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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

The annual meeting of the above Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, The Institute, Slough, on Saturday, the 14th inst. Bro. Lord Carrington, G.C.M.G., P.G.M., presided, and was supported by Bros. the Rev. J. Studholme Brownrigg, P.G.C., D.P.G.M.; Lord Addington; Lieut.-Gen. Lawrie, P.G.M. Nova Scotia; J. E. Bowen, P.G. Sec.; the Rev. C. A. Treherne; the Rev. C. H. Spurrell; and about 60 other brethren.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was formally opened, and the minutes read and confirmed.

The Charity Committee's report, which showed that the voting power of the province was thoroughly organised, was next considered.

The DEPUTY PROV. GRAND MASTER, who proposed its adoption, said they had an excellent Secretary in Bro. Stephens, and the Committee was in good working order. No money was wasted, no undeserving case was supported, and no votes were thrown away. It was extremely important that when they had no case they should accumulate votes. He hoped all the brethren would send in their votes, for in a small province their united assistance was necessary to carry their cases.

Bro. JAMES STEPHENS, P.S.G.D., Secretary to the Committee, seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously, and endorsed the remarks of the Deputy Prov. Grand Master. He asked the Worshipful Masters of lodges to see that their votes were properly sent in. At their next meeting the daughter of Bro. Sherman, who died during his Mastership of the Buckingham Lodge, would be adopted as a candidate for the Girls' School, when he hoped the brethren would take an interest in the case, and secure her election on the first application.

The Prov. Grand Treasurer's accounts were submitted and adopted; and, on the proposition of the PROV. G. SECRETARY, Bro. J. Williams was unanimously re-elected as Prov. G. Treasurer.

The Prov. Grand Master appointed and invested the following Prov. G. Officers:

Bro. Lord Addington	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
Baron F. De Rothschild	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
Rev. C. A. Treherne	...	...	} Prov. G. Chaps.
Rev. C. H. Spurrell	...	...
R. P. Laundry	...	...
J. Williams	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
J. E. Bowen	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
J. C. F. Tower	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
R. H. Major	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
Major Cooper	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
Dr. G. Millom	...	...	Prov. G. S. of Wks.
C. J. Whickock	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
A. H. Cliffe	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
G. Skinner	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
E. P. Palmer	...	...	} Prov. G. Std. Brs.
Simcox	...	...
W. Woollett	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
Sampson	...	...	Prov. Asst. G. Sec.
Holton	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
J. B. Burgess	...	...	Prov. Asst. G. Purst.
W. G. Cannon	...	...	} Prov. G. Stwds.
Sims	...	...
S. Calladine	...	...
Bowdler Sharpe	...	...
Crowhurst	...	...

The Audit Committee having been re-elected, the DEP. PROV. GRAND MASTER reported as to the publication of the Masonic Calendar for the province for the first time, and proposed that the deficit should be defrayed from the provincial funds.

This was unanimously carried, a suggestion being made that the calendar should not be issued every year.

Charity jewels and bars were presented to brethren entitled to them, and Prov. G. Lodge was formally closed.

An adjournment was made to the Royal Hotel, where an excellent banquet was well served.

The Prov. Grand Master presided, and, after grace, proposed the usual toasts.

"The Queen and the Craft" was first heartily honoured.

Bro. Lieut.-General LAURIE, P.G.M. Nova Scotia, proposed "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, M.W.G.M., and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past." He said they all knew the deep interest Lord Carrington had taken in Masonry and the services he had rendered to the Craft in his position as Grand Master of New South Wales, and as Masons could never sink their rank he addressed him that evening as M.W.G.M. There was no necessity for him to dilate at length on the services of the Grand Officers. They saw how smoothly the machinery worked, and that was

because the Grand Officers knew their duties, and the brethren had, therefore, every right to be proud of them.

Bro. the Rev. J. S. BROWNRIGG, Dep. Prov. G.M., next rose, and said he was sure every brother knew the manner in which he was going to use the gavel. The proper thing he ought to say was that he wished the toast had fallen to other hands, but he was not going to say that because the Prov. G. Master would excuse him if he asserted that he was the person who was most capable of proposing his health. A great many years ago he had the honour of proposing Lord Carrington, then an undergraduate at Trinity, for Masonry, and he was proud of the foundation laid that evening, and the superstructure raised. His joy at seeing him Prov. Grand Master was great, and whenever he came amongst them they were always pleased to see him. When it was first determined to start a Prov. Grand Lodge for Bucks it was quite certain there was only one feeling, and that was that the first Prov. Grand Master should be Lord Carrington. They were under a special debt of gratitude to him for taking the office, for he took a lower office than he was holding. He was Grand Master of an independent jurisdiction, but had conferred upon them a favour by consenting to be Prov. Grand Master. They would, no doubt, hear a Masonic statement of what had happened during his rule, but he could assure the Prov. Grand Master that that rule had been to all a pleasant one, and they were glad indeed to see him amongst them again.

Bro. Lord CARRINGTON, Prov. G.M., said he hoped the brethren would believe that it was not merely as a matter of form, but with all respect, sincerity, and gratitude that he rose to return thanks for the great favour the brethren had paid him. He could only wish he were more worthy of the kind words used, but he thanked the Deputy Prov. Grand Master for them. As regards their province they had nothing to complain of, but every reason to congratulate themselves. The Treasurer's accounts showed a balance in hand of £120, notwithstanding a few extra expenses. They were on a sound financial basis and he thought they were also on a perfectly Masonic basis. He had heard of no cause for dissatisfaction, and he congratulated the brethren on this result, which could only have been attained by Masonry, and Masonry alone. As regards their present position they had wonderfully improved in the last three years. When they parted company with Berks there were many reports spread that they would not be able to run alone, but they had disproved those reports and outstripped their most sanguine expectations. There had been an increase of 50 per cent. in the number of lodges. It might be thought that these new lodges had been started at the expense of the old, but he understood that the old lodges were as flourishing as ever. He might venture to say that this was evidence of the advantages of self-government. They had left the protecting wing of their big brother and were able to run alone. They had in fact outstripped that brother having two more lodges than Berks could claim. He hoped those brethren who were honoured with collars that day were those brethren who were popular in their lodges and were those the brethren would like to see in high office. It was no doubt the prerogative of the Prov. Grand Master to appoint these brethren and it had been his earnest desire not only on his part, but of the Deputy Prov. Grand Master and Prov. Grand Secretary, to appoint those brethren who in the opinion of the lodges were the proper persons to be selected for this great honour. In the Psalms there was a great deal of common sense. Promotion cometh not from the East nor from the West. He should like to add it came from the top. Having served them for three years it was his intention to place his resignation in the hands of the M.W. Grand Master. There were other brethren worthy of the great honour the M.W. Grand Master could bestow. He would always support any Prov. Grand Master appointed to succeed him and assist the brethren whenever he could. He had been well supported and thanked them most sincerely for the support given him. He still remembered the great meeting at Aylesbury when the late Duke of Clarence opened their first Provincial Grand Lodge. In sitting down he had to thank the brethren again for their loyal, conscientious, and honourable support, and for the kind greeting shown him that evening.

The PROV. G.M. then said he had to propose the health of his brother and cousin, "The Deputy Prov. G.M." who had worked so hard, and had such an honourable record, that the brethren would give him the welcome he deserved.

Bro. Rev. J. S. BROWNRIGG, Dep. P.G.M., said he was proud indeed to act in that capacity. The Prov. G.M. had spoken with just pride of the progress made. He could look further back, for, having taken office in 1872, he was looking forward to keeping his "silver wedding." During that time they had gone up 450 per cent. They did not want lodges in the province that were not working lodges. They did not want to develop new lodges for the sake of starting them. He should be pleased to see a lodge at Marlow, and after that they could stand still for a year. He wished to propose "The Health of the Prov. G. Officers." Bro. Lord Addington was really a hard-working Mason, was the first S.W. of a lodge and its present W.M., and had proved very useful on the Charity Committee. The Prov. J.G.W. was a most distinguished personage—the Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild. As the Prov. S.G.W. had left, he would include another toast—that of "The Prov. G. Treas. and Prov. G. Sec." Bro. Bowen and himself had a good many consultations about details, and their Prov. G. Sec. kept all his books with marvellous accuracy.

Bro. J. E. BOWEN, Prov. G. Sec., in responding said that year after year one took a great deal of pains to make his meeting go off satisfactorily, but each year the attendance fell very far below what it should be. He

understood there were nearly 600 Masons in the province. That day there was an attendance of 60, which was not a satisfactory state of things. He hoped in future to see a larger attendance, in fair proportion to what was due to the Grand Lodge of the Province. On behalf of the Prov. G. Officers, he was sure they would render good service during the coming year.

The Herschel Lodge was duly thanked for the excellent arrangements made for the meeting, and the Tyler's toast closed the proceedings.

The musical arrangements, which considerably added to the success of the meeting, were admirably carried out by Bros. May, H. and G. Stubbs, and Richard Evans.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF SUFFOLK.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Suffolk was held at the Town Hall, Ipswich, on Thursday, the 12th inst., under the banners of the four Ipswich lodges, the Right Hon. Lord Henniker, P.G.W., Prov. G.M., presiding, and was supported by the following:

Bros. Rev. C. J. Martyn, P.G. Chap. Eng., D.P.G.M.; Rev. R. N. Sanderson, P.G. Chap. Eng.; C. S. Pedgrift, P.P.G.R.; W. Boby, P.G.S.B. Eng.; N. Tracy, P.G. Sec.; John Russell, P.P.G.S.B.; R. K. Casley, P.P.G.T.; W. J. Wilton, P.P.S.G.W.; S. R. Anness, P.P.J.G.D.; Hugh W. H. Elwes, P.P.S.G.W.; H. J. Wright, P.G.D.C.; J. E. Barnes, P.G. Treas.; John Talbot, P.P.G.S.B.; J. R. Kirby Johnson, Hon. D.G.M. (S.C.) India; G. P. Price, P.P.G. Std. Br.; Charles Henry Vincent, P.P.G.R.; Charles Cooper Vincent, P.G. Stwd.; John B. Marchant, P.A.G.P.; A. A. Bennett, P.P.G.R.; Charles Byford, P.P.G.S.B.; James Bardwell, P.G. Stwd.; Henry Saunders, P.G. Chap.; A. F. Penraven, P.G. Stwd.; Henry C. Casley, P.P.J.G.W.; C. G. Hayward, P.P.G.R.; Edward Sparke, P.P.G.O.; C. A. Sinclair, P.P.G. Chap.; R. Tidbury, P.P.G. Std. Br.; Geo. Abbott, P.P.G.S.B.; W. B. Hanson, P.P.J.G.D.; A. R. Trew, P.P.J.G.D.; Charles J. Grimwade, P.P.S.G.W.; W. I. Mason, P.P.S.G.W.; E. Dorling, P.P.G. Sec.; J. Townsend, P.P.S.G.W.; Henry Sidney, P.P.G.D.C.; W. Penson, P.P.A.G.D.C.; B. P. Grimsey, P.P.J.G.W.; J. Legge Currie, P.J.G.D.; George Hodges, P.G. Chap.; L. D. Kenyon-Stow, P.P.G. Chap.; Fred. C. Atkinson, P.A.G. Sec.; W. W. Chapman, P.P.S.G.D.; J. C. Smith, P.G.S. of W.; C. W. Downes, P.P.G. Stwd.; C. J. Cooke, P.G.O.; George Cornish, P.P.S.G.W.; V. D. Colchester, P.P.S.G.D.; John White, P.P.G.S. of W.; G. H. Grimwood, P.P.G.S. of W.; J. M. Harvey, P.S.G.W.; J. Spalding, P.P.G.S. of W. Cambs.; T. J. Noble, P.P.A.G.D.C.; A. W. Cooke, P.P.G.P.; J. Hunt, P.P.G.P.; G. R. Quilter, P.G. Stwd.; W. B. Wrightson, P.J.G.W.; W. B. Williamson, P.P.G.W. Worcestershire; Walter Cocks, P.P.J.G.D.; W. Minter, P.P.G.S.B.; E. Smith, P.P.G.P.; W. Walesby, P.P.G.S. of W.; J. Napier, P.P.J.G.D.; W. D. Brunger, P.G. Std. Br.; Thos. J. Ralling, Prov. G. Sec. Essex; B. W. Syer, P.G.T.; B. R. Bryant, P.P.G. Std. Br.; W. P. Mills, P.P.S.G.W.; J. H. Brockbank, P.P.A.G. Sec. Norfolk; and others.

The Provincial Grand Lodge having been opened, the minutes, with regard to the Special Provincial Grand Lodge, which was convened to pass a vote of condolence with Lord Henniker upon the death of Lady Henniker, were read, and the PROV. GRAND MASTER expressed his personal thanks to the brethren for their kindness and sympathy with him in his great sorrow and trouble. The roll of lodges was next called, and the reports were most satisfactory.

On the proposition of the PROV. GRAND MASTER, it was resolved to send a letter of congratulation to the Queen, and the Prince and Princess of Wales, upon the birth of the heir to the British throne.

Upon the proposition of Bro. B. P. GRIMSEY, seconded by Bro. J. M. HARVEY, Bro. A. S. Gross, 81, was elected Prov. G. Treasurer.

The Provincial Grand Master then appointed and invested the other Prov. Grand Officers as follows:

Bro. Rev. C. J. Martyn, P.G. Chap. ...	... D. Prov. G.M.
" S. R. Anness, P.M. 376, P.P.J.G.D. ...	... Prov. S.G.W.
" J. Hodges, P.M. 1592, 1008 ...	... Prov. J.G.W.
" Rev. A. R. Upcher, 388 ...	... } Prov. G. Chaps.
" Rev. F. Phillips, 1631 }
" C. H. Downes, P.M. 2371 ...	... Prov. G. Reg.
" N. Tracy, P.M. 376, P.P.J.G.W. ...	... Prov. G. Sec.
" F. S. Smith, P.M. 71 ...	... Prov. S.G.D.
" C. E. Tempest, W.M. 114 ...	... Prov. J.G.D.
" W. J. Roberts, P.M. 1452 ...	... Prov. G.S. of W.
" G. T. Pick, P.M. 959 ...	... Prov. G.D. of C.
" R. Titlow, P.M. 388 ...	... Prov. A.G.D. of C.
" J. Bardwell, P.M. 1823 ...	... Prov. G.S.B.
" S. J. Morley, P.M. 225 ...	... } Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" W. T. Griffiths, P.M. 1893 }
" C. Cook, Org. 959 ...	... Prov. G. Org.
" Alfred Spalding, S.W. 376 ...	... Prov. A.G. Sec.
" J. B. Marchant, P.M. 1603 ...	... Prov. G. Purst.
" M. Reid, P.M. 1224 ...	... Prov. A.G. Purst.
" H. Cockrell, W.M. 225 ...	... } Prov. G. Stewards.
" Geo. Turner, W.M. 376 }
" W. Kemp, W.M. 959 }
" B. W. Syer, 376 ...	... Prov. G. Tyler.

