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SUSSEX AND ITS NEW PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER.

Sussex is very far from being one of our oldest Provinces, its earliest Provincial Grand Master—Bro. Captain FRANCIS MINSHALL—having been appointed in 1774. But it is old in Masonry, the earliest of its extinct lodges having been constituted at the Swan Inn, Chichester, in 1724. This lodge ranked as no 31 in 1729; No. 28 in 1740; and No. 20 in 1755, and was erased in 1769. Its next oldest lodge was warranted as No. 65 in 1730, and met at St. Rook's Hill, Chichester. It became No. 57 in 1740, and No. 35 in 1755, but according to the Sussex Calendar for the present year, it appears to have been erased from the list of lodges in 1754, or a year before it was advanced to the latter number. This, however, is not the only peculiarity attaching to this extinct lodge, as according to the early lodge lists it was constituted in the reign of JULIUS CÆSAR, that is, several years before the commencement of the Christian Era. But without troubling ourselves about this obviously absurd legend, there is ample evidence both from the lodges which have met in the Province, but have long since disappeared from the Register, and from those which are now working, that Sussex has been a Masonic stronghold from a very early period, and if it has had the misfortune to lose some of its earlier lodges, it can still boast of several that from their long standing as well as from the zeal and ability with which they discharge their duties would be an honour to any Province either in England or elsewhere.

We have said that Sussex became a Masonic Province in 1774, when Bro. Captain FRANCIS MINSHALL was appointed Prov. Grand Master. According to Bro. THOMAS FRANCIS, author of the "History of Freemasonry in Sussex," Captain MINSHALL was an officer in the Horse Guards, and was present as Prov. G. Master when, on the 1st May, 1775, Lord PETRE, M.W.G. Master, laid the foundation stone of the Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street. Bro. FRANCIS further states that his name disappears from the list of Prov. G. Masters "after 1782," but "how long he continued to hold the office cannot now be ascertained." In 1788 General Sir SAMUEL HULSE was appointed Prov. G. Master, and remained in office till 1814. According to the late Bro. THOMAS FENN'S annals of the "Prince of Wales's Lodge, No. 259," the warrant of that distinguished lodge, bearing date the 20th August, 1787, and signed by the Earl of EFFINGHAM,

Acting G. Master, and Sir PETER PARKER, D.G.M., "was given to Col. SAMPSON (*sic*) HULSE, first Master," and others. He was Deputy Master from 1787 to 1820, and resigning in 1821, was made an Honorary Member. On resigning as P.G.M. of Sussex he was appointed Prov. G.M. of Kent in 1814, and so continued in that office till 1829. He was appointed Governor of Chelsea Hospital, was promoted Field-Marshal in 1830, and died in 1837, after a military career extending over 76 years. Gen. HULSE was succeeded as Provincial Grand Master of Sussex by CHARLES, 4th Duke of RICHMOND, who died while Governor-General of Canada in 1819. In 1823 CHARLES, 5th Duke of RICHMOND, was appointed, and remained in office till his death in 1860. From the duke's death to 1865 the Province was in charge of the G. Registrar, who appointed Bro. DALBIAC to act as Deputy Provincial Grand Master, as he had done during the last three years of the late duke's life. In 1865 Bro. Col. DALBIAC was appointed Provincial Grand Master, but he retained office only for a short time, and on his death, in 1867, was succeeded by WALTER JOHN, Lord PELHAM—now Earl of CHICHESTER. On his resignation, in 1877, the Grand Master was pleased to appoint Bro. Sir W. W. BURRELL, Bart., M.P., and on his death in 1886, H.R.H. the Duke of CONNAUGHT, K.G., was appointed and installed by his brother, the M.W.G. Master, as Prov. G. Master at the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, on the 22nd June of that year. On the Duke's election to the office of M.W.G. Master in succession to the KING, his Royal Highness resigned the position of Prov. G. Master of Sussex, and subsequently appointed as his successor as ruler of a Province he had himself presided over for 15 years the Earl of MARCH, eldest son and heir of the venerable Duke of RICHMOND. His lordship, who is a P.M. of the Union Lodge, No. 38, Chichester, P.Z. of the Cyrus Chapter, and was appointed S.G. Warden of England in 1881, will have before him an arduous task in following so able, illustrious, and popular a chief as the M.W.G. Master, but Sussex is a strong Province, with 33 lodges on its roll, of which nine are located in Brighton, four in Eastbourne, two in Hastings, and two in Lewes. Moreover, it is not only a well-ordered Province, but it numbers among its Present and Past Prov. G. Officers several who have achieved distinction not only in the Province itself, but generally, and who will readily give the full benefit of their wisdom and experience. Such are Bros. the Right Hon. Sir W. T. MARRIOTT, K.C., P.G.D., D.P.G.M.; the Very Rev. E. R. CURRIE, D.D., Dean of Battle, P.G. Chap.; Lieut.-Gen. C. W. RANDOLPH, P.G.D. (Grand Superintendent Royal Arch); V. P. FREEMAN, P.G.D., Prov. G. Secretary; R. CLOWES, P.G. Std. Br.; &c., &c., &c., and on these his lordship may rely with confidence for counsel in the government of his Province.

That the Earl of MARCH'S appointment will be extremely popular with our Sussex brethren cannot be doubted. Not only is his lordship—to use a familiar expression—Sussex born and bred; not only have he and sundry of his ancestors been representatives of the County in the Commons House of Parliament, and laboured hard and successfully to promote the County interests; but, Masonically, the family have done good service to the Craft from the very earliest times. PRESTON, in his "Illustrations of Masonry" (17th edition, p. 154), states that "at a general assembly and feast of the Masons in 1697, many noble and eminent brethren were present, and among the rest CHARLES, Duke of

RICHMOND and LENNOX, who was at that time Master of the Lodge at Chichester. His Grace was proposed and elected Grand Master for the following year; and, having engaged Sir CHRISTOPHER WREN to act as his Deputy, he appointed EDWARD STRONG, sen., and EDWARD STRONG, jun., his Wardens. His Grace continued in office only one year, and was succeeded by Sir CHRISTOPHER, &c. This, by itself, might not be of any great value as evidence of the fact that CHARLES, 1st Duke of RICHMOND, was not only a Mason, but "Master of the Lodge at Chichester" at the time mentioned—1697. Bro. HENRY SADLER, however, in his interesting "Masonic Facts and Fictions," makes, at pp. 18-19, the following quotation from the Grand Lodge minutes of the 2nd March, 1732: "The petition of Brother EDWARD HALL, a member of the Lodge at the Swan, in Chichester, being there made a Mason by the late Duke of RICHMOND, six and thirty years agoe, and now recommended by the present Duke of RICHMOND as a proper object of the Charity of the Free and Accepted Masons, his Petition was read, and Bro. HALL was called in, and after some questions asked him, he withdrew and the question being put—'Resolved: That six Guineas be given to Bro. EDWARD HALL for his present subsistence,' " Bro. SADLER subsequently mentions that "the Duke of RICHMOND was present in Grand Lodge at the time Hall's petition was read, indeed the record implies that he brought it forward himself, at all events he must have had some good reason for believing in the truth of the story." Here, then, we have it in evidence, on the authority of the official minutes of proceedings of our Grand Lodge on the 2nd March, 1732, that the then Duke of RICHMOND—that is, CHARLES, the 2nd Duke—recommended the petition of a Brother HALL, who had been made a Mason in the lodge at the Swan, in Chichester, 36 years previously—that is, in 1696—by his father the first Duke, while PRESTON, to whom the Grand Lodge minutes must have been familiar, states that the same first Duke was elected Grand Master in 1697, being "at that time Master of the Lodge at Chichester." In these circumstances we feel justified in accepting these as statements of a fact, namely, that CHARLES first Duke of RICHMOND—who was created Baron SETTRINGTON, Earl of MARCH, and Duke of RICHMOND in the peerage of England in 1675, and was Baron METHUEN, of Tarbolton, Earl of DARNLEY, and Duke of LENNOX, in the peerage of Scotland—was a Mason and Master of the lodge at Chichester in 1696 or thereabouts. He died in 1723, and was succeeded by his son CHARLES, the second Duke—who a few years later became Duke D'AUBIGNY in France. This second Duke was installed Grand Master at Merchant Taylors' Hall, on the 24th June, 1724, and under his administration the Committee of Charity—now the Board of Benevolence—was instituted. He died in 1750, and was succeeded by his son CHARLES, third Duke, but whether the latter was a Mason or not we are unable to say. On his death in 1806, his nephew CHARLES succeeded to the Dukedom, and it has already been stated that the fourth Duke was Prov. Grand Master of Sussex from 1814 till his death in Canada in 1819. CHARLES, who became fifth Duke on his father's death was also Prov. Grand Master of Sussex, and held the office from 1823 till his death in 1860, when he was succeeded in the title by his son CHARLES, 6th Duke and present peer, who, we believe, is not a member of our Society. Thus, as with the Dukes of ATHOLL in Scotland, the Dukes of RICHMOND have been warm supporters of our Society throughout—the 1st as Master of the lodge at Chichester more than 200 years ago; the 2nd as Grand Master in 1724-5; the 4th as P.G.M. Sussex 1814-19; and the 5th also as P.G.M. Sussex 1823-60. Thus four of the six Dukes, to whose honours the Earl of MARCH is heir, have been distinguished Masons, and this fact, apart from his own claims, will ensure to him the respect of the brethren he has been called upon to rule as Prov. G. Master of his native County and Province.

THE MASONIC "OLD CHARGES."

Since the publication of my work on the "Old Charges of British Freemasons," in 1895, and of one or two supplements subsequently, there have been some important additions and alterations in the list, requiring some such particulars as the following to bring the subject down to date. The capital letters indicate the Families or Groups in which the MSS. are arranged by numbers, as far as possible, chronologically; an *asterisk*

being used for the *first half* of a century, and a *dagger* the *second half*, and the pagination being that of my volume referred to, of 1895:

C 4. "Henery Heade MS." A.D. 1675.

This MS. is described in Cochrane's Catalogue of 1826, No. 633, and and subsequently in Libri's Sale Catalogue (1859) of his valuable MSS. &c., as No. 65. The late Mr. J. O. Halliwell-Phillipps, F.R.S., bought it from the latter, and at the sale of his library it was secured for the Inner Temple Library, London, and is duly noted in the 11th Report of the "Historical Manuscripts Commission," Part VII., but incorrectly described as the "Hen. Heale" (p. 308). It is written on paper, dated 1675, and is similar to the very valuable "William Watson MS." of 1687 (C 2, pp. 34-39). A transcript is much needed.

D 38. "H. F. Beaumont MS.," A.D. 1690.

The text of this Scroll was known in 1894, through a transcript being traced, and was published by Bro. William Watson in the *Freemason* of 11th August of that year. The original roll of parchment (six feet in length and 11 inches in width) was found in the fall of 1900 at Whitley Beaumont, owned by, and in the occupation of, Bro. H. F. Beaumont, for whom the copy was made, and who kindly consented to the treasure passing into the Library of the Provincial Grand Lodge of West Yorkshire. This makes the ninth MS. in that collection, being the largest number in any Library. An exact Typographical Reproduction was published in 1901 for the Series of MSS., so ably edited by Bro. William Watson for West Yorkshire, with Commentaries by Dr. Begemann and myself, as well as an Introduction by the indefatigable Editor. The number, D 38, is now utilised for the original scroll instead of for the late transcript.

D 40. "Langdale MS." 17th Century.†

The document is written on paper and after transcription by Bro. F. F. Schnitger, was published in the *Freemason* for December 7th, 1895, with an introduction by me. It belongs to the York Branch, which includes the York MSS. 1, 5, and 2. This is now the property of Bro. G. W. Bain, of Sunderland, who is already the owner of several important MSS.

D 41. "Thomas Foxcroft MS." A.D. 1699.

This copy has a heading of the Masons' Arms, with the motto "In the Lord is all our trust;" below being the words "Fear God and keep his commandments. For this is the whole Duty of Man." The text is just the same as the "Antiquity MS.," and has been transcribed and published by Bro. Henry Sadler in the *Freemason* for January 6th, 1900, and also separately. It was in the "Tixall Library" lately belonging to Sir F. A. T. C. Constable, deceased. In 1899, the document was acquired for the important collection of the Grand Lodge of England. The roll is of vellum, and runs to fully six feet in length, and is some eight inches wide.

E 16 "J. T. Thorp MS.," A.D. 1629.

This fine Roll of Vellum (eight feet by five inches) of A.D. 1629, owned by Bro. Henry Brown, of Northampton, after whom it was called, has since become the property of Bro. John T. Thorp, whose name it now appropriately bears, and who has transcribed and published it (as a gift) with the Transactions of the "Lodge of Research," Leicester, 1898-9, of which he is the accomplished Editor. The scroll was also reproduced in the Transactions of the "Quatuor Coronati Lodge," London, Vol. XI., 1898, from a copy made for me by the lamented Bro. John Lane.

Had it been traced sooner, no doubt Dr. Begemann would have called the family after its name, being 17 years earlier than the "Sloane MS.," No. 3848" (A.D. 1646), and a much superior text. In the "Sloane" scroll there are a number of corrections and interlineations, 38 in all, first noted by my dear friend, the late Bro. G. W. Speth, all of which, save some two or three, are to be found in the "J. T. Thorp MS." The latter concludes in a different manner to the other Rolls, but else its text is similar to the "Sloane," including the additions noted.

E 17. "John Strachan MS.," 1700 circa.

I called this Roll after the late Mr. Bohn, of Brighton, when it was introduced to my notice by Col. Mead (since deceased), but, unfortunately, it was soon lost sight of (p. 159 "Old Charges"). Later on it was again brought to the light, and purchased by Bro. G. W. Bain, who has given it the title of the "John Strachan MS.," as a compliment to the esteemed Grand Registrar. Bro. Thorp transcribed and published it in the Transactions of the "Lodge of Research," 1899-1900, with Notes, and also an Introduction by the fortunate owner. It is written on parchment, the length being only a little over four feet and seven-and-half inches in width. The text is similar to the "Alnwick" Branch of the "Sloane" Family.

F 5. "The Macnab MS.," A.D. 1722.

The roll has been made up in book form of late years, the paper scroll being dated 1722. It is in the celebrated West Yorkshire Masonic Library, and is one of the series of Reproductions edited by Bro. William Watson, the Honorary Librarian, with an Introduction by me (1896). The text is important, because it contains the "New Articles" as well as the "Apprentice Charge," which are not in the majority of the MSS.

These additions to the "Old Charges" require several changes to be made in the analysis of the scrolls, based on those known to the year 1895. The "Beaumont MS." has seven miles, within which distance attendance was obligatory at the annual assembly, making four in all so distinguished. There are seven having five miles, and five with ten miles (including the "Macnab.") Besides these variations, one MS. has 30 miles ("Phillipps, No. 3) and two have 40 miles ("Melrose, No. 2," and "Embleton"); the remainder having the customary 50 miles.

The "Aberdeen MS." (D 11) has been published by me in the *Freemason*, November 23rd, 1895, and also a few copies in separate form.

There are still several MSS. to trace, two especially which ought to be found, viz., the MS. alluded to by Bro. T. Lamb Smith (deceased), located as X 1, and the "Anchor and Hope Lodge" MS. numbered X 12. I am always glad to communicate with brethren as to such documents.

W. J. HUGHAN.

Science, Art, and the Drama.

METALLIC MUSIC.

A property has been discovered in metals of a remarkable nature—that, under certain circumstances, they will produce their own music, and sing in such a style as to surprise the listener. The thing was discovered in a curious way by Mr. Schwartz, an inspector of smelting works in Saxony. He had melted some silver in a ladle, and being impatient for it to cool, turned out the mass, as soon as it solidified, on a cold iron anvil, when, to his astonishment, musical tones came from it, similar, as he said, to those of an organ. A learned German professor visited the smelting works when the experiment was repeated. He heard the sounds, and noticed that they were accompanied by vibrations in the lump of silver, and that when these ceased the sounds ceased also. Twenty-five years later the same phenomenon was discovered, but in a different way, near the foot of the Cheviots. Mr. Arthur Trevelyan was engaged in spreading pitch with a hot plastering iron, and observing in one instance that the iron was too hot, he laid it, in a slanting position, against a block of lead which happened to be at hand. Shortly afterwards he heard a shrill note. His attention was attracted to the hot iron, which he found to be in a state of vibration, and thus discovered the origin of this strange music. Here was something to set an ingenious mind at work. Mr. Trevelyan, having asked the advice of Dr. Reid, of Edinburgh, set himself to discover the cause of the music. He made a number of careful experiments, during which he ascertained that a "rocker," as he called it, brought out the loudest and clearest notes, and he described his proceedings so well that they were published in the *Transactions* of the Royal Society of Edinburgh. The rocker here mentioned is an instrument bearing some resemblance to the bevelled soldering-iron used by tinmen. Imagine a piece of brass, four inches long, somewhat like the outer half of a broad, old-fashioned sash-bar, with a thin groove passing from end to end of its narrowest edge, and with a slim, straight handle of the same metal, terminating in a knob, and you have the rocker. Prof. Faraday next took up the subject, and made it the theme of a lecture, which he delivered at the Royal Institution, embodying an explanation of the phenomenon. He confirmed Mr. Trevelyan's view as to the tones being due to an alternate expansion and contraction caused by the heat. This it is that sets the rocker vibrating, and, according to the rapidity or slowness of the vibrations, such is the pitch of the tone. The particular way in which the expansion takes place is that the groove in the edge of the rocker makes it a double edge, and whenever the heated rocker is placed resting on a mass of lead, a couple of little prominences or hills rise up, immediately under the points of contact, being the natural effect of expansion caused by heat. At the same moment the rocker begins to vibrate, and no sooner is one side raised than the hill on that side suddenly sinks, owing to the rapid absorption of its heat by the surrounding mass of lead. The consequence is, that the rocker descends through a greater distance than it rose, whereby the other edge being raised, the same effect is produced on the opposite side; and thus the vibrations continue as long as there is a sufficient difference of temperature between the two metals. Although there does not appear to be any way of turning these experiments to a practical use, they are of much importance in a scientific point of view. Dr. Tyndall repeated the experiments at the Royal Institution, and extended them to other substances besides metals, finding in all of them a confirmation of Professor Faraday's views, and proving, what had been denied, that a tone can be produced by two metals of the same kind in contact; for instance, silver on silver, or copper on copper. In this case, however, the silver or copper rocker is made to rest on a very thin slip of the same metal held in a vice. Agates, and some other gems, rock crystal, fluor spar, fossil-wood, glass and earthenware, will also give out tones to a heated rocker—the only condition of success appearing to be a clear and even edge in the substance under experiment. Among this class of substances, rock salt exhibits extraordinary effects. Desirous of trying this mineral, Dr. Tyndall placed a partially cooled rocker on a mass of it, when, as he writes, "to my astonishment a deep musical sound commenced immediately; the temperature of the rocker being at the time far below that of boiling water, and when the singing ended, was scarcely above blood heat." In this case, the want of an edge appears to be of no importance, for "when the heated rocker was laid on a large boulder-shaped mass of salt, it commenced to sing immediately. I scarcely know a substance," adds Dr. Tyndall, "metallic or non-metallic, with which vibrations can be obtained with greater ease and certainty than with this mineral." Now, here is something to furnish occupation for evening hours, the experiments being such as may be tried by the fireside, and even in the drawing room. A commencement may be made in a rough way by heating a poker and placing it with the knob resting on a table and the heated end on a block of cold lead. The singing will at once be heard. Rockers of various kinds may next be introduced, made, as we have described, and placed so as to rest horizontally during the experiment. With a hand vice, such as will fasten to the edge of a table, after the manner of a lady's pin-cushion, the thinnest slips of metal may be securely held while testing their quality. The effect, too, may be tried of pressing slightly with a knitting needle on the back of the rocker immediately above the groove; it will be found that a whole octave of tones may be produced by varying the pressure, the lowest with least pressure, and shrillest with the highest. Perhaps, after all, there may be more in the music of the spheres than a dream of poets or philosophers. We have all heard how that the statue of Memnon used to sing in the morning sunbeams, and who shall say that out of the experiments we have suggested may not come a musical instrument on which *heat* shall be the only performer. Wind will then have a rival.

MEDALLISTS IN THE REIGN OF JAMES I.

We shall now give a brief account of a few of the medallists of this reign. The first graver we meet is Charles Antony, to whom Sir Thomas Knivet, Master of the Mint in the second year of the king's reign, paid by warrant £40 for gold and workmanship, for gravings an offering piece of gold, Antony having then the title of the king's graver. It is a thin plate, larger than a crown piece, representing King James on his throne. It is of very neat workmanship. It is thought that the same person made the medal in 1604 on the peace with Spain, and that he continued in office till 1620. There was a warrant to a brother called Thomas Antony, "curatori monetæ et sigillorum regis ad cudendum magnum sigillurn pro episcopatu et

comitatu palatino Dunedin 1617." Thomas Bushell was probably a medallist of the same age. It is mentioned on the minutes of the Antiquarian Society, 1737, that Mr. Compton produced a gold medal larger than a crown piece; on one side Lord Chancellor Bacon, in his hat and robes, with this legend—Bacon Vicecs. Sct. Alb. Angliæ Cancell. On the reverse—Thomas Bushell. Nicholas Briot was a native of Lorraine, and graver of the mint to the King of France, in which kingdom he was the inventor, or, at least, one of the first proposers of coining money by a press, instead of the former manner of hammering. We transcribe the titles of some memorials against this novel invention, from whence, we may conclude, a literary controversy was carried on in France, to which, according to custom, the innovation was objected to, as probably interfering with the abuses of which they were in prescriptive possession.

"Raisons de Nicolas Briot, tailleur et graveur des monoyes de France, pour rendre et faire toutes les monoyes du royaume, à l'advenir uniformes et semblables, &c."

"Les remonstrances faites par la cour des monoyes, contre la nouvelle invention d'une presse, ou machine pour fabriquer les monoyes, proposée par Nicolas Briot 1618."

"Examen d'un avis présenté au conseil de sa majesté 1621, pour la reformation des monoyes par Nicolas Briot, compose par Nicolas Coquerel."

This Coquerel was *generalis monetarius*, or pope of the mint, into which the reformation was to be introduced. The Luther, Briot, we may suppose, miscarried, as we soon afterwards find him in the service of the Crown of England, where projectors were more favourably received. From these circumstances we may conclude he arrived in the reign of King James, though he did not make his way to Court before the accession of King Charles, the patron of genius. Briot's first public work was a medal of that Prince, exhibited with artist's name and the date 1628.

THE THAMES A SALMON RIVER.

Less than a century ago the salmon, king of fishes, was found in the river Thames. There is evidence to show that in earlier times it was common in that stream. Since then Father Thames has been badly treated; about 30 years back the water became so charged with sewage and the refuse of factories, that it was poisonous not only to fish but to the dwellers on its banks. The upper Thames remained clean, it is true; but this was of no moment to the salmon, whose instincts make them visit the sea at stated times. So the fish ceased to appear in the metropolitan river. With improved methods of dealing with the sewage, and by the aid of stringent laws against other sources of pollution, the Thames is comparatively clean; and it is believed that the salmon could now live in its waters.

THE AVENUE THEATRE.

We have much pleasure in offering our congratulations to Mr. Weedon Grossmith on the continued success of "The Night of the Party," which has now exceeded its 100th performance. The talented artist is the author of the comedy in which he takes the leading part. He has achieved the success which attends those who have the courage to wait for it. He is better remembered for his appearances in "A Pantomime Rehearsal" and "The New Boy." The last brought him into prominent notice. For lack of dramatic material, without which no actor can succeed, it occurred to him to provide himself with a play and a part. Hence the "Night of the Party," which has deservedly found favour with the general public.

GENERAL NOTES.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell will re-open the Royalty Theatre on Saturday, the 7th prox., with the revival of "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray."

Mr. Seymour Hicks will be seen in a Christmas piece at the Vaudeville, and later, in 1902, he will appear there with Miss Ellaline Terriss in an American farce, entitled, "On the Quiet."

Mr. Tree re-opens Her Majesty's on the 22nd October with Mr. Clyde Fitch's modern comedy of Manners, "The Last of the Dandies," the cast of which will include, with himself, Mrs. Tree and Miss Lily Hanbury.

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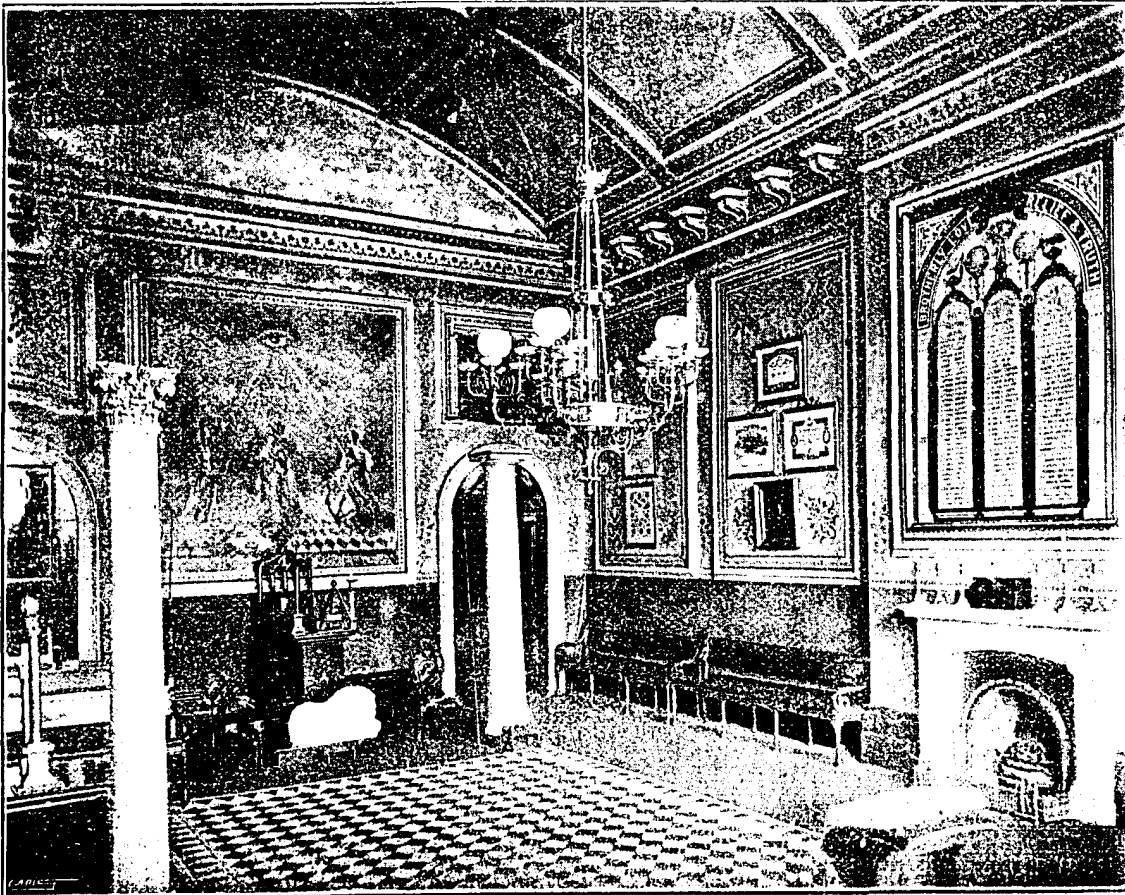
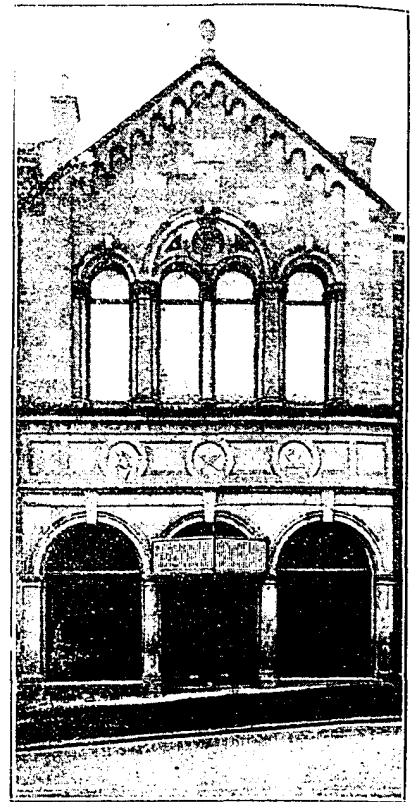


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INTERIOR OF THE MEETING PLACE OF THE LION LODGE, NO. 312, WHITBY.



EXTERIOR.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NORTH AND EAST YORKSHIRE.

A Provincial Grand Lodge was holden in the Grand Hall, The Spa, Scarborough, on the invitation of the Old Globe Lodge, 200; Denison Lodge, 1248; Leopold Lodge, 1760; and St. Nicholas Lodge, 2586, on Friday, the 26th ult., when there were present:

Bros. the Most Hon. the Marquess of Zetland, K.T., Prov. G.M.; Lord Bolton, P.G.W. Eng., Dep. Prov. G.M.; W. H. Rose, P.P.G.W., as Prov. S.G.W.; J. Wm. Tindell, Prov. J.G.W.; M. C. Peck, P.M. 2494, P.G. Std. Br. Eng., P.G. Sec., John Stevenson, P.M. 312, Capt. H. Darley (Mayor of Scarborough), P.M. 200, H. Onslow Piercy, P.M. 1040, Wm. Ascough, P.M. 1248, Mark Scott, P.M. 566, J. S. Moss, P.M. 312, C. M. Forbes, P.M. 236, Wm. Richardson, P.M. 561, and T. B. Redfearn, P.M. 2134, P.A.G. Sec., P.P.G. Wardens; Rev. F. Grant James, M.A., 1618, and Rev. C. H. Steel, M.A., 1848, Prov. G. Chaplains; Rev. W. G. Chilman, P.M. 660, Rev. E. A. B. Pitman, M.A., P.M. 660, E. Fox-Thomas, P.M. 312, and W. T. Robson, M.A., P.M. 543, P.P.G. Chaplains; J. York Torr, P.M. 250, Prov. G. Treas.; A. Jones, P.M. 236, and T. Scott, P.M. 561, P.P.G. Treasurers; J. H. Harrowing, P.M. 312, Prov. G. Reg.; G. Bohn, C.E., P.M. 1010, C. Waistell, P.M. 1337, W. J. Watson, P.M. 602, E. Corris, P.M. 57, Robert W. White, P.M. 312, and Thos. Morrill, P.M. 57, Past Prov. Grand Registrars; Robert Cuff, M.D., P.M. 200, Prov. S.G.D.; Staveley Wallgate, P.M. 660, Prov. J.G.D.; Col. H. F. Pudsey, P.M. 1010, W. C. Whiteside, P.M. 250, G. Lamb, P.M. 1611, J. Edgar, P.M. 294, J. Winterschladen, P.M. 1848, Chas. Gray, P.M. 734; F. W. Wardill, P.M. 734, M. J. Martensen, P.M. 57, and J. H. Shouksmith, P.M. 1611, P.P.G.Ds.; John Thomas, P.M. 602, Prov. G. Supt. of Works; Thomson Foley, P.M. 294, C. E. Bradley, P.M. 1760, Walker Sead, P.M. 1337, and C. H. Fletcher, P.M. 1248, P.P.G. Supts. of Works; John George Wallis, P.M. 1511, Prov. G.D.C.; G. H. Walshaw, P.M. 200, G. Potter-Kirby, P.M. 236, Wm. S. Robson, P.M. 200, A. J. Taylor, P.M. 660, and G. E. Martin, P.M. 1248, P.P.G. Dirs. of Cers.; William Wilkinson, P.M. 566, Prov. Dep. G.D. of C.; W. N. Cheesman, P.M. 566, and Wm. S. Meek, P.M. 2586, P.P.D.G.D. of Cs.; Robert McBean, P.M. 643, and G. W. Tindall, P.M. 2586, P.P. Asst. G.D. of Cs.; Geo. Leigh, P.M. 2134, P.P.G. Std. Br., acting Prov. G.S.B.; Thos. M. Goldie, P.M. 660; W. Storey, P.M. 1611; Jas. C. Heselton, P.M. 294; and Robert Murray, P.M. 123, P.P.G.S.Bs.; E. l'Anson, P.M. 1618, and F. W. Booty, P.M. 1248, P.P.G. Std. Br., Prov. G. Std. Brs.; John E. Lupton, P.M. 1760; Jas. Buckle, P.M. 660; John Rennard, P.M. 734; Robert Forster, P.M. 2586; and George Petch, P.M. 1605, P.P.G. Std. Brs.; B. Kilvington, W.M. 1611, Prov. G. Org.; W. H. Attlay, P.M. 312; F. Wilson, M.D., 250; J. Carlill Savill, 1010; and J. F. Stewart, 602, P.P.G. Orgs.; John M. White, P.M. 1040, Prov. G. Purst.; Geo. Chambers, P.M. 1760, Thos. Dickinson, P.M. 1618, Richard Hamper, P.M. 1760, and Walter Highmoor, P.M. 1040, P.P.G. Pursts.; John McFaden, P.M. 643, Henry Watson, P.M. 2586, Thos. Fidler, P.M. 543, Wm. Bungay, P.M. 561, F. G. Pexton, P.M. 1760, and Burton Newbald, 312, P.P. Asst. G. Pursts.; R. Hodgson, 566, T. W. Sidgwick, 602, G. G. Everingham, P.M. 630, Chas. T. Lang, 643, Wm. Copley, 660, and Geo. Rennard, P.M. 734, Prov. G. Std. Br. and Chas. Travess, P.M. 1428, Prov. G. Tyler. Visitors: Bros. Robt. Hudson, P.G.S.B. Eng., P.G. Sec. Durham; the Rev. H. R. Harrison, 910, P.P.G. Chap. West Yorks; E. W. Ingram, W.M. 837; John Robinson, P.M. 111, P.P.G.W. Durham; Wm. Gilling, P.M. 809, P.P.G.D. Cambridge; and A. Gourley, W.M. 2557. Also the W. Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and many brethren of the various lodges in the province.

The Prov. G. Lodge having been opened in due form, the Prov. Grand Director of Ceremonies called upon the brethren to salute the Prov. G. Master and the Dep. Prov. G. Master with Grand honours. The Past G. Officers of England were also saluted.

The minutes of the last Prov. G. Lodge held at Hull on 5th July, 1900, and the Special Prov. G. Lodge held at York, on 8th March, 1901, were taken as read and confirmed.

Letters of apology for absence were received from Bros. the Dean of York, P.G. Chap. Eng.; J. W. Woodall, P.G. Treas. Eng.; J. H. Handyside, P.G.D. Eng.; T. B. Whytehead, P.G.S.B. Eng.; Major

Herbert Green, P.G.S.B. Eng., P.G. Sec. West Yorks; Sir Chas. Legard, Bart.; Sir J. Sykes-Rymer, Gilbert Wilkinson, Wm. Watson, P.P.G.W. West Yorks; the Rev. J. E. Torbett, the Rev. C. E. L. Wright, the Rev. E. W. Drage, the Rev. J. W. Dales, and many others.

The annual balance-sheet having been audited and found correct, was unanimously adopted.

The PROV. G. SECRETARY read the annual report of the Board of Benevolence, which was unanimously confirmed.

Bro. G. H. WALSHAW, P.P.G.D.C., proposed the election of Bro. John Clare, P.M. 200, as Prov. Grand Treasurer, which was seconded by Bro. W. S. ROBSON, P.P.G.D.C., and carried unanimously.

The PROV. G. MASTER said that in consequence of the lamented death of Bro. Cowper, his office has to be filled by a brother who possesses the qualifications of great Masonic zeal and industry, leisure, and ability to undertake the responsibilities of this important trust. I believe all these qualifications will be found in our esteemed Bro. Egbert Fox-Thomas, P.M. 312, P.P.G.C., and I therefore have great pleasure in proposing him to be our Prov. Charity Representative, and I have reason to believe that he would undertake the work if elected.

The resolution was seconded by the DEP. PROV. G. MASTER, and carried unanimously.

Bro. E. FOX-THOMAS gracefully acknowledged the honour conferred upon him, and promised his utmost endeavours to further the objects of the office to which he had been elected.

Three representatives of Prov. Grand Lodge on the Charities' Association, Bros. W. J. Watson, P.P.G. Reg.; Geo. Potter-Kirby, P.P.G.D.C.; and E. Corris, P.P.G. Reg.; were unanimously elected.

Bro. T. MORRILL, P.P.G. Reg., proposed the re-election of Bros. E. Corris, P.P.G. Reg., and J. E. Walker, P.M. 250, as Auditors, which was seconded by Bro. W. C. Whiteside, P.P.G.D., and carried.

Under Bye-law 21, the following five members of Provincial Grand Lodge were re-elected to serve on the Provincial Board of General Purposes, viz.: Bros. T. B. Whytehead, P.G.S.B. Eng., P.P.G.W.; Sir J. Sykes-Rymer, P.P.G. Reg.; W. H. Rose, P.P.G.W.; W. J. Watson, P.P.G. Reg.; and H. Toozes, P.P.G.D.

The Prov. Grand Master then presented the Grand Lodge Charity Jewel to the Prov. Grand Director of Ceremonies and to Bro. Col. H. F. Pudsey, P.P.G.D., who had qualified for that distinction by their liberal contributions to the Charities of the Order.

The various lodges in the province, all of which were represented, with the exception of the Albert Victor Lodge, No. 2328, then communicated. The returns showed a total of 2418 subscribing members, taking Lodge No. 2328 as last year.

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

Bro. the Hon. W. G. A. Orde-Powlett ...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" Ernest F. Taylor ...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" the Rev. S. M. Thompson, M.A. ...	...	Prov. G. Chaps.
" the Rev. L. S. Robinson, M.A. ...	...
" John Clare (elected) ...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" Charles E. Brittain ...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" M. C. Peck, P.G. Std. Br. Eng., P.P.G.W. ...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" James Milestone ...	...	Prov. S.G.Ds.
" J. T. Hansell ...	...
" T. H. Dunn ...	...	Prov. J.G.Ds.
" W. H. Robinson ...	...
" George Eckles ...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" John Geo. Wallis ...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" James Hornby ...	...	Prov. D.G.D.C.
" William Hodgson ...	...	Prov. A.G.D.C.
" Charles H. Dodsworth ...	...	Prov. G.S.B.

Bro. F. Gilling ...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" H. Taylor ...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" Richard J. Pitcher, Mus. Bac. ...	...	...	...	Prov. A.G. Sec.
" Thos. B. Redfearn, P.P.G.W. ...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" John H. Hill ...	...	...	...	Prov. A.G. Purst.
" John Garbutt ...	...	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler.
" Chas. Travess ...	...	...	...

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

Six Prov. Grand Stewards to be nominated by the Kingston, Sykes, Marwood, Denison, Anchor, and Falcon Lodges.

The DEP. PROV. G. MASTER said that as this was the first occasion of his meeting the members of Provincial Grand Lodge since his daughter's (Lady Exeter's) marriage, he desired to thank the brethren, on her ladyship's behalf, for the handsome sum so kindly presented as a wedding gift. Lady Exeter had purchased jewellery which would be highly valued as an evidence of the good feeling towards her father which exists in the province.

The PROV. G. MASTER delivered the following address: Worshipful brethren,—Since our last annual meeting the chief event of the year has been the accession of our M.W. Grand Master to the Throne of this vast Empire, and the installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught as his Majesty's illustrious successor. This grand ceremonial took place in the Royal Albert Hall on the 17th inst., and was attended by above 9000 brethren. I regret to observe that during the year we have lost several most valuable members of our province. Our late Prov. Charity Representative, W. Bro. W. H. Cowper, P.G. Std. Br. England, was taken away in the midst of his work, only three days before he would have attended an election in London on our behalf. Bro. Cowper was a thorough and genuine Freemason, and the following extract from his will, which has been sent to me by his executors, will be read with touching interest: "To my Brother Freemasons I leave my best wishes and earnest desire that the high principles of the Craft will ever be upheld." W. Bro. Andrew Farmer, P.P.G.W., one of our worthiest brethren, quickly followed Bro. Cowper to the tomb, and W. Bro. Col. R. G. Smith, P.P.G.W., who was our Charity Representative for five years (1885-90), W. Bro. John Blenkin, P.P.G.D., W. Bro. J. T. Seller, P.P.G.D., and W. Bro. E. Cooper, a respected member of Lodge 200, have been called away to the Grand Lodge above. May these worthy brethren find successors able and willing to emulate their good example, and carry on the work of the Craft with equal zeal and fidelity. The R.W. Prov. Grand Master of our neighbouring Province of Durham (Lord Barnard) was installed on the 26th June by the M.W. Pro Grand Master (Earl Amherst), and the ceremony was a brilliant success. Lord Barnard is represented here to-day by W. Bro. Hudson, P.G.S.B. Eng., Prov. Grand Secretary of Durham, whom we are always pleased to see. The affairs of our province, I am thankful to say, are in a satisfactory condition, as will be seen by an inspection of the printed accounts. The interests and subscriptions to our Educational Fund have enabled us to distribute during the year £365 amongst the 29 children now upon our books. In consequence of the lamented deaths I have referred to, the province has lost a considerable number of votes for the London Charities. I would, therefore, fraternally urge the representatives of the various lodges to induce their brethren to support these Institutions by contributions or undertaking Stewardships, so that our newly-elected Prov. Charity Representative may be able to go to London with confidence and success. I have received an invitation for holding our meeting next year from the North York Lodge, No. 602, at Middlesbrough, and have great pleasure in accepting the same. The meeting will be unusually interesting, as the jubilee of the North York Lodge will be celebrated on that occasion, so that we may hope for a very enjoyable assembly. I must now express my best thanks and those of Prov. G. Lodge to the W. Masters and brethren of the four Scarborough lodges who have so kindly and hospitably entertained us on this and many previous occasions. We always come to this beautiful place with pleasure, and leave it with regret, whilst the good and fraternal feeling which exists amongst the resident brethren enhances the satisfaction of the visitor.

The Masonic anthem, "Hail Masonry," was then sung, the solo by Bro. G. J. Gowthorpe, 2586, and the chorus by the brethren, accompanied on the organ by the Prov. G. Organist.

The Prov. G. Lodge was then closed.

A banquet, at which the Prov. G. Master presided, was subsequently held at the Grand Hotel, and was numerously attended. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, and a most agreeable evening spent.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER.

In consequence of the much lamented death of the Right Hon. William Wither Bramston Beach, M.E. Third Grand Principal, an event which has occasioned deep sorrow to every Member of the Order, by whom he was greatly respected and beloved, it is Ordered that the Supreme Grand Chapter, Provincial Grand Chapters, and all Subordinate Royal Arch Chapters, be placed in Masonic Mourning for the space of three months from this date.

The Mourning to be worn by Companions individually to be as follows:

Grand and Provincial Grand Officers, Present and Past, and Principals, Past Principals, and Officers of Private Chapters—

Three Rosettes of Black Crape on the Apron and one at the point of the Chain or Collar, just above the jewel.

Other Companions—Three Black Crape Rosettes on Apron.

By Command,

E. LETCHWORTH,
G.S.E.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.,
9th August, 1901.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF HAMPSHIRE AND THE ISLE OF WIGHT.

The annual meeting of the above Provincial Grand Lodge was held on the 6th inst., at Aldershot, and was presided over by the Deputy Prov. G. Master, Bro. Edgar Goble, P.G.S.B. Eng. A gloom was thrown over the proceedings by the knowledge that the highly esteemed Prov. G.M., Bro. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., had succumbed to the injuries sustained by being thrown out of a hansom cab in Parliament-street, London, on the Friday previous, but the business necessities of the Craft would not permit of a postponement of the Prov. G. Lodge at short notice.

The following were appointed as the Prov. G. Officers for the ensuing 12 months:

Bro. Col. Le Roy Lewis, 928 ...	...	...	Prov. S.G.W.
" H. G. Marshallsey, 725 ...	...	...	Prov. J.G.W.
" Rev. F. M. Middleton, 2475 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Chaps.
" Rev. S. S. Still, 1971 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Treas.
" J. W. Gieve, 1069 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Reg.
" J. C. Wheeler, 257 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Sec.
" H. G. Giles, 257 ...	...	...	Prov. S.G.Ds.
" E. A. Edwards, 1990 ...	...	...	Prov. J.G.Ds.
" G. A. Brannon, 151 ...	...	...	Prov. G.S. of W.
" J. W. Sandell, 2158 ...	...	...	Prov. G.D.C.
" James Maling, 903 ...	...	...	Prov. Dep. G.D.C.
" W. H. Brading, 2169 ...	...	...	Prov. A.G.D.Cs.
" E. J. T. Webb, 342 ...	...	...	Prov. G.S.B.
" E. G. Stroud, 175 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Std. Brs.
" W. Bates, 394 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Org.
" P. Dicks, 1883 ...	...	...	Prov. Asst. G. Sec.
" C. T. Penny, 130 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Purst.
" J. J. Carnon, 1776 ...	...	...	Prov. Asst. G. Purst.
" C. Wilkes, 132 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Stewards.
" G. Greenslade, 1112 ...	...	...	Prov. G. Tyler.
" W. H. Vye, 195 ...	...	...
" Norman Clinton, 723 ...	...	...
" G. F. Lancaster, 903 ...	...	...
" J. B. Jaye, 723 ...	...	...
" G. Luxton, 2074 ...	...	...
" F. W. Chaine, 2838 ...	...	...
" R. Clover, 309 ...	...	...
" G. Turvill, 2016 ...	...	...
" A. E. Sayer, 2203 ...	...	...
" G. H. Goodman, 1705 ...	...	...
" J. S. Hobbs, 1958 ...	...	...
" J. Exell, 1835 ...	...	...

New Books.

Mr. George Allen, of 156, Charing Cross-road, will publish shortly the opening volumes of a series of sound and wholesome books for boys on entirely fresh lines. The name of the new series will be "The Young England Library." Mr. Allen has placed the library under the editorship of Mr. George A. B. Dewar, B.A. (Oxon). Among those who have expressed their sympathy with the objects of the library are Dr. Warre, Head Master of Eton, the Bishops of Ripon and St. Asaph, Dean Hole, of Rochester, and other eminent ecclesiastics and educationalists.

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In a general preface the editor explains the programme and purpose of "The Young England Library." It is to be primarily a library of relaxation, but the many opportunities which occur in pastime books of directing boys' thoughts and their ambitions into the right channels will not be neglected. In the books on games, stress will be laid on the rightness of playing in an unselfish spirit, of striving for one's own side and the honour of one's own school rather than for oneself and one's personal prowess. In the pursuit of Natural History, boys will be urged to attach more importance to the observation of wild life than to the mere collection of species and varieties. The books on naval and military achievement will deal with facts only. Sensational and wildly improbable fiction will have no place in this series, the volumes of which will be specially suitable as gift books.

The opening volumes will be "The Open-Air Boy," by Rev. G. M. A. Hewett, M.A., of Winchester College, with about 30 illustrations by Messrs. Williams, and "Sea Fights and Adventures," by J. Knox Laughton, M.A., with 32 full-page illustrations. Both books will be ready in October. The series will be issued in crown 8vo form at 6s. per volume, with specially designed cover.

The same firm are issuing a new work, in 12 monthly parts, price 7d. each part, entitled "The Living Rulers of Mankind," by the Rev. H. N. Hutchinson, B.A., F.G.S., F.R.G.S., which will be a popular biographical account of all the living emperors, kings, and queens of the world and their families, together with all the reigning princes, presidents of Republics, the principal sultans, amirs, beys and ruling rajahs of all countries, with 400 illustrations, including portraits, palaces, castles, royal gardens, &c. The text will contain a complete biographical account of each ruler, making the book a most useful work of reference for all business men, editors, authors, and schoolmasters. The biographies will nevertheless form light and attractive reading, suitable alike for young and old. The parts will be printed in the most artistic style, on the finest art paper specially manufactured for the work. Part I., with 44 separate illustrations on art paper, will be ready on September 24th. A beautiful coloured plate will be given away with this number, which should be ordered immediately.

QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL.—Hong Kong, Wednesday.—A meeting was held to-day in the council chamber, under the presidency of the Governor, to discuss the question of Hong Kong's contribution to the Queen Victoria Memorial Fund. The community was fully represented, a large number of Chinese being also present. It was resolved that Hong Kong should subscribe towards the memorial, and the Chinese expressed a desire to join in order to show their respect for the late Queen. —*Reuter.*

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EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT.—To Monmouth, Newport, CARDIFF, Swansea, Llanelly, Llandovery, Carmarthen, Newcastle, Emlyn, TENBY, Cardigan, Goodwick, MILFORD, &c.

EVERY THURSDAY.—To LYNTON and LYNMOUTH.

EVERY THURSDAY MORNING, THURSDAY NIGHT, & FRIDAY NIGHT.—To Barnstaple, ILFRACOMBE, EXETER, Dawlish, Teignmouth, TORQUAY, Dartmouth, Kingsbridge, Tavistock, Launceston, PLYMOUTH, &c.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1901.

Masonic Notes.

It will have been seen from the report last week of the recent Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland that Grand Committee reported receipt of a representation of the Grand Lodge of Denmark, in which the latter protested against the action of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg in creating a daughter lodge at Copenhagen, that is to say, in the jurisdiction of the Danish Grand Lodge, and invited the good offices of the Grand Lodge of Scotland in bringing the remonstrance of Denmark to the notice of the foreign Grand Lodges with which it is on terms of amity. Without going fully into the circumstances, our knowledge of which has only been obtained at second hand, it appears to us that the facts as set forth in the Danish remonstrance establish a clear case of invasion, and, we fear we must add, of wanton invasion, of Masonically occupied territory by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg.

It is difficult to understand what advantage the Hamburg authorities can hope to reap from invading the territory of a sister Grand Lodge and wounding its *amour propre*. There are certain well-understood laws and customs which govern the relation to one another of the different sovereign and independent Masonic Grand Lodges, and among those none is more clearly defined than the law which forbids one of these bodies from setting up a daughter lodge within the known territory of another lodge. We presume the Grand Lodge of Hamburg is not so ignorant of the state of Masonry outside its own jurisdiction as to be unaware of the existence of the Grand Lodge of Denmark. Both those Grand Lodges are on terms of amity with the Grand Lodges of the United Kingdom, and exchange representatives with them, and if from no other source than our Grand Lodge Calendar the Grand Lodge of Hamburg must know that the Crown Prince of Denmark, as Grand Master of the Order in that kingdom, is a Past Grand Master of England, and Prince John of Glucksburg, G. Master of the Grand Lodge, is, and has been since 1880, a Past G. Warden of England.

There is here no question of concurrent jurisdiction such as the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland exercise over the brethren of their respective Constitutions in those British Colonies and Dependencies in which no local supreme Masonic authority exists. But even these do not carry their ideas of concurrence so far as to set up English, Irish, and Scottish lodges in the very centre of the territory of a foreign Grand Lodge. We respect the supremacy of other Grand Lodges just in the same way and for the same reason that we expect the latter will respect ours. But this establishment of a Hamburg daughter lodge at the very seat of Masonic Government in Denmark strikes us as being in the nature of an outrage upon the Sovereign independence of the latter such as all that are interested in the maintenance of international respect and decorum will hope to see atoned for.

When some few years since the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, which, be it remarked, is a British Colonial

and not a foreign, Grand Lodge, granted a warrant, for the formation of a daughter lodge at Gibraltar, our authorities courteously pointed out to those of Manitoba that the Grand Lodge of England had daughter lodges under a District Grand Lodge already established there and the Manitoban warrant was at once withdrawn. This is what we hope the Grand Lodge of Hamburg will lose no time in doing.

Our Leeds brethren are to be congratulated on the success of the important function which took place in their midst rather more than a fortnight since, when Bro. the Right Hon. W. L. Jackson, M.P., Prov. G. Master of West Yorkshire, dedicated the Masonic Hall which has been in course of erection for more than a year. In the summer of last year, the Earl of Warwick in his capacity of Deputy Grand Master of England, visited the City and laid the foundation stone of the new building. A considerable sum of money has been expended upon it, but the whole of the capital of £10,000 required for the purpose had not been raised when on the 29th ult. the Prov. Grand Master attended and performed the ceremony of dedication in the presence of a very numerous gathering of the brethren not only of the six Leeds lodges more especially interested, but also of the members of the other lodges in Leeds and elsewhere throughout the Province. However, there was such an amount of enthusiasm displayed on the occasion that before the proceedings came to an end, the Dep. Prov. Grand Master—Bro. Richard Wilson, P.G.D.—who in his speech at the banquet which was held afterwards in the Town Hall, had the satisfaction of finding himself in a position to announce that the whole of the capital had been subscribed. This, too, is a matter for congratulation, and we trust that as years roll on, Leeds, and indeed, the whole of the Province of West Yorkshire will be found to have reaped the advantage of having a building intended principally, if not entirely for the use of the Craft.

Nor though the proceedings were on a less extended scale must we withhold our congratulations from the Master, officers, and members of the Lodge of Concord, No. 1135, Ilfracombe, on also being in possession of a Hall of their own, which has been erected at their own cost, and which, from the description that was contained in our report of last week, appears to be in every way suitable to the requirements of the lodge, and admirably adapted to afford them all the comfort and convenience they can possibly desire. The foundation-stone of the Hall was laid by Bro. G. C. Davie, P.G.D. Eng., Dep. Prov. G. Master of Devonshire, on the 10th May, 1899, and the ceremony of dedicating it was performed some time since by the same brother, assisted by Bros. F. B. Westlake, P.D.G.D.C., Prov. S.G. Warden; John Stocker, Asst. G.D.C., Prov. G. Secretary; and others. For some time past the brethren in Devonshire and other Provinces have exhibited a great desire to have halls of their own, and where the lodges are strong enough in membership, or where two or three or even more meet in the same locality, we strongly advise them to adopt this course. In London the cost of erecting such buildings would possibly be far too great for a lodge, or even two or more lodges, to entertain the idea. Moreover, the principal hotels and restaurants have suites of rooms which are specially set apart for the use of lodges, chapters, and other bodies; and, moreover, are elegantly furnished, with all the necessary fittings, &c., and so arranged as to ensure to those who use them the utmost possible privacy. In the country, however, it seems to us that Masonic Halls should be the order of the day, wherever it is practicable to erect them.

It is not many months since that Comp. the Rev. Canon Tristram, D.D., was installed in office as Grand Superintendent of Durham—but for a severe bronchial attack which prevented his attendance his installation would have taken place at the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter on the 1st December last—and already we have the pleasure of congratulating him on the consecration of a new chapter—the Babington Boulton, No. 1121, Bishop Auckland, so named after the companion of that name, who is Past Grand Second Principal H. of the Provincial Grand Chapter, and was installed as the first M.E.Z. As ill luck would have it, our rev. companion was unable to be present at the interesting ceremony, but the proceedings were impressively carried out under the guidance of Comp. John Holt, Prov. G.H., who acted as Grand Superintendent, while Comp. Boulton was installed in the chair of First Principal by Comp. R.

Hudson, Past G. Std. Br., the Grand Scribe E. of the Province. We wish the new chapter, which will offer the necessary facilities hitherto unpossessed by our Bishop Auckland brethren for cultivating the Royal Arch, all possible success, and trust it may have before it a long and useful career. The Wear Valley Lodge, No. 1121, to which the new chapter is attached, had a membership at the last return of 73, so that there is plenty of Craft material available to place the new chapter on a firm foundation.

By the consecration of this chapter, the number on the roll of Prov. G. Chapter of Durham is increased to 14, and to this extent the disproportion between the lodges, of which there are 38, and the chapters is reduced. But it appears to us that there is still room for improvement. There are now four chapters in Sunderland, one in Durham, and one at each of the nine following towns, namely: Gateshead, Darlington, South Shields, Stockton, Hartlepool, West Hartlepool, Jarrow, Barnard Castle, and Bishop Auckland. But Stockton has four lodges, Durham, Gateshead, West Hartlepool, and S. Shields, each three lodges, and Chester-le-Street and Darlington two each. Craft Masonry, by the latest lodge Returns—for the year to the 31st December, 1899—shows a total subscribing membership of 3350, but the total of the 13 chapters already in existence is only 554. The average membership per lodge is very high, viz., 88, and that of the chapters is also high—namely, 43 per chapter, yet the proportion of Royal Arch to Craft Masons is only one to six.

Of course, there may be local circumstances with which we are unacquainted, which may go some way towards accounting for this very striking disproportion between the two branches of constitutional Masonry, but if we remember rightly, the late Sir Hedworth Williamson more than once called attention to it and urged upon the companions to exert themselves to redress it. The same advice has been given elsewhere in the North of England, so we think, the Royal Arch in Durham might also with great advantage be strengthened.

The July number of the *Toronto Freemason* contains a very full account of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (Province of Ontario) at its 46th annual communication, which was held in the city of Hamilton on the 17th and 18th July, under the presidency of Bro. R. B. Hungerford, M.W.G.M. In the course of the meeting Bros. Hungerford and John E. Harding, K.C., were re-elected Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master respectively, and Bros. Hugh Murray and J. J. Mason Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, the other Grand Officers being either elected by G. Lodge or appointed by the Grand Master. There was a full attendance, and as the first day of the meeting coincided with the day appointed for the installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G. as M.W.G. Master of our United Grand Lodge, Grand Master Hungerford took the opportunity of cabling on behalf of his Grand Lodge a message of congratulation on his Royal Highness's installation, and received a reply the following day.

The message and reply were as follows: "The Grand Lodge of Canada, on behalf of thirty thousand Freemasons and British subjects, congratulates the Mother Grand Lodge of the World on the installation of a worthy successor to the great Craft ruler who has passed from your Grand East to the throne of a united empire.—Richard B. Hungerford, Grand Master." To this the reply from V.W. E. Letchworth, Grand Secretary, was sent and read in open Grand Lodge: "His Royal Highness and the Grand Lodge received congratulations of Grand Lodge of Canada with greatest satisfaction. Most heartily reciprocate good wishes."

In the course of the first day's proceedings, Grand Master Hungerford, in a long and eloquent address, reviewed the chief events of the year, about the most important of his announcements having reference to the likelihood of the affiliation in the near future of the English lodges in Montreal, which from 1855, when the Grand Lodge of Canada was formed, have steadfastly declined to unite their fortunes with those of, firstly, the aforesaid Grand Lodge of Canada, and since 1869 with those of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, to which, it is hoped and believed, they will soon join themselves. We shall refer to this subject again at an early date.

Correspondence.

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

A QUERY.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

If a Treasurer of a lodge, who banks the funds of the lodge in his own private account, should turn bankrupt, can the money be recoverable, or would the Trustees have to make it good?—Yours fraternally,

TREASURER.

Reviews.

The Evolution of the English Bible, by H. W. Hoare, late of Balliol College, Oxford. (London: John Murray, Albermarle-street). Price, 10s. 6d. net, of all booksellers. This is a remarkable book, as it so completely fills the niche intended for it, and is beyond question, one of the most useful, interesting and reliable works ever published on the subject. All that the author promises in his "Introductory" is more than fulfilled in the subsequent chapters, the result being a volume entirely different from all others in its special aims and realisations; the treatment of the subject being happily satisfactory as well as original, and the numerous details are successfully dealt with in their historical settings, so that the "Evolution of the National Bible" is clearly illustrated and described in this handsomely got up book, in a most attractive and most scholarly manner. There are eight chapters beside the one mentioned, devoted to (2) Medieval England and the Bible, (3) The Bible and Scholasticism, (4) Wycliffe and the Bibles of the fourteenth century, (5) William Tyndale and his Work, (6) The Coverdale, Matthew and Great Bibles, (7) The Geneva, Bishops' and Douai Bibles, (8) The Authorised Version, (9) The Work of Revision. In illustration of these there are portraits and facsimiles, and the printer helps the reader, not only with exceptionally clear type, but on the left sides occur the titles, as required, of the chapters, and on the right are head lines descriptive of the text found in the two pages, these being changed accordingly on every other page. This is the first handbook published combining within reasonable limits (300 pages octavo) a general account of the successive versions, from Wycliffe to the Revised, of our National Bible, with their historical setting. It is this latter feature that adds so much to the value of the work, for Mr. Hoare has succeeded in bringing "the history of the versions into relation with the main current of events as to associate the story of the national Bible with the story of the national life." A Chronological Table for the period between the sixth and seventeenth centuries, extending to eight pages, is a positive boon for earnest and thoughtful readers of the volume, and the tabular view of the evolution of the English Bible is equally welcome and useful. Mr. Hoare is to be congratulated on having produced such a readable, instructive, and accurate work on the various Versions and Translations of the Bible, and, as our warm approval of his labours is based on an intimate acquaintance with its pages, it may be taken for granted that such praise is well deserved.

CLONFERT CATHEDRAL.

A recent discovery in the course of the restoration of Clonfert Cathedral has brought to light a curious historical incident the bearing of which was not before known. King Charles, the Second, said to Bishop Burnet, the author of the Exposition of the Thirty-Nine Articles, that, although Wolley was a blockhead, he had appointed him Bishop of Clonfert because he had worked so successfully as a Parish Clergyman in Suffolk in getting the Nonconformists to come to church. Bishop Wolley proved himself to be no blockhead. Shortly after his appointment to the Bishopric of Clonfert he set about the restoration of the Cathedral. He held the Bishopric for 27 years, from 1664 to 1691. Amongst other works, he had the Cathedral bell recast, and had the following inscription engraved upon it:

"Fracta diu silui, resono campana refusa Muta prius, didici jam resonando loqui. Ope et opere Eduardi Wolley, D.D., Episcopo Clonfertis et Duacy, Anno Domini 1678 Probati me."

Which has been thus humorously translated:

"I Tom Bell while broken hung
Long without the use of tongue,
But have found my voice at last
By my learned lord recast,
And resound my former song
Ding, ding, ding, dong."

From the year 1664 to the present time very little work of repair was done to Clonfert Cathedral, until Brother Canon McLarny, the present Rector, took up the restoration some few years ago. He has accomplished a great work under the guidance of a competent architect. Everything has been done with the greatest reverence and care. A sum of £2000 is still required to complete the restoration of this historic and beautiful building.

CAPITULAR AND CRYPTIC MASONRY.

Capitular Masonry is a lesson of human life, with its ups and downs, its rough ways and smooth, its darkness and light, its mountains and vales. No man has ever yet trod a perfectly smooth way from the home of his captivity here to the city and temple of his God above. The rugged road and dilapidated bridges, the stony fords, the almost impassible rivers and inaccessible mountains which the children of Israel encountered on their journey from Babylon to Jerusalem are striking lessons of the innumerable obstacles with which we are confronted each day of our lives. Rejoicing, however, in the God of their deliberations, with their hearts fixed on the holy city, there was no barrier that could impede their progress.

Every obstacle was surmounted, and the destination of their hopes finally obtained. Companions, if our hearts are imbued with the faith which inspired the Israelitish hosts and our eyes are firmly fixed on the eternal goal, we will yet see the mountains of opposition dissolve at our approach, rivers recede at our appearing, rough ways made smooth for our feet, and darkness become as light before us. However dark and rough and

dreary and lonesome may appear the way below, we know that there is an eternal city on high, in which the Grand High Priest has preserved a home prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

Cryptic Masonry informs us that as the secret vault contained the Ark of the Covenant in which were deposited the testimonials of goodness and mercy, and which was to be kept in sanctum sanctorum of the Temple, so in every human heart there is an ark of divine mercy in which God has placed the most sacred treasures pertaining to human kind and which He has commanded to be sacredly guarded that they may be made meet for the sanctum sanctorum above. Companions, let us remember that the All-Seeing-Eye is upon us, that the trestle board of our lives is before Him as an open book; that the light from holy Shekinah will penetrate the most benighted soul, and that He who sitteth between the Cherubim will reward us accordingly to our zeal and fidelity. "I am that I am" is the password that shall remove walls of ignorance and superstition and gain us admission into the Grand Assembly where the Grand Council is perpetually enthroned.—William A. Davis in the Masonic Voice and Review.

JUDGE KRUM'S LINCOLN STORY.

Judge Chester H. Krum was talking about Lincoln, whom he greatly admired. He said:

"None of the yarns which picture him as swapping stories is true. Lincoln never engaged in what we call swapping stories. He never told a story except to illustrate some point. In 1889 I was in Washington, and met Postmaster-General Wanamaker. He said: 'I would like to hear a story about Lincoln that you are willing to swear is a true bill.' I told him this one:

"The prosecuting attorney of Lincoln's county was a red-headed individual, who was a comical cuss to look at. He was fidgety and nervous and tuttered, and everybody had fun with him. He had contrived to tear the seat of his trousers one day, and as he sat within the bar railing, intent upon the trial of some case in which Lincoln was interested, his leg was resting on a table, and the white skin was exposed to view. Somebody started a subscription paper with this heading: 'We hereby agree to subscribe the sum opposite our names for the purpose of buying the prosecuting attorney a new pair of trousers.' Some five or six lawyers had signed for a quarter each, and the paper was passed to Lincoln, who was engrossed with a cross-examination. He looked at the paper a moment, and then wrote: 'I can give nothing to the end in view.'—A. Lincoln."—*St. Louis Star*.

DEATH.

BEACH.—3rd instant, from an accident, the Right Hon. William Wither Bramston Beach, of Oakley Hall, M.P. for the Andover Division, Hampshire, Prov. Grand Master of Hampshire, aged 74.

The Craft Abroad.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA.

At 2 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, the 17th ult., the 46th annual Communication of the above Grand Lodge in the Province of Ontario was held in the Court House, Hamilton, Ontario. The Court-room is one of the largest and best proportioned in the Dominion, and is admirably adapted for the purpose. In none of the cities of the province are the Masonic lodge rooms sufficiently commodious to accommodate so large an assemblage as annually gathers to attend Grand Lodge.

Hamilton is a city of about 50,000 inhabitants, is prettily situated at the head of Lake Ontario, and is one of the oldest Masonic centres in the Dominion. Barton Lodge, No. 6—the senior lodge of the city—dates from 1796.

The proceedings were enlivened by a fraternal visit from the Grand Lodge of Michigan, with its G.M., M.W. Bro. Frank Gilbert, and a numerous delegation.

The Committee on Credentials reported 362 warranted lodges on the roll, 206 represented by their duly qualified officers, 78 represented by proxy, 18 not represented by proxy but by Past Masters present, 60 Past Masters present, and 60 unrepresented. There were present 843 delegates, who registered a total vote of 1,444.

On the dais were the Grand Officers and a large number of Past Grand Officers. M.W. Bro. Hungerford occupied the chair, with the Deputy G.M., R.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, on his right. There were present all the Past Grand Masters, viz., M.W. Bros. A. A. Stevenson, Hugh Murray, J. Ross Robertson, Hon. J. M. Gibson, Attorney-General of Ontario, W. R. White, R. T. Walkem, and Henry Robertson.

The GRAND MASTER read his annual address—a customary feature at the opening of every annual Communication of Grand Lodge. In comprehensive and explicit manner it dealt with all matters incidental to the Craft life of the jurisdiction during the past year, and received the close attention of all present.

The Grand Master commenced with a loving reference to the death of the late Queen, and closed the paragraph with the following message, which he had sent on Tuesday at midnight to the Grand Lodge of England, and which reached that body on Wednesday, at Albert Hall, during the ceremony: "The Grand Lodge of Canada, in session assembled, on behalf of 32,000 Freemasons and British subjects, congratulates the Mother Grand Lodge of the world on the installation of a worthy successor to the great Craft ruler who has passed from your Grand East to the Throne of a united Empire." He stated that he had deputed R.W. Bro. G. J. Bennett, of Toronto, a Past District Deputy Grand Master, to represent the Grand Lodge of Canada on that auspicious occasion. The Grand Master recorded his visits to different parts of the jurisdiction, and the fraternal welcome that had been extended to him by the Craft. He alluded to the Masonic situation in Quebec, and to the fact that one of the Montreal lodges, St. Lawrence, had passed a resolution favourable to union with the Grand Lodge of

that province, and expressed the hope that St. Paul's and St. George's Lodges, which were still on the English register, would soon decide to follow a similar course. In a paragraph devoted to the fraternal dead of this and other jurisdictions, the Grand Master referred, among others, to the passing away of R.W. Bro. W. R. Singleton, of the District of Columbia, and R.W. Bro. Theodore S. Parvin, of Iowa. He cited a number of rulings which he had given on different subjects in connection with Masonic jurisprudence. He made a pointed reference to the position of a lodge known as the Royal Solomon Mother Lodge at Jerusalem, Palestine, which is No. 293 on the Canadian Register. He said: I have declined to approve of certain bye-laws sent to me by this lodge, as I deemed it would be unwise to grant it privileges that would not be granted to any lodge in this jurisdiction. While on this subject, a short sketch of this lodge's history may not prove uninteresting. Twenty-eight years ago a few members of the Fraternity residing in Palestine thought it would be advisable to found a lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in the ancient City of Jerusalem, as it was supposed to be the cradle of Freemasonry, and that the workmen in the quarries of King Solomon's Temple were the actual predecessors of those who meet to-day in modern Masonic lodge rooms. The first thing to be done was to secure a charter. One from the Grand Lodge of England would have been preferred, but the promoters were told that such an application would be rejected. The Grand Lodges of Scotland and Ireland were also approached, but they, too, declined to entertain the proposal. None of these applications, I am assured, were put in writing, for the reason that official rejection from any of the Grand Lodges named would most likely prevent a successful effort elsewhere. Failing in Britain, attempts were made to secure a warrant in the United States, but absolute failure was the result. Even Kentucky, the home of M.W. Bro. Robert Morris who was a moving spirit in the efforts to secure a charter for a lodge at Jerusalem, declined. Bro. Morris had been a true friend of the original Grand Lodge of Canada and its M.W. Grand Master, William Mercer Wilson. It is surmised and believed that the Grand Master knew nothing of the fruitless efforts made in England, Scotland, and Ireland, as well as in the United States, to obtain a warrant, for on February 17th, 1873, a warrant was issued by the Grand Lodge of Canada, M.W. Bro. W. M. Wilson being Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Thomas White, D.G.M., and R.W. Bro. T. B. Harris, Grand Secretary. From that time to the present, beyond the fact that we have one of our chartered lodges in that far-distant country, we have known very little of its workings or methods of conducting the usual business of a lodge, and have had no practical supervision over its affairs; and it is not unreasonable to suppose, in view of this fact, that a careless, slipshod, and unconstitutional method of conducting everything in connection with the lodge has been the result. I have been placed in possession of facts, the most reliable, which convince me that only one course is advisable, as far as this Grand Lodge is concerned, and that is an immediate withdrawal of the charter. By my instructions, the Grand Secretary wrote the W.M. of the lodge, ordering him to forward at once the minute books. It was expected that these would be here before this, but so far the Grand Secretary has not received any reply to his letter. The Grand Master advised that the districts of the Grand Lodge be recast, and that some of the larger ones be sub-divided. He concluded by recommending the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Western Australia and Porto Rico, and the postponement of the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica until the receipt of further information.

At the close of his address the GRAND MASTER announced the receipt of the following cable from R.W. Bro. Edward Letchworth, the Grand Secretary of England: "His Royal Highness and Grand Lodge received congratulations of Grand Lodge of Canada with greatest satisfaction, and most heartily reciprocate good wishes."

The message was received with the utmost enthusiasm.

The reports of the Committees of the Board of General Purposes were received and read. The report on the condition of Masonry proved that the jurisdiction was prosperous. The report on Benevolence showed that £2500 had been paid out in relief grants to 137 applicants. Warrants were issued to quite a number of new lodges. The Board of General Purposes recommended the suspension of the Royal Solomon Lodge, No. 293, at Jerusalem, Palestine. The Grand Master did not disclose his information with regard to the work of this lodge, but it is understood that for years past there have been very many irregularities which had only recently been brought to his notice. It should be said that there has been a strong feeling in Canada for some time that the warrant should be withdrawn. It has been thought by many Past Grand Masters that the lodge was so many miles distant from the mother jurisdiction that proper supervision of its work was impossible, and that, therefore, such a lodge should be warranted by some jurisdiction nearer home.

The Grand Secretary's report showed the year's receipts to have been 23,499 dollars, the largest items being: Certificates, 3662 dollars; dues, 13,132.50 dollars; fees, 2014 dollars; general fund interest, 3089 dollars