P.; John Shuter, P.P.G. Reg.; R. Sebastian Hart, P.P.S.G.D.; John Rhodes, P.P.G.O.; W.C. Beaumont, P.A.G.D.C.; C. Belton, P.P.G.D.; T. F. Lloyd, P.P.S.G.D.; Horatio T. Taylor, P.M., P.P.S.G.D.; F. Cambridge, P.P.G.O; James Squire, P.P.G.S.B.; Byron H. Ridge, P.P.A.D.C.; Chas. Anderson, P.P.G. S.B.; W. Wells, P.P.G.D.; H. Youlden, P.P.G.D.; and W. Alex. Barrett.

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Bros. Rev. J. S. Brownrigg, P.G. Chap.; Henry Wilson, P.M. 1204, P.J.G.W. Worces.; W. F. Harris, S.D. 403; J. Rogers, 452; G. J. Eady, W.M. 2095; W. Chapman, W.M. 889; Walter J. Mills, 463, 1827; W. Stevenson Hoyte, 2006; W. H. Waters, 467; Albert Stone, 2146; J. R. Hubbard, 463, J.W.; W. D. Young, 1872, 2146; J. Drewett, W.M. 1638; C. W. Holt, 874, W.M. 1856; M. L. Levy, S.W. 2096; Fred. A. Bowles, P.M. 1395; A. H. Bowles, P.M. 1395; G. Moorman, S.W. 1638, S.W. 1981; C. G. Kigsley, P.M. 1981; Walter King, 1719; George Payn, P.M. 1564, 2101, P.P.G.P; G. C. Burry, P.P.G.O.; Herbert Potter, W.M. 1347; Hugh D. Sandeman, P.D.G. Master, Bengal, P.M. 2095; John H. Hawkins, 400; D. Dundas, P.J.G.W., 370; A. D. Norman, J.D. 1714; C. J. Pettit, 889; C. Hogard, P.G. Std. Br.; J. T. Tavener, 1044; John O'Connell, 1851; Walter Hopekirk, A.G.P., 179; W. G. Batchelor, P.G.S.B.; Reginald Piper, S.W. 1872; D'Arcy S. Blackburn, I.P.M. 370; John Welham, 2146; James Burrell, 2146; C. Hogg, J.W. 1872; F. T. Redpath, W.M. 2096; Thomas Pennington, 1638; J. H. Summer, 1638; F. J. Haywood, I.G. 889; C. W. Webb, 2095; R. W. Wilson, 2096; C. Attersoll Smith, S.W. 416; J. Tyndall Hans, 2095; Ralph Nevill, W.M. 1395; E. J. Pitcomb, 2095; W. Percy Morrison, W.M. 416; Frederick Hallett, J.D. 1981; Henry Turner, W.M. 1302; J. Lavies, M. H. Monson, W.M. 1790 and 1892; George Ralling, 51; H. L. Balfour, 2182; E. Gillemand, 463; T. H. Colenutt, 463; W. V. Fenn, 1556; F. Woodin, 1861; J. M. Pastine, W.M. 1861; W. Webb, 1616; W. W. Vine, 1046; J. Bonner, 463; T. Vincent, Zeph. King, P.M. 1920; H. Summers, 1362; A. F. Asher, W. Pile, 1892; J. W. Baldwin, 1892; J. K. Pitt, 463; H. E. Turner, P.M. 1149; M. C. Dalton, E. C. Greenwood, 1082; J. W. Allen, 2146; Henry Cox, 1790; H. E. Stennin5, 2095; W. H. Wingfield, 1851; J. J. Slade, S.W. 1347; R. Britten, 1981; W. White, 2101; G. Stanley Ellict, 2005; F. C. Christmas, W.M. 194; Ralph Gooding, P.G.D.; W. Arker, P.M. 1837; J. H. Lawes, I.P.M. 1826; F. C. Rusk, 1851;

The Provincial Grand Lodge having been duly opened, and the minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed, the roll of lodges in the province was called over, and answered by the members of the respective lodges. The report of the Audit and Finance Committee was next read, and, on the motion of the Prov. J.G.W., seconded by the Prov. S.G.W., was adopted, and ordered to be recorded on the minutes. The report showed the funds to be in a very satisfactory condition, the balance being £189 6s. 1d., and recommended the following grants:—50 guineas to the Girls' School, 10 guineas each to the Boys' School and the Benevolent Institution, and 10 guineas guineas to the Croydon Parish Church Restoration Fund.

Certain alterations in the by-laws of the Provincial Grand Lodge were considered, and, on the motion of the Prov. G.M., were unanimously

Bro. George Price was unanimously re-elected Prov. Grand Treasurer, the Prov. G.M. thanking him heartily for consenting to continue to perform the duties of that office.

The following brethren were appointed and invested as Prov. Grand Grand Officers after Bro. Fred West had taken the obligation as Deputy Prov. G.M.:-

Bro.	F. West		•••		Dep. Prov. G.M.
33	C. Belton	***	***		Prov. S.G.W.
,,	W. Webb, 1616	•••	•••		Prov. J.G.W.
33	Rev. Lord Victor Seymo	ur, 1802	***	•••	Prov. G. Chap.
"	T. Lennox Harvey, 2096		•••		Prov. G. Chap.
11	George Price, 463	•••	***	•••	Prov. G. Treas.
"	Chas. Greenwood, 410	***	•••		Prov. G. Sec.
	C. T. W. Rogers, 452				Prov. G. Reg.
"	T. Moreton, 410	•••	•••	•••	Prov. S.G.D.
"	A. S. Tomkins, 2095	•••	•••	•••	
,21		**** ****	.***	•••	Prov. S.G.D.
"	W. H. Dunning Pearce,	1872	•••	•••	Prov. J.G.D.
"	H. Bowles, P.M. 1395	•••	•••	•••	Prov. J.G.D.
,,	Z. King, 1920	•••	• • •	• • •	Prov. G.S. of W.
"	W. J. Nicholls, P.M. 46;	3	***	***	Prov. G.D.C.
,,	J. H. Lavies, 1826	•••	•••		Prov. D.G.D.C.
,,	J. Youlden, 1981	***			Prov. A.G.D.C.
,,	H. Summers, 1362				Prov. G. Swd. B.
25	H. E. Turner, P.M. 104	a	•••		Prov. G. Std. Br.
"	T. R. Pitt, W.M. 463		•••		Prov. G. Std. Br.
	W. Stevenson Hoyte, 20				Prov. G. Org.
"	A. F. Asher, 1395	-	•••	•••	Prov. G. Purst.
"	J. Drewett, 1636	•••	•••	•••	
"	J. Diewett, 1030	•••	•••	•••	Prov. A.G. Purst.
,,	H. Potter, 1347	•••	•••	••••	
"	E. C. Greenwood, 1982	•••	***	••••]	
"	W. P. Morrison, 416		***	` <u>\</u>	Prov. G. Stwds.
,,	H. A. Gibbes, 2101	***	•••	(riovi di biwasi
,,	S. H. Hawkins, 410	***	•••		
,,	C. W. Holt, 1556		•••	j	
,,	R. Potter	•••	•••		Prov. G. Tyler.
,,	Bowles	•••	•••	•••	Prov. A.G. Tyler
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The Prov. G. MASTER then addressed the brethren and said he was delighted to see such a splendid gathering present. There were a few matters connected with the province to which he wished to refer. He had asked Bro. Fred. West, Dep. Prov. G.M. to go about among the lodges and obtain any information which would assist him in considering if changes were necessary. For some years past the returns had not given the information he thought they ought to have. There was not a record of the various members belonging to the province, and little material for knowing their past Masonic history. They had been exerting themselves lately and an alteration had been made in the returns and the arrears recovered. It had always been his desire to give the purple to those who deserve it, but in consequence of the absence of those returns he did not know the Masonic service of the brethren. Many were necessarily disappointed, but out of so large a number this could not be helped. When he first became their Prov. G.M. 16 years ago, there were but 9 lodges and 3 chapters, now they numbered 32 and 12 respectively. As the numbers continually increased the difficulty of appointing Prov. G. Officers became more difficult. He understood that the Grand Secretary was asking for similar information from every lodge, respecting the Masonic service of the brethren. Another matter was that they should never omit to send to the Dep. Prov. G.M. a notice of the meetings of their lodges. instances it was not done, and he particularly begged that their Secretaries would send the summonses to Bro. West as well as to himself. With regard to the Prov. G. Stewards there had hitherto been no great wish to accept these offices, but he hoped to obviate the difficulty. One important fact was that they now carried past rank, and he thought it only fair that he should announce that he should not think those brethren eligible for the purple who had refused the Steward's collar. He considered it a compliment to offer it to them, and that those who accepted should be eligible before those who declined. With respect to their late respected and beloved brother Chas. Greenwood, he thought they must record on their minutes their grief at the loss they had sustained. They had had no Prov. Grand Lodge since he was taken from them, and he knew the suggestion would be received with acclamation. They were aware that it was proposed that a memorial should be made of his valuable services, and subscriptions were invited for this purpose. He knew that this year had been a difficult and trying one for all of them, and he thought it would be a good plan if they were to defer announcing the sum collected until after Christmas. From a conversation he had had with the Prov. G. Treas., he was of opinion that they should contribute from the funds of the Prov. G. Lodge, and that they should have time to consider what sort of testimonial would be most fitting. He was happy to say that Bro. West had been good enough to visit many lodges and had given him an excellent account of the working. He knew that Bro. West was a good worker and a good critic and that he would not say anything in favour of the lodges if they did not thoroughly deserve it. He had to thank the brethren for enabling the Dep. Prov. G. M. to make so good a report, and also for coming to support him in such large numbers on the present occasion.

Bro. GEORGE PRICE, Prov. G. Treas. moved that the sum of twenty guineas be voted from the funds of the Prov. G. Lodge to the memorial of the late Bro. Chas. Greenwood. He was the Treasurer of that fund. and although the amount collected was, as yet, very small, he trusted that every lodge would contribute before Christmas. He felt very deeply on this matter and should exceedingly regret if every lodge in the province did not subscribe.

The motion having been seconded by Bro. Francis was carried nem.

There being no other Masonic business for transaction the Prov. G

Lodge was closed in due form.

An adjournment was then made to the Girls' Schoolroom, where the brethren clothed and went in procession, preceded by the choir, to the Parish Church adjoining. The special service, which was a shortened evensong, was fully choral, the choir being augmented, and valuable assistance rendered by several boys from Bro. Stedman's choir. The two Anthems were "I was glad when they said unto me" and "Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is," the principal solos being effectively rendered by Master Eddie Busby. The sermon was preached by Bro. the Rev. Herbert Turner, P.P.G. Chap., Rector of Sutton, the text being the well-known words "Honour all men, Love the brotherhood, Fear God, Honour the King." After the conclusion of the eloquent and fervent address, which was listened to attentively and thoroughly appreciated by all present, a collection was made for the Church Restoration Fund, which realised £9 16s. A special march which had been composed for the occasion, and dedicated to Bro. Gen. J. S.

Brownrigg, Prov. G.M., was then played by the composer, Bro. Stevenson Hoyte, Prov. G. Org., who presided at the organ.

The brethren subsequently dined at the Greyhound, and at the conclusion of a substantial repast, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given in felicitous terms and enthusiastically received.

Bro. HUGH D. SANDEMAN, P.D.G.M. Bengal, responded for the toast of "The Grand Officers," and said that as the Prov. G.M. had given an order that all speeches must be short, he would be very brief in his remarks. He felt that Bro. Gen. Brownrigg could not say very much in proposing this toast, for he was, as they were aware, one of the most prominent of their Grand Officers. This was the first occasion on which he had attended the Prov. Grand Lodge, and he felt he had missed many pleasant hours, but he was determined never to be absent from the meetings in the future. He had been very much impressed with the large number of members present, which showed that the beautiful Province of Surrey was not the least of the Prov. G. Lodges under their M.W.G.M. He hoped they would soon meet again at their festive board.

Bro. Alderman A. J. LAYTON, P.G. Stwd., Mayor of Croydon, said he had the distinguished honour of proposing "The Health of the Prov. G.M. of Surrey, Bro. Gen. Brownrigg." He happened to represent the chief magistracy of Croydon, and he felt he was doing what his brethren would wish him to do, in tendering the members of the Prov. G. Lodge a hearty welcome. They all recognised how much the Masonic body had increased and how necessary it was that there should be at the bead of the Prov. and how necessary it was that there should be at the head of the Prov. Grand Lodge a brother whose amiability was acknowledged, and in whom there was complete confidence. They must look to the provinces to continually augment and increase Masonry, but they should have good men and not numbers only, and this would be aided by the discretion exercised by the He understood that their kind friend bad been 16 years the Prov. G.M. of Surrey, and during that time the lodges had largely increased, for he was surprised to hear that there were only nine lodges and three chapters at that time, and was gratified at the large increase which had taken place, which brought the numbers up to 32 and 13 respectively. They had in the Prov. G. Master a specimen of what good could be done for the Masonic Charities, for in 1886, when he was Chairman of the Girls' School Festival, they were enabled to contribute £1300 on his list, for the brethren knew there was one representing them in whom they had confidence and esteem. In giving them the health of their respected and beloved Prov. G. Master, he trusted that whenever Bro. Gen. Brownrigg came to Croydon he would always receive the hearty welcome that had been accorded him on the

The Prov. Grand Master in reply, said he was accustomed in Surrey to receive more kindness than he deserved, but it was especially gratifying that evening to find his health proposed by one who was not a member of the province. He had very little to say in response except that it was an immense gratification to see the progress made by their province. The present was by far the largest gathering over which he had had the honour to preside. He had received an application that day for the formation of a new lodge, and he had so much respect for Bro. Sandeman that he could not refuse. He asked them to accept his warmest thanks for the very kind welcome they had always extended to him during the sixteen years he had

been their Prov. G.M.

"The Dep. Prov. G.M.," was next given by the PROV. G.M., who remarked that Bro. Fred West was more than his right hand in Masonry, and that he could not tell the brethren how grateful he felt in having selected him to assist in the province. Those who knew Bro. West would feel he had made a good selection in appointing that brother to be his Dep. Prov. G.M.

Bro. FRED WEST, Dep. Prov. G.M., said he felt that their illustrious chairman had placed him in a difficult position in associating his name with the toast. He need hardly tell them that this being the 50th year of the reign of their beloved Queen and the 50th year of the existence of their Province of Surrey, he had more than an ordinary task to fulfil. felt it difficult when he remembered that his position had been filled by brethren who had been illustrious in the Craft and beloved in their province. When the Prov. Grand Master was good enough to offer him the important office of Deputy Prov. G.M. he pictured to himself the great responsibility placed upon him, and when he accepted the kind offer he hardly knew how he should get through the difficulties of the post. But scarcely had he begun to visit the lodges in the province when he found that the kindness which had always been extended to those who previously held his position, was extended to him. He felt proud to occupy his present post, for he knew there were many excellent lodges in the province and that the individual members were excellent Masons. Most of the lodges not only understood the ritual thoroughly, but what he was particularly struck with was the great interest taken by the junior officers in their duties. He could only assure them that as long as he had the privilege of holding the office of Dep. Prov. G.M., he would use his best endeavours to carry out the duties successfully, and he was quite sure he should receive the cordial support of the members of the various lodges in the province. He sincerely hoped they would all be spared many years to see their Prov. G.M. preside over them and to witness the continued prosperity of the Province of

Bros. Rev. LENNOX HARVEY, Prov. G. Chap., and Rev. HERBERT TURNER, P.P.G. Chap., having responded to the toast of "The Prov. Bro. George Price, Grand Chaplain, Treas., replied to the toast of his health, proposed by the Prov. G.M. He since ely thanked Bro. General Brownrigg for the very kind manner in which he had introduced the toast, and was quite sure the words came from his heart. He had been the Prov. G. Treasurer for more than 30 years and had always received the greatest kindness and consideration during the performance of what had been a labour of love.

Bro. Charles Greenwood, Prov. G. Sec., in response to the toast of his health, said it would be quite impossible for him to adequately express his feelings on this occasion. He felt very grateful to the Prov. G.M. for the praise bestowed upon him for his humble effort to perform his duties. When he accepted his present position he had the difficulty, which they would all appreciate, of endeavouring to follow in the footsteps of one who was not only respected, but who was the universal friend of every member of the province. He had also the difficulty, which he thought at first insurmountable, in taking up the threads of the broken cord and of unravelling the tangles occasioned by the will of the G.A.O.T.U. in taking away their late Prov. G. Secretary. He had, however, done his best and would continue to fulfil those dutes to the best of his ability so long as it pleased the Prov. G.M. to re-appoint him. He hoped the Secretaries of lodges

would smooth his path and materiallly assist him by sending in their returns at the right time and properly filled up.
"The Prov. G. Officers, Present and Past," and "The W.M. and Brethren of the East Surrey Lodge of Concord," having been given and

duly responded to, Bro. Sumner, G.M. of Para, Brazil, replied for "The Visitors," and thanked the Prov. G.M. for the honour conferred upon him by coupling his name with the toast. He was initiated in Brazil and being on a visit to

England he had taken the opportunity of perfecting himself in the working of the Crast. He had everywhere been received most cordially and he should take back to America a remembrance of the excellent working of the lodges.

Bro. W. W. MORGAN, P.M. 211, replied for "The Press," and alluding to the Charities said he had no doubt that if the Prov. G.M. should at some future date accept the chairmanship of a Boys' School Festival, as he had previously done for the other two Institutions, he would be well supported by the Province of Surrey.

The Tyler's toast then closed the proceedings.

CONSECRATION OF THE HENDON LODGE, No. 2206.

The roll of Metropolitan lodges was increased on Saturday last, the 30th ult., by the consecration of the Hendon Lodge, No. 2206, which took place at its future home-the Welsh Harp, Hendon. This lodge has been started under exceptionally favourable auspices, which augur well for its future welfare, for there is no other lodge in this locality, and amongst the founders will be found the names of several well-known brethren who have rendered good suit and service in the Craft. Owing to the unavoidable absence of Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec., through illness, the ceremony of consecration was ably and effectively rendered by Bro. James Terry, P.G. S.B., Sec. R.M.B.I., assisted by Bros. Dr. Turtle Pigott, D.C.L., P.A.G. D.C., as S.W.; Lord John Taylour, as J.W.; Rev. R. J. Simpson, P.G.C., as Chap.; J. L. Mather, A.G.D.C., as D.C.; Jas. Willing, jun., as I.G.; and A. A. Pendlebury, A.G. Sec.

The following is a list of the founders, who were all present, with the exception of the two last named brethren: Bros. W. A. Scurrah, P.M. 2048, P.P.G.S. of W. Middx., W.M. designate; Jas. Thom, 957, S.W. designate; H. E. Fraser, 2077, J.W. designate; W. M. Stiles, P.M.; A. H. Scurrah, G. H. Lewis, W. W. Langley, A. A. Nottingham, A. J. Hearne, J. Midgley, and E. W. Wheeler.

The visitors included-

Bros. F. W. Dimsdale, J.W. 1507; G. Gregory, P.M. 1538; Jno. Read, P.M. 720, P.P.G.O. Middx.; H. Penton, 1319; J. C. Smith, P.M. 1744; F. C. Joseph, 2048; J. Powdrall, 1744; W. J. Burgess, P.M. 1472; H. Sadler, G. Tyler; G. W. Knight, W.M. 1507; H. J. Dutton, 1706; H. Dickey, W.M. 1744; A. L. Fryer, 1624; E. Maas, 173; T. L. Edmonds, 1507; E. Storr, P.M. 167; J. H. Warden, J. Weston, P.M. 1615; J. Hemming, J.W. 1287; W. Goodchild, P.M. 704; and W. W. Lee, 1897.

The Presiding Officer having taken the chair and appointed his officers pro tem., briefly addressed the brethren on the motive of the meeting, expressing the regret felt by all present at the absence of the Grand Secretary, and predicting a prosperous career for the new lodge.

The founders having signified their approval of the officers named in the warrant, Bro. the Rev. R. J. SIMPSON, P.G.C., Chap., delivered an excellent oration.

The ceremony was then proceeded with and carried to a successful issue, the impressiveness being considerably enhanced by the admirable rendering of the musical portions under the direction of Bro. J. Read, P.P.G. Org. Middx., assisted by Bros. Dutton, Fryer, and Prenton.

The installation was next proceeded with, Bro. W. A. Scurrah being duly installed into the chair as W.M. for the ensuing year. Bro. W. M. Stiles having been unanimously elected Treasurer, the following officers were appointed and invested by the W.M.: Bros. J. Thom, S.W.; H. E. Fraser, J.W.; W. M. Stiles, Treas.; A. H. Scurrah, Sec.; G. H. Lewis, S.D.; A. A. Nottingham, J.D.; W. W. Langley, I.G.; A. J. Hearne, D. of C.; and Whiting, Tyler.

The customary addresses were then delivered by Bro. JAS. TERRY, the Installing Officer, with his usual earnestness, clearness, and expression.

The Worshipful Master then said he had to make a proposal which would meet with a hearty response. There were several Grand Officers present who had come there at great inconvenience, to honour them with their presence and to assist them in the consecration of their lodge. He might say that he had a letter from the Grand Secretary which he received that morning, in which he fears that he could not be present as he is laid up by illness. The Grand Secretary also expressed his great regret at his inability to perform the ceremony to which he had long looked forward, and the brethren would also regret his absence. The Grand Secretary had, however, sent a brother to deputise for him who had performed the ceremony to perfection. He alluded to their friend, Bro. Jas. Terry, P.G.S.B. They had, no doubt, all heard that brother give the consecration ceremony at lodges of instruction, but they were privileged to some extent, for he (the W.M.) had never heard him render that beautiful ceremony with greater fervour, or in a more successful manner than he had on the present occasion. They were also indebted to Bros. Dr. Turtle Pigott and Lord John Taylour for their assistance, and to Bro. Rev. R. J. Simpson who acted as Chaplain, and delivered the oration which had delighted them all. Their thanks were likewise due to Bro. J. L. Mather, A.G.D.C. who acted the part of D.C. to perfection, to Bro. Jas. Willing, who kindly undertook the duties of I.G. and Bro. A. A. Pendlebury, who also rendered valuable assistance. He had much pleasure in proposing that the best thanks of the members be tendered to these brethren, and that they be

asked to accept the honorary membership of the lodge.

The S.W. having seconded the motion, it was carried with enthusiasm.

Bro. Dr. Turtle Pigott, P.A.G.D.C. briefly returned thanks, and on behalf of the other brethren accepted the honorary membership so kindly offered, trusting that they would have frequent opportunities in the future

witnessing the prosperity of the lodge.

THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER said he was quite sure the Grand Secretary would have been present had it been possible, and he therefore thought that a sdecial vote of thanks should be accorded him for the great kindness he had shown them during the necessary negotiations. He had been met by the Grand Secretary in the kindest and most courteous manner, and he should like it to go forth that Bro. Col. Shadwell Clerke was one of the kindest and most courteous men in the Crast. He also moved that their brother should be asked to accept the honorary membership. It was his intention, as soon as lodge was closed, to send him a telegram expressing their thanks to him and their regret at his absence.

Bro. STILES, Treasurer, seconded the resolution, which was carried

The founders were elected a committee to frame the by-laws, and

several propositions for initiation and joining were received.

Letters of regret were received from Bros. Sir A. Woods, Sir F. Burdett, Bart., Raymond Thrupp, F. Binckes, H. Stiles, Knightley, Hy. Lovegrove, and others, and the lodge was closed in due form.

The brethren afterwards partook of an excellent banquet served under under the personal supervision of the worthy host, Bro. Warner.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were subsequently duly honoured, "The Queen and the Craft" and "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W. G.M.," being given and enthusiastically received

The Worshipful Master, in giving "The Grand Officers," said there was one member of that body whom they would have been pleased to see, and that was the Grand Secretary. They were very disappointed that he was not with them, and he was no doubt equally disappointed at his absence. There would be no need for him to descant upon the good qualities of the Pro G.M. and the D.P.G.M., for they were undoubtedly the right men in the right place. The other Grand Officers were capable and willing to perform their respective duties. They were honoured that evening with the presence of several Grand Officers, including their Consecrating Officer, Bro. James Terry, who had done his work admirably, but of whom he should have occasion to speak at a later period. They had with them Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson, who had carried out the duties of Chaplain in an excellent manner, and he was pleased to say that several of the brethren had spoken to him and expressed their delight at the way in which that rev. brother had performed his work. The address he gave them was full of interest and instruction, and they were delighted to have him among them. They also had the two distinguished brethren who acted as Wardens, but who were, he was sorry to say, obliged to leave. Bro. J. L. Mather, A.G.D.C., was well known and deservedly esteemed by all, and was always ready to do his work and always performed it well. They also had with them Bro. A. A. Pendlebury, A.G. Sec., whom he was sure had rendered great assistance to the Grand Secretary and to the work generally of Masonry, and there was no brother more deservedly honoured than when he was appointed A.G. Sec. He asked the brethren to drink the health of the Grand Officers, coupling with the toast the name of Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson, P.G.C.

Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson, P.G.C., in reply, said the two central figures in the toast were naturally Lords Carnarvon and Lathom, who held high positions in the Craft, and he thought he could appeal not only to the Masons who attended Grand Lodge, but especially to those who were at the Albert Hall meeting, as to the manner in which they perform their respective duties. With reference to the other Grand Officers, he thought they should not omit H.R.H. Prince Albert Victor, who holds the position of S.G.W., and for those who were students of history it was an interesting fact that the two first chairs of Grand Lodge were held by the possible future Kings of this great kingdom. At the same time, they all united in wishing that the day would be far distant before either would be called upon to fill the place of their beloved Queen. He was convinced that their little meeting on the present occasion was not without its significance as a germ of Masonry in that part of England. If the outer world knew the tenets of the Craft, they would feel that the consecration of a new lodge was a blessing to the It was the honourable and noble principles of their loyalty and Charity, and of all those attributes which should distinguish Englishmen both in their homes and country, and in the present day when, he was sorry to say, divisions ruled every consideration—divisions in religion and politics. It was a happy thing, and ought to be esteemed as such by every true Englishmen, that there were certain associations met together with loyal principles to diffuse amongst themselves, their families, and their neighbourhoods all that was lovely and of good report. He rejoiced in this additional germ which he hoped would bring forth good fruit and was sure it had been a happy day-happy except in the absence of the Grand Secretary. They had had that sunshine which a gracious Providence had been pleased to give them, and the sun had shone on their lodge as it had not failed to do throughout the recent Jubilee rejoicings. On behalf of the Grand Officers he returned thanks for the kind manner in which they had been entertained, and assured the W.M. that they would long remember the reception they had met with, and the compliment paid them by making them honorary members. He trusted they might revisit the lodge and find that the infant Hercules of to-day had become a giant in the future.

In proposing "The Consecrating Officers," the Worshippul Master

said their lodge had been consecrated by a brother who had shown that he was capable of performing the work, and of performing it in a masterly manner. They would know he referred to Bro. Jas. Terry. He had heard that brother on several occasions rehearse the ceremony at lodges of instruction, but he had never before witnessed his rendering of the consecration proper. He had been pleased and delighted, and was sure that every brother present had experienced the same feeling, for all the Consecrating Officers, from the Grand Chaplain to the I.G., had done their work in an admirable manner. He was pleased to include in the toast the name of Bro. Jas. Willing, who had acted as I.G., and whom they all

esteemed and respected as a good Mason and an excellent companion.

Bro. J. L. MATHER, A.G.D.C., in returning thanks, expressed the pleasure it had afforded him to be present and assist at the consecration, knowing so many of the founders, and knowing what good men they were. The new lodge had undoubtedly a great future before it, and the members would, he was certain, use their exertions to make it an influential lodge.

Bro. JAS. WILLING having also replied, Bro. JAS. TERRY, P.G.S.B., returned thanks for the toast, and said that as he saw it should have been associated with the name of the Grand Secretary, he rose with peculiar feelings to respond. Had that brother been present he would have expressed his gratitude for the manner in which he had been entertained, and for the very cordial greeting intended for him,

and, in fact, for everything calculated to make his visit a memorable one. In the absence of the Grand Secretary, he esteemed it a great privilege to act for him. It had not be his lot for the last four years to have the opportunity, in London, of consecrating a new lodge; but when that brother wrote to him and told him that he was prevented by illness from attending, he had but one answer, which was—that when one brother is in distress it is the duty of others to assist him. He was, however, no novice in the ceremony, as that was the 121st lodge he had consecrated since he had been a Under favourable auspices a good ship had been launched, and had glided down the ways into what, he hoped, would become a favourable tide of success; and he trusted that when the Grand Officers came to see the ship return, it would be found bringing back tidings of great wealth. For any slight part he had taken in the day's proceedings, he was more than repaid by their kindness. There were ups and downs in the histories of all lodges, but if they held together their ship would ride through any storm. He was sure they would permit him to assume the gavel and propose "The health of the Worshipful Master." There must be a first man on board ship who was looked to for protection and from whom they received instruction. Bro. Scurrah was one of those men who had pushed himself to the front, he would hot say with rapidity, but certainly with a determination that nobody should beat him. He thought he was speaking correctly when he said that their W.M. was but six years a Mason, but he was now in the chair of a new lodge, was a P.P.G. Officer of the Province of Middlesex, and had also taken positions in almost every part of Masonry. Bro. Scurrah was a man of the times, and had come to the front with a determination that whatever office he held should be held with the best motives and the best principles. He ventured to think that those were the principles which had actuated the W.M. and would do so throughout his year of office. The officers would well support him, and they had but to pull together and have one feeling, and that was that the future of this lodge, and especially in this first year, rested entirely in their hands to make or mar it. He was certain the members would take care that in the foundation of this lodge they would do all they could to advance the best interests of the Craft. Far better to grow slowly, and perhaps even have but one initiate, than to admit those whom they would not be proud to see at their own table. He asked them with all heartiness and sincerity to drink to the health of their W.M., and the prosperity of the Hendon Lodge.

Bro. W. A. Scurrah, W.M., after returning thanks for the cordiality with which the toast had been proposed and received, said it was quite true that he was a young Mason. He did not believe in halt heartedness, and he never took up anything unless he took it up heartily. Before he entered Masonry he well weighed what he was about to do, and determined he would do his duty so long as it was honest and honourable. He had endeavoured to carry that out, for he believed Masonry to be a grand Institution, as it bound men together in the bonds of brotherly affection. In connection with the three grand Institutions of which they were proud, and which they should heartily support, he would say that from the time of his initiation he had endeavoured to do what he could to carry out the principles of Freemasonry and assist the Charities. He thanked the brethren heartily, and should ever remember that memorable day when it was by their suffrages that he was placed in the chair, and would endeavour, while life lasted, to make the lodge a success. He hoped the day would come when it would be said that the founders had a keen foresight and were right in their surmises that a lodge at Hendon would become a flourishing lodge and a credit to the neighbourhood and to Freemasonry.

Bro. H. DICKEY, W.M. 1744 returned thanks on behalf of the visitors, and expressed the pleasure it afforded him to see Bro. Scurrah as W.M. of this lodge. He had the pleasure of seeing their W.M. initiated, and congratulated him on the progress he had made. He trusted the brethren would be successful in making this a prosperous lodge.

Bros. G. W. KNIGHT, W.M. 1507, and E. STORR, P.M. 167, also

"The Charities" having been given in cordial terms by the W.M., Bros. JAS. TERRY, Secretary Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, replied, and thanked the W.M. for his kindly allusion to the success which had attended the efforts of the executive officers of the Institutions. That success had been unexampled. First came the Boys' School with £10,000, which, with £2000 coming from Grand Lodge and the proportions of the result of the Albert Hall meeting another £2000, making a total of £14,000. The Girls' School was also successful, but he would like to see the Secretary out a little more, so that it might not all be left to the executive officers of the other Institutions. Their success resulted in £13,000, which, with the two other items of £2000 each, would reach £17,000. Then he came to the Benevolent Institution. When the old people were elected on to the annuity, they enjoyed it for life, and he could tell them that from May, 1886 to February, 1887, there were only two deaths. Out of 400 annuitants, there were two over 90 years of age; 27 between 85 and 90; and nearly 79 between 70 and 75. An appeal was made in February and met with a noble response. The result was £19,259, and, taking into consideration the £1000 voted in March from Grand Lodge, £2000 in June, and the proportion from the Albert Hall gathering about another £2000, they had a total of £24,000. In addition to that, West Yorkshire had sent another 2400 guineas, East Lancashire, £3000, and Cumberland and Westmorland, £1000, so that the total by December would be £30,000. Could they point to any other organisation or body of men, linked together in small numbers, that could realise such a total? But there came a difficulty in the following year. They had placed 32 additional annuitants upon the list, and he asked them—What were they going to do in 1888? He was sure the brethren would not permit that Institution to sink down and want money after having led them to believe so much. He knew that if their W.M. put his name down as Steward, the brethren would willingly support their first W.M. He was pleased to announce that Bro. Scurrah had just told him that such was his intention Their W.M. had come forward as the white flower of Charity; and he knew that the members in their generosity would strongly support him.

Bro. W. M. STILES, P.M., Treasurer, replied for "The Treasurer and Secretary," thanking the brethren for the compliment paid him by electing him as Treasurer, and assured them that he would endeavour to perform his duties to their satisfaction.

Bro. A. H. Scurrah, Secretary, also replied.

"The Officers" having been given, and responded to by Bro. THOM, S.W., the Tyler's toast brought the proceedings to a close.

The toasts were interspersed with an excellent programme of glees and songs given under the direction of Bro. J. Read, P.P.G.O. Middlesex, who was assisted by Bros. Dutton, Fryer, and Prenton.

MOVEABLE GRAND MARK LODGE.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF DORSET.

On Friday, the 22nd ult., a Moveable Grand Mark Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Weymouth, on invitation from the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Dorset. On the same day and at the same place the annual Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Dorset was held under the banner of All Souls Lodge, No. 126.

All Souls Lodge was opened by Bros. C. G. Target, W.M., and received the officers and brethren of Provincial Grand Mark Lodge, which was presided over by Bro. Rev. W. Mortimer Heath, P.G.M.M. The following brethren were present:

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Bros. Sir R. N. Howard, D.P.G.M.; C. H. W. Parkinson, P.S.G.W.; W. B. Morgan, P.J.G.W.; W. James, P.J.G.O.; Rev. W. C. Brown, P.C. Chap.; H. F. Harvey, Prov. G. Sec.; A. McLean, P.G. Treas.; H. Baverstock, P.S.G.D.; F. C. Compton, P.J.G.D.; R. Symmonds, P.G. Tyler; G. R. Crickman, P.P.S.G.W.; H. C. Burt, P.P.S.G.W.; T. R. Charles, P.P.G.M.O.; C. G. Target, P.P.S.G.O.; T. S. Furnell, P.P.J.G.O.; H. Cooke, P.P.G.D.; H. G. B. Frampton, P.P.G.D.; W. H. Dunman, P.P.G.D. of C.; J. B. Cole, P.M. 126; W. J. Nosworthy, P.P.S.G.O. and P.P.S.G.W. Somerset; J. H. Bowen, P.P.G. Sec.; J. F. Hatchard, 99; S. R. Baskett, 121; R. N. Sansom, 121; P. Eveleigh, 133; E. Mills, 133; J. Massey, 133; H. Pettis, 133; also visiting brethren: H. Pigeon, P.G.N. Org. Hants; W. Hickman, 320; J. Norton, P.S.G.D. Hants; E. J. B. Mercer, P.G.J.O. Somerset; C. A. Smith, Royal Cumberland (1.1.); W. C. Heane, P.P.G.J.W. Gloucester; J. G. Mitchell, Royal Cumberland (1.1.); C. Quennell, P.P.G.J.W. Gloucester; J. G. Mitchell, Royal Cumberland (1.1.); C. Quennell, P.P.G.J.G. Middx. and Surrey; F. W. Radway, P.P.G.W. Somerset and P.G.D.; F. T. Elworthy, P.G. Sec. Somerset.

The minutes of the last Provincial Grand Lodge were read and confirmed. The Treasurer presented his accounts for the past year which had been duly audited, these were allowed and passed. A grant of three guineas was made from the Provincial Grand Lodge Fund, to be placed on the list of Bro. C. H. W. Parkinson, as Steward for the Male Benevolent

The Prov. Grand Master then appointed and invested the following brethren as Prov. Grand Officers for the ensuing year:-

Dep. Prov. G.M. Bro. Sir R. N. Howard Prov. S.G.W. Prov. J.G.W. C. F. Target W James J. B. Cole ••• • • • ••• Prov. G.M.O. ... • • • Prov. G.S.O. W. Nosworthy ... Prov. G.J.O. P. Eveleigh ... Rev. W. C. Brown H. F. Harvey Prov. G. Chap. Prov. G. Sec. • • • A. McLean (elected) Prov. G. Treas. Prov. G.S.D. W. H. Dunman • • • • • • • • • Prov. G.J.D. Prov. G.I. of W. J. Rowe W. B. Morgan ... G. P. Symes ... J. F. Hatchard Prov. G.D.C. Prov. G.I.G. R. Symmonds (elected) ... Prov. G. Tyler.

The R.W. the P.G.M.M. briefly addressed the brethren, and after alluding to some matters of detail connected with the business of the province, said that it gave him great pleasure to announce that the M.W.G.M.M. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales had been graciously pleased to accept the invitation of the Mark Province of Dorset, and had directed that a Moveable Grand Mark Lodge be held that day at Weymouth, and that the officers and brethren were now ready to be received.

At three o'clock the officers and brethren of Grand Mark Lodge entered the lodge room in procession amid the acclamations of the brethren. M.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Portal, P.G.M.M. presided, and was preinren. M. W. Bro. Rev. Canon Portal, P.G.M.M. presided, and was accompanied by the following: Bros. Rev. W. M. Heath, P.G. Chap. and P.G.M.M. Dorset, D.G.M.; C. W. Radway, P.G.D., G.S.W.; G. W. Pierrepont-Harris, S.G.D., J.G.W.; W. Watkins, P.G. Std. Br., G.M.O.; H. C. Burt, P.G. Stwd., S.G.O.; F. Binckes, P.G.W., G. Sec.; R. Berridge, P.G.M.O., G.D. of C.; E. J. Mills, G.I.G.; R. B. Cater,

Grand Lodge being duly opened, the P.G.M.M. of Dorset addressed the Presiding Grand Master in terms of welcome, expressing the gratification felt by the brethren of the province at the honour done them by the M.W.G.M.M.in selecting Weymouth as the place for holding the Annual Moveable Grand Mark Lodge, and their pleasure at seeing so eminent and well known a Mark Mason as Rev. Canon Portal, P.G.M.M. as the representative of H.R.H. on that occasion. The Presiding G.M.M.M. in answer, acknowledged the compliment paid to him. He reminded the brethren that he was no stranger to them, as it had been his pleasurable duty to install the P.G.M.M. of Dorset in that lodge room on the first constitution of the province.

Bro. Rev. W. M. HEATH, P.G.M.M. Dorset, proposed, and Bro. Sir R. N. HOWARD, D.P.G.M. Dorset seconded the proposition, that a petition be presented to her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen through the M.W.G.M.M.M. the Prince of Wales, praying that the title of "Royal" be allowed to be borne by the Mark Benevolent Institution. This was carried

unanimously. All business being concluded, Grand Lodge was closed.

The Lodge of All Souls, Weymouth, was then opened, and the officers having resigned their chairs to the Grand Officers present, the Right Rev. Acton Windeyer Sillitoe, Bishop of New Westminster, British Columbia, who had been duly proposed, balloted for, and accepted, was advanced to the Mark Degree, the ceremony being impressively performed by Bro. F. Binckes, assisted by other members of Grand Mark Lodge.

After the lodge was closed the brethren adjourned to Greenhill House, the residence of Bro. Sir R. N. Howard, where on a marquee erected on the lawn facing the sea, the banquet was held, at which Bro. the Rev. W. Mortimer Heath, P.G.M.M.M. Dorset, presided.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given, together with "The Health of the Right Rev. Candidate," who responded in an able and interesting speech, and dwelling especially on the deep impression which the

proceedings of that day had made upon him. The visit of Grand Lodge will long remain fresh in the memory of the Dorset brethren, and the enjoyment of the day was greatly enhanced by the kindness of Bro. Sir R. N. Howard in providing for the banquet a spot so beautiful as that in which it was held.

The attendance of brethren was as good as could be expected, and would have been far greater had not the great naval review, on the following day, interfered with it. It was well known that many of the eminent members of Grand Mark Lodge were from this cause obliged to be absent.

CONSECRATION OF THE UNITY LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS, No. 381.

The little town of Ringwood (Hampshire) was "en fete" on Wednesday, 27th ult., in regard to Mark Freemasonry. Ringwood has one Masonic lodge, The Unity, No. 132, whose warrant dates as far back as August 16th 1764, and the present W.M. Bro. W. J. Van Marle, together with Bros. B. Jenkins, W. Farrance, J. Batley Atkinson, W. Woodhouse, D. Williams, W. Dunn, H. J. Atkins, and E. Worth, petitioned for a new Mark lodge, to be called the Unity, which was sanctioned in due course, and is numbered No. 381. It was to consecrate this lodge that a large assembly met together at the Masonic Hall, White Hart Hotel, at three o'clock, p.m., when there were present-

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Bros. Rev. Canon Portal, P.G.M.M. of England, Prov. Grand Mark Master; R. Loveland Loveland, D.P.G.M.M.; J. E. Le Feuvre, P.P.S.G.W.; F. Powell, 305, P.G. M.O.; A. B. Atkinson, P.S.G.O.; R. J. Rastrick, P.G. Treas.; Geo. J. Tilling, P.G. Sec.; R. W. Lees, P.J.G.D.; F. Sanders, P.A.G.D.C.; C. Reynolds, P. G. Sd. Br.; J. Jenkins, P.G. St. Br.; H. Leader, P.J.G.S.; Colonel Mead, P.G. Stwd.; H. Pigeon, jun., acting P.G. Org.; R. W. Beale, P.P.G.R. Mks.; H. Crispe, P.P.G.I.G.; H. N. Jenkins, P.P.A.G.D.C.; A. J. Painter, P.P.J.G.W.; P. H. Emanuel, P.P.G. Sd. Br.; H. J. Sydenham, W.M. 137, P.P.G.M.O. Dorset; H. Baverstock, P.M. 622, P.P.S.G.D. Dorset; H. P. Holley, S.W., and J. W. Boughton, S.O. 17; F. V. Paxton, S.W. 92; H. H. Thompson, S.W. 54; J. A. Nethercoate, J.W.; W. H. Humphrey, S.O.; J. B. Atkinson, Sec. 125; R. Cullingford, Sec. 104; R. G. King, I.G. 305; R. Dampier-Child, S.O., and J. Conner, J.D. 320; W. Townsend, Org. 125; G. Exell, Prov. G. Tyler; and G. Carter, Tyler 2.

We may here mention that around the lodge room were engravings of her Majesty the Queen and H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, also a print of "Bro. William Jones, W.M. Lodge of Unity, 154, Ringwood, 1849, S.G. Warden for Hants; aged 75," and another of "Thomas Dunckerley, Prov. Grand Master for the Counties of Dorset, Essex, Gloucester, and Somerset (under the authority of his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, Grand Master of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons), and Grand Superintendent of Royal Arch Masons for the Counties of Devon, Dorset, Essex, Gloucester, Hants, Kent, Somerset, and Wilts, under the patronage of his R.H. the Duke of Cumberland."

This old print was published by Van Dyke, January 9th, 1786.

The oak chairs used by the W.M. and S.W., that of the former had a silver square let into the top of the chair, and engraved thereon: "His

Majesty King George the Third visited the city of Salisbury, September 30th, A.L. 5778, and was seated in this Chair and Throne in the choir of the cathedral during the performance of three anthems." On the S.W.'s chair is a silver level, and engraved thereon is: "Her Majesty Queen Charlotte, accompanied her Royal Consort to Salisbury, September 30th, A.L. 5778, and was seated in this Chair and Throne in the choir of the cathedral.

The brethren having minutely examined these curiosities, and taken their seats, the P.G.M.M., D.P.G.M.M., and Prov. Grand Mark Officers assembled, and the P.G.M.M. declared the lodge opened. The opening ode—" Hail, Eternal, by whose aid"—was rendered, and the consecration was proceeded with. The first part of anthem "Mark Masters all appear" was rendered, and the founders of the new lodge were arranged in order.

The Prov. Grand Mark Master, addressing the founders on the nature of the meeting, said that they had met there that day at their request to found and constitute a Mark Master Masons lodge, and he felt sure from the characters and zeal of the brethren who had signed the petition they would have a happy and auspicious future. He need scarcely say to Masons as those before him the work was not complete until a great deal of consistent and solid work was carried out, and he hoped they would all strive together to make the lodge second to none in the province. He would call on the Prov. Grand Secretary to state their wishes and the proceedings they have taken in respect to the lodge.

The Prov. Grand Secretary read the prayer and petition, which had been duly signed by the Prov. G.M.M., and also the warrant from the

Grand Lodge of England.

The Prov. Grand Mark Master delivered the invocation, and after the usual ceremonies, the P.G.M.M. dedicated and constituted the Unity Lodge, No. 381

The Right Worshipful Bro. R. LOVELAND-LOVELAND, Deputy Prov. G.M. Master, then proceeded with the installation ceremony, which was rendered in a most efficient and exceedingly impressive manner, and Bro.

rendered in a most efficient and exceedingly impressive manner, and Bro-Jenkins was duly proclaimed as W.M. and saluted in due form.

The election of Treasurer was then proceeded with, and resulted in the unanimous voting in favour of Bro. W. Farrance.

The following were then appointed as officers for the ensuing year: Bros. H. J. J. Van Marle, S.W.; W. Farrance, J.W.; A. W. Ward, M.O.; J. Nethercoate, S.O.; H. N. Jenkins, J.O.; J. B. Atkinson, P.M., Sec.; W. Farrance, Treas.; D. C. Waters, S.D.; W. H. Humphrey, J.D.; F. Mapp, I.G.

On the motion of Bro. J. B. Atkinson, Bro. the Rev. Canon Portal, P.G.M.M.M., and the D.P.G.M.M. Bro. R. Loveland-Loveland were unanimously elected Honorary Members, and votes of thanks were duly accorded to the Prov. Grand Officers for the assistance rendered that day.

rendered that day.

Several propositions for advancement were made and the lodge was

closed in due form.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF HAMP-SHIRE AND THE ISLE OF WIGHT.

After the consecration as above the Prov. Grand Lodge was declared open-The minutes of the Provincial Grand Lodge were read and confirmed, and the Prov. G. Treasurer's accounts were received and passed. The receipts, including £17 2s. 8d. in hand amounted to £41 9s. 2d., and the disbursements, including £44s. for regalia, and £55s. donation to the Mark Benevolent Fund was £16 2s., being a balance of £25 6s. 11.

Bro. Rastrick was for the fourth successive year unanimously elected Treasurer.

The W.M.'s of lodges 320 and 349, were elected on the Committee for auditing the Prov. G. Treasurer's accounts.

Bro. TILLING, P.G. Sec., made a statement relative to the progress and business of the province, showing there were II Mark Lodges in the province, one of which the Economy, 52, Winchester, was not working, and the Army Military Lodge, Aldershot, had made no returns. Without these there were 315 members who had had 58 meetings and made 35 advancements compared with-

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,,	H. Crisp, 305	•••				• • • •	Prov. J.G.O.
,,	Rev. E. H. Elers, 63	•••				•••	Prov. G. Chap.
,,	Rev. A. M. Walker, 63	• • •		•••		• • •	Prov. G. Chap.
,,	R. J. Rastrick, 62	•••		•••		• • •	Prov. G. Treas.
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,,	H. Loader, 17	•••		•••		•••	Prov. S.G.D.
,,	F. V. Paxton, 62	•••		•••		• • • •	Prov. J.G.D.
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,,	W. Berry, 63	• • •		•••		•••	Prov. A.G.D.C.
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,,	J. W. Boughton, 17			•••		•••	Frov. G. Std. Br.
,,	H. Pigeon jun., 320	•••				•••	Prov. G. Org.
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The Prov. G.M.M. specially thanked the D.P.G.M.M., Bro. Loveland Loveland, for the efficient manner in which he had fulfilled his office during the past year. He also expressed his grateful thanks to the Prov. Grand Lodge for their kind letter of condolence forwarded him on the loss he had sustained.

Apologies were read from Bros. J. Mortimer Heath, P.G.M.M. Dorset; Rev. S. Ward, P.S.G.W.; A. Knight-Prescott, P.J.G.W.; J. Dew, A. Atkinson, P.S.G.O.; H. Durrant, P.C.D.C.; J. Gibson, and Rev.

The P.G.M.M. remarked, he had been unable to give a collar to the W.M. of the Unity Lodge as he was not a subscribing member. He was glad, however, Bro. Jenkins had returned to Mark Masonry, and hoped he would prosper. Next year he could assure him he should have a collar. Relative to the Charity Box, he was glad to learn that during the year the different lodges had not forgotten it. It was a great help, especially now they had a Mark Benevolent Fund. The Lodge of Economy, which was in abeyance, would, he hoped, shortly be working, and brethren who could not make quick progress in their own lodge could join the Economy and so advance through the chairs.

Bro. Green, Secretary 305, was announced as the Steward for the Mark Benevolent Fund, and on the proposition of Bro. LE FEUVRE, and seconded by the P.G.M.M., the sum of £5 5s. was voted towards that Fund, and to be placed on Bro. Green's list.

Bro. Rastrick was unanimously elected to be recommended as Grand

Steward for the years 1888-9.

The Prov. Grand Lodge was closed in due form, and the brethren adjourned to the Court Room and partook of a cold collation, presided over by the P.G.M.M.

PLYMOUTH MASONIC EXHIBITION.

Five Masonic Exhibitions of Masonic Books, Medals, Manuscripts, and other curios have been held. The first was on Sept. 5th, 1881, at York, when the Freemasons of that famous city gave a hearty reception to their brethren who were members of the British Association, then holding its Jubilee meeting "within the walls of the ancient capital of the North." special account of the reception, with a catalogue of the Exhibits, compiled by Bro. T. B. Whytehead (the originator of these collections of Masonic curios), may still be had. There were some 180 articles sent by 31 exhibitors, and several others were forwarded and shown in the Hall of No. 236, but too late for description in the catalogue.

The second, took the form of a "Masonic Conversazione and Exhibition," under the auspices of the York College of the Rosicrucians, Frater C. L. Mason v. Celeb, and was held on Feb. 20th, 1884. The number of Exhibitors amounted to 36, the lots, in all, numbering 430. The catalogue was compiled by Bro. Whytehead, and a racy account of the proceedings appeared in the Freemason during May and June, 1884. The articles sent by the York Lodge, No. 236, were of great value and interest, as also those lent by the Eboracum Lodge, No. 1611, York, and several private

The third, known as the "Masonic Soiree and Exhibition," took place in the Guildhall, Worcester, on Aug. 27th, 1884, and during remainder of the week. were the Patrons, and under the able administration of Bro. George Taylor (who edited the Catalogue), the reception and the proceedings generally were a great success. The large number of 144 exhibitors, with a total of some 1200 lots, were duly described in the catalogue, and the arrangements were on a most lavish and truly Masonic scale. Bro. Taylor went on accumulating numerous treasures from that period, until he had acquired by far the most valuable private Masonic collection in this country, subsections in the second quently consenting to its being purchased for a Provincial Library and Museum in Worcestershire, at cost price. Many of these rare and valuable

March 13th, 1886, in relation to the "Masonic week" at Kidderminster.

The fourth of the series, held at the Chalet, Shanklin, under the auspices of the Prov. G.M. of Hants and the Isle of Wight, was inaugurated on September 9th, 1886, and remained on view for the tollowing days of that week. The catalogue was edited by Bro. Alfred Greenham days of that week. The catalogue was edited by Bro. Alfred Greenham, M. M. 1884, on whom the management rested, and though financially the object sought was not attained, the exhibition itself was by far the largest of the kind, and is not likely to be exceeded in that respect at any time. The particulars of the chief attractions, Masonically speaking, will be

based on the catalogue of Bro. Greenham's. Though the number of exhibitors did not come up to that of Worcester, at Shanklin the enormous total of 1471 lots (not reckoning many under one number) renders the latter most memorable and valuable as a collection. Some of the 87 brethren and others who sent their rarities having, in several instances, forwarded quite enough to make local Masonic exhibitions themselves.

The fifth and latest, will, of course, be known as the "Plymouth Masonic Exhibition," though held for Devon and Cornwall, and was opened by the writer June 27th, 1887. The Huyshe Masonic Temple was placed at the disposal of the committee, and the articles were on view from that day to July 1st inclusive. The Prov. Grand Masters of the two provinces consented to be patrons, and several brethren qualified as Vice-Patrons (the fee being one guinea each, as at Shanklin), so as to provide an expenses fund, the chief object being to aid the "Devon Masonic Educational Fund," founded in 1879. The exhibitors were confined to members (honorary or subscribing) of lodges in Devon and Cornwall, or to exhibits relating to those two counties, the aim being to trace any articles of interest, Masonically, in the neighbourhood. In this we have been only partially successful, 88 exhibitors contributing a total of 1001 lots. Of these, 59 had never exhibited any of their collections before, and several of the articles were not only rare, but of considerable local interest. The catalogue—still to be had, as also those of Worcester and Shanklin, from the respective editors—has been compiled with a view to save needless repetitions of descriptions, and, as far as possible, from actual observation or knowledge of the different articles, forming a useful addition to those of 1881-6.

The Grand Lodge clothing of the Duke of Clarence (his Majesty William IV.), who was initiated at Plymouth, was a great attraction, and was lent by the Prince of Wales

Thomas Fenn, Press B. of G.P. Some of the Rose Croix Jewels were exceedingly fine specimens, especially one sent by Bro. Basch, and another by myself. Other medals for this degree are said to have been worn by Sir John St. Aubyn last century, forwarded by Bro. L. P. Metham, and the other by Napoleon I., per Miss Boger, being of the ordinary pattern. Three of the set of provincial jewels for Cornwall, presented by the Sir John St. Aubyn aforesaid in 1786, as Prov. G.M. were kindly contributed by Bro. E. D. Anderton, Prov. G. Sec. and were much admired, as they deserved to be. Bro. G. L. Shackles (Hon. Mem., No. 70), lent all the Masonic medals he exhibited at hanklin, specimens being in his grand cabinet, from Germany, France, Belgium, America, the Netherlands, Hungary, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Switzerland, and this Country. Several of these invaluable medals were not only unknown to Dr. Merzdorf, but even to Bro. Marvin, and hence Bro. Shackles kindly supplied particulars of their distinctive features, so that the Catalogue is all the more valuable accordingly, besides containing the numbers, according to Marvin, of most of the others. In this department, those supplied by Bro. T. Lamb-Smith (Hon. Mem. No. 1247) were of special importance, as so many were of handsome designs and ornate workmanship. These were chiefly English and Scottish, mostly of the last century, and several uniques being amongst the lot.

Bro. Le Feuvre exhibited a curious specimen of a silver medal of the floriated "letter G." pattern, similar to the one owned by Major Mac-Gachen, of York, the latter being of brass. Bro. Lane's contributions of medals comprised a R.A. jewel of 1803 (Domatic Lodge, No. 177), the Belgium issue of 1842, the "Masonic Sermon" by Hart, 1838-9, and others. Bro. James Jerman lent the Priestly Order of Melchisede Jewel, the fine medal of 1802, commemorative of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence, being Masonic Patrons, and some specimens of the best French work early this century. All the Centenary Jewels worn by lodge members in Devon and Cornwall, were represented, save one, comprising those for 39, Exeter, 70, Plymouth, 75, Falmouth, 105, Plymouth, 112, Exeter, 131, Truro, 189, Stonehouse, 202, Devonport, and 248, Brixham.* The Lodge, No. 75, Falmouth, also sent the Master's Medal, with the Freemason's Hall Medal attached, worn by its chief officer in perpetuity, a distinction shared by only three other lodges in the Provinces, viz., 41, Bath, 154, Wakefield, and 237, Swansea. Old Warrants were in "strong force," from the year 1731, many being originals, and great curiosities. Numerous certificates were also exhibited of rarity and special value, as also singular aprons. Some of the latter were remarkable for their great size, and one as much so for its smallness, those sent by Bro. Blamey and others being large enough for giants, whereas the apron of the late Bro. Harvey, Prov. G.M. Herts, was strangely small and insignificant for the purpose. Newman's Apron of 1798, was represented by one specimen, and another of unusual kind sent by Bro. Le Feuvre, with the Bible open at II. Chron. chapters 2 and 3; with a full description. Bro. T. B. Whytehead (Hon. Mem., No. 70), contributed several articles of interest, the Snuff Boxes of No. 1611, being especially curious, as also were the old Jewels in his collection, and the old Masonic Watch of 1788.

Bro. Greenham's contributions to the Exhibition were duly placed, and his fine facsimilé of the York MS. of 1704 ("Old Charges") occupied many feet of the wall in the large Hall. If his collection goes on increasing as it has done of late, he will be able to hold a Masonic Exhibition of his own ere long. St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1151, Tywardreath, lent the trowel and square used by our Royal Grand Master at Truro Cathedral in 1880, and Bro. J. Lane and myself forwarded a fine collection of Masonic Lodge Histories, nearly all known being represented. Bro. Lane also sent specimens of the Books of Constitutions, as did the 'Coombe Masonic Library 450, Hayle, per Bro. G. B. Pearce, the indefatigable librarian, besides

several of my own works, now out of print; and other valuables.

In books, however, Bro. J. E. Le Feuvre (Hon. Mem. 1247) "carried off the palm," as he sent all the editions of the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of England from 1723 to 1884. This invaluable set added much to the interest of the Exhibition and was appreciated accordingly. He also showed the noted Dublin Pocket Companion of 1735, the Minute Book of No. 174 Chapter of the R.A. ("Athol") from 1783, and Cole's engraved list of lodges 1770, the only original of its kind in the collection, but Bro. Lane and myself sent facsimiles of 1725 and 1764, the first being in two

Bro. Controller Bake's statuette of Confucius, B.C., 1200 (circa) on a pedestal was a source of never failing interest to visitors, as the figure has an apron on, and emblems are depicted of a character familiar to Freemasons. Bros. Pearce (Hayle), Commander Reed (Falmouth), and others from Cornwall did their part to represent the county, which, however, did not respond as expected. Bro. Reed's exhibit, No. 659, an old Mug, with

found in the Freemason for September 18th, 1886, in an article by myself, I tions exhibited.

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Masonic emblems, is of a similar design to one made at Worcester more than a century since. Bro. the Rev. T. W. Lemon supplied several works of interest, and sent a quantity of Masonic clothing, jewels, &c., not described in the catalogue, so as to add to the variety. Bro. Hope, of Exeter, forwarded specimens—plants—of the real and spurious Acacia, besides other curious articles, and Bro. R. F. Gould, the Masonic Historian (Hon. Mem. No. 1402) lent a number of Masonic Calendars 1781-1813, of great value, besides later isssues, and various historical works which added much to the value of the collection. Bro. Le Feuvre also contributed several of the rare Calendars. Bro. Meyer (Philadelphia), Hon. Mem. 131, Truro, sent a few medals, and local brethren and lodges were not slow to do their part in lending curious, such as Bros. John Chapman, P.M. 1402; the Rev. G. E. Carwithen, P.M., &c.; James McBryde, J.D. 1255, &c. Lodge 248, Brixham, was also well represented.

The Secretaries of the Exhibition, Bros. Goodall and Macey, were most

assiduous in the discharge of their onerous duties, and I believe managed to satisfy everybody, as did also the energetic Curators, Bros. J. B. Gover and J. R. Lord. The printer and publisher of the Catalogue (also an Exhibitor) was Bro. W. F. Westcott, W.M. 70, who turned the work out in excellent style; and the General Committee were constant in their attentions during the days devoted to the Exhibition, which, whilst it lacked the large support it deserved, has done much to promote the study of Masonic literature and antiquities, and, will I believe, result in financially aiding the sacred cause of Masonic Charity to the extent of 40 guineas.

THE HISTORY OF THE ROYAL MASONIC INSTI-TUTION FOR GIRLS

FROM ITS ORIGIN, 1788, TO ITS CENTENARY, 1888.

In the meantime, while the negotiations for a School house were in progress, the Committee were steadily perfecting their other arrangements. It was settled that Mr. James Allen should receive an honorarium of £21 for his services as Secretary during the preliminary stages of the organisation, and a salary of £21 per annum for his regular duties in the same capacity, while as Collector, a commission of 5 per cent. on Subscriptions—Donations and Subscriptions at an election being excepted—was assigned him. The salary of the person hereafter to be appointed Matron and Schoolmistress was fixed at £21 per annum, and the wages of the domestic servants The Treasurer and Collector were each of them required to furnish two securities, and the bonds when duly executed were lodged with the Trustees. It was also arranged that at Committee meetings three members should form a quorum, and at General Meetings, seven—exclusive of the Officers of the Institution.

As regards the qualifications of candidates, Bro. Hull, at the Committee held on the 13th September, proposed that "in the Admission of Children, the preference be given to those of register'd Masons," but at the Quarterly Court on the 4th October he obtained leave to amend this proposal so that it should read as follows: "That a preference be given to Orphans whose Fathers at the time of their decease were register'd Masons and Members of a Lodge. And after those a preference to such Children whose Fathers are Members of a Lodge at the time of presenting their Petitions, but that none be admitted but the Children of register'd Masons;" and the motion thus amended was agreed to It had also been previously determined that the limits of age should be from 5 years to 10 years, and that the children at the time of presenting themselves for election should be in sound bodily health and free from infirmity. When, however, the applicants and their parents or guardians attended at the Committee Meeting on the 14th October, it was found that they had not brought with them the necessary credentials, and, therefore, the following particulars were ordered to be printed and given to every person applying for the admission of a child :-

"ROYAL CUMBERLAND FREE MASON SCHOOL, Tuesday, 14th October, 1788.

"Ordered by the Committee: "That any Person applying for the admission of a Child must, at the

Examination before the Committee, produce the following Particulars.

t. A Petition from a Parent; or if an Orphan, from a Friend, which Petition must be addressed to the Trustees, Committee, and Governors, of the Royal Cumberland Free Mason School, setting forth the Occupation and Residence of the Parent or Friend who petitions, with the number of the Family and such other Particulars relative to the Child as may be thought necessary to excite Commiseration to the Object; and the petition must be signed by the Subscriber who recommends the Child for Admission.

"2nd. A Certificate signed by the Master and Wardens of the Lodge for the time being, where the Father was made a Mason, or of any Lodge of which he had

been a member. A Certificate from the Grand Secretary of the Father having been

4th. A Register of the Child's Age from the Parish where she was born."

In accordance with these and the other Instructions relating to candidates, the petitions of 16 children were dealt with at meetings on the 30th October and 13th November and approved, with the result that 15 were received as pupils, and the remaining girl-Mary Bagley, who was above the prescribed maximum limit of ten years— "as an Assistant Servant, receiving her maintenance, clothing, and education in return." The following is a list of these first recipients of the benefits of our Girls' Institution, as compiled from the Minutes:-

- 1. HARRIET ANN VINET, born 17th April, 1782. Recommended by Mr. Rouelle; the father made a Mason before 1768.
- SARAH JANE SITGRACE, born 23rd January, 1780. Recommended by Mr. Heseltine.
- ANN KANE, born 27th November, 1780. Recommended by Mr. Peter Reilly.
- MARGARET BURGESS, born 8th August, 1781. Recommended by Mr. Watson. Catherine Charlotte Bass, born 12th July, 1783. Recommended by Mr. Ruspini, jun.

- SOPHIA RICHES, born 14th April, 1780. Recommended by Mr. Lawford and
- others.

 Mary Ann Ruscoe, born 16th July, 1780. Recommended by Mr. Cozens.

 Mary Ann Fiske, born 16th October, 1782. Recommended by Mr. Dennison.

 Frances Sansum. Registered 25th December, 1780. Has lost a leg. Recom-
- mended by Dr. Valangin and 11 more Governors.

 Sibella Proctor, born 27th January, 1779, an orphan. Recommended by Mr. Heseltine and three others.
- MARY ANN WOOLVERIDGE, born 5th November, 1779. Recommended by A. De Valangin and Mr. Heseltine.
- Sophia Kewney, born 29th January, 1780. Recommended by H. Spicer. Ann Martin, born 6th August, 1781. Recommended by J. Allen, Esq.; the father—Reeve Martin—in Lodge 60, Mitre Tavern, Fleet Street, 20 years
- CHARLOTTE RICHARDSON, born 1st April, 1781. Father made a Mason in
- Tuscan, No. 7, on 16th January, 1765. ELIZABETH Low, born 21st August, 1782. Father made a Mason 15th January, 1784.

Mary Bagley, daughter of Dudley Bagley, over 10 years, received, as stated above, as an Assistant Servant.

In order to obtain a competent person as Matron, the following advertisement was ordered to be inserted in the daily papers, the belief at the time being that the School would be located at Little Chelsea:-

ROYAL CUMBERLAND FREE MASON SCHOOL,

LITTLE CHELSEA.
"Wanted a Matron to reside in the House and instruct the Children in Reading, Writing, Housewifery, and every necessary use of the Needle. She must be of the Established Religion of the Church of England. A Middle Aged, Well Educated Single Woman will be preferred. Proposals in writing to be sent to the Secretary, 121, Pall Mall."

As many as 20 persons answered this advertisement, among them being a Mrs. Mary Miller, of 18, St. James's Place, who was highly recommended by the Royal Patroness, Lady Eliz. Luttrell, and other influential personages, Mrs. Le Clerc, Mrs. Learmonth, Mrs. Douglas, and Mrs. Cartier, whose qualifications appear to have attracted the special attention of the Committee; and it was arranged that the election should take place by ballot at a Special General Meeting to be held for the purpose at the Oxford Coffee House, in the Strand, on the 1st November, when, notwithstanding the very strong bias of the Chairman (Bro. James Galloway) in favour of Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Le Clerc was elected by 68 votes to 48 votes for Mrs. Miller, 9 votes for Mrs. Learmonth, and 4 votes for Mrs. Douglas.

The question of ways and means was also very fully and very carefully considered. Owing to various causes it was some time before the liabilities in connection with Mr. Lochée's house at Little Chelsea could be ascertained, but the Committee keeping in mind the experience thus dearly purchased, very wisely resolved at their meeting on the 21st October, "that in future no expenses whatever be incurred without the order of a General Meeting or Monthly Committee;" and also "that all Bills be brought in and an Accompt be made out of all expenses already incurred, "with a view to the same being laid before the next General Meeting." On the same occasion they "inspected the Amount of the Donations and Annual Subscriptions and compared the same with the probable expenses of the present design, namely, the House at Walworth* and fifteen children, which they calculated as follows:—

House and Taxes, per annum					£30
Fifteen children at £12 per annum eac		•••	•••		180
Matron's Salary					21
Maid's Wages	•••	•••	•••	•••	8
Matron and Maid's Board					40
Secretary and Collector		•••			21
Fire and Candles	• • •				20
Incidents—Books, Sope, Mops, Broom	s, &c., &c.				24
Pew in the Church					3
					£348

It was ordered that this estimate should be laid before the Special General Meeting to be held on the 1st November, and ultimately it was adopted as the basis for the year's expenditure, the only change being that rendered necessary by the substitution of the house in Somers Place East, at £35 per annum, for the Walworth house at £25. On the 13th November the Sub-Committee charged with the duty of taking the House and consisting of the Treasurer and Bros. Galloway, Hull, Spicer, and Broderip were likewise authorised to provide the "necessary furniture, household linen, &c., for the same, together with the Clothing for the Children and other Articles such as Coals, Candles, &c., which may be immediately required at their Admission." On the 11th December, Bro. Broderip reported to the Committee that the furniture had been removed "from the House at Little Chelsea to the House in Somers Place East, and that the Clothing for the Children, Furniture of the House, &c., were in great forwardness, and the whole would be completely ready for the reception of the Matron, Children, &c., by the time appointed." The Treasurer also reported that Mr. Leroux, "the Lessee or Contractor under the Lord Somers of the Ground and Buildings at Somers Place East," had been "so obliging as to offer every accommodation in his power to aid its Benevolent Purposes and particularly to provide a proper place in Bethell Chapel for the Matron and Children to attend Divine Service free of expense to the Charity;" and a vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Mr. Leroux and ordered to be "inserted in the Public Papers." It was also deemed advisable to have a Monthly or House Committee which should take charge of the interior

* The House at Walworth, at a rental of £25 per annum, was not taken, because, though Dr. Kennedy reported "that he had viewed" it "and approved of its situation as healthy and apprehended it might be made convenient to accommodate the Matron and Maid Servant and fifteen children," Cellar, Wash House, or Laundry," and also because the house in Somers Place East, recommended by Dr. De Valangin was "much more roomy and convenient."

arrangements of the School, and on the motion of Mr. Spicer, that a Diet Table should be drawn up as well as a code of Regulations to be observed by the inmates. With these the Committee dealt at their meeting on the 23rd December, when Mr. Boys—who, as one of the Medical Staff of the School, had been specially invited to give his assistance—" produced a Manuscript which he had partly transcribed from other Charities, to which he had added some observations of his own," and Mr. Addington moved that "a sufficient number be printed at as little expense as may be and that the Secretary enclose one in the summons for the next meeting to each member of the Committee, and that they be desired to come prepared to enter on the subject.' At the Quarterly Court on the 3rd January, 1789, after directions had been given that "the Collector do use all possible diligence in Collecting the Subscriptions;" and that he "make out a List containing the Names of such Subscribers who have not paid their Subscriptions and deliver the same to the Secretary to be laid on the Table at every Quarterly Court," it was "Resolved that the Comraittee be empowered and desired to carry into execution the several Regulations to forward this Benevolent Institution as have been made by them at their respective meetings since the last Quarterly Court, and which have been severally approved of this Day." The following "Accompt of Receipts and Disbursements to this day" having "at the special Instance and Request of the Treasurer been previously examined by Messrs. Galloway, Hull, Spicer, and Broderip for the sake of more correctly adjusting the same" was then read and passed, and "the Balance carried to new Accompt as follows:'

	DR.		:€	s.	d.	CR.	£	s.	d.
1789—January 3d.						1789—January 3d.			
To	\mathbf{Cash}	Received per				By Disbursemts. to 5 July,			
		Treasurer	112	7	0	1788	24	10	9
,,	"	per Collector				,, ,, to 4 Oct.			
		and paid to				1788	56	2	11
		Treasurer	231	0	0	,, ,, to this			
,,	,,	per Messrs.				day	216	8	5
•	••	Ranson	82	19	0	By Cash at Ran-			
,,	,,	per Messrs.				som's £82 19 0			
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The business of the Court concluded with the following Resolution, namely :-

"That the Governors present do meet at the St. Alban's Tavern on Monday next "-the 5th January-" at One O'clock to go in procession with the Children from the Treasurer's House, Pail Mall, to pass the House of the Royal Patroness, then proceed to the School, and from thence return and dine at the St. Alban's Tavern, and the Governors present are desired to request the favor of the Company of their friends on that occasion."

This brings us to the end of the introductory stage of our His-What followed the fulfilment of the above resolution, and how it fared with the Institution at its original home in Somers Place East, must be described in a fresh chapter.

(To be continued.)

THE SO CALLED INIGO JONES MS. OF THE OLD CHARGES OF BRITISH FREEMASONS.

BY DR. W. BEGEMANN, OF ROSTOCK, GERMANY.

ADDITIONAL REMARKS ON THE DODD VERSION.

Since my article was printed, Bro. E. T. Carson, of Cincinnati, U.S., favoured me with a copy of his Dodd reprint, so that I have been enabled to compare this version with the Spencer MS. and the Cole print. There is no doubt that the Dodd print is almost the same as the Spencer MS., being likely to go back to the same original, because it cannot have been taken from the Spencer MS. itself, as we may see from several differences that I shall put together afterwards. From the same cause the Spencer MS. cannot be a transcript of the Dodd version; but both of them are different transcripts from one original.

It struck me at first that the Cole print agrees in some points with the Dodd print where the Spencer MS. differs, so that we might believe the Cole ht to have been taken from the Dodd MS. The passages are the

following :--

In the prayer at the head of the Constitution Dodd and Cole read: "Being three Persons in one God," whilst the Spencer MS. has "and," instead of "in."

In the history of Lameth and his children Dodd and Cole read: "By Zillah he begot one Son, called Tubal," whilst the Spencer and the Inigo Jones MSS. have "had," instead of "begot."

Afterwards Dodd reads: "And at the Building of Babylon, Anno 1810, Masonry was much made of," Cole having the same, adding only the word "Mundi" behind "Anno;" whilst the Spencer MS. has the date at the end of the foregoing paragraph, which is wrong.

At the head of the history of David, Dodd and Cole have the superscription: "Anno Mundi 2474, 2 Samuel, 5, 6" (the same in the Inigo Jones MS. at the margin), whilst the Spencer MS. reads: "Anno Mundi 2474, 2 Samuel, 4th, 6th." 2 Samuel, 4th, 6th.

In the letter of Solomon to Hiram Dodd and Cole agree with Josephus in reading: "For which cause I pray you send some one of your skilfullest Men," whilst the Spencer MS. has "send me one," and the Inigo Jones MS. send me some one.

In one of the inserted paragraphs Dodd and Cole agree in the following passage: "The Tower of Straton, alias Caesaria, was built by Herod in Palestine, Anno Mundi 3942," whilst we read in the Spencer MS.: "The Tower of Straton (alias Caesaria, Anno Mundi 3842), built by Herod in Palestine," the Inigo Jones MS. also having 3942 at the margin.

In the history of Edwin, Dodd reads as follows: "And he got of the

King his Brother a Charter of Commission, Anno 932, to hold every Year an Assembly, where they would, within the Realm," and Cole agrees therewith, but that the date is omitted, and we read "a Charter and Commission," as in the Inigo Jones MS.; the latter omits the words "every year," but adds at the end of the sentence the words "once a year," and so does the Spencer MS., offering also "every year," and giving the date behind the word Charter.'

Soon after Dodd and Cole have: "And commanded that Rule to be kept for ever after," the Spencer MS. omitting the word "after," whilst we find

it also in the Inigo Jones MS.

In the general Charges there are some more agreements between Dodd and Cole; but that Dodd has "ye" and Cole has "you; " for instance—
"Also, ye shall be true to one other" (also Inigo Jones MS.), where the

Spencer MS. has "true one to each other.' "Also that no Mason shall be a Thief, or Thief's Fellow, or conceal any

such unjust Action, so far as he may wit or know," the Inigo Jones and Spences MS. omitting the words "or Thief's Fellow;" besides, it is strange to see Cole and the Spencer MS. agree in offering "will or know," instead of "wit or know," whilst the Inigo Jones MS. has the correct "wit."

"Also, that ye pay truly" (Cole—truely) "for your Meat and Drink," whilst the Spencer MS. has: "Also ye shall pay," etc.
"And also that ye shall do no Villiany" (sic! Dodd as well as Cole), whilst the Spencer MS. has: "Also ye shall do no Villany."

"These be the true Charges in general, that belong to every true Mason," where the Spencer and Inigo Jones MSS. have "free," instead of

These agreements between Dodd and Cole are striking; nevertheless, the Cole print cannot have been taken from the lost Dodd MS., because there are, on the other side, some differences between these two versions,

wherein Cole agrees with the Spencer MS.

Spencer and Cole read, "And he divided Flocks of Sheep;" Dodd had Flocks and Sheeps.'

Spencer and Cole read, "He was the first that began to leave off Astrology, to admire the other Wonders of Nature;" Dodd omits the word "off," and has "Works" instead of "Wonders."

In the letters taken from Josephus, Spencer and Cole have the original words "Libanus" and "Cyprus;" Dodd changes them into "Lebanon" and "Cypress."

In the passage on Hiram Abif, Spencer and Cole agree in reading "He was a Master of Geometry and was Master of all his Masons"; Dodd having only "He was a Master of all his Masons."

In the paragraph at the head of the general Charges, Spencer and Cole (also Inigo Jones MS.) read "Every Man that is a Mason," where Dodd has "Master" instead of "Mason."

Soon after Spencer and Cole read, "Also ye (Cole "you") shall be true each unto other; "Dodd has "true unto each other."

And again Spencer and Cole agree in reading, "and that he take him for no less Terme than five or seven years," whilst Dodd offers "and that he be taken for no less term," etc.

Besides, there are some more agreements of less importance, that would be too long to mention, but I will add the fact, that Spencer and Cole always have "truely," where Dodd has "truly."

From these comparisons we may learn that the Dodd version is one of its

own, and likewise that the Cole print was not taken either from the Spencer MS. or from the Dodd MS., but that there must have been a fourth copy,

MS. or Noin the Dodd MS., but that there must have been a fourth copy, more original, from which those three are transcripts of their own.

Now, there are some other strange agreements between the Cole print and the Inigo Jones MS., where the Spencer MS. and the Dodd print resemble each other. Cole and Inigo Jones MS. write "Babilon" instead of "Babylon" in the Spencer MS. and the Dodd print; the latter two have "Nineveh" instead of "Ninivie" with Cole, and "Nineve" in the Inigo Jones MS.

Spencer and Dodd agree in writing "Nebuchadnezzar," Cole has "Nebuchadnezer," and the Inigo Jones MS. "Nebuchadnezar;" the former two have "Cyrus," the latter two agree in "Syrus;" the former two have "Ptolomy," whilst the Inigo Jones MS. has "Ptolmie," and Cole "Ptolome."

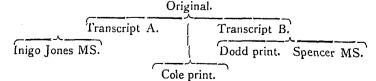
Afterwards Cole and Inigo Jones MS. have "Aururiagus," Spencer and Dodd reading "Aurroriagus;" and in the history of St. Alban the former two read "Verulum," the latter two "Verulam;" the former two give the name "Athelstane," the latter two "Athelston."

In the history of Edwin, Cole and the Inigo Jones MS. agree in the sentence, "And he held an Assembly himself at York," whilst Spencer and Dodd omit the word "himself."

And in the Charges Cole and the Inigo Jones MS. agree several times in writing "Aprentice" or "Apprentice," where Spencer and Dodd have "Prentice."

Besides, it is to be noted that Cole and the Inigo Jones MS. have in one passage both of them the name of "Euclid," where Spencer and Dodd have the name of "Hermes," as in the whole history of the Craft in Egypt, whilst the Inigo Jones MS., as we saw above, has always the correct name of "Euclid."

From all these agreements as well as differences we may conclude that there were several copies of the original manuscript of this family, two at the least, perhaps three. Wherefrom I propose the following descent:



The Cole print may as well have been taken from Transcript A, and the Inigo Jones MS. from the Original. In every case the Dodd print and the Spencer MS. came from the same transcript and preserved the original text better than the Cole print and the Inigo Jones M.S., which are both of them full of arbitrary alterations of their own.

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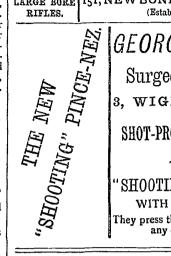


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SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 1887.

Original Correspondence.

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

THE MASONIC CHARITY ELECTIONS.

To the Editor of the "Freemason." Dear Sir and Brother,

Dear Sir and Brother,

At the meeting of the Court of Governors of the Boys' and Girls' Schools in April, and the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution in May last, an admirable suggestion was made by Bro. J. A. Birch which, if carried out, would materially benefit the various provinces in regard to the expenses of the deputations attending the elections by so arranging the dates that only two visits to London, instead of three, would be needed.

Can any of your readers inform me whether any further action has been taken in this matter.—I am, yours fraternally,

MANCUNIUM.

A CORRECTION.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,
Will you allow me to correct the account of the

Will you allow me to correct the account of the special Rosicrucian reception given to members of the "Mary Commandery," Philadelphia, in last week's Freemason, as respects the handsome compliments and honorary titles conferred on American fratres by the esteemed Supreme Magus of England—Dr. W. R. Woodman?

The honorary Ninth Degree of England was given to Fratres Charles Eugene Meyer, S. M. of the United States; General Charles Roome, S.S.M.; and Alfred F. Chapman, J.S.M.; the first mentioned being the respected chief of the "American Party," to whom the hospitalities of the Craft have been so lavishly offered during the last week or two. General Roome is a Past Grand Master of New York, and much appreciated as an earnest Freemason wherever he is known; and Bro. Chapman has just retired from the exalted position of G.G.H.P. of the G.G. Chapter of the United States, besides being the Editor of the Liberal Freemason of Boston, Mass. the Liberal Freemason of Boston, Mass.

In common with many other brethren, I have taken part in the magnificent receptions tendered our American brethren in London by the Anglo-American Lodge, the Rosicrucian Society, and the Preceptor of "Baldwyn" Preceptory (of Bristol). I regretted much being obliged to leave the "Anglo-American Lodge" during the most interesting portion of its proceedings, and its never-to-beforgotten reception, under the genial rule of my honoured friend, Brother Brackstone Baker, the W.M. This lodge has already proved the need and desirability of its existence, and will, I trust, be for long the medium of "conciliating friendships amongst those who otherwise must have remained at a perpetual distance," as one of our "Old Charges" runs. The American brethren have been delighted with such proofs of Masonic fellowship, have left a most pleasing memory behind them of their truly Masonic character, and are ready to any extent possible to reciprocate such hospitalities on the other side of the "Big Pond."

W. J. HUGHAN. In common with many other brethren, I have taken part

W. J. HUGHAN. Torquay, August 1st.

SENIORITY OF INITIATES.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,
Having seen a letter in your issue of the 30th ult., signed "J.H.," on the question of Seniority of Initiates over joining members on the same night, I am induced to write the following lines.

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Curiously enough I have learnt from my own experience that as a rule initiates have preference over joining members, at least such was the confirmed opinion of the W.M. of my lodge, but, unfortunately for myself, this rule was discarded, and preference was given to a junior joining member over an initiate.

Hence it appears to me that the W.M. has supreme power vested in him to construe this rule as he likes. I trust, therefore, you will permit this matter to be ventilated through your paper, so that more light may be thrown on the same.

I enclose herewith my card.— Yours faithfully and fraternally,

A SUFFERER.

London, 2nd August.

FREEMASONRY IN GREECE. To the Editor of the "Freemason."

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Dear Sir and Brother,
Seditionaries against Freemasonry have at all times flourished among us; and although their race has in our days considerably diminished, and although the useless exertions they are wont to display, in order to accomplish their object, have ever been frustrated, still we are from time to time the spectators of some one of them pouring forth invectives against our Fraternity. Papal bulls have since some time ceased to make their appearance; and the since some time ceased to make their appearance; and the only reduced means to which the superstitious and the shrewd now-a-days resort to are licentious discourses and libels. A striking example of this fact has taken place lately in this town.

As is generally known English Lodge Star of the East,

lately in this town.

As is generally known English Lodge Star of the East, No. 850, has since many years been in existence here, always working with increasing success and prosperity. Generation has succeeded generation, and not one has failed to perceive the fruit reaped from the constant and regular working of the lodge. Although the greater part of the people still addicted to superstition, present an obdurate element to contend with, by dint of exertions and perseverance on our part, they are gradually being made to familiarize and adapt themselves to the growth of Freemasonry, which has eventually succeeded in taking deep roots. So much so that another lodge, under the auspices of the Orient of Athens, and bearing the name of "Helos," was also founded some time ago.

Lately, a priest—a certain John Stratti—belonging to the Orthodox Church, was initiated at the latter lodge in due form, and his initiation, we regret to say, was the cause of a public scandal; the consequences whereof cannot yet be surmised. The promoter of the scandal was entirely the head of the Church—a certain Bishop Lattas. Having been informed of the initiation, he summoned the priest before him, and, in a fit of un-called for anger, censured his behaviour in terms of contempt and derision, at the same time slandering the brethren of the lodge in a most disgraceful manner. This was not all, for he subsequently mustered all his priests, and, in their presence, invited the unfortunate Mason-priest to abjure his initiation solemnly. In other words, he required of him what was utterly impossible to be got. The priest, with a tone of injured feeling, refused to do what he was bid, whereupon the bishop turned him out in a most despicable manner. He further deprived him of all rights on ceremonials, and, in fact, of every means of subsistence, so that the poor priest is now in absolute dependence upon others. Was the bishop justified in doing so? There is no law that we know of that precludes priests of the Orthodox religion from joining Free shall be curious to know what the Sacred Synod of Athens will decide upon the matter.

Steps were taken by several brethren of both lodges to settle the question peaceably; but the proud prelate, standing upon his lofty episcopal pedestal, looks down with somewhat akin to contempt upon the pertinacious gentlemen who try to dissuade him from taking such inperiodic steps against the unfortunate priest Stratti. He would not hear of any remission; nay, he deprecated, with tones by no means adequate to the dignity of a head of the Church, any further argumentation. It was in this style that he met Bro. Camillo Mercati, W.M., Bro. Otho Renzo, W.M. of the Crark Louise and covered the greaters.

that he met Bro. Camillo Mercati, W.M., Bro. Otho Renzo, W.M. of the Greek Lodge, and several other gentlemen interested in the affair. He would not hear anyone, and was resolved to promote out of the circumstance a "scandalum magnatum" against all parties concerned.

On Sunday, the 22nd inst., before an unusually dense congregation, in the Cathedral Church, Bishop Lattas delivered a speech, unprecedented for its deformity, tending to bring the unfortunate priest and Freemasons in general into contempt, and expose them to public hatred. The seditionary shepherd dwell lengthily upon his theme, frequently mentioning names he had no right to mention, and manifestly irritating the feelings of the people. This method of dealing with such a delicate question affecting the morals and the tranquility of the populace, and the safety of Freemasons, will not answer; and the Gree Government, on whom the nomination of such high -

stationed prelates now-a-days seems totally to depend, will do well to take the Bishop's misbehaviour into serious consideration. The sacred Synod of Athens will, moreover, find that an unpopular, inefficient, and vain-glorious head of the Church, and a man generally known to be full of ostentation, is even more damaging to its reputation, and more dangerous to its numerous flock than any of its

We are certain that Bishop Lattas has caused this Jubilee scandal, and all the mischief which may arise therefrom, only to appease a thirst of vain-glory, as if by such means it were possible that anything can turn in his favour. He will, sooner or later, see his mistake. Let him know in the meantime that vain-glorious men, "as Bacon defines them, "are the scorn of wise men, the admiration of fools, the idols of parasites, and the slaves of their own vaunts."—Yours fraternally, E.G.B.

Greece, Zante, 25th May.



Craft Masonry.

INSTRUCTION.

JUSTICE LODGE (No. 147).—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 28th ult., at the Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, when there were present Bros. Walters, W.M.; Williams, S.W.; Faulkner, J.W.; S. R. Speight, P.M., Sec.; Leng, S.D.; Vatcky, J.D.; Borrett, I.G.; Hutchings, P.M., Preceptor; Stringer, P.M.; Turpin, Priest, Wallman, Haire, and Emblin.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Turpin personating the candidate. The lodge was called off, and, on resuming, the usual questions were duly answered by Bro. Wallman. The lodge was advanced to the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed. The lodge was closed down to the First Degree. Bro. Wallman, 27, was exected a member of this lodge of instruction, and all business being ended the lodge was closed.

RANELAGH LODGE (No. 834).—A meeting was held on the 29th ut. at the Six Bells, Hammersmith. Present: Bros. J. Collings, Preceptor, and P.M. 1585, W.M.; D. S. Long, S.W.; D. Stroud, J.W.; W. Ritchie, Sec.; J. Oliver, S.D.; W. C. Williams, J.D.; A. Williams, I.G.; Keen, P.M.; Copplestone, and Craggs.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes were read and confirmed. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sections of the First Lecture were worked by the brethren, under the direction of the W.M. The W.M. worked the 7th Section, the S.W. putting the questions. The W.M. having rose for the first, second, and third times, the J.W. proposed, and the J.D. seconded, that a hearty vote of thanks be recorded on the minutes to the W.M. for the instructive and intellectual treat given that evening—carried unanimously. After "Hearty good wishes" being given and acknowledged, the lodge was closed.

CHAUCER LODGE (No. 1540).—This lodge held its usual weekly meeting at the Old White Hart Hotel, Borough, on Tuesday, and inst., when there were present Bros. W. Roots, W.M.; S. Renaut, S.W.; W. W. Block, J.W.; W. Steele, S.D.; Cowie, I.G.; W. Wingham, Preceptor; F. H. Williams, Hon. Sec.; J. Hattersley, and others.

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. F. H. Williams as candidate. Bro. Roots vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Wingham. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and part of the ceremony of installation rehearsed. The lodge was opened in the Third Degree, and the ceremony continued. Bro. Roots was installed into the chair of K.S., and the officers were invested. The lodge was resumed in the First Degree. The W.M. rose for the first time, and the dues were collected. The W.M. rose for the second time, when it proposed by Bro. Wingham, Preceptor, and seconded by the J.W., that Bro. Renaut, S.W., be W.M. for the ensuing week—carried unanimously. Bro. Renaut returned thanks, and appointed the officers. The W.M. rose for the third time, and the lodge was closed.

COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge of instruction was held at the Criterion, Piccadilly, S.W., on the 28th ult., when there were present Bros. E. Nice, W.M.; C. Corby, S.W.; G. F. Swan, J.W.; George Lambert, S.D.; H. Matthews, I.G.; W. C. Smith, Preceptor; F. M. Noakes, acting as Sec.; T. E. Weeks, Tyler; A. Clark, and W. Groves.

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The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge opened in the Second Degree. Bro. W. C. Smith worked the 1st Section of the Second Lecture. Bro. W. Groves having offered himself as, a candidate to be raised to the Third Degree, was duly questioned, entrusted, and retired. Lodge opened in the Third Degree. The W.M. rehearsed the Degree of M.M. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree. On rising for the second time, Bro. W. C. Smith proposed that Bro. C. Corby be W.M. for the ensuing week—seconded by the J.W., and carried unanimously. The W.M. elect was pleased to appoint his officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, Bro. W. C. Smith expressed a hope, in which the brethren present concurred, that those of the members of this lodge of instruction attending the summer outing that day were having a pleasant time, and enjoying themselves. Nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed.

CREATON LODGE (No. 1791).—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 28th ult., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawkroad, Shepherd's Bush, W. Present: Bros. G. E. Higginson, W.M.; T. H. Woods, S.W.; C. Coombs, J.W.; E. Austin, Treas.; W. H. Chalfont, P.M., Sec.; Vwoodard, S.D.; Cotton, D.D.; Child, P.M., I.G.; A. Cavers, W.S.; John Davies, Preceptor; Sims, P.M.; Spiegel, P.M.; L. Cox, Craggs, C. R. Cross, Head, J. Sansom, and T. H. Sansom (visitor).

The lodge was opened, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The 2nd and 3rd Sections were worked by Bro. J. Davies, Preceptor, assisted by the brethren. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed (Bro. L. Cox candidate) by the W.M. in a very perfect manner, this being the first time he had occupied the chair in any lodge of instruction. Bro. T. H. Woods was elected W.M. for next meeting, and the lodge was closed.

CHISWICK LODGE (No. 2012).—A meeting was held at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, on Saturday, the 30th ult. Present: Bros. F. Ayling, P.M., W.M.; D. S. S.W.; J. H. Wood, J.W.; J. Davies, acting Preceptor; G. Gardner, Treas.; A. Williams, Sec.; Cotton, S.D.; Mellier, J.D.; C. Hopkins, I.G.; F. Craggs, and C. Woodard.

The lodge was opened in the First Degree, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The 2nd Section of the Lecture was then worked by the brethren, under the direction of Bro. J. Davies. Lodge was opened in the Second and Third Degrees, and the st and 3rd Sections of the Lecture worked by the brethren, under the direction of Bro. J. Davies. Lodge was opened in the Second and Third Degrees, and the st and 3rd Sections of the Lecture worked by the brethren, under the direction of England, most respect Throne on the auspicious of Completed the fiftieth year of Complete

second time, and Bro. Gardner proposed, and Bro. D. S. Long seconded, and it was carried unanimously, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Bro. Ayling, Preceptor, for his courteous and able conduct in the chair that evening. The lodge was then closed.

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LOUGHBOROUGH LODGE.—A meeting of this lodge was held at the Gauden Hotel, Clapham road Station (L.C. & D.R.), on Monday, the 45th ult. Present: Bros, Walker, W.M.; Esling, S.W.; J. Wright, J.W.; Lissimore, S.D.; Folkard, J.D.; Steele, I.G.; W. W. Westley, Treas.; J. Andrews, Sec.; Pugh, Oates, Gibbs, and Russell.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Lodge was opened in the Second and Third Degrees, and the 1st Section of the Lecture worked by the W.M., assisted by the brethren. Lodge was resumed to the Second Degree, and Bro, Oates being a candidate for raising, answered the usual questions, and was entrusted. Lodge was resumed to the Third Degree, and the ceremony of raising rehearsed by the W.M., with Bro. Oates as candidate. The W.M. gave the traditional history. Lodge was resumed to the First Degree, and the W.M. rose for the first time, and dues were collected. The W.M. rose for the second time, and Bro. Esling, S.W., was elected W.M. for the ensuing fortnight. Bro. Esling returned thanks, and appointed the officers in rotation. The W.M. rose for the third time, and received the "Hearty good wishes" of the b ethren, and the lodge was closed, and adjourned until Monday, the 8th instant.

Royal Arch.

WOOLWICH.—Union Waterloo Chapter (No. 13).—A convocation of the above ancient chapter took place at the Masonic Hall, William-street, on Wednesday, the 27th ult., Comps. T. Ovenden in the chair of Z.; Capt. G. Spinks, H.; and Capt. D. Deeves, J. Among the other companions present were Comps. Capt. W. Weston, P.Z.; J. Wilkins, P.Z.; G. Kenneday, P.Z.; G. King, W. G. Lock, W. R. Arnold, W. Shackleton, J. Saunderson, W. J. Crowdey, H. De Gray, W. Busbridge, 913; and C. Jolly, J. 1472.

The minutes having been confirmed, the ballot was taken for B10. H. Vallom, 1472, and proving unanimous, he and B10. W. H. Keeble, 13 (previously balloted for), were exalted in grand style by the Z. and his officers. The chapter having been closed, the companions adjourned to Comp. De Gray's house, "The Freemasons," opposite the Dockyard Railway Station, where, after enjoying one of Comp. De Gray's pretty little dinners, the usual loyal, Royal Arch, and complimentary toasts were honoured, interspersed with some capital singing and reciting. WOOLWICH .- Union Waterloo Chapter (No.

TWICKENHAM.—Era Chapter (No. 1423). This chapter met on the 16th ult. at the Albany Flotel.
Among those present were Comps. Wingate, P.A.G. Soj.,
M.E.Z.; G. Elliotr, P.Z., H.; Stevens, P.P.G. Org.,
J.; Matthews, J. elect, S.N.; H. Higgins, P.Z. 1381,
acting S.E.; W. H. Lee, P.P.G. Std. Br., P.S.; E. H.
Thiellay, P.Z., P.P.G.D.C.; Fisher, J. Faulkner, P.Z.,
P.P.G.S.B.; and Peat.
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The minutes of the previous convocation were read and The minutes of the previous convocation were read and confirmed. Comp. Lee most ably installed Comps. Elliott as M.E.Z.; Stevens as H.; and Matthews as J. The officers for the year are Comps. T. C. Walls, P.Z., S.E.; W. Lee, S.N.; H. Higgins, P.Z., P.S.; Köhler, P.Z., 1st Asst. Soj.; and W. Fisher, 2nd Asst. Soj. A vote of thanks was passed to Comps. Lee, P.Z., and Higgins, P.Z., for their services as Installing Officers. The audit report was postponed. Apologies were received for nonattendance from Comps. T. C. Walls, P.Z.; C. H. Köhler, P.Z.; and others. The chapter was closed, and the companions adjourned to the banquet. The usual toasts followed. followed.

INSTRUCTION.

HORNSEY CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT (No. 890).—A convocation was held on Friday, the 29th ult., at the Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Paddington, W., when there were present Comps. T. C. Edmonds, 890, S.N. 1507, M.E.Z.; J. Sims, S.N. 834, H.; W. H. Chalfont, P.S. 975, I.; H. Dehane, H. 890, 181 A.S. 862, S.E.; J. Davies, 733, S.N.; C. R. Wickens, P.S. 975, P.S.; E. Childs, P.Z. 538; and J. Smith, 890.

The chapter was declared open, and the minutes of the last convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exautation

convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaitation was rehearsed, Comp. J. Smith being candidate. The officers for the ensuing fortnight were elected—Comp. J. Sims, M.E.Z. After "Hearty good wishes," the chapter was closed.

MASONIC JUBILEE MEETING AT SUNDERLAND.

The lodges in Sunderland having resolved on holding a special meeting for the purpose of celebrating the completion of the Queen's Jubilee, a numerous gathering of the brethren took place recently at the Masonic Hall in the great Durham seaport, which was attended not only by the members of the local lodges, but likewise by Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., Prov. G. Master, and his respected Dep. P.G.M., Bro. the Rev. Canon Tristram, as well as by many visitors from neighbouring lodges. The necessary arrangements having been made, the lodge was opened in due and solemn form by Bro. Rev. R. H. Yeld, W.M. 1389, P.P.G.C., assisted by the W.M.'s of the town. The circular convening the lodge was then read. The R.W. Grand Master Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., and the Deputy Prov. Grand Master The lodges in Sunderland having resolved on holding a Williamson, Bait., and the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Canon Tristram were announced, entered the lodge, and the brethren were called upon by the Director of monies, Bro. J. J. Clay, to salute them. The opening hymn was then sung, and the Chairman proposed the first resolution as follows: "That the Freemasons of Sunderland in special lodge assembled record their hearty con-currence in the following address to the Queen which was passed by the large and influential gathering of the biethren held in the Albert Hall, London, on the 13th of June under the presidency of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, Most Worshipful Grand Master, on the occasion of the celebration of her Majesty's Jubilee." Then followed the address :-

"To the Queen's most excellent Majesty,
"We, your Majesty's most loyal and faithful subjects, the
Free and Accepted Masons under the United Grand Lodge of lingland, most respectfully desire to approach the Throne on the auspicious occasion of your Majesty having completed the fiftueth year of your reign over the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to assure your Majesty of our fervent and unabated attachment to your

"Founded as our ancient Institution is on principles of unswerving loyalty to our Sovereign, and fidelity to our country, we rejoice to think that the great increase of our Order in all parts of your Majesty's dominions is in unison with the welfare of the nation, and the maintenance of the established Institutions of the lands, which it will ever be

our earnest desire to preserve inviolate.

"We would humbly express our gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe for having spared your Majesty to reign over these realms for so extended a period, and we do pray that He may continue to preserve your Majesty to rule with that full sovereignty which affection can alone ensure the hearts of your faithful subjects, and more especially of the Fraternity which we to day represent.

"May the Almighty vouchsafe to your Majesty a long and happy continuance of your reign over a loyal and devoted propole.

devoted people.

"Dated at the Royal Albert Hall, London, this 13th day

of June, 1:87.
"ALBERT EDWARD, Grand Master.

"SHADWELL H. CLERKE, Grand Secretary."

The resolution was seconded by the R.W.P.G.M., who referred to the loyalty which had ever, and which he was sure would ever continue to distinguish the members of the Craft, than whom her Majesty had no more loyal sub-jects. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, he knew, was pleased with the demonstration in the Albert Hall on was pleased with the demonstration in the Albert Hall on June 13th, and felt that it was not only a compliment to him, but a great testimony of the high and loyal regard all Masons had for their gracious Queen.

The D.P.G.M., in eloquent terms, supported the resolution, which was carried with acclamation.

Bro. R. Hudson, P.G. S.C., P.G.S.B., proposed, and Bro. the Rev. W. P. Swaby, P.G.C., seconded, a resolution, which was unanimously agreed to, viz., "That, as a permanent record of this meeting, the minutes be entered

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The following brethren were present: Bros. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bait., P.G.W., P.G.M. Durham; Rev. H. B. Tristram, P.G.C., D.P.G.M. Durham; R. Hudson, P.G. Swd. Br., P.G.S. Durham; G. C. Watson, P.M. 97, P.P.J.G.D., Sec.; Rev. Reg. Heart Yeld, W.M. 1389, P.P.G.C.; Robert Singleton, W.M. 97; John J. Clay, P.M. 97, P.G.D.C.; John Potts, P.M. 94, P.P.J.G.D.; T. M. Watson, P.M. 97, P.J.G.D.; John Rainbow, P.M. 97, P.G. Stwd.; Fred Maddison, P.M. 1389, W.M. 949, P.P.S.G.D.; John C. Moor, P.M. 97, P.M. 2030, P.P.J.G.D.; A. T. Munro, P.M. 949, P.P.G.S.B.; T. Arkinson, W.M. So; Geo. Wanless, P.M. 94; R. Kinmond, P.M. 80, P.P.G.P.: W. H. Sharp, P.M. 94; P.P.G.S.B.; T. G. Garrick, I.P.M. 94; Rev. Wm. Proctor Swaby, 2039, P.G.C.; Wm. M. Render, 97; Wm. Watts Moses, 97; Robert Fowler, 97; B. Swain, 949; C. Maggs, 94; Martin Douglass, 94; W. Richardson, 949; J. Milburn, 2039; J. S. Chatt, 80; P. Maddison, 1389; D. Purdie, 94; Wm. Hawden, P.M. 80; Wm. Birch, 97; R. A. Brown, 2039; Fred. S. Cowper, 2039; Thos. Hunter, 949; James Hudson, 80; A. T. Harvey, 94; James McKenzie, 593; J. R. Irvine, So; Mark Douglass, P.M. 80, P.P.J.G.D.; W. P. Baker, 99; L. R. Davies, 949; John R. Cutter, 97; J. Walker Beattie, 97; James Paisley, 94; W. A. Priestly, 2039; F. Wade, 1389; J. W. Brown, 94; C. M. Wake, 97; Richard Todd, 80; N. Richardson, 94; W. T. Campbell, 97; Wm. Lidde!!, P.M. 949, P.P.J.G.D.; John Deans, W.M. 2039; and others.

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT TO THE OLD PEOPLE.

The annual summer entertainment to the annuitants of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution was given at the Institution at Croydon on Thursday week. By invitations issued by the energetic Secretary, Bro. Terry, a considerable company went by the 3.32 p.m. train of the South Eastern Railway from Cannon-street, which had considerately set apart special saloon carriages for the occasion. ately set apart special saloon carriages for the occasion. Among the brethren and ladies who made up the company were Bio. F. C. Christmas, W.M. 194, and Mrs. Christmas, Bro. Raynham W. Stewait and Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Johnston and Miss Johnston, Bros. Charles J. Perceval, Alfred J. Dixie, W.M. 453, Edgar Bowyer, F. Ashton, J. Ashton, Charles Frederick Hogard and Miss L. Hogard, Bros. J. A. Farnfield, Charles Belton, Mrs. Hasler, Bro. J. J. Berry, P.M., Treas. 574, Mr. Curtis, Bros. James Terry, James E. Terry, Mrs. Terry, Miss S. Terry and Miss J. E. Terry, Bro. M. Parker and Miss Parker, Bro. John E. Tongue and Mrs. Tongue, Mr. Snodin and Mrs. Snodin, Bro. Hugh Cotter, Miss A. Cotter and Miss H. Cotter, Bro. Clark and Mrs. Clark, Bro. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Edwards, Bros. Driscoll, Spurge, Hollingum, P.M. 77, A. Bennett, J. W. Freedom, J. Goldfinct, H. W. Massey, Miss A. R. Massey and Miss Charlotte Massey, Bros. A. M. Barnard, Newton, Mrs. Newton and Miss C. Newton, and Bro. J. E. Stevens. Arrived at Croydon the visitors proceeded to the Institution

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In the evening Bro. Familield presided at a delightful In the evening Bro. Farnfield presided at a delightful entertainment given by members of the Savage Club, under Bro. Geoffrey Thorn, interspersed with music, singing, and recitations by other of the visitors. The following is the programme: Mr. A. M. Barnard, recitation; Miss Newton, music; Bro. J. J. Berry, song, "Shake of the Hand"; Miss J. Terry, song; Mr. James Bain, song; Mr. Odell, recitation; Mr. Lovett King, song; Mr. P. Wilder, recitation; Mr. P. Wilder, recitation; Mr. James Bain, song; Bro. Geoffrey Thorn, song; Bro. Geoffrey Thorn, song; Bro. Geoffrey Thorn, song; Mr. Lovett King, song; Mr. James Bain, song; Mr. Jewett King, song; Mr. James Bain, song; Mr. Jewett King, song; M Mr. Lovett King, song; Mr. James Bain, song; Mr. J. Wilder, recitation; Mr. J. Wilder, recitation; Mr. Lovett King, song; Mr. Odell, recitation; Mr. Odell, recitation; Mr. Gooffrey Thorn,

recitation; Mr. James Bain, song; Mr. Geoffrey Thorn, song; Mr. Lovett King, song.

Refreshments were partaken of during the intervals, and at the conclusion of the entertainment thanks were passed to the numerous entertainers; to Bro. Farnfield, to Bro. Terry, the originator of these delightful gatherings; and to the supporters of the Institution; and the company returned to town after a very hearty good night had been wished on the part of both the visitors and the old people.

South Africa.

MIDLAND LODGE (No. 882).—The installation of the W.M. and investiture of officers took place on St. John's day, 24th June. Bro. S. T. Ready, P. M., officiated as Installing Master. Bro. A. A. Rice was duly installed as W.M., and the following brethren were invested as officers for the ensuing year: Bros. S. T. Ready, J.P.M.; Geo. Dewdney, S.W.; Geo. Bull, J.W.; Rev. Steabler, Chap.; J. C. Smith, Treas.; W. P. Oxenham, Sec.; E. M. Straker, S.D.; F. H. Ward, J.D.; H. Chapman, I.G.; and F. Aschmann, Tyler.

At the conclusion of the ceremony Bro. Dr. Maasdorp, P.M. presented Bro. S. I'. Ready, I.P.M. with a very handsome gold P.M.'s jewel, with the following address: "The brethren have done me the honour to ask me to present you with this jewel. I now have this pleasure. It is presented to you as a token of grateful estrem and appresented to you as a token of grateful estrem and appre-MIDLAND LODGE (No. 882).-The installa-

presented to you as a token of grateful estrem and appreciation of the able manner in which you have filled the responsible chair of honour in this lodge and so well conducted its labours for a period of two years. We acknowledge that you have not been slumbering on a bed of roses
during all that period; but as men and as Masons
we know that life has its troubles and its struggles.
At our initiation we were reminded that life has its
difficulties, its dangers, as well as its joys; we
must calmly submit, and be prepared when they
do come. It is no doubt so ordained by a higher power.
As a mark of recognition for these past services we wish you
to accept this jewel. Wear it on your breast on suitable
occasions; and as often as you put it on, you will be reminded, I am sure, of the venerable widow, whose Jubilee
the whole British world have so loyally, so enthusiastically ducted its labours for a period of two years. We acknowthe whole British world have so loyally, so enthusiastically celebrate I during the last few days; and of the mother of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Prince of Wales. May she live for many more years, and when it shall please Providence to call her hence, may he be spared to rule over us as King of Great Britain and Emperor of India."

Bro. Ready briefly thanked the brethren in a few appro-

priate words for their good wishes and handsome token of appreciation, after which the brethren retired to the anteroom, where they dined together and spent a very pleasant

BRO. GOULD'S HISTORY.

The following is the communication referred to in our Leaderette Page.

Victoria square, Adelaide, 13th June, 1887. Robt. Freke Gould, Esq., P.S.G. Deacon, England.

Dear Sir and Wpl. Brother,

The last volume of your "History of Free-masonry" has just been delivered to me. Allow me to compliment you very much on the completion of so excellent

Naturally I take a special interest in your remarks about South Australia in page 392 of Volume VI. I notice you refer to the *inconsistent* action of the Grand Lodge of South Australia in recognising the Grand Lodge of New South Australia in recognising the Grand Lodge of New South Wa'es. Doubtless you were in a measure justified in making this allusion, as I had stated that if we acted as N.S. Wales had it would bring Masonry in South Australia into disrepute throughout the world. This was, perhaps, a little pardonable exaggeration on my part, for I spoke as a member of the E.C. under which the action of N.S. Wales had been condemned, and did not give that consideration to American Masonry that it merits, although I am eration to American Masonry that it merits, although I am strongly opposed to the irrational and unmasonic idea of a lowing the minority to usurp authority over the majority. Nor do I think the interpretation put upon the words of that eminent American author, Dr. Mackay by some of the Americans and others is what he intended. I am inclined to believe that he meant that it was irragular for less clined to believe that he meant that it was irragular for less clined to believe that he meant that it was irregular for less than three lodges to constitute themselves into a Crand Lodge. That is to say, that if there were but two lodges in a territory they could not form a Grand Lodge. To rein a territory they could not form a Grand Lodge. To return to my subject—we do not recognise the authority of N.S.W. and Victoria as being sovereign over their respective territories, but simply as ruling the lodges under their Constitutions. We did not, and do not, consider that they acted wisely in constituting Grand Lodges; but nevertheless we thought it would be fraternal and Masonic in Spirit more our part to recognize the heathern of these nevertheless we thought it would be friternal and Masonic in spirit upon our part to recognise the brethren of those Constitutions as brother Masons. We had no quarrel with them, and they are our close neighbours. We constantly visit their country and they ours. And we felt that it was in accordance with that "brotherly love and affection which should characterise us as men and Masons" that we should permit fraternal intercourse between ourselves and all our brethren in good Masonic standing in the sister Colonies. brethren in good Masonic standing in the sister Colonies. Nevertheless, I hold that the mother Grand Lodges are right in showing their just indignation and dispassure by withholding for a season their recognition of these Grand Lodges, inasmuch as the lodges forming them (being in a ous minority) irregularly seceded.

I think Scotland is wrong in withdrawing and withholding recognition, because we recognise New South Wales. And as our Constitution has been formed and perfected with such unanimity and concord, and in accordance with correct Masonic and in accordance with correct was the such unanimity and concord, and in accordance with correct masonic accordance with a correct maso Masonic precedent, it is not for Scotland to sit in judgment over us in such a matter as the recognition of a Grand Lodge. If we act in accordance with the landmarks of our Order. Lodge. If we act in accordance with the landmarks of our Order, nothing further should be required from us. Scotland has not treated us with ordinary courtesy, much less with fraternal regard. They have sent us no reply to repeated communications, and have politely (?) snubbed our representative near the Grand Lodge of England, who, at the request of our Grand Lodge, sought an explanation from Scotland as to why they did not recognise our Grand Lodge, for be it known to vou we only presume that we Lodge, for, be it known to you, we only presume that we were ignored by Scotland on account of our recognising New South Wales. Nevertheless, we do not fail to recognise and to assist Scotland's impecunious brethren in this far-distantiand distant land, and we shall continue to do so, feeling, as we do, that such conduct will tend to prove to them and to "the world," world the beneficial effects of our ancient and nonourable

Tis painful to witness how our brethren in the sister colony "tear and rend one another." Well may the profane" satirically exclaim, "See how these Masons love one another!" How I should like to see them celebrate the Jubilee of our beloved Queen by settling their

differences. Sooner or later they must all cast in their lot

Trusting that I have not wearied you with this somewhat lengthy letter, and hope that if you still consider our action inconsistent that you will feel we were prompted to do as we did purely from Masonic principles, and that our hearts were right if our actions were wrong.—Yours faithfully and fraternally,

P.D.G.M., S. Australia.

P.S.—I have just read this letter to our Grand Secretary

and he suggests that I should ask you to hand it to the Freemason. I have no objection to this if you think it will in any way explain to the Masonic world the apparent "inconsistency" alluded to by you in your Book which should, and doubtless will, find a place in every Freemason's library.—H. M. A.

Obituary.

BRO. ROBERT COMPTON, P.M.

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The funeral of the la'e B.o. Robert Compton, P.M., aged 63, of Aberdeen-terrace, White Ladies'-road, Bristol, took place on Wednesday, the 27th ult., at Westbury-on-Trym, near Bristol. The deceased was one of the oldest Past Masters in the province. The Rev. W. Bryant and Dr. Dowson preceded the funeral car, and the mourners were Mr. R. B. Compton (son), Mr. W. Compton (brother), Mr. J. C. Bingham, Mr. G. Ponsford, Mr. T. Brooks, and Mr. A. Walkley. About 70 brethren followed in procession, including Bros. W. C. Parry, W.M. 686; J. Westlake, P.M. 686; W. H. Cowlin, W.M. 326; P. A. Kent, J.W. 326; H. Gough, P.M. 326; T. Bamfield, P.S. W. 326; W. C. Bamfield, P.M. 326; S. E. Bartlett, 68; F. Geary, S.W. 68; T. H. Jennings, S.D. 68; W. K. Thomas, 68, S.W. 1755; J. Hill, 68; T. Brooke, P.G.S., 68; A. D. Southwell, 68; R. C. Smart, 68; R. D. Cruikshank, 1049; W. Galpin, W.M. 68; W. J. Abbott, 1.P.M. 68; W. Coaffee, 68; W. Buzzard, P.M. 68; F. Trull, P.M. 68; R. Gough, P.M. 68; G. Chapman, 68; F. Hatton, J.W. 68; W. Jones, 68; A. J. Woodward, 68 and 1750; D. Parsley, P.M.; J. Owner, W.M. 610; Dr. Lawrence; W. Jones, 68; N. C. Hetherington, 68; T. Jones, 68; H. Wilkinson, P.M. 68; E. J. Grubb, P.M. 68; C. J. E. Grubb, A.D.C. 68; Capt. Dando, P.M. 1755; Josiah Green, J.D. 1755; R. Olive, P.M. 610; H. J. Cox, 1833; R. G. Parminter, Prov. G. Org.; and Stoate and Webber, Tylers. At Westbury Church (by consent of the organist), Bro. Parminter played the beautiful air, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," and the Dead March from Handel's "Saul." The Rev. W. Bryant read the funeral service. The coffin bore several floral tributes, including one from the Royal Clarence Lodge and the Eldon Lodge. Bro. C. P. Billing, 68 and 1755, carried out the funeral arrangements.

The Craft Abroad.

MASONRY AT JAGERSFONTEIN.

The following are the officers of the Lodge Star of Africa, G.E.N., Jagersfontein, forthe ensuing year: Bros. J. J. Wilson, W.M.; Johnson, D.M.; Davidson, S.W.; Wagner, J.W.; Hjul, Orator; W. C. Beddy, Sec.; Graham, Treas.; Sivell, D.C.; McGregor, Prep.; Cresswell, Org.; Von Bardeleben, I.G.; W. Hicks, Tyler; and Charles Wood, I.P.M.

RISING STAR LOUGE, No. 1022.
On Friday, the 24th June, being St. John Baptist's Day, the above lodge celebrated its installation festival, the the above lodge celebrated its installation festival, the W.M. and brethren of the Lodge Unie and a few visiting brethren attended, Bro. Alfred Barlow, P.M., acted as Installing Master, and was assisted by Bros. Exton, P.M.; Collins, P.M.; and Tate, P.M. The W.M. elect, Bro. Charles P. Beck, having been duly installed according to ancient custom, proclaimed, and saluted, proceeded to invest his officers as follows: Bros. C. J. Tate, I.P.M.; W. H. Thompson, S.W.; H. Gill, J.W.; Barron Moore, B.A., Chap.; G. Steincke, Treasurer; H. Robinson, Secretary; P. Ekstein, S.D.; A. Reuss, J.D.; G. Baumann, I.G.; and M. Westley, Tyler. After the ceremony was concluded, the brethren adjourned to the arte-room, where a supper was prepared for them. His Honour the President of the Free State, Bro. J. H. Brand, Honour the President of the Free State, Bro. J. H. Brand, was, to the regret of all, prevented from being present through indisposition. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were drunk, and the W.M., in toasting the Queen, said that Masons were proud to think that one who was a daughter and mother of Masons should have been so honoured, and worthy of so much honour, as her Majesty, the inhile of whose reign they had all been recently celethe jubilee of whose reign they had all been recently celebrating. Much enthusiasm was displayed, and the brethren departed in peace and harmony after a most pleasant

On the evening of the following day, the Worshipful On the evening of the following day, the Worshipful Master and officers of the Lodge Unic were installed. The W.M., officers, and brethren of the Lodge Rising Star attended, as well as some other visitors. The following officers were duly installed: Bros. I. Bisseux, W.M.; P. J. Blignaut, D.M.; S. P. de Beer, S.W.; I. Muller, J.W.; C. Stock, Sec.; A. Kling, Treas.; M. Voorboom, D.C.; E. Blurne, Almoner; W. S. H. Reid, Tyler. The duties of the lodge being ended in the Temple, the brethren were called to refreshment in the hangueting the brethren were called to refreshment in the banqueting hall, when the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were drunk. The President, Bro. J. H. Brand, was prevented from being present, as his medical adviser had recommended him not to go out at nights. A very pleasant evening was spent together.

The Orsa Lodge, Bournemouth, is shortly to be constituted, and Bro. H. N. Jenkins is the W.M. designate. HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Epidemic Diseases.—The alarming increase of death from cholera and diarrhoea should be a warning to every of death from chol-ra and diarchoza should be a warning to every one 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 power, nothing more harmless than its vegetable ingredients. Holloway's is the best physic during the summer season, when decaying fruits and unwholesome vegetables are frequently deranging the bowels, and daily exposing thousands, through their negligence in permitting disordered action to the dangers of diarrhoza, dysentery, and cholera,—Advr.



The General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys will hold their usual monthly meeting at Freemasons' Hall, to morrow (Saturday) afternoon.

The regular monthly meeting of the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institu-tion will take place at Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday next, the 10th inst.

We are unfortunately compelled to hold over till next week our report of the speeches which followed the banquet to the American Knights Templar Pilgrims in the Guildhall, York, on the 20th ult.

The Prov. Grand Lodge of Devonshire held its annual meeting at the Rougemont Hotel, Exeter, on the 2nd inst. A full report will appear next week.

The Prince of Wales, accompanied by Bro. Admiral Sir George Willes, visited the Jubilee Wing of the Portsmouth Sailors' Home on the 29th ult., and expressed himself much pleased with the additional accommodation

Bro. Sir Algernon Borthwick, M.P., unveiled a memorial tablet in St. Paul's Cathedral on Wednesday, in honour of the late Mr. Charles Reade, author, dramatist, and journalist.

Bros. the Lord Chancellor (Lord Halsbury), Lord George Hamilton, and Lord Stanley of Preston attended the Cabinet Council at the Foreign Office on Saturday last.

The Prov. Grand Lodge of Hants and Isle of Wight will be held at the Victoria Hall, Portsmouth, on Monday, 15th inst., at 1.30 p.m., and at 4 p.m. a banquet, provided by Bro. Scadden, T.C., will take place.

We are glad to hear that Bro. Sir M. E. Hicks
Beach, Bart., M.P., Prov. G. Master of Gloucestershire,

has returned to England from Wiesbaden, with his eyesight considerably improved.

On Saturday last the Queen was presented with an address of congratulation on the occasion of her Jubilee from the Royal Yacht Squadron. The presentation was made by the Prince of Wales Commodore, and the members present included Bros. Earl De la Warr, Admiral Sir H. Keppel, the Marquis of Drogheda, Lord Suffield, and Lord

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught, with their two eldest children left Charing Cross for Aix-les-Baines, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, several of their Royal Highnesses' friends accompanying them to the station. The Duke starts on his return to India from Brindisi on the art is at the Duches will follow from Brindisi on the 21st inst, and the Duchess will follow later.

The Queen held an investiture of the Orders of The Queen held an investiture of the Orders of the Bath, and St. Michael and St. George, at Osborne, on Tuesday, the Prince of Wales and Prince Albert Victor of Wales being present. Among those invested were Bros. Admiral Sir J. E. Commercil, as G.C.B.; Admiral Sir E. A. Inglefield, K.C.B.; and Sir Albert Woods (Garter), C.B. Bro. the Earl of Lathom, Lord Chamberlain, was amongst the officers of State in attendance upon her Majerty.

Majesty.

The Summer Festival in connection with the The Summer Festival in connection with the Covent Garden Lodge of Instruction, No. 1614, took place on Thursday, the 28th ult., when the brethren, with ladies and friends, had a very pleasant day, leaving Charing Cross in saloon carriages for Gravesend, from there to Cobham, and through the park, Shorne, Chalk, and Milton, back to the Clarendon, Gravesend, where an excellent banquet was served by Bro. J. R. Mella, the manager.

On Tuesday the Prince of Wales, as M.W.G.M. of the United Grand Lodge of England, presented the address of congratulation to the Queen on the occasion of address of congratulation to the Queen on the occasion of her Jubilee, which was passed at the meeting in the Royal Albert Hall on Monday, the 13th June last. His Royal Highness was accompanied by Bro. the Earl of Lathom, Dep. G.M., Prince Albert Victor of Wales, S.G.W., and Bros. Sir Albert W. Woods (Garter), G.D. of C.; and Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec.

A marriage was celebrated at St. Andrew's, A marriage was celebrated at St. Andrew's, Stoke Newington, on the 1st inst. between Mr. Ernest R. Davies, only son of the late Bro. Edward Davies, P.M. and Secretary of the Lodge of United Strength, No. 228, and Miss Emma E. Halford, eldest daughter of Bro. R. H. Halford, P.M. No. 228, and P. Prov. G. Deacon, Hertfordshire. Bro. the Rev. W. H. W. Caseley, P.P.G. Chaplain, Herts, officiated at the ceremony, and there was a large attendance of the friends of the two families present to witness the ceremony. We offer our congratulations to the happy pair and wish them long life and happiness. happiness.

Among the latest Metropolitan attractions is undoubtedly the Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington, under its present aspect as "Arcadia," which well deserves the praises that have been so freely bestowed upon it. A prettier sight is not to be seen in London. The huge hall has been transformed into a beautiful garden, which with its cascades and waterfalls, gives one a very good idea of Fairyland. But this is not all. There is plenty of good music in the day's programme, and an excellent variety entertainment, including Professor Atherton's performing dogs, the Balf Troupe of male and female bicyclists, gymnastic performances, &c. The manager is Bro. Harry Etherington, who has spared no pains to make the entertainment go, and merits the support and patronage of the

PERRY AND Co., LIMITED, STEEL PEN MAKERS. The Directors of this Company have resolved to pay on the 1st September, out of profits, an interim dividend on the ordinary shares for the first six months of this year, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, free of Income Tax, being at the same rate as for the corresponding period last year. The half-yearly dividend on the preference shares will be paid as usual, at the fixed rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

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METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the week ending Saturday, August 13, 1887.

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.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6.

General Committee Boys' School, at 4.
Lodge 1929, Mozart, Greyhound Hot., Croydon.
,, 2148, Walsingham, Wilmington M.H., Dartford.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION. LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alexandra Palace, Station Ho., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30. Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hot., King-st., Hammersmith, 7.30 Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, Pimlico, at 7. Finsbury Park, Cock Tav., Highbury, at 3. King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7. 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. [S.E., 7.30. Industry Chapter, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., Herne-hill,

MONDAY, AUGUST 8.

Lodge 1789, Ubique, 8, Air-st., Regent-st.
,, 1922, Earl of Lathom, Greyhound Hot., Streatham.
Mark 239, Royal Naval, 8A, Red Lion-sq. LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

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Coborn, Eagle Hot., Snaresbrook, at 8.

Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hot., Page Green, Tottenham, at 8.

Hyde Park, Porchester Hot., Leinster-place, Cleveland-sq.,
Porchester-terr., Paddington, at 8.

Kingsiand, Cock Tav., Highbury, N., at 8.30.

Loughborough, Gauden Hot., Clapham, S.W. 7.30.

Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hot., Victoria-park-rd., E.

Metropolitan, Moorgate Tav., 15, Finsbury Pavement, 7.30.

Perfect Ashlar, Jamaica Tav., Southwark Park-rd., at 8.

Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, 7.

Queen's Westminster and St. Marylebone, The Criterion,
Piccadilly, W., 8.

Royal Commemoration, Railway Hot., Putney, 8 till 10.

Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at 8.

Sincerity, Railway Tav., Fenchurch-st., at 7.

St. Ambrose, Barons' Court Hot., W. Kensington, at 7.45.

St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.

St. Mark's, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd. [E.C., 7.

Strong Man, Bull and Bell, Ropemaker-st., Moorgate-st.,
United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.

Upper Norwood, at 8.

Wellington, White Swan Hot High-st. Dontford 8 to 10.

Norwood, at 8. Wellington, White Swan Hot., High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10 West Smithfield, New Market Hot., E.C., at 7.30. Zetland, York and Albany, Park-st., Regent's Park, at 8. Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 6.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9.

Lodge 1769, Clarendon, Guildhall Tavern, Gresham-st.

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Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., East Brixton, at 8.
Capper, Railway Tav., Angel-lane, Stratford, at 8.
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Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bdgs., at 7.
Chaucer, The Old White Hart, High-t., Borough, at 8.
Corinthian, George Hot., Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 8.
Dalhousie, The Sisters' Tav., Pownall-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.
Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 8.
Domatic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 8.
Emblematic, Red Lion, York-st., Jermyn-st., W., at 8.
Emfleld, Rose and Crown, Church-st., Edmonton, at 8.
Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Plough-rd., Rotherhithe, 8.
Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., at 8.
Finsbury, King's Head Tavern, 42, Threadneedle-st., at 7.
Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-st., Woolwich, 7.30.
Islington, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., E.C., at 6.30.
Joppa, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., at 7.
Kennington, Giraffe Tav., Newington Crescent, Newington Butts, S.E., at 7.30.
Kensington, Scarsdale Arms, Edward-sq, Kensington. 8,
Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8.
Mount Edgcumbe, Three Stags, Kennington-rd., at 8. LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8.

Mount Edgcumbe, Three Stags, Kennington-rd., at 8.

New Cross, Chester Arms, Albany-st., N.W., at 8.

New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood T., Finsbury Park, at 8.

Prince Fiedk. Wm., Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-hill, 8.

Pilgrim (German language), Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.,

E.C., 1st and 3rd Tues.

Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.

St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at 8.

Wandsworth, East Hill Hot., Alma-rd., S.W., at 8.

Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 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, Abchurch-lane, 6.30.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10.

General Committee Benevolent Institution at 4 Lodge 1228, Beacontree, Private Room, Red Lion, Leytonstone.

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A.M.D. Metropolitan, 8A, Red Lion-sq.

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Burgoyne, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7.

Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st., 7 till 9.

Crays Valley, National Schoolroom, St. Mary Gray, 8.

Dukeof Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-st., Hackney, 8

Earl of Lathom, Station Hot., Camberwell New-rd., at 8.

Fidelity, Alfred Hot., Roman-rd., Barnsbury, at 8.

Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8.

La Tolerance, Portland Arms, Gt. Portland-st., W., at 8.

Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John-st., Mayfair, at 8.

Merchant Navy, Silver Tav., Burdett-rd., Limehousc, 7.30.

Mount Lebanon, George Inn, High-st., Boro'. 7.30.

New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8

Panmure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7.

Peckham, Lord Wellington Hot., 516, Old Kent-rd., at 8.

Pythagorean, Portland Hot., Greenwich, at 8.

Ravensbourne, George Inn, Catford, at 8.

St. Leonard, Prince of Wales Hotel, Bishop's-road, Victoria Park, at 8.

Stockwell, Masons' Hall Tav., Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6. LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Stockwell, Masons' Hall Tav., Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6.

Temperance in the East, Greenwich Pensioner, Bow-lane, Poplar. 7.30. United Mariners, Lugard Hot., Lugard-rd., Peckham.

United Strength, Hope Tav., Stanhope-st., Regent's-pk., at8. Vitruvian, Bridge House Hot., London Bridge, at 8. Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st. S.W. Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-st., at 8. Domatic Chapter, Union Tav., Air-st., W., at 8.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11.

Lodge 869, Gresham, Cheshunt Great House, Cheshunt Park.

1076, Capper, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION. Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at 8. Brownings, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at S.
Burdett Coutts, Swan Tav., New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.
Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305, High Holborn, at 7.
City of London, Tiptree Tavern, 6, Leadenhall-st., at 6.
Covent Garden, The Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.
Creaton, Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-rd., Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.
Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell at 0.

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Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tav. (opposite Limehouse Church, E.), at 7.

Ebury, 12, Ponsonby-st., Millbank, at 8.

Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., 7.30.

Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham.

Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton. 8.

Highgate, Bull and Gate, Highgate-road, N., at 8.

High Cross, Coach and Horses, High-road, Tottenham, at 8.

Ivy, Railway Tav., Battersea Rise, S.W, at 8.

Justice, Brown Bear, High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10.

Langton, White Hart, Cannon-st., at 5.30.

Leopold, Austin's Hotel, 7, London-st., Fenchurch-st., City, E.C., at 7.30.

Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham-ct.-road, at 8.

road, at 8.

Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hot. (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 7.30.

Royal Albert, White Hart Hot., Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.
Rose, Sterling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, at 8.

Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.

St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-road, Chelsea, at 8.

Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tav., Liverpool-rd., 8.

Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New-rd., 8.

Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester-st., Kennington. The Great City, M.H., Mason's avenue, E.C., 6.30.

Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington-rd., Bow-rd., 7.30.

Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich. Victoria Park, George Tavern, Broadway, Stratford, at 8.

West Middlesex, Bell Hot., Ealing, at 7.30.

North London Chapter, Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-st., 7.30.

North London Chapter, Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's-rd., Canonbury, at 8.

rd., Canonbury, at 8. Prince Frederick William Chapter, Eagle Tav., Clifton-

rd., Maida-vale, 7.30.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12.

(No Meetings.)

Lodges and Chapters of Instruction.

Albion, The Mitre, 125, Chancery Lane. 73 o.
All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.
deacontree, Bell Tavern, Leytonstone, at 8.
Chigwell, Loughton Public Hall, at 7.30.
Clapton, Lord Stanley, Sandringham-rd., Hackney, 8.
Doric, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 8.
Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8.
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st.
Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30.
Loyalty, Private Rooms, 206, Mare-st., Hackney, at 8.
Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hot., Fleet-st., at 7.
Ranclagh, Six Bells, Queen-st., HammersmithW., at 8.
Robert Burns, Portland Arms, Great Portland-st., W.
Royal Standard, The Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-rd., N.
Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8.
St. John's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., S.E., at 8.
St. John's, York and Albany Ho., Regent's Park, N.W. &
Stability, Mason's Hall Tav., Mason's Avenue, at 6.
Temperance, Duke of York Tav., Evelyn-st., Deptord, 8.
United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., 7.30.
Westbourne, Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 8.
Wm. Preston, St. Andrew's Tav., George-st., Baker-st., W.
Hornsey Chapter, Porchester Hot., Leinster-pl., Cleveland-sq., Paddington, at 8.
Lily of Richmond Chapter, Greyhound Hot., Richmond, 8.
Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hot., London-st., Greenwich.
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13. LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

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Lodge 1423, Era, Albany Hot, Twickenham.
,, 1637, Unity, Railway Hot., Harrow Station.
,, 1685, Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton.

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