Bro. TRACY submitted the report of the Board of General Purposes, which expressed regret that it was unable to present so favourable a report as last year, as, although the initiations, 55, compared favourably with 56 last year, still the gains from the above, with 20 joinings, were overbalanced with losses by resignations, 26; exclusions, 23; and deaths, 22, leaving a total loss of 6, the membership being 985, against 991 in 1893. The financial state was more favourable, there being a balance of £87 8s. 1d. After providing for liabilities, the Board recommended grants of £10 10s. to the Girls' and Boys' Schools, and to the Female and Male Funds of the R.M.B.I.—in all £42.

The report was adopted.

On the motion of Bro. WRIGHT, seconded by Bro. H. C. CASLEY, Bros. T. Mayhew, C. E. Tempest, and A. A. Bennett were appointed Auditors.

The report of the Suffolk Masonic Charity Association for the year ending June 30th, stated that for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, held in February, 1894, the sum of £217 17s. 6d. was contributed, the list being: Bros. H. C. Monteith, 376, £28 7s.; W. H. Hall, 936, £52 10s.; A. R. Trew, 959, £40; G. F. Hawkins, 1224, £64 1s.; and anonymous brother, £32 19s. 6d. For the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, held in May, 1894, the sum of £300 10s. 6d. had been contributed, viz., the D.P.G.M., £21; Bros. C. E. Tempest and T. Ashwin, 114, £105 10s. 6d.; T. Thwaites and F. W. Long, 376, £73 10s.; C. J. N. Row and G. F. Hawkins, 1224, £90 and £10 10s. respectively. For the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, held in June, 1894, the sum of £290 5s. was contributed, the list being Bros. Tyrwhitt-Drake, 555, £33; W. Chapman, 1008 and 1592, £105; G. F. Hawkins, 1224, £36 15s.; D. R. Gooding, 1983, £63; H. Harvey George, Priory, East Anglia, £52 10s.; total to the three Institutions for the year, £808 13s.

On the motion of Bro. W. BOBY, seconded by Bro. S. R. ANNESS, the report was adopted.

The brethren afterwards marched in procession in Masonic regalia to the Church of S. Mary-le-Tower, where Divine Service was held, the preacher being Bro. Rev. A. R. Upcher, who preached an eloquent sermon from Philippians i., v. 9 and 10. The choral service was most effective. Bro. Chas. Cooke, P.G.O., played as an introductory voluntary "How lovely are the messengers," from St. Paul. The services were by Villiers Stanford, and were well rendered by the choir of the church. The anthem "Behold how good and joyful a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," in which the bass solo was well taken by Mr. Bunn, was also well rendered.

The offertory was in behalf of the Nurses' Home, Ipswich.

Upon the resumption of the Prov. G. Lodge, the Provincial Grand Master briefly addressed the brethren, whom he congratulated upon the satisfactory condition of the province.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rev. Y. Barrington for the use of the church, to the Reception Committee, and to the Chaplain.

The banquet followed in the Council Chamber, under the presidency of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Rev. C. J. Martyn, in the absence of the Provincial Grand Master, Lord Henniker, who since his domestic bereavement, has declined attending at public festivals. The tables were splendidly laid, the floral adornments, which were the graceful work of Mrs. G. Turner, Mrs. W. Kemp, and Miss Monteith, adding greatly to the effectiveness of the spread. The menu was a bountiful one, and gave the greatest satisfaction to the brethren, who not only heartily appreciated the superabundance of good things, but the admirable way in which it was served, and heartily congratulated Bro. W. H. Cook, to whom the catering was entrusted. The wines, which were of excellent quality and thoroughly enjoyed, were supplied by Messrs. W. S. Cowell.

There were the usual toasts—"The Queen and the Craft," "The M.W. G.M., H.R.H. the Prince of Wales," "The Pro G.M., the Earl of Lathom; the D.G.M., the Earl of Mount Edgcombe; and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past," "The R.W.P.G.M., Lord Henniker," "The V.W.D.P.G.M., Rev. C. J. Martyn," "The Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, Present and Past," "The Masonic Charities," "The Visiting Brethren," and "The Worshipful Masters of Lodges in the Province."

Nothing new was said, but feeling allusion was made to the cause which had led to the absence of the Prov. Grand Master, while universal satisfaction was expressed with regard to the Deputy Prov. Grand Master's continued association with the Province of Suffolk.

An interesting feature in connection with the toast of "The Visiting Brethren" was the response of Bro. KIRBY JOHNSON, Hon. D.G.M. (S.C.) in India, who gave an account of the progress of Masonry amongst the Parsees, Mussulmans, and the Hindoos, all of whom he averred carried out the work of the lodges in a way with which the most fastidious Mason could not complain.

In the toast of "The Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge," Bro. S. R. Anness was cordially congratulated upon his appointment to the Provincial rank of S.G.W., and thanked for his kindness in placing the Town Hall at the disposal of the brethren.

Bro. ANNESS, in response, spoke of the pride he felt in being able to do anything in behalf of Masonry. Although not in the toast list, and outside Masonry, he gallantly proposed "The Health of the Ladies," who had assisted in the decorations, and which was drunk with enthusiasm.

To the toast of "The Worshipful Masters of Lodges in the Province," Bros. C. E. TEMPEST, 114; H. COCKRELL, 225; GEO. TURNER, 376; and W. KEMP, 959, suitably replied.

Songs were contributed during the evening by Bros. H. Brockbank, G. T. Pick, G. Abbott, H. A. Wright, A. Mead, and the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, the accompanist being Bro. C. Cooke.

The arrangements in connection with the reception of the Provincial Grand Lodge were carried out by Committees, who achieved an unprecedented success in making the gathering a memorable one for the pleasure it afforded the brethren. The most active members of these Committees were: Bros. C. E. Tempest, W.M. 114; A. Raphael, P.M. 959 (Chairman of the Dinner Committee); W. Kemp, W.M. 959; T. Read, S.W. 114; S. Skerritt, S.W. 225; J. Price, P.M. 225; H. Cockrell, W.M. 225; H. C. Monteith, P.M. 376; A. A. Bennett, P.M. 959; V. D. Colchester, P.M. 376; A. Spalding, 376; N. Tracy, P.G. Sec., with Bro. Geo. Turner as an indefatigable Hon. Secretary.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

A meeting of the above Provincial Grand Lodge was held in the Grand Hall, The Spa, Scarborough, on the invitation of the Old Globe Lodge, 200; Denison Lodge, 1248; and Leopold Lodge, 1760, on Wednesday, the 11th inst., when there were present Bros. the Most Hon. the Marquess of Zetland, Prov. G.M.; Lieut.-Col. the Hon. W. T. Orde-Powlett, J.P., D.L., P.G.W. England, D.P.G.M.; and a large number of the brethren of the various lodges in the province.

The Provincial Grand Lodge having been opened, the P.G.D.C. called upon the brethren to salute the P.G.M. and the Deputy P.G.M. with grand honours. The P.G.M. for Lincolnshire and the Present and Past Grand Officers of England were also saluted.

The minutes of the Provincial Grand Lodge, held at Beverley, 5th July

1893, and of the Special Provincial Grand Lodges held at York, 27th November, 1893, and 16th May, 1894, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Prov. Grand Treasurer's annual balance-sheet having been audited and found correct, was unanimously adopted.

The PROV. GRAND SECRETARY then read the Annual Report of the Board of Benevolence. The report was unanimously confirmed.

The PROV. GRAND MASTER moved that an address of congratulation be presented to his Royal Highness the Most Worshipful Grand Master. His lordship, quoting the remarks of the Earl of Lathom in Grand Lodge, said: "This is the first time in the history, not only of our country, but I believe also of any other kingdom or dynasty of Europe, that a direct descendant of the fourth generation has been born to the grand parent, and that during the life of the great grand parent, who we all rejoice to think is still alive." The Deputy Grand Master also said on the same occasion: 'Loyalty and affection to her Majesty and our Grand Master, and may I add, to our country as well, combine to make us join in these addresses, knowing that the event to which they refer is one, not only of ordinary interest to the Royal personages to whom our congratulations are offered, but to the long stability of our national institutions, and which we hope will, for many years to come, last under the guidance of the Great Architect of the Universe, and be a blessing to our country when our children's children are grown up.'

The PROV. GRAND MASTER then called upon the PROV. GRAND SECRETARY to read the proposed address as follows:

To his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

May it please your Royal Highness,

The Freemasons of the Province of the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire beg most respectfully to offer to Your Royal Highness their hearty congratulations upon the auspicious event of the Birth of a Royal Prince to Their Royal Highnesses The Duke and Duchess of York.

They pray that the Great Architect of the Universe may long preserve Your Royal Highness and all the Members of the Royal Family, and enrich them with every happiness; and that peace and prosperity may ever attend the rule of Your Royal Highness as the Illustrious Head of the Ancient Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons.

Given at Scarborough, this 11th day of July, 1894, on behalf of the Provincial Grand Lodge.

M. C. PECK, P.G. Sec.

ZETLAND, P.G.M.

W. T. ORDE-POWLETT, D.P.G.M.

The DEP. PROV. G. MASTER seconded the adoption of the address, which was carried by acclamation.

The DEPUTY PROV. GRAND MASTER proposed a vote of thanks to the Committee who superintended the publication of the "York Rolls," Bros. J. Todd, T. B. Whytehead, J. B. Sampson, and M. C. Peck. He stated that not only has the work been thoroughly and excellently done, but the financial part has been so well managed that the grant voted last year will not be required from Prov. Grand Lodge, but on the contrary, if the brethren will buy the remaining copies, a respectable profit will be realised to their funds.

The resolution was seconded by Bro. WOODALL, carried unanimously, and acknowledged by Bros. TODD and WHYTEHEAD.

The DEPUTY PROV. GRAND MASTER also proposed a special vote of thanks to Bro. W. J. Hughan, the Masonic historian, for his valuable introduction to the "York Rolls," and that permission be freely granted for the use of their plates for the illustration of a work which Bro. Hughan is about to publish upon the "Ancient Charges," a book that (he observed) will not interfere with the sale of their own work, but rather tend to promote it.

This was seconded by Bro. T. B. WHYTEHEAD, and carried unanimously.

The Prov. Grand Treasurer, Bro. J. Todd, P.P.G.W., was then unanimously re-elected, upon the proposition of Bro. WOODALL, P.P.G.W., seconded by Bro. A. FARMER, P.P.G.W.

The PROV. GRAND TREASURER, in acknowledging his re-election, stated that his work had been much facilitated by the careful manner in which the books had been kept by the late Prov. Grand Treasurer.

The PROV. GRAND MASTER proposed that Bro. W. F. Smithson, P.G.D. Eng., be elected to represent this province (in conjunction with West Yorkshire) on the Committee of the Masonic Boys' School, which was seconded by Bro. W. H. COWPER, P.P.G. Reg., and carried unanimously.

Two representatives of Provincial Grand Lodge on the Charities Association, Bro. J. W. Woodall, P.P.G.W., and T. B. Whytehead, P.P.G.W., were then unanimously elected.

Bro. J. SYKES RYMER, P.P.G. Reg., proposed the election of Bro. Arthur Jones, W.M. 236, as an Auditor, which was seconded by Bro. T. B. WHYTEHEAD, P.P.G.W., and carried.

Bro. S. BORDER, P.P.G. Reg., proposed the election of Bro. J. L. Spetch, W.M. 1611, as an Auditor, which was seconded by Bro. E. HARLAND, P.P.A.G.D.C., and carried.

Under By-Law 21, the following five members of Provincial Grand Lodge were re-elected to serve on the Provincial Board of General Purposes, viz.: Bros. J. W. Woodall, P.P.G.W.; T. B. Whytehead, P.P.G.W.; W. J. Watson, P.P.G. Reg.; J. Sykes Rymer, P.P.G. Reg.; and H. Toozes, P.P.G.D., being proposed by Bro. THOMSON FOLEY, P.P.G. Supt. Wks., and seconded by Bro. W. ASCOUGH, P.P.G.W.

The various lodges in the province, all of which were represented, then communicated. The returns showed a total of 2292 subscribing members.

The Prov. Grand Master then appointed and invested the following Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year, with the exception of the Provincial Grand Treasurer, who had been re-elected by the Provincial Grand Lodge:

Bro. Wm. H. Cowper, P.M. 602, P.P.G. Reg.	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" C. M. Forbes, P.M. 236	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Rev. C. H. Coryndon Baker, D.D., 200	...	Prov. G. Chaps.
" Rev. Lewis Pawson, M.A., 543	...	
" J. Todd, P.M. 236, P.P.G.W.	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" H. Woodhouse, L.L.D., P.M. 1010	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" M. C. Peck, W.M. 2494, P.G. Std. Br. Eng., P.P.G.W.	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" Wm. Clark Bradley, P.M. 57	...	Prov. S.G. Deacons.
" G. W. Walshaw, P.M. 200	...	
" Wm. A. Hutchence, P.M. 543	...	Prov. J.G. Deacons.
" T. G. P. Barlow, P.M. 566	...	
" Walker Stead, P.M. 1337	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" H. Foster, M.D., P.M. 236	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" Robert Dobson, P.M. 643	...	Prov. Dep. G.D.C.
" Richard Lancelot, P.M. 1248	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" T. Gibson Poole, P.M. 2391	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" Stephen W. Close, P.M. 123	...	Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" Thomas Atkinson, P.M. 312	...	
" T. Butler Redfearn, P.M. 2134	...	Prov. A.G. Sec.
" Frederick Wilson, M.D., 57	...	Prov. G. Org.
" John Walton, P.M. 1618	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" George Hood, P.M. 1244	...	Prov. A.G. Purst.
" Fredk. J. Lambert, 1010	...	Prov. G. Tyler.

The newly-appointed Provincial Grand Officers were then saluted with Grand honours.

Six Provincial Grand Stewards to be nominated by the Lion, Cleveland, Zetland, St. Germain, North York, and St. Cuthbert Lodges.

The PROV. GRAND MASTER then addressed the Prov. Grand Lodge as follows: *Worshipful Brethren*.—According to annual custom it is usual to give a short *resumé* of our history during the past year. Since we last assembled, the condition of the Craft in this province has been one of quiet and gradual progress; the lodges are all working in harmony, are united and prosperous, and so far as we are aware, the brethren are happy and contented. Last August the province had the great misfortune to lose its P.G. Treasurer, Bro. Walter Reynolds, and in November, at a special meeting, we elected his successor, and paid a tribute of respect to the memory of our departed brother. Death has also removed several other prominent Masons, two of our P.G. Officers have been taken away during their year of office—Bros. J. B. Nicholls, our P.G. Superintendent of Works, and T. H. Pexton, P.D.G. Director of Ceremonies. The former was an old and esteemed P.M. of the Camalodunum Lodge, and the latter a P.M. of the Leopold Lodge. Bros. H. A. Williamson and C. J. Todd, P.P.G. Registrars; Wm. Peacock, P.P.A.G. Director of Ceremonies; David Fletcher, P.P.G. Superintendent of Works; and Edwin Storry, P.P.G. Deacon, have also passed away. To the families of all these worthy brethren we tender our sympathy and regrets. To turn to other subjects. On the 16th January last the Deputy Prov. Grand Master consecrated a new Masonic Hall at Stokesley, a building which will prove of great value and convenience to the brethren of the Cleveland Lodge. On the 2nd February, the Deputy Prov. Grand Master constituted, under the most favourable auspices, the latest addition to our Provincial Roll, the Humber Installed Masters' Lodge, No. 2494. This lodge possesses peculiar features, since all the members must have passed the Master's chair. Its objects are of a literary, archaeological, and philosophical character, and we may look forward with interest to its progress, as a bond of union for those brethren who seek to study the Craft in its more recondite features. On the 23rd May, the fourth Festival of our Educational Fund was held at York, when our Prov. Grand Master presided. The sum raised amounted to £504 10s. 6d., which, considering the depression in trade and agriculture, is a very respectable result. Still, although many of the lodges and brethren have been most liberal in the promotion of our fund, it must be acknowledged with much regret, that some lodges and brethren have shown themselves indifferent (to say the least) to the claims which Charity has upon them, although they have not scrupled to avail themselves of the benefits of the fund which they left others to support. It must never be forgotten that Freemasonry is a luxury, not a necessity of life, and no brethren should expect to enjoy the privileges and honours of the Craft unless they are able and willing to contribute to the support of those Charitable Institutions which are its brightest ornaments. On the 27th of last month the Prov. Grand Master of West Yorkshire presided at the 96th Festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, when your Prov. Grand Master and Charity Representative undertook to represent this province. The contributions of our wealthy sister amounted to £4460, and the grand total to about £18,600. The list of this province reached £304. Had the Festival occurred in any other year than that of our Triennial Festival, undoubtedly the sum would have been greatly increased, to mark our respect for the Chairman, and in grateful acknowledgment of the many kindnesses received from West Yorkshire. The W.M. and brethren of the St. Germain Lodge have been kind enough to repeat the invitation which they gave on two previous occasions, I have therefore great pleasure in accepting the same, and shall hope to meet the brethren next year at Selby. In conclusion I must express the best thanks of Provincial Grand Lodge to the Worshipful Masters, officers, and brethren of the Old Globe, Denison, and Leopold Lodges for their hospitable reception this day, and for the splendid arrangements made for our entertainment.

The Masonic anthem "Hail Masonry," was then sung by Bro. J. Raine, S.D. 1248, and in chorus by the brethren, accompanied by the Acting Prov. Grand Organist, Bro. H. Hill, P.P.G.O.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed.

By the excellent arrangements of the Local Committee, the grounds of the Spa were open to brethren attending Provincial Grand Lodge, on the production of passes obtained at the Masonic Hall, where refreshments were provided.

The meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge was held in the Grand Hall of the Spa, a fine selection of music being previously performed by the company's band, under the direction of Mr. Herbert W. Turner, Mus. Bac. The hall was beautifully decorated, and the courteous manager, Bro. F. Goodricke, P.M. 200, together with Bros. G. E. Martin, P.P.G.D.C., and M. Malvin, M.D., P.M. 643, showed every attention for the comfort and convenience of the brethren.

A grand banquet, at which the P.G.M. presided, was subsequently held at the Grand Hotel.

A very large number of brethren dined, and the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

CONSECRATION OF THE COUNTY PALATINE LODGE,
No. 2503.

On Friday, the 6th inst., a new lodge was consecrated at the Town Hall, Birkdale, near Liverpool, which is to bear the appropriate name of County Palatine, No. 2503, in the Province of West Lancashire, the largest under the Grand Lodge of England, having a roll of 113 lodges and upwards of 7200 members. The Consecrating Officer was Bro. Robert Wylie, D.P.G.M., P.G.D., assisted by Bros. Rev. T. B. Spencer, P.G. Chap., P.P.G. Chap.; J. Christie, P.P.S.G.W., as S.W.; W. W. Sandbrook, P.G.D., as J.W.; Rev. S. Y. Bradshaw, P.G. Chap., as Chaplain; William Goodacre, P.G.S.B., P.G. Sec.; R. G. Bradley, P.D.G.D.C., as D. of C.; and J. L. Houghton, P.P.G. Std. Br., as I.G.

The founders are: Bros. Walter Simpson, P.M. 2326, P.S.G.W.; W. E. Bland, 2295; Hugh Lowndes, P.M. 537; Rev. Charles Hesketh Knowlys, P.M., P.P.G. Chap.; Dr. Alfred Charlick, P.M. 2295; J. S. Thomson, 986; Milner Gibson, 320, and others.

The following visitors were present: Bros. Thos. Hassall, P.M., Prov. A.G.D.C.; J. Hardwicke Marsh, I.P.M. 1730; James Pittaway, P.M., Prov. D.G. Std. Br.; W. P. Sutton, P.M. 537, P.P.G.W. Cheshire; J. M. Ashurst, P.M., Prov. G.S.B.; Thos. Adams, P.M., P.P.G.D.; W. G. Terry, P.M., Prov. G. Chap.; R. Sharrock, P.M., Prov. A.G.D.C.; E. Brown, P.M., P.P.G.D.C. Cheshire; J. Patten, P.M., P.P.G.P.; G. Beeken, P.M., Prov. A.G. Sec.; J. Fisher, W.M., Prov. G.D. East Lancashire; Rev. S. Y. Bradshaw, P.M., Prov. G. Chap.; W. H. Holt, W.M. 537; Richard Hill, P.M. 320; George Harford, W.M. 613; Charles Watson, P.M. 2325; Walter Connard, W.M. 2325; C. E. Beazer, P.M. 2350; H. Akerley, P.M. 2326; W. Lewis, P.M. 2042; R. A. Chadwick, W.M. 2295; Dr. J. D. Crawford, P.M. 680; and J. C. Robinson, P.M. 1070, P.P.A.G.D.C.

The lodge having been opened, the CONSECRATING OFFICER addressed the brethren and the ceremony was proceeded with. Bro. Rev. S. Y. BRADSHAW delivered an excellent oration on the principles of the Order, and the new lodge was solemnly consecrated.

The chair was then taken by Bro. James Murray, P.M., Past Grand Treasurer Eng., who installed Bro. W. Simpson into the chair of W.M. The officers having been invested, Bros. Wylie, Goodacre, and Murray were unanimously elected honorary members. After a number of propositions for joining and initiation the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to the Palace Hotel where a beautiful banquet was provided, covers being laid for 40, and at its conclusion the usual toasts were honoured.

The jewels, clothing, &c., were supplied by Bro. George Kenning.

PROVINCIAL GRAND CHAPTER OF DURHAM.

The annual meeting of the above Provincial Grand Chapter was held on Tuesday, the 10th inst., at the Freemasons' Hall, Durham. There was a large attendance. The Grand Superintendent, Comp. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., presided, and was supported by Comps. Rev. Canon Tristram, D.D., P.P.G.H.; J. Robson Pattison, P.G.H.; J. T. Wilson, P.G.J.; R. Hudson, P.G.S.E.; J. C. Nelson, P.G. Treas.; W. E. Moffett, P.G. Reg.; G. F. Allan, P.G.P.S.; H. Lamb, P.A.G.S.; T. G. Garrick, P.A.G.D.C.; W. Thorman, P.G. Org.; T. Dunn, P.A.G.S.E.; and T. Grieve, P.G. Janitor. There was also a large number of Present and Past Principals. Comp. Sir Hedworth Williamson, in his address to the companions, alluded to the great loss Royal Arch Masonry had sustained by the death of the late Comp. Alderman B. Levey, of Sunderland. The deceased companion was looked upon as one of the greatest authorities in Masonry, not only in the Province of Durham, but throughout the country.

After the business of the chapter was concluded, the Grand Superintendent appointed the following companions as officers for the ensuing year:

Comp. F. H. Bennett, 531	...	...	Prov. G.H.
" C. H. Backhouse, 111	...	...	Prov. G.J.
" R. Hudson, 80	...	...	Prov. G.S.E.
" F. S. Cowper, 97	...	...	Prov. G.S.N.
" T. Watson, 111	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" R. Todd, 80	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" W. Thorman, 509	...	...	Prov. G.P.S.
" H. Palmer, 124	...	...	Prov. 1st A.G.S.
" W. Richardson, 48	...	...	Prov. 2nd A.G.S.
" J. Robinson, 1119	...	...	} Prov. G.S.B.
" J. W. Chater, 1119	...	...
" T. Dunn, 124	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" G. B. Hall, 949	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" W. Vincent, 94	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" J. R. Pattison, 97	...	...	Prov. A.G.S.E.
" T. Grieve, 944	...	...	Prov. G. Janitor.

The Prov. Grand Chapter was then closed.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF
DERBYSHIRE, LEICESTERSHIRE, AND
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DERBY LODGE.

On Monday afternoon the members of the Derby Lodge of Mark Master Masons, No. 302, celebrated their anniversary at the Masonic Hall, Gower-street, Derby, whilst arrangements had been made for the Provincial Grand Lodge of Derbyshire, Leicestershire, and Northamptonshire to meet under its banner. The dual gathering attracted a very large and influential attendance, not only of Derby brethren, but of Mark Masons from all parts of the

united province. Indeed, so gratifying a muster had not been seen for some years. The members of the Derby Lodge first proceeded with the business incidental to their anniversary. The Worshipful Master, Bro. W. Beadon Woodforde, occupied his place and was well supported by his officers.

In due course he installed his successor, Bro. Wm. Cooper—well-known and respected as borough accountant and clerk to the Derby School Board—being assisted in that duty by Bro. W. J. Piper, P.M., and Bro. Percy Wallis, P.G.D. Eng. Subsequently Bro. Cooper appointed and invested his officers as follows: Bros. W. Woodforde, I.P.M.; T. E. Yeomans, S.W.; E. J. H. Hoskyns, J.W.; E. D. Hart, M.O.; T. H. Harrison, S.O.; W. H. Wheeldon, J.O.; J. C. Manton, P.M., Treas.; the Rev. T. Orrell, P.P.G. Chap., Chap.; T. C. Eastwood, Sec.; R. Slater, Reg. of M.; W. H. Wright, S.D.; John Jones, J.D.; E. Horne, P.M., P.P.J.G.W., Org.; George Sutherland, D. of C.; Harry Slater, I.G.; William Eaton, and Sep Stone, Stwds.; and T. Day, Tyler.

At a later period the officers of Provincial Grand Lodge were admitted, and received with the customary honours. The venerable head of the province, Bro. Wm. Kelly (the oldest P.G.M.M.M., by the way), was unable to be present, although he sent a cheery letter intimating that his general health was fairly good, and conveying his fraternal regards to the brethren. His place was filled by his worthy Deputy, Bro. Thomas Cox, Bro. Joseph Young, P.P.S.G.W., being selected to fill the Deputy Prov. Grand Master's place.

Various matters of interest were discussed, amongst other subjects being the separation of Derbyshire from the other part of the province, and its constitution as a separate province.

A letter was read on this subject from Bro. Kelly, in which he intimated that he was fully prepared to give his consent to any such departure as the one indicated.

It being indicated that Bro. the Rev. S. Wathen Wigg had resigned the position of Prov. Grand Secretary, it was resolved that he be thanked for his five years' invaluable services, and that he be presented with a Past Prov. G. Secretary's jewel.

The following Provincial Grand appointments were then made for the ensuing year:

Bro. Walter J. Piper, P.M. 302	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" Thos. Coltman, P.M. 194	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Francis Thompson, P.M. 339	...	...	Prov. G.M.O.
" H. A. Robinson, W.M. 245	...	...	Prov. S.G.O.
" G. Holderness, P.M. 373	...	...	Prov. J.G.O.
" Rev. R. W. Lancaster, Chap. 194	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" A. Woodiwiss, P.M. 302	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" H. Manfield, S.W. 245	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" Rev. H. J. Mason, P.M.	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" S. W. Fulshaw, J.W. 30	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" J. Lee, Sec. 414	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" A. Lawrence, J.W. 19	...	...	Prov. G.I. of W.
" A. J. West, J.W. 194	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" A. M. Wither, S.W. 353	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" R. L. Gibson, J. 621	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" T. C. Eastwood, 302	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" C. Clarabut, 245	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" W. W. Vincent, 19	...	...	Prov. G.I.G.
" W. H. Hodges, Sec. 245	...	...	} Prov. G. Stwds.
" W. D. Grand, S.W. 194	...	...
" Smedley, J.D. 253	...	...
" W. A. Spencer, Reg. 19	...	...

At the close of the business, the brethren adjourned to the banqueting hall, where Bro. T. Day served a sumptuous repast.

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were drunk with great heartiness, and, subsequently, on the proposition of Bro. YEOMANS, "The Health of the New Master" was enthusiastically honoured.

Several of the speakers dealt at considerable length with the question of making Derbyshire a separate Mark province, satisfaction being generally expressed at the communication which had been read from the Provincial Grand Master concerning it.

Bro. WOODIWISS, P.G.M.O. England, expressed the hope that no time would be lost in calling together the Past Masters of the province to consider the subject.

HISTORY OF No. 289, LEEDS.

The history of the "Lodge of Fidelity," No. 289, Leeds, has just been completed and published by two of its Past Masters, Bros. Alfred Scarth and Charles Albert Braim, the printers being Messrs. Beck and Inchbold, of Basinghall-street. The work is in quarto size, lavishly illustrated and extends to 240 pages. The edition is limited to 250 copies, nearly all being already subscribed for. The few that remain are offered at 15s. 6d. post free, bound in cloth, or 18s. in half binding; both kinds being sumptuous copies of one of the most artistic, interesting, and instructive books ever issued in relation to the Masonic Craft.

Though the history mainly deals with the lodge so ably described, there is a short account of Freemasonry in Leeds during the 18th century, and the Provincial Grand Lodges of the County of York and the West Riding of Yorkshire. Wisely so, because it adds much to the value of the publication, to thus contain particulars of the Craft before the "Fidelity" was chartered, and as the Earl of Mexborough, Prov. G.M. from 1822 to 1860, and the Right Hon. Wm. Lawies Jackson, M.P., the present Prov. Grand Master, are on the roll of members of No. 289 (which begins in 1792 and runs to No. 684 in 1894) it is certainly desirable that the Provincial Grand Lodge should be duly attended to in like manner.

Those who are familiar with Bro. William Watson's researches will be aware that regular Freemasonry began in Leeds on March 28th, 1751. As the authors observe, this lodge "evidently was not a very flourishing one," for a letter (reproduced) of 1771 proves that it was then in a languishing condition, and was soon afterwards removed from the roll. The second lodge noted began in 1761, the minute book of which is owned by Bro. C. L.

Mason, who is now writing the history of No. 304, and contains a very curious reference to a Degree, believed to be the Royal Arch, illustrative of that ceremony being worked in Leeds at a very early date. It is a Petition to the M.W.G.M. for a Constitution dated November, 1760, the singular symbol used being capitally reproduced in facsimile. A copy of the warrant is also given of January 8th, 1761, and other documents are printed, one concerning an unauthorised French lodge being most interesting. The lodge was erased in 1786, though there is an entry in the records so late as 1788, and efforts were made to secure its revival, but not in time; the third lodge of 1790 being possibly the outcome of the attempt.

An excellent facsimile occurs at page 15 of the History of an impression of the original summons plate. Though prosperous for a time, this, the "Loyal and Prudent" Lodge fell through in the third decade of this century, but, as to that point and many others, I must refer my readers to the handsome volume now before me.

Chapter II. opens with the history of the "Lodge of Fidelity," then No. 512. The members assembled, by virtue of a dispensation dated 24th September, 1792, at the Old George Inn, October 1st, 1792, now the "Old George Hotel," Briggate, Leeds, of which a good illustration is given, also the interior of the lodge room, and facsimiles of the first minutes and of the landlords' bill. The bills are reproduced in facsimile from time to time, and are quite a novel and suggestive feature of the volume.

The brethren got tired of the dispensation, and resolved to apply for a warrant, which was duly, or rather unduly, granted by the local authorities in 1806, a copy—reduced in size—being appended.

The design of the seal was decided on in July, 1793, and is still used—(printed to imitate wax, on page 31), and is followed by a facsimile, with seal attached, of a certificate granted by the Lodge in 1795. The Royal Arch chapter for the members was opened in 1793, and numbered 93, and another numbered 120, warranted 19th July, 1802, called the Perseverance, literally worked side by side, their minutes being entered alternately in the same record book. Ultimately they amalgamated, and the united chapter continues to flourish as the "Fidelity," which should celebrate its centenary as well as secure the coveted jewel this year.

Chapter III. begins in 1801, and continues to 1813, being a most entertaining division. Bro. Maguire's "Athol" certificate of 1796, and a sketch of the apron then worn (of which the plate was kindly lent by Bro. George Kenning) are amongst the special attractions, as well as several of the curious little tavern bills. The next chapter runs on to 1829, and is noteworthy for its illustrations of various old tools and jewels, which are still in use.

Chapter V. deals with the Prov. G. Lodge of the West Riding of the County of York, from 1738, and portraits of the first Prov. G.M. and all his successors are to be found in this choice work, that of the present respected holder of the position of Prov. G.M. of West Yorkshire forming a most appropriate frontispiece. My esteemed friend and Bro. Thos. W. Tew, J.P., appears at page 144, who was the beloved Ruler from 1885 to 1893. His name will not be forgotten so long as the province lasts. Much of the information would be suitable for quoting in the pages of the *Freemason*, were it not that the work is still for sale.

A roll is printed of the names of "Fidelity" members who have been Prov. Grand Officers, either of the County or the West Riding, over 70 in number, indicative of the character and zeal of the brethren.

The 6th chapter begins in 1830 and ends 20 years later, the period, as the authors declare, disclosing some very interesting Masonic work in the lodge, and the following chapter brings down the narrative to 1875, many important events being carefully described in relation to the lodge and the province; the 8th chapter completing the details to the year 1893. The installation of the centenary W.M. in 1891 (Bro. Richard Wilson) and then the celebration of the centenary on the 1st October, 1892, being exactly 100 years since the lodge was opened at the "Old George" at Briggate, with other matters of special interest, come in for a large share of attention, the summons for the meeting being reproduced, the roll of the W.M. and Wardens being given as designed by Bro. Alfred Scarth, W.M. in 1887 and the centenary Secretary, and portraits of all the officers, mostly Past Masters of the lodge.

A facsimile of the centenary warrant, dated 23rd Sept., 1892, and signed by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales as Grand Master, is honoured with a full page, the centenary jewel concluding the ninth chapter, the 10th and last being devoted to the installation of the Prov. G.M. (the Right Hon. W. L. Jackson, M.P.) who was chosen as successor to his most zealous and able predecessor, Bro. Thomas William Tew, J.P.

The volume concludes with a list of the meeting places of the lodges, the roll of present members (over 70 in number), and a complete roll of members for the hundred and more years.

I have not been able to note the numerous illustrations, and the many curious and important items of a general and special character, that, had space permitted, the temptation so to do would have been victorious; but sufficient has been said and written to demonstrate the excellence, value, and interest of this grand volume, as well as to indicate how thorough and successful have been the labours of Bros. Scarth and Braim, as authors of one of the best and handsomest lodge histories ever published.

W. J. HUGHAN.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF NORTHUMB-
BERLAND AND DURHAM.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. THE REV. CANON TRISTRAM.

The annual meeting of the above Provincial Grand Lodge was held on the afternoon of the 9th inst., at the Grand Assembly Rooms, Barras Bridge, Newcastle, under the united banners of the Northumberland and Berwick-upon-Tweed Lodge, T.I., and the Tristram Lodge, No. 346. The chair was occupied by Bro. the Rev. H. B. Tristram, D.D., F.R.S., Canon of Durham, Prov. Grand Master. There was a large assemblage of brethren, amongst them being—

Bros. R. B. Reed, P.G. Std. Br. England, D.P.G.M.; John W. Woodall, P.P. G.M. North and East Yorks; T. R. W. Parnell, J.W. 95, P.P.J.G.D. North and East Yorks; John F. Sells, W.M. 95, P.S.G.O. North and East Yorks; T. E. Biddlecombe, P.M., P.G. Steward England; John Strachan, P.G.D. England; T. Dinning, P.G.D.C.; J. S. S. Bell, P.J.G.W.; J. E. R. Hurworth, P.G.O.; Wm. Barlow, P.G. Std. Br.; Richard T. Benson, 250, P.P.J.G.O.; Thomas Bell, 356, P.P.S.G.W.; J. Straker Wilson, 346, P.P.S.G.W.; Wm. J. Y. Ryder, P.M. 346, P.P.G.D.C.; F. H. Corder, P.M. 346, P.P.G.D.C.; Thomas J. Armstrong, P.M. Northumberland and Durham (T.I.), P.G. Steward England; J. Heppell, 362, P.P.S.G.O.; G. Robson, 362, P.G.R.; C. B. Ford, Northumberland and Durham (T.I.), P.G. Sec.; C. F. Sutcliffe, P.M. 362, P.P.J.G.D.; F. Clark, 346, P.G.S.; R. Hudson, P.P.G.M.O.; J. Gibson Youll, 346, P.P.G. Sec.; Wm. Coxon, 356, P.P.J.G.O.; Joseph Lawson, 356, P.P.G.C.; John Appleyard, P.P.G.T.; John Carr, P.P.G.O.; John Harrison, J. K. Wilkes, W. E. Moffett, E. Dunford, H. Palmer, John Scarborough, Alexander Darling, R. Whitfield, P.P.G.R. of M.; Michael Corbitt, P.P.S.G.O.; C. S. Lane, Past G.M.O. Eng., P.P.S.G.W.; John Strachan, Past S.G.D. Eng., P.P.S.G.W.; Thos. Purvis, Prov. G. Treas., Past S.G.D. Eng.; and Lieut.-Col. J. H. Bentham, G. Steward.

After Provincial Grand Lodge had been duly opened, the reports of the Committee of General Purposes, presented by the Prov. G. Secretary, Bro. C. B. Ford, showed the Order to be in a flourishing condition, and that there was a large increase of members during the year. The Committee, to prevent any possible misapprehension, desired to say that no lodge as a lodge had been permitted to subscribe to the cost of the presentation to be made that day to the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master. The funds of a Mark lodge should always be strictly reserved to discharge its legitimate outgoings and for expenditure relating to the sacred purposes of Charity. The cost of the presentation to the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master had been entirely met by voluntary subscriptions from the brethren of the province.

Bro. R. B. REED, D. Prov. G.M., amid the applause of the brethren, presented an address to the Provincial Grand Master, congratulating him on his having completed 21 years of rule in the chair, and expressing the hope of the brethren that he might long be spared to discharge the duties of his high position. Bro. Reed, also in suitable terms, presented to the Provincial Grand Master the fine portrait, painted by Mr. C. Kay Robertson, also an illuminated address, and besides these a handsome case of Apostle spoons, of fine workmanship, for Mrs. Tristram, with the respectful regards to her of the Mark brethren of the province.

Bro. the Rev. Canon TRISTRAM, Prov. Grand Master, on rising was very warmly received by the brethren. In the course of his speech he said he never in his life felt so intensely the truth of the saying that one's feelings were too deep for utterance. He had therefore very great difficulty in finding utterance by which to return his thanks. In the progress made by the Order in the province, he was exceedingly glad to state that he had had the assistance of two most successful Deputy Prov. Grand Masters, Bros. T. Y. Strachan and R. B. Reed. They had been kind counsellors, begrudging no trouble, sparing no pains, and were only anxious for his credit and reputation in justly directing the affairs of the province. They were, indeed, his true Prime Ministers. He had been a Mason for 53 years, and he believed that he was the oldest Mark Mason in the province, having been advanced to that Degree in 1846, in Bermuda. In 1861 or or 1862 he joined the Eclectic Lodge at West Hartlepool, and at that time there were only three provinces in England. After passing the chair of the Eclectic Lodge, Lord Percy did him the honour of submitting his name to the Prince of Wales, and thus in time he became the Prov. Grand Master of Northumberland and Durham. The brethren of the province had done him the seven-fold honour of seven times returning his name, and asking for his re-appointment. In 1873, when he was appointed Master of the province, there were seven lodges, and now there were 12. The Prov. G.M. then proceeded to refer to the good accomplished by the Order, and in conclusion remarked that he was now past three score years and ten, and therefore his rule over them could not be very long. But as long as he was able to be with them he would gladly be present, and sincerely trusted the love and harmony that had always characterised their gatherings would ever continue. On behalf of himself and his wife, who had been his partner in life for nearly 50 years, he sincerely returned his thanks for the tokens of their esteem.

The following were appointed Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year:

Bro. Lieut.-Col. J. H. Bentham, 346	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" Henry Lamb, 39	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" S. M. Harris, T.I.	...	...	Prov. G.M.O.
" W. E. Moffett, 362	...	...	Prov. S.G.O.
" F. Dunford, T.I.	...	...	Prov. J.G.O.
" Rev. Jos. Golightly	...	...	Prov. G. Chap.
" Thos. Purvis, 346	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" T. Wilkes, 250	...	...	Prov. G. Reg. of M.
" C. B. Ford, T.I.	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" H. Palmer, 356	...	...	Prov. S.G.D.
" R. S. Holt, 135	...	...	Prov. J.G.D.
" Alex. Darling, 192	...	...	Prov. G.I. of W.
" T. R. Short, 293	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" Henry Barlow, 39	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" Jas. Sedcole, 362	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" J. Sinclair, 39	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Br.
" R. Perry, 293	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" J. Harrison, 122	...	...	Prov. G.I.G.
" J. Appleyard, 293	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler.

The P.G.M. announced that the next meeting would be at South Shields, under the Banner of the Wouldhave Lodge. The Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed.

The brethren afterwards dined together at the Grand Hotel, presided over by Bro. the Rev. Canon Tristram, D.D., D.D., P.G.M., who was supported on his right by Bros. R. B. Reed, D.P.G.M.; and Woodall, P.P.G.M. North and East Yorks; and on the left by Bros. Fendelow, P.G.M. Warwickshire; C. S. Laing, P.G.M.O.; John Strachan, P.S.G.D.; Purvis, P.S.G.D.; John Straker Wilson, P.G. Stwd.; T. J. Armstrong, P.G. Stwd.; J. H. Bentham, G. Stwd., P.S.G.W., and others. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were given, and a most agreeable evening was spent, it being remarked by one of the brethren that it had indeed been "a red letter day" in Mark Masonry in this province.

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Greenock	3.30	7.22	7.40	10.15	12.0	2.0	7.50	8.50	9.0	10.0	12.0
Gourock	4.45	7.33	7.50	10.15	12.15	2.0	7.50	8.50	9.0	10.0	12.0
Oban	3.38	7.35	7.50	10.15	12.22	2.0	7.50	8.50	9.0	10.0	12.0
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Inverness	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
via Dunkeld	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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Masonic Notes.

We have received an official intimation from the Secretary of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys that Lord Egerton of Tatton, the Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire, has very kindly consented to preside as Chairman at the 97th Anniversary Festival, to be held in behalf of that Charity on a day in the month of July, 1895, which will hereafter be arranged. We are glad that Bro. McLeod has succeeded thus early in enlisting the services of a distinguished brother, whose sympathy with our Institutions has been long recognised, and under whose auspices so much has been done by the Province over which he presides in aid of our distressed brethren and their families, both locally and generally.

The Quarterly Court, at which the above gratifying announcement was made, was held at Freemasons' Hall, on Friday, the 13th instant, under the presidency of Bro. Richard Eve, Past Grand Treasurer, Chairman of the Board of Management. The number of vacancies to be filled at the election in October was fixed at 17, and the number of candidates at 44. In the course of the proceedings the Secretary had the satisfaction of announcing that the total of donations and subscriptions at the recent Festival at Brighton exceeded the sum of £19,000.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Hertfordshire will be held at the Hall, Bushey; the headquarters of the Bushey Hall Lodge, No. 2323, on Tuesday, the 31st instant, the hour fixed for the commencement of the proceedings being 3.45 p.m. The business includes the appointment of Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing 12 months, and the consideration of the Prov. Grand Treasurer's and other reports for the past year. The usual banquet will follow at 5.30 p.m.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Devonshire will hold their annual meeting at the Assembly Rooms, Teignmouth, on Monday, the 1st prox. Matters of special interest are likely to be discussed, and it is expected that there will be a large attendance of brethren from all parts of the Province. Bro. W. Allsford, of Plymouth, will be proposed for the office of Provincial Grand Treasurer, and his election is likely to be unanimous.

An elaborate programme of the order of proceedings to be observed at the laying of the foundation-stone of the Central Masonic Hall at Newcastle, on Wednesday next, has just been issued. The function promises to be a notable one, worthy alike of the occasion and of the distinguished province in which it will take place. The scheme of the building has been planned on a large and comprehensive scale, and will doubtless not only prove a great acquisition to the Craft in that part of the country, but in the capable hands of the promoters prove a financial success. The inscription on the brass plate for covering the cavity of the corner-stone concludes thus: "At which time the name Freemason was highly honoured and influential by the favour and support of the same and the rulers throughout the globe." When Macaulay's New Zealander turns over this stone in the coming ages we trust this quaint but truthful statement may still apply to the Freemasonry of the future.

The Canadian Craftsman for May last contains a portrait and biographical sketch of Bro. E. T. Malone who has attained to positions of eminence in all the principal branches of Freemasonry. He is a Past District Deputy Grand Master (Toronto District) in the Grand Lodge of Canada, Grand Scribe N. in the Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Master of the Great Priory of Knights Templar. Bro. Malone is a member of the firm of Edgar and Malone, one of the largest and most influential legal firms in the city of Toronto. He is also a prominent member of the Collegiate Institute Board of Toronto, and, speaking generally, is "one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of Toronto."

The *Masonic Advocate* for June contains a full account of the proceedings at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana on the 22nd and 23rd May last. The Craft in this jurisdiction would seem to be in a prosperous condition, the amount of invested capital being in round figures 25,475 dollars. In the course of his address, Grand Master Noyes stated that in the case of an English clergyman who had been resident in the State for six months and petitioned for the Degrees, he had ruled that before the lodge could receive his petition he must become, or announce his intention of becoming, a citizen of the United States. The Committee on Jurisprudence, to which this ruling was submitted, upheld the Grand Master's decision by a majority of three to two, but Grand Lodge adopted the views of the minority, and decided against the Grand Master. All his other decisions, however, were upheld. The new Grand Master is Bro. Frank Gaven, of Greensburgh, while Bro. William H. Smythe remains at his post of Grand Secretary.

The *Masonic Guide* of Birmingham, Ala., contains a tabular view of Craft and Royal Arch Masonry in the State of Alabama for the 28 years from 1866 to 1893, both inclusive. It is instructive as showing how these branches of Masonry have fluctuated during the period in question; while from the accompanying statement we gather that though it differs as regards the number of members from those reported year by year, its figures have been arrived at by a careful analysis of the official returns. For this reason our contemporary is of opinion that the table may be accepted as correct. In such case the returns for last year show 369 lodges with a total membership of 11,373, and 46 chapters with 1199 members.

Reviews.

"MOUNTAIN, MOOR, AND LOCH." Illustrated by Pen and Pencil on the Route of the West Highland Railway (Octavo, pages 180).—The title is most appropriate and indicative of the character of this deeply interesting and most useful volume, which has been printed and published by Sir Joseph Causton and Sons, London, and contains some 230 illustrations from original drawings "made on the spot." Those who have neither money nor time to spare to visit the lovely neighbourhoods so graphically described in this artistic brochure had better not consult its pages, for their perusal will only make their disappointment all the keener. The descriptions are quite beautiful "word pictures," far removed from the ordinary guide-book style, and pre-eminently calculated to cause tourists to visit the West Highland Railway and its charming scenery as soon as possible. Nothing could be in better taste than these sketches of the lochs, the mountains, and valleys, with all their many attractions, and the excellent suggestions as to routes and plans to survey some of the finest scenery in the world; full of charm, variety, and health-giving surroundings. The maps should also be mentioned, as well as the care and thoroughness evinced by author and publishers of this exceptionally able and attractive work.

"THE MASONIC ANNUAL FOR NORTHERN CHINA, 1894.—This interesting publication is from the press of Kelly and Walsh, Shanghai, and is ably edited by Bro. F. M. Gratton, P.M. 570, P.D.S.G.W. of Northern China. The editor has done his part well, wisely leaving the beaten track of a calendar simply, and giving a mass of information as to the various Constitutions at Shanghai, &c., viz., English, Scotch, and American, as well as particulars concerning the general and local Masonic Charities. The editor expresses a wish for the formation of a Masonic library in Shanghai, and certainly his desires should be soon gratified accordingly. The "Masonic Memorabilia" and "General Masonic Notes" are ably compiled, and are quite a feature of this issue, another being the two portraits of the late Bros. C. M. Donaldson (S.C.) and Dewitt C. Jansen (Mass. C.) The annual is a credit to editor and publisher.

"JOTTINGS. A MAGAZINE FOR COLLECTORS." (Sixpence, quarterly, Accrington: Henry Garside, 201, Burnley-road).—This is the third and best part, being a very interesting number, and full of most curious instructive, and entertaining matter. The articles on "Stamp Collecting and Postal Revenues," "Commemorative Stamps," and "Philatelic Jottings," are "eye openers," and should be widely circulated, and carefully read. "The Bank of England" makes a capital and readable paper, and so does the one on "First Editions" of Books, the writer thereof giving some useful hints and suggestions as to the absurdity of paying such large sums of money for comparatively recent publications, and yet "Aldines" and "Elzevirs" are almost neglected. The various "Jottings" are welcome additions to the text, and the "Magazine" is a valuable aid to Collectors of all kinds.

The Benchers of Gray's Inn have elected the Rev. Reginald J. Fletcher, M.A., to be reader of their society. Mr. Fletcher graduated at Cambridge in 1888 and was ordained the following year. He is the author of a volume of sermons, entitled "The Old Law and the New Age."

The Duke and Duchess of York will leave White Lodge, Richmond Park, at the end of the present month, and will stop at York House, St. James's for a few days. The Duchess of York and the Duchess of Teck then go to Switzerland for a few weeks, while the Duke of York will probably go to Scotland for some grouse shooting. The Duke will visit Aberdeen on Tuesday next to attend the annual show of the Highland Agricultural Society the following day, and will return to London on Thursday.



Craft Masonry.

METROPOLITAN MEETINGS.

Peace and Harmony Lodge (No. 60).—A meeting of this lodge was held on the 22nd ult., at Freemasons' Hall. Among those present were Bros. Capt. T. C. Walls, P.G. Stwd., G. Std. Br., W.M.; H. Higgins, P.M. 1381, as S.W.; W. H. Kempster, jun., J.W.; F. Binckes, P.M., P.G. Stwd., P.G.S.B., Sec.; Debenham, I.G.; H. Slade, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; Polenz, Stwd.; G. Higgins, and Charles Robinson.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. W. Masters, P.G. Stwd., S.W., was unanimously elected W.M., and Bro. H. Young, P.G. Stwd., Treas. A Past Master's jewel was voted to the W.M. Upon the motion of Bro. H. Slade, P.M., &c., which was seconded by Bro. W. H. Kempster, jun., J.W., and carried unanimously, a vote of congratulation was passed to the W.M. upon his recent appointment as Grand Standard Bearer. Two Auditors having been appointed, apologies for non-attendance were received from Bros. W. Masters, S.W.; R. Barton, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; H. J. Lardner, S.D.; and others.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren took train to Hampton Court. Having partaken of a well-served luncheon at Tagg's Island Hotel, the members and their guests embarked on a steam launch. The weather being fine a most pleasant excursion was made up the river. Subsequently the party dined at mine host Sadler's cheerful hostelry at Hampton Court. The party, which had increased in numbers, included Bros. W. H. Kempster, M.D., I.P.M., Prov. Grand Stwd.; C. Rogers, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; Joslin, P.M., P.G. Stwd.; W. Thomas, and several visitors.

A few toasts followed the dinner. The proceedings, which were very successful, were not protracted. The installation meeting will be held on the fourth Friday in October next.

PROVINCIAL MEETINGS.

PLUMSTEAD.

Union Waterloo Lodge (No. 13).—The installation meeting of the above old lodge took place on Wednesday, the 11th inst., at Freemasons' Hall, Mount Pleasant, and was in every respect worthy of the prestige and traditions of the most ancient and venerable lodge out of London. Bro. Adam Deans, W.M., opened the lodge, and initiated Mr. G. Lambert into Masonry. He then passed Bros. Scott and Dunn, and raised Bro. Warnock. He then proceeded to invest his successor, Bro. William J. Barnes, S.W., W.M. elect, and in due course the latter brother was installed and saluted. Bro. Barnes then invested the following brethren as his officers: Bros. A. Deans, I.P.M.; W. A. Anson, S.W.; A. H. Russell, J.D.; H. S. Syer, P.M., Treas.; T. Hutton, P.M., Sec.; A. McQueen, S.D.; W. H. Burton, J.D.; H. Jacob, I.G.; G. B. Davies, P.M., D.C.; J. Quick, Asst. D.C.; B. J. Hancock, F.R.C.O., Org.; Jas. Bailey, Asst. Org.; A. Cleal, P.M., J. Horn, G. Dennison, and W. J. Crowley, Stwds. The ceremony was concluded by Bro. Deans delivering the addresses in an eloquent and impressive manner. He was presented with the usual vote of thanks and Past Master's jewel, and then the lodge was closed.

The banquet was partaken of at the Hilborn Restaurant, under the direct supervision of the esteemed manager, and was in every respect worthy of the establishment.

Among the other brethren present were: Bros. W. P. Applebee, P.M.; G. W. Reed, P.M.; L. Chasteaneuf, P.M.; J. G. Milbourne, P.M.; H. Grice, P.M.; Joseph Bell, P.M.; J. Matthey, P.M.; C. Jolly, P.M., hon. P.M. and Sec. 1472 and 2184; F. W. Emery, G. Gable, B. Scott, J. Lee, J. Jenkins, J. Dunn, A. Vincent, J. S. Warnock, A. Saunders, R. Stead, T. Hackney, G. Gordon, T. Philcox, J. Berry, C. Bunn, G. Dennison, W. Steadman, E. Oakes, A. Peaker, T. Wilts, W. Lush, T. Pearce, J. Littlewood, C. Hodgson, J. Sheffield, J. Bailey, W. Crowley, J. Hill, C. Pilcher, C. Crouch, J. Woodley, T. Campbell, H. Richmond, A. Buttress, J. Bacon, H. Watts, F. Thomas, H. Cornish, R. Price, F. Harris, W. Jones, H. Prett, J. Hall, J. Dixon, W. Lester, G. Brown, W. Marrett, F. Webb, W. P. Lawson, H. Staples, B. Dixon, H. Durrant, W. Lynch, H. Barrington, W. Jeffs, W. Shairp, G. Bishop, W. Dobbins, G. Chambers, F. Chambers, W. Abbey, E. Easton, T. Wren, E. Chasteaneuf, T. Dorrill, B. Shoebridge, and T. Cheshire, all of the lodge. Among the visitors were Bros. Dr. E. Bryceson, W.M., and D. K. Somers, J.W., of 913; J. Bilton, W.M., C. W. Sennett, S.W., J. Inglis, J.W., and W. Coomber, of 1536; W. Lawson, W.M., H. Tufnell, S.W., W.M. elect, G. Nichols, J.W., S. E. Southgate, P.M., and A. Abbey, of 700; T. Hastings, P.M., Treas. 819, P.P.G. Purst; G. Cashfield, P.M. 615; A. T. Ives, P.M. 1472; J. V. Lee, S.W., and T. Hulley, J.W., of 2399; J. Fluilade, P.M. 2049; H. Bowles, P.M. 507; S. Horton, W.M. 706; D. Belinfanter, P.M. 435; L. Knoblanck, 392 (S.C.); F. Korb, 33; H. Brown and C. King, of 859; and F. Reynolds, 72.

The usual loyal and Grand Lodge toasts having been proposed and heartily responded to,

The Worshipful Master, Bro. Barnes, in response to an enthusiastic reception of the toast of his health, said it was some nine years ago or more that he expressed his desire to become a Mason, and, after due consideration, determined to join their grand old lodge, and did so. He had heard that it was a good lodge, and that there were several of his own personal friends among its members, among them their esteemed Past Master, Bro. Applebee. That decided his chance, and it was a chance that he was proud of, and never had cause to regret. In a conversation he had with a distinguished brother shortly after his (Bro. Barnes') initiation, that brother—who he was proud to see present with them—said that he should never be satisfied until he saw him (Bro. Barnes) installed

into the chair as Master of the lodge. The Mastership of that lodge had been the ambition of his Masonic life, and now that he had achieved it, he promised them that he would do his very best to maintain the high prestige the grand old Union Waterloo held among the lodges of the Metropolis.

Bro. Deans, in responding to the toast of "The Installing Officer," said he undertook the office with some misgivings, but he threw himself into the arms of their old Preceptor, Bro. Davis, and under his tuition he had managed to pull through in a manner which he trusted was satisfactory to the W.M., Past Masters, and every brother present. It was a difficult task to learn, but he remembered that the credit of the Union Waterloo Lodge was at stake, so he shut his ears to other blandishments, and went to work with some idea that he would not disgrace the prestige of those excellent Past Masters, who had so well and so worthily installed their successors. He took that opportunity of thanking the Past Masters, officers, and brethren for the universal sympathy and respect shown him upon all occasions. He thanked them for the very handsome jewel they had that day presented to him, which would as long as he lived mark one of the happiest years of his existence, and when he was gone be handed down to his children as evidence that their father had held the proud position of W.M. of the Union Waterloo Lodge.

The other toasts were "The Past Masters," "The Visitors," "The Initiate," and "The Officers."

The musical arrangements were under the care of Bro. Hancock, who presided at the piano, and accompanied Madame Florence Logan, Miss Marianne Challis, and Bros. Cockell and Harrison in solos, duets, and quartettes admirably.

WESTHAM.

Hadrian Lodge (No. 2483).—The usual monthly meeting of this lodge was held at the Corporation Arms, on Wednesday, the 11th inst. Bro. Major E. W. Stillwell, W.M., opened the lodge, when he was supported by the following officers and brethren: Bros. Jas. Creighton, P.M., I.P.M.; Geo. Fowler, P.M., S.W.; Henry J. Capon, J.W.; W. R. Griffin, J.D.; John Boyles, Sec.; Fred Russell, I.G.; E. Streets, Org.; Jas. Wood, D.C.; F. C. Golden, Stwd.; F. Nicholson, Percy Boyles, C. Chitty, J. S. Catford, P.P.G.S.B. Devon; W. Rutter, Henry White, and W. Trigger. The visitors included Bros. John Easter, P.P.G.O. Sussex; F. Bulton Sutton, S.W. 1110; and Sydney G. R. Coles, 1110.

The minutes and correspondence having been read, Bro. Francis William Beeny was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason by the W.M., in his usual effective manner. Bro. Chapman being unavoidably absent, Bro. Creighton, I.P.M., took the chair, and initiated Mr. Henry Campbell Russell into the mysteries and privileges of Freemasonry.

All business being ended, the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to supper, when the usual toasts were duly honoured.

Royal Arch.

Aldersgate Chapter (No. 1657).—The installation meeting was held on Monday, the 16th inst., at the Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street, when there were present: Comps. Arthur B. Hudson, M.E.Z.; George Kenning, Treas.; George Rawinson, S.N.; James Snotter, 1st A.S.; George Hand, 2nd A.S.; G. Couchman, Janitor; Horace Brooks Marshall, P.Z., P.G. Treas.; and P. F. R. Saillard, P.Z. Comp. S. W. Whitaker, P.Z. Carnarvon Chapter, was a visitor. The minutes of the last convocation having been read and confirmed, the Principals and officers were invested for the ensuing year. A gold P.Z.'s jewel was presented to Comp. Arthur B. Hudson, in acknowledgment of services for the past year as M.E.Z. Comp. W. S. Whitaker, P.Z. Carnarvon Chapter, was elected an honorary member, and the chapter was closed.

The Companions adjourned to a banquet provided over by the M.E.Z., Comp. Arthur B. Hudson, when the usual loyal and other toasts were given and duly responded to.

A choice selection of music was given by some pupils from the Guildhall School of Music.

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Benevolence was held on Wednesday evening, in Freemasons' Hall. Bro. Robert Grey, P.G.D., President of the Board, presided. Among the other brethren present were Bros. E. Letchworth, G. Sec.; Alfred A. Pendlebury, Asst. G. Sec.; W. Dodd, W. H. Lee (representing Grand Secretary's office), C. A. Cottebrune, S. Valentine, D. D. Mercer, Major-Gen. F. Gadsden, S. V. Abraham, Charles Dairy, George Graveley, Henry Garrod, E. C. Mulvey, W. M. Bywater, T. W. Whitmarsh, Charles J. R. Tijou, T. H. Goldschmidt, Walter Martin, F. Hilton, Robert A. Gowan, J. Bunker, W. F. Lamony, George Macfarlane, Charles Atkins, Thomas Glass, George Mickleby, John J. Pakes, H. Massey, W. A. Moss, S. Bolton, J. W. Burgess, George J. Smith, F. H. Cheesewright, W. B. Fendick, Henry W. Lee, J. Pickett, T. E. Redman, Charles E. Collins, C. H. Webb, J. H. Coam, J. M. Klenck, and H. Sadler, G. Tyler.

The brethren first confirmed recommendations to the Grand Master, made at the June meeting, to the amount of £410. There were 27 cases on the new list, which were qualified through lodges in the London district and at Cape Coast, Chigwell, Calcutta, Newport, I.W., Chacewater, Cockermonth, Rochford, Twickenham, Taiping, Aldershot, Liverpool, Brixham, Princetown, Milford Haven, Manchester, Wigan, Dartmouth, Malta, Cairo, Budleigh Salterton, Colchester, and Barrow-in-Furness.

Two of the cases were deferred, and one was dismissed. The remaining 24 were awarded a total of £505. There were four recommendations to the Grand Master of £40 each and two of £30 each, and immediate grants were made, eight of £20 each, eight others of £10 each, and one of £5.

"OUR CLIQUES" LAUNCH TRIP.

On Thursday, the 12th inst., Bro. Vincent Larnar P.M. and Steward of the Bedford Lodge, No. 157, organised a most delightful summer outing, limited to 30 guests. A first-class saloon carriage was attached to the 9.20 train at Paddington for Taplow Station, where victorias and brakes awaited the visitors, conveying them to Boulter's Lock, at which point they went aboard a steam launch to Henley, thoroughly enjoying the superb scenery. Lunch was provided on board, the company disembarking for dinner at Streatley, where an elegant repast was prepared in a roomy marquee, which reflected the greatest credit upon Bro. James Bourden, landlord of the White Hart Hotel, High Wycombe, Bucks, who spared neither trouble or expense, the viands and wines being of the choicest description. On re-embarking tea was served on board during the return journey, train being taken at Maidenhead Station for London, which was reached at about 9.30 p.m.

SUMMER OUTING OF THE CLAPTON LODGE, No. 1365.

Some ladies are apt to think that Freemasons are somewhat selfish, as when their husbands are attending their lodges they leave their wives at home, perhaps not thinking that they care for entertainment in the Masonic world. We are afraid that there is some truth in this, as there is no doubt that when ladies are invited to entertainments provided for them they think better of the Craft, and look forward with eagerness to the next outing or ladies' night. However, no such charge can be laid to the members of the Clapton Lodge, a distinguished and well-known City lodge, who had their usual summer outing in glorious weather on the 5th inst.

The company, which numbered upwards of a hundred, assembled at Liverpool-street Station of the Great Eastern Railway, and left for Harwich by the 9.45 a.m. train in specially reserved saloon carriages. After a pleasant journey, which occupied about two hours, the members and their friends adjourned to the Great Eastern Hotel at Harwich, where a sumptuous luncheon was provided, and which was much appreciated.

The following were present: Bro. Donald Campbell, W.M., Mrs. T. Campbell, and Miss Campbell; Bro. W. D. Church, P.M., Sec., Mrs., and Miss Church; Bro. R. E. Fairclough, W.M. elect, and Miss Fairclough; Bro. Dr. J. N. Bredin and Mrs. Bredin; Bro. Henry C. Muckley; Bro. E. C. Robinson, J.W., Mrs., and Miss Robinson; Miss Lantieri; Bro. W. Blackburn, P.M., Treas.; Bro. C. E. Luker, P.M., and Mrs. Luker; Bro. A. L. Guy and Mrs. Guy; Bro. W. Finch, P.M., and Mrs. Finch; Bro. W. Lutwyche, P.M., Mrs., and Miss Lutwyche; Bro. W. H. Caton, P.M.; Bro. H. Day and Miss Day; Bro. W. W. Futcher; Bro. W. Forty, P.M.; Bro. J. D. Geddes, S.D., and Mrs. Geddes; Bro. P. Becker and Mrs. Becker; Bro. A. H. Church, J.D.; Bro. F. Lintott, I.G.; Bro. E. Wildash and Mrs. E. Wildash; Bro. J. Wildash, P.M. 1662, Mrs. J. Wildash, and Miss Wildash; Bro. M. Fortescue, Mrs., and Miss Fortescue; Bro. T. J. Getling; Bro. R. Devereux, Stwd., and Mrs. Devereux; Bro. W. Gibbs and Mrs. Gibbs; Bro. C. Christie and Mrs. Christie; Bro. H. C. Amendt, Mrs. H. C. Amendt, and Miss Kate Howson; Bro. J. Thayer and Mrs. Thayer; Bro. C. De la Perelle; Bro. J. Very, Tyler; Bro. H. Green; Bro. G. F. Minter and Mrs. Minter; Bro. C. R. Flint and Mrs. Flint; Bro. S. Jacobs, P.M. 2396, and Mrs. Jacobs; Mrs. West, and Bro. R. T. West, 1744, and others.

After ample justice had been done to the many good things provided the party adjourned to the steamship "Orwell," Captain Coe, specially chartered for a trip to Ipswich, which is 11 miles by river from Harwich. This was very pleasant, the scenery being beautiful the whole way, and they were indebted to Bro. J. Flower, No. 114, the District Superintendent of the Great Eastern Railway, for pointing out the places of interest on both banks of the river. On arrival at Ipswich, nearly the whole of the party hired carriages and drove round the old town. It was then time to return to the good ship "Orwell," and after a little delay caused by some of the young couples, who, no doubt, were enjoying each other's society so much that they had forgotten that time flies only too quickly, the return journey was made and Harwich reached in good time.

At the banquet which followed at the Great Eastern Hotel, the W.M., Bro. Donald Campbell presided, having on his right his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Thomas Campbell, and on his left Mrs. Church, the wife of the energetic Secretary of the lodge.

The banquet was more than excellent and gave every satisfaction, it fully maintained the reputation of the establishment, and was admirably served by an efficient staff under the personal superintendence of Bro. H. C. Amendt, the General Manager of the Great Eastern Railway Co.'s hotels, and his able lieutenant, Bro. P. Becker, both being most assiduous in looking after the comfort of the large company.

In brief, but eloquent terms, Bro. CAMPBELL, the W.M., gave the usual loyal and Masonic toasts, which were duly honoured.

Bro. W. D. CHURCH, P.M., Sec. proposed "The Health of Bro. D. Campbell, the Chairman of the Outing and W.M." He said that he had carried out his duties as W.M. with every satisfaction. His predecessors had been good and true men, but Bro. Campbell had excelled himself. They had had previous outings, but he had no hesitation in saying that that had been

the very best. Everyone present, he felt sure, appreciated what Bro. Campbell had done to make the gathering a great success. That was the last occasion he would preside at their festive board, but when he vacated the chair for his successor, he would do so with their best thanks for the great things he had done for the lodge. He (Bro. Church) loved his lodge and they would forgive him for saying that during the time he was W.M. it was his good fortune to double the number of members.

The toast was drunk with enthusiasm, and Bro. CAMPBELL, on rising to respond, had a great reception. He said that his sincere thanks were due to them for the way they had received him and to Bro. Church for the kind but flattering terms in which he had proposed the toast. He was proud to be in the position he held that night, proud that he had been through the chair in the Clapton, his mother lodge, and proud that he had given satisfaction during his term of office. He was pleased that that day had been a success, and he agreed with Bro. Church that it was the most successful excursion the lodge had ever had, and in conclusion he hoped that all had thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The WORSHIPFUL MASTER then gave the toast of "The Visitors," remarking that it deserved special attention from the members of the lodge. He was delighted to see them and he gave them a hearty welcome. He did not, of course, include the ladies, who would have, as they deserved, a special toast in their honour.

Bro. S. JACOBS, P.M., responded. He said that it was a great pleasure to him to be present, particularly as he had met so many charming ladies.

Bro. BROOKS, P.M., also replied, observing that all appeared to be thoroughly enjoying themselves and the lodge would always go on in the right direction if the ladies were not forgotten. That was the first outing he had ever attended and he congratulated and thanked the W.M. for the great success he had made it.

Bro. PEARCE also responded. He had had considerable experience in Masonry, but never had he enjoyed himself so much as that day.

The WORSHIPFUL MASTER, in submitting the toast of "The Ladies," welcomed them on behalf of the lodge. He said it needed no words of his to ensure its enthusiastic reception.

Bro. BLACKBURN, P.M., responded. He said that speaking as a lady and for the ladies, they were delighted with their reception and they had all thoroughly enjoyed themselves and had been treated most hospitably by the members, who had provided them with everything they could wish. It had been a splendid day and one they would never forget.

The last toast, and as the WORSHIPFUL MASTER remarked, an important one, was "The Health of Bro. Amendt, the Manager of the Great Eastern Railway Company's Hotels," who had contributed so much to the success of the outing. Their best thanks were due to him and to his able assistant, Bro. Becker.

Bro. AMENDT responded. He said that that was his first summer outing and it had been an anxious time for him. He was more than pleased to find from the kind words of the W.M. and many others, that his arrangements had given satisfaction. He hoped many summer outings would follow, and he would do everything to give satisfaction to those who might favour his company with their presence at similar gatherings.

Each lady was, during the evening, presented with a beautiful scent-bottle filled with scent, which was an agreeable surprise, one being reserved for Mrs. Donald Campbell and another for Mrs. Henry C. Muckley, their health not permitting them to be present.

Bro. A. H. Church ably directed the musical arrangements, in which the following also took part: Mr. Arundel (accompanied by the daughter of the W.M.), Bro. W. W. Futcher and H. Green, the last receiving a well-deserved and enthusiastic encore.

About half-past eight the party left Harwich for home, and duly arrived at Liverpool-street, and thus ended a day of days, and one that will ever be freshly remembered by those who had the good fortune to be present.

The outing was somewhat novel, and great praise is due to Bro. Amendt, who was responsible for the whole of the details, which were carried out without a single hitch, and when it is known that the Great Eastern Railway Company are prepared to make a special feature of Masonic outings, they will no doubt have their share in providing for similar gatherings. The moderate price charged by the railway company included the return journey to Harwich, the trip to Ipswich, and the luncheon and banquet.

The genial W.M., Bro. D. Campbell, is to be commended and congratulated on the great success of the gathering, and special thanks are due to Bro. E. C. Robinson, the Hon. Secretary of the Outing Committee, for his great efforts.

MASONRY IN ESSEX.

There was a goodly show of brethren at the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Essex, held at Kelvedon on Wednesday. The Easterford Lodge, under the banner of which the Provincial Grand Lodge met, had made every provision for the due reception and the comfort of the visitors. The large schoolroom of the town had been secured for the day, and was beautifully and most artistically decorated. Flags, plants, flowering and herbaceous, and the banners of 30 lodges, adorned the walls and platform. Amongst the banners those of Clements Lodge, Brooke Lodge, the Earl of Warwick Lodge, the Jubilee Lodge, and Colne Lodge

were conspicuous by the beauty of their designs and workmanship. The last banner bore this interesting inscription on a scroll: "Presented by Helen Egerton-Green, the wife of the W.M." When such a worthy and popular Mason as Bro. Egerton-Green is so ably supported by a Masonic-loving wife, the success of the new lodge, of which he is the first W.M., is ensured. It is a great mistake to suppose that women have not a great influence in Masonry. Many a brother who would have made an excellent officer, and attained to a high Degree, has been utterly ruined by the prejudices of his wife against the Craft.

The appearance of the dais, with the very popular Provincial Grand Master, surrounded by a brilliant staff of Provincial Grand Officers, was very imposing, but the want of room in the school building made it impossible to render the ceremony, particularly the procession, as imposing as it otherwise would have been.

The Craft is rapidly making way in Essex, an increase of 8 per cent. was reported for the last year, 137 initiates and joining members having been added to the rolls of the various lodges.

In Kelvedon a splendid Masonic temple is being built. Bro. Sir William Abdy, who is munificently presenting the building to the Easterford Lodge, laid the foundation stone on the 14th ult., and the walls already make a good show.

The general impression made by the very influential gathering of brethren at the Provincial Grand Lodge of Essex, by the unanimity of its proceedings, and the experienced officers supporting the Provincial Grand Master, was that the government of the Craft is in able hands, and that Masonry is flourishing and extending its influence throughout the county.

A full report of the proceedings will appear in our next.

Scotland.

KILWINNING.

Mother Kilwinning Lodge (No. 0).—Bro. William Scott, D.M., presided at the monthly meeting of Mother Kilwinning Lodge, and was supported by the principal office-bearers. The attendance was large, several brethren from a distance being present. Four brethren were raised to the M.M. Degree, after which Bro. Frazer, of Lodge Pollock, was affiliated with the Mother Lodge. The Secretary, Bro. Lawrence Matheson, reported that a deputation from Mother Kilwinning journeyed to Waterside on Saturday, the 7th inst., and assisted the Hon. Thomas Cochrane, M.P. for North Ayrshire, and Most Worshipful Grand Master to lay the foundation stone of a new church there. The deputation accompanied by two pipers in full costume—Bros. M'Kay and Fraser, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. The following gifts have been intimated for the proposed bazaar: water set, with Masonic emblems, from Bro. Bradshaw, Glasgow; slate table, from Bro. Yuille, Kilmarnock. An enjoyable hour was spent, and the meeting was brought to a close.

Obituary.

BRO. EDWARD MORLAND.

A painful feeling of surprise and regret was caused in Abingdon on Thursday evening, the 12th instant, when it became known that the Mayor of the borough, Bro. Edward Morland, had died at West Hiley. The deceased brother, who was comparatively a young man, being about 50 years of age, was a few years ago prostrated by a serious illness, which left him in very feeble health. It was only after considerable pressure that he was induced in 1892 to accept the Mayoralty, and in response to an urgent invitation he again accepted office last November. Bro. Morland, in addition to being a Councillor for about 20 years, occupied a number of public offices. He was Master of Christ's Hospital (an important Charity in the town), and during his year of office presided over the deliberations of that body in preparation for the building of the proposed Free Library and Reading Room, and also of artisans dwellings. He was a magistrate for Berks, and took an active part in county affairs. Outdoor sports and pastimes had for him a great attraction when he enjoyed good health, and he was formerly well known as a follower of the Old Berks Hunt. Bro. Morland was one of the local pioneers of the Volunteer movement, and after a long service as commanding officer of the Abingdon Company, Royal Berks Volunteers, he retired in 1887 with the rank of Major. In public affairs, and also in his private capacity as head of the brewing firm of Morland and Co. (Limited), he was generally respected for his straight-forward dealing and business-like qualities, and in many respects his death will be a severe loss to the borough, over which he so ably presided. During his Mayoralty Bro. Morland was most hospitable, and only recently he provided an excursion for the three church choirs to Blenheim. He leaves a widow and five children to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father. Bro. Morland's death is attributed to a long-standing affection of the heart, and he removed from his home, the Abbey, to West Hiley, on Saturday, 7th inst.—the residence of his late uncle, Mr. E. H. Morland—for a month's rest. His last public appearance in the town was at a County Council enquiry, on Friday, 6th inst., and he was then evidently suffering from ill-health. When the news of the Mayor's death reached Abingdon, the borough flag was hoisted half-mast high on the old County-hall, and the bells of both parishes churches were tolled. Deceased was a P.M. of the Abbey Lodge, and brother to the acting P.G.M. for Berks (Bro. J. T. Morland) and the P.G. Chaplain for Berks (Bro. A. T. Morland).



The fund raised at the Mansion House for the benefit of the sufferers by the recent earthquakes at Athens has been closed at a total of £5288.

The Goldsmiths' Company have sent a donation of £100 to the Hon. Alfred Lyttelton for the Children's Country Holidays Fund, 10, Buckingham-street, Strand, W.C.

Her Royal Highness Princess Beatrice paid a visit on Tuesday to the dépôt, Motcomb-street, Belgrave-square, of the Irish Industries Association, and made several purchases of the work of Irish cottagers.

The Princess of Wales, Princesses Victoria and Maud, Princess Louise (Marchioness of Lorne), Prince and Princess Louis of Battenberg, and suite, witnessed the opera of "Blaine," at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, on Wednesday evening.

Benevolent Lodge, Teignmouth, has, on the motion of Bro. F. C. Frost, P.G. Supt. of Wks., seconded by the W.M., Bro. G. N. Burden, P.P.G. Supt. of Wks., unanimously elected the Prov. Grand Master of Devon, Bro. Lord Ebrington, as an honorary member.

The installation meeting of the Henry Levander Lodge, No. 2048, will be held on Saturday, the 28th inst., at the Railway Hotel, Harrow Station. Lodge will be opened at two o'clock, and Bro. W. M. Stiles, P.M., will be installed W.M. The banquet will take place at the Midland Grand Hotel at 6.30.

Letters of allotment of the London Exhibitions, Limited, were posted to applicants on Saturday, the 14th inst. We are informed that the share capital offered for subscription was over applied for, notwithstanding the antagonistic articles which appeared in our contemporaries, the result of which, the Company inform us, was the withdrawal by one applicant of his application for two shares.

In the report of the Special Grand Mark Lodge which appeared in our columns last week the name of Bro. Sir Lionel Darell was inadvertently omitted from the list of those present. The omission is now to be regretted as Sir Lionel Darell occupied the chair of Junior Warden, and had remained in town at considerable inconvenience to attend the meeting.

The final competition for the Steinway grand pianoforte presented by Bro. Sir Augustus Harris to the Guildhall School of Music took place on Wednesday, the examiners being Mr. J. L. Shedlock and Mr. Hermann Klein. Twelve competitors were admitted to this final test, and the prize was awarded to Miss Augusta Foster, Mr. Francis Davey being highly commended.

Lady Hamilton, wife of Admiral Sir Richard Vesey Hamilton, President of the Royal Naval College at Greenwich, distributed the prizes to the successful competitors in the annual athletic sports at the Royal Hospital School on Wednesday. A full programme was successfully carried out under the guidance of Captain Collins, Superintendent, who was efficiently aided by Mr. G. C. Phillips, the headmaster.

The Elms Lodge annual outing took place on Wednesday, the 11th inst., when a trip to Kingsbridge and Slapton Sands was much enjoyed by a company numbering 40. Bros. Ferguson, W.M., and J. Basset, the Secretary, made excellent arrangements. Messrs. Bradbury, Wright, Jago, Lcwhwaite, and White contributed pleasant music, and the Secretary by the aid of the photographic camera secured agreeable records of one of the pleasantest outings the lodge has enjoyed for many years.

"MASONIC LADIES."—Freemasons are sworn loyal, and so are their wives. On Monday last, when his Royal Highness was at Greenwich, Mrs. Darley, the wife of an old Past Master now engaged copying the ceiling of the Painted Hall, with two other ladies, the wives of Masons and naval officers, as they stood in the crowd were intruded upon by a fellow with a foreign accent, who freely spoke in disparagement of the Prince of Wales. The ladies denounced and condemned his conduct, and so did all within hearing, and strongly urged that he be turned out. He further expressed surprise to one of the police that the Prince was not afraid to move about without a guard. The officer sharply retorted that it was because he was a true-born Englishman, and ordered the man to move on and clear out.—*South Eastern Herald*.

The Shepherd's Bush Cycling Club held its first annual meeting on the Putney Track, on Monday, the 16th inst., and are to be congratulated on the success of their enterprise. The card contained five events—a Mile Championship Race, a Team Race—Shepherd's Bush C.C., v. West London C.C., and three Handicaps—three, five, and ten miles respectively. The Club Championship was won easily by Mr. P. H. Sanders, Mr. Cecil Abbott being second. In the Team Race, Messrs. West and P. H. Sanders, for Shepherd's Bush, had it all their own way, and won hands down, from the West London representatives, Messrs. Wheeler and Hulton. Mr. P. H. Sanders (scratch) won the Three Miles Handicap, Messrs. V. Abbott (130 yards), and B. Watkins (230 yards), being second and third respectively. The Five Miles fell to Mr. Cecil Abbott (160 yards), who was two-thirds of a lap ahead of his brother, Mr. V. Abbott (170 yards), Mr. F. Smith (130 yards) obtaining third place. Seven ran in the Ten Miles, which was ultimately won by Mr. A. Dunn (1 min.), Mr. P. H. Sanders (scratch) being second, and Mr. F. Smith (1 min. 20 secs.) third. Owing to the wind that prevailed, no fast times were recorded. There was a good muster of the members and their friends, and it only needed sunshine to have made the gathering a still greater success.

AN EXCITING GAME OF FOOTBALL gives more real pleasure to the onlookers than is provided in a contest at almost any other sport. It is amusing to watch the interest displayed in one of the great League matches. How many of the spectators seem as though they would delight to participate in the struggle. Unfortunately for many of them, active exercise of any kind is impossible. In this happy land of ours rheumatism, gout, and lumbago claim their victims by the thousand. If you happen to be one of these victims, get some Holloway's Ointment without delay, and take Holloway's Pills for complaints of the liver, impurities in the blood, disorders of the stomach, &c.

The proprietors of the *Australian Keystone* offer prizes for the best original essays on Masonic subjects, to be written by any brother residing in Australia. The rewards will be Masonic jewels.

There were those who predicted failure for London's new water gate. But already, to quote Sir Albert Altman, such are beginning to realise that, far from being a costly failure, a perfect white elephant to the Corporation, it will be one of the greatest improvements the City has ever effected.

We regret to announce the death of Bro. Alfred Williams, of Bankside, Southwark. Bro. Williams took special interest in the Mark Degree, and at the time of his death, and for many years previously, was a member of the General Board. We shall give a fuller account of his Masonic career in next week's *Freemason*.

Princess Frederica of Hanover has definitely decided to remain abroad for the remainder of the summer and the winter, and will return to Hampton Court in the spring. Her Royal Highness has accepted her Majesty's offer of the Stud House, Home Park, which is now in the hands of the builders for repairs.

The Duke and Duchess of York have expressed their willingness to receive in person the address of congratulation of the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London on the birth of the Prince, at York House, on Monday, the 30th inst. Owing to the lack of sufficient space for the reception of the whole of the Corporation, it is asked that a small deputation only will attend.

Only at long intervals is the fiat obtained for the demolition of one of our ancient City churches; but now All Hallows the Great, in Thames-street, is doomed to the fate which lately befell St. Olave, Jewry. At present only the fabric remains, and this, with the freehold site on which it stands, will be brought to the hammer on the last day of the month. A portion of the proceeds of the sale will be devoted to the erection of a church of the same name in another and more populous district.

We regret to learn from a circular issued by the W.M. of the Cambrian Lodge, No. 364, Neath, of the death in that town of Bro. Ebenezer Roberts, a P.M. of the Lion and Lamb Lodge, No. 192, London. Bro. Roberts had been for a considerable time a member of the Cambrian Lodge, in which he had taken a great interest, and was highly esteemed by the brethren. The funeral took place on Tuesday last, and his remains were followed to the grave by many members of the Craft.

We are seriously looking forward, and we quietly ask ourselves, would not Masonry be better if we would look to the real qualifications, and confine Masonry to the men who are nearly equals, not in wealth, but in intellect, in knowledge, in goodness of heart. It is this idea that is growing stronger and stronger with us every day, perhaps from observation that there is an essential feature, the ideal of Masonry, the brotherhood of it, that is yet far from having asserted itself, and that we should bend our energies to attain to the standard of perfection in this respect.—*F. M. Ellis*.

The Duchess of Teck opened a bazaar at Woolwich in aid of the restoration fund of the parish church on Thursday. Mr. Rath read an address of welcome, and her Royal Highness, in the course of a brief reply, said: "I think you will be glad to hear that my dear daughter, the Duchess of York, is nearly recovered, and that the baby is very well. It gives me great pleasure to be present to-day at Woolwich—the place whence so many leave their native land to serve our Queen and country." The Duchess, who was accompanied by Prince Alexander of Teck, subsequently made purchases at all the stalls. To-day (Friday) the bazaar will be opened by the Countess of Wharcliffe.

The annual picnic in connection with the Staffordshire Knot Lodge, No. 726, was held on Wednesday, last week, when the outing took the form of an excursion to Leamington, Warwick, and Stratford-on-Avon. The excursionists numbered about 40, and included Bro. George Wormal, W.M. (Mayor of Stafford), and the Mayoress. The party enjoyed fine weather and had a very interesting tour through Shakespeare's country. Luncheon was provided at Warwick and dinner at Leamington in the evening. After the dinner, the toast of "The Queen and the Craft" was duly honoured. "The Health of the Worshipful Master" was proposed by Bro. Woldridge and drunk with the greatest cordiality, and the only other toast was "The Ladies," proposed by Alderman W. H. Peach, and coupled with the name of the Mayoress. None was reached *via* Birmingham about 11 o'clock.

MASONIC PRESENTATION AT PLYMPTON.—At the conclusion of the regular meeting of Lodge St. Maurice, No. 1855, at Plympton, on the 12th inst., Bro. Captain C. Strode-Lowe, P.M., P.J.G.W., on behalf of the members of the lodge, presented the Secretary, Bro. R. Hambly, P.M., P.P.G. of Wks., with a gold watch bearing the following inscription: "Presented to W. Bro. Robert Hambly, P.M., P.G.S. of Wks., by the brethren of Lodge St. Maurice, No. 1855, as a mark of their esteem and regard on the occasion of his marriage, July, 1894." The watch is a handsome keyless demi-hunter lever, 18-carat cases throughout, 1 plate movement, compensation balance. Bro. Strode-Lowe referred to the fact that Bro. Hambly had proved himself a worthy Mason, and was not only respected by the brethren throughout the province, but by the public generally with whom he had come in contact. Bro. Hambly suitably replied.

The case of the St. Andrew's Lodge, Banff, v. Kilgour, &c., came before Lord Low in the Court of Session on Tuesday, the 10th inst. It was in the form of a note of suspension to have it determined whether or not the respondents were any longer entitled to any of the privileges of membership in the lodge, they having been suspended by the Grand Lodge. The respondents maintained that they were the Master and office-bearers of the lodge, and that the complainers were mere honorary members, having no right to vote or act in any lodge business. The Lord Ordinary refused an interim interdict, and recently the case was discussed in the Procedure Roll, and continued to allow complainers an opportunity to amend their pleadings, as the Lord Ordinary considered they had not made relevant statement in support of their title to sue. On Tuesday it was intimated that the complainers had resolved not to proceed further with the case, and the note of suspension and interdict was accordingly refused, with expenses.

The Duchess of Teck has consented to visit the Female Orphan Asylum at Beddington on Tuesday next, and to distribute the prizes to the orphan girls.

The Caledonian ball held a fortnight ago was the means of raising no less a sum than £235 10s. each for the Royal Caledonian Asylum and the Scottish Corporation.

An emergency meeting of the Prince Edward Encampment was held at the Queen's Arms Hotel, Dukinfield, Sir Knight John Clayton, O.C., presided. There were three installations of worthy companions, viz., Comps. James Cookson, P.M., P.P.G. Treas., and Z.; C. Chetwynd Atkinson, M.A.; and Hirsch.

Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Sir Joseph Dimsdale, Grand Treasurer, has consented to perform the ceremony, on Monday next, of opening West India House, Lead-nhall-street, E.C., which has recently been completed by Messrs. J. Allen and Sons from the designs of the architect, Mr. Delissa Joseph, at a cost of £21,000.

The Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Benson entertained on Wednesday afternoon the recipients of the Lambeth "dole and corody," a class of the blind from Lambeth Parish, and a large number of pensioners of two charity organisation societies of the district. Music was provided in the garden by the police band of the L. Division. After tea a concert was given in the Guard Room by various ladies and gentlemen, and the Archbishop then gave an address to the company assembled in the chapel.

The annual exhibition of drawings and other handwork executed by the scholars and pupil teachers will be held at the Hugh Myddelton School, Clerkenwell, on Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 20th, 21st, 23rd, 24th, and 25th inst. The exhibition will be publicly opened by Mr. Armstrong, director of the art at the Science and Art Department, at noon, on the Friday, and it will remain open from 12 o'clock till half-past nine each day.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, the Princesses Victoria and Maud, and Princess Louise Duchess of Fife, with whom was the Duke of Fife, honoured the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire by their presence at dinner, at Devonshire House, on Thursday evening. Present to meet the illustrious guests were the Russian Ambassador, the Portuguese Minister, the Duchess of Manchester, Earl and Countess de Grey, the Earl and Countess of Gosford, the Countess of Dudley, Count Albert Mensdorff, Viscount and Viscountess Curzon, Lord Houghton, Lord Charles Montagu, Mr. and Lady Evelyn Cavendish, Sir Horace Farquhar, General Ellis, and the Lady-in-Waiting on the Princess of Wales.

The Master of a lodge is an autocrat, if he will be; but no Master, with the good of his lodge at heart will assert his opinion in direct and offensive opposition to that of his brethren. He is a servant king, and as such should rule. He is king, because his right to govern is supreme. He is servant, because his brethren have, by the exercise of their united opinion, placed him in that position of absolute power. There are times when one's opinion should be exercised and enforced, if contrary to that of others—whether Master, Secretary, or lodge. No one should permit a substitution of his opinion of right. When that is done the man sinks his manhood beneath cowardice. Better stand alone and be right, than go with the multitude to do wrong. Thus it is the duty of a Mason in lodge, or elsewhere in the Fraternity, to oppose all cliquism and tricky political schemes to accomplish personal aims of ambitious but undeserving men.—*Freemasons' Repository*.

The brethren of St. James's Lodge, No. 448, had their annual outing on Thursday, the 12th inst., to Ripon, Studley Royal, and Fountains Abbey. Leaving Halifax at 10.19, they arrived at Ripon at 12.15. Carriages were awaiting to convey the party to the well-known Unicorn Hotel, where a substantial luncheon was awaiting them. Being market day, the ancient city was very busy, and the visitors were much interested in observing how business was conducted in a purely agricultural district. After visiting the Cathedral, the party was driven to Studley Royal, where some hours were spent in the splendid grounds and in exploring the ruins of the famous Fountains Abbey. To some of the older brethren of St. James's Lodge the visit reminded them of one who as Grand Master of England and as Provincial Grand Master of West Yorkshire is still remembered with feelings of the highest respect. The party arrived home about nine o'clock.

Princess Louise (Marchioness of Lorne), as President, distributed the medallions and certificates won by the members of the St. John's Ambulance Association in the No. 9 district of the Metropolitan Centre on Thursday, the ceremony taking place at the Town Hall, West Hampstead. Included in the large company present were the Marquis of Lorne, Lady Sophia Macnamara, Lord Amherst of Hackney, Sir Owen and Lady Agnes Burne, Canon Duckworth, Sir Herbert Perrott, the Hon. Mrs. Randolph Clay, and Miss Barter, who presented a beautiful bouquet to her Royal Highness. As Chairman of the Centre, General Lowry made an encouraging statement touching on the progress of the movement in the district. A corps of ladies holding association certificates had been started to supplement the district nurses in their work among the poor, and a gratifying feature in connection with the ambulance classes was the number of railway servants who attended and had passed the examinations. The Marquis of Lorne acknowledged a vote of thanks which was accorded the Princess.

The new twin screw Royal Mail steamer, *Norman*, which has been built for the Union Steamship Company's South African mail service, was successfully launched at Belfast on Thursday by Messrs. Harland and Wolff. The christening ceremony was performed by Lady Evans, wife of Sir Francis Evans, M.P., deputy chairman of the company. The dimensions of the *Norman* are: Length, 490ft; breadth, moulded, 53ft; depth, 37ft 6in; gross tonnage, about 7500. She is constructed of steel, and will be fitted with twin screws. The *Norman* has two sets of triple expansion engines, expected to develop great power and high speed. She is designed for carrying a large cargo, and as a troopship her capacity will be enormous. Large numbers of passengers will be provided for in each class, and no expense has been spared to make the accommodation for them as regards berths, dining saloons, smoking-rooms, and library as up-to-date as possible. She will be fitted throughout with electric light, and there will also be refrigerating engines and machinery, and cold chambers for the conveyance of fruit and perishable goods. The *Norman* leaves Southampton on her first voyage on November 10th next.

Mitcham, Vestry Hall, Mitcham, at 8.
 Mount Lebanon, Half-Moon Hotel, Boro', at 7.30.
 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-road, N., at 8.
 Pamure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7.30.
 Plucknett, Bald-faced Stag, East Finchley, at 7.45.
 Prosperity, Old Farr's Head, Knightrider-street, Doctors Com-
 mons, at 7.
 Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, Greenwich, at 8.
 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rushey Green, Catford, at 8.
 Royal Jubilee, The Crown, Lambeth-road, S.E., at 8.
 Royal Oak, Lord Clyde, Wotton-road, Deptford, at 8.
 St. Leonard, Pr. of Wales Hotel, Bishop's-road, Victoria Park, 8.
 Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 8.
 Strong Mar, Blue Anchor, 164, Fenchurch-street, E.C., at 6.30.
 Temperance in the East, Greenwich Pensioner, Bow-lane,
 Poplar, at 7.30.
 United Mariners, Duke of Albany Hotel, Kittic-road, Nunhead.
 United Strength, Hope Tavern, Stanhope-st., Euston-road, at 8
 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, S.W.,
 at 7.30.
 Warrant Officers, 35, St. Martin's-street, W.C., at 7.
 Westbourne, The Prince Alfred, 112, Queen's-road, Bays-
 water, at 8.
 Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8.
 Andrew Chapter, Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.
 Domestic Chapter, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, W., at 8.
 Camden Mark Lodge, Earl Russell, Pancras-road, King's Cross, 8.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2.

CRAFT LODGES.

742, Crystal Palace, Crystal Palace.
 1790, Old England, Masonic Hall, Thornton Heath.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Belgrave, Albion Tavern, Russell-street, Covent Garden, at 8.
 Burdett-Coutts, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.
 Burgoyne, Coach and Horses, 348, Clapham-road, S.W., at 7.30.
 Covent Garden, Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.
 Creation, Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, W., 8.
 Crescent, King's Head Hotel, Twickenham, at 8.30.
 Derby Allcroft, Midland Grand Hotel, at 8.
 Duke of Edinburgh, Eastern Hotel, Commercial Road, Lime-
 house E., at 7.30.
 Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltham.
 Harrow, Waterloo Arms, High-street, Marylebone, at 8.
 High Cross, Coach and Horses, High-road, Tottenham, at 8.
 Highgate, Falkland Arms, Falkland-road, N.W., at 8.
 Hornsey, White Hart Masonic Rooms, Lewisham, S.E., at 8.
 Justice, Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, at 8.
 Kent, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, at 8.
 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, at 8.
 Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark, at 7.
 Priory, Berryhead Priory, Acton, at 8.15.
 Royal Albert, White Hart Hotel, Abchurch Lane, at 7.30.
 Royal Savoy, Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.30.
 St. John's, Court House, Haresden, N.W., at 7.30.
 St. John's, Queen Victoria Tavern, Exmouth-st., Stepney, at 8.
 Sir Hugh Myddelton, Star and Garter, Upper-st., Islington, at 8.
 Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester-street, Kennington, 8.
 The Great City, M.H., Masons'-avenue, E.C., at 6.30.
 Tre'egar, The Cheshire Cheese, Crutched Friars, E.C., at 7.30.
 Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-street, Woolwich,
 Victo. a Park, George Tavern, Broadway, Stratford, at 7.30.
 Chaucer Chapter, George Hotel, High-street, Borough, S.E., at 8.
 Clapton Chapter, Three Sisters Hotel, Hackney Downs, at 8.
 Industry Chapter, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, Herne Hill, at 8.
 North London Chapter, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 8.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3.

CRAFT LODGES.

1489, Marquess of Ripon, Cock Tavern, Highbury.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, Swan's Nest, Great Swan-alley, E.C., at 7.
 All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.
 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, at 8.
 Clapton, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool-street, E.C., at 7.
 Crusaders, Northampton Arms, Goswell-road, at 8.30.
 Earl of Carnarvon, Elgin Hotel, Ladbrooke grove, Notting-hill, 8.
 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward Hotel, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.
 Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, at 6.
 Euphrates, Green Man, Mansell-street, Whitechapel, E., at 8.
 Gavel Club, Freemasons' Tavern, at 8.
 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 8.
 Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington Park, S.E., at 8.
 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, High-street, Wood Green, at 7.30.
 Loyalty, Private Rooms, 206, Mare-street, Hackney, at 8.
 Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hotel, Fleet-street, at 7.
 Queen's Westminster, Criterion, Piccadilly, W., at 8.
 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Queen-street, Hammersmith, W., at 8.
 Royal Standard, Castle Tavern, 81, Holloway-road, at 8.
 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8.
 St. Ambrose, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, at 8.
 St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-road, S.E., at 8.
 Savage Club, Savage Club, Adelphi-terrace, at 6.
 Selwyn, Montpelier Tavern, Choumert-road, Peckham, at 8.
 Stability, Masons' Hall Tavern, Masons'-avenue, at 6.
 Temperance, Railway Tavern, New Cross-road, at 8.
 The Abbey, The Town Hall, Westminster, 7.30 till 9.0.
 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.
 Woodgrange, Princess Alice Hotel, Forest Gate, E., at 7.
 Eastern Star Chapter, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, and
 4th Fri., at 7.
 Hornsey Chapter, Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne-terrace,
 Bishop's-road, Fiddington, W., at 8.
 Lily of Richmond Chapter, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, at 8.
 Mount Sion Chapter, Royal Edward Hotel, Triangle, Hackney,
 2nd and 4th Fri., at 7.30.
 Pythagorean Chapter, Dover Castle, Broadway, Deptford, at 8.
 Star Chapter, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church-st., Camberwell, 8.
 Strawberry Hill Chapter, Greyhound Hotel, Richmond, S.W.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4.

(No Meetings).

MASONIC MEETINGS (Provincial)

For the week ending Saturday, August 4, 1894.

The following is a list of Towns in which the Lodges, &c., whose numbers are appended, meet at the dates given. Further particulars of places of meeting, &c., of Craft Lodges and R.A. Chapters will be found in "The Freemasons' Calendar," and those of Mark, Rose Croix, &c., in "The Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar," both published annually at the office of *The Freemason*.

MONDAY, JULY 30.

CRAFT LODGES.
 Callington ... 557
 Tenby ... 1177

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Old Brompton ... 184	Saltash ... 1071	Canterbury ... 1449
Bradford ... 302	Ramsgate ... 1200	Landport ... 1776
Pembroke Dock ... 378	Moss ey ... 1218	Walton-on- Naze ... 1799
Workington ... 902	Leeds ... 1221	

TUESDAY, JULY 31.

CRAFT LODGES. Sheffield ... 1779 MARK LODGE.
 Brighton ... 1636 Fenton ... 1942 Taunton ... 348

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Whitehaven ... 119	Maryport ... 371	Jarraw ... 1119
Ryde ... 175	Broadstairs ... 419	Saltburn-by-Sea 1618
Liverpool ... 241	Halifax ... 448	Huddersfield ... 1783
Batley ... 264	Stockton ... 940	

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1.

CRAFT LODGES. Boston ... 538 Halifax ... 1736
 Birmingham ... 74 East Looc ... 970 W. Hartlepool 1862
 Sunderland ... 94 Jersey ... 1003 Longsight ... 2464
 Tavistock ... 282 Derby ... 1085 Amphil... 2190
 Rochdale ... 298 Alnwick ... 1167 R.A. CHAPTERS.
 Bristol ... 326 Chester-le-
 Street ... 1274 Haverfordwest 464
 Wigton ... 327 Wigan ... 1335 Blyth ... 659
 Wrochester ... 417 Wigan ... 1431 MARK LODGES.
 Ramsgate ... 429 Solihull ... 1431 Burnley ... 189
 Filey ... 643 Woolston ... 1461 Workington ... 282
 Frizington ... 1660

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Chatham ... 30	Bingley ... 439	Newbury ... 574
Ryde ... 175	Haverfordwest 464	Herne Bay ... 2099
	Longton ... 546	

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2.

CRAFT LODGES. Beverley ... 294 Widnes ... 1584
 Newcastle ... 24 Manchester ... 317 Lymm ... 1565
 Hull ... 57 Stockton ... 509 Brighton ... 1829
 Merthyr Tydvil 110 Hartlepool ... 531 Bradford ... 2321
 Richmond, Yorks 123 Stoke-on-Trent 637 R.A. CHAPTERS.
 Devonport ... 230 Blackpool ... 793 Bristol ... 187
 Liverpool ... 249 Grimsby ... 792 Ararwick ... 581
 Heywood ... 266 Lostwithiel ... 826 MARK LODGES.
 Tackburn ... 269 Topham ... 1284 Kendal ... 195
 Leeds ... 289 Horncastle ... 1304

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Canterbury ... 31	Maidstone ... 503	Romford ... 1437
Gavesend ... 77	Pertland ... 1037	Shanklin ... 1884
Batley ... 264	Liverpool ... 1182	Wallingford ... 1897
Uxbridge ... 382	Thirsk ... 1416	Hazel Grove ... 1957

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3.

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 Leeds ... 306 Barnard Castle 1230 Chingford ... 214
 Huddersfield ... 521 Gosforth ... 1664 MARK LODGE.
 Ripon ... 837 Castleford ... 457

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

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Bristol ... 187	Bristol ... 326	Bristol - Province

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4.

CRAFT LODGES.
 Riverhead ... 1233
 Plymouth ... 1550
 Leigh ... 2442

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Birkenhead ... 478

SECONDS AND YEARS; TIME'S MYSTERY.

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"I consulted a doctor and he gave me medicines, but they had no good effect so far as I could perceive. He said I was suffering from nervous debility, and perhaps he was right. But this I know, however—that after spending pounds of precious money in doctoring I was badly off as ever.

"I kept about my household duties, for women must work as well as weep. But it was a hard and tedious thing, and often I had to lie down on the couch for a little rest.

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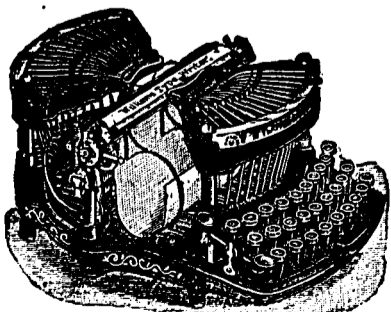
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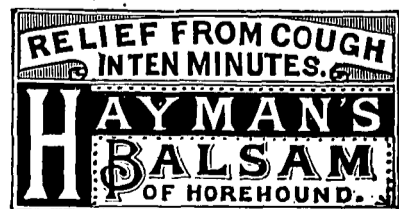
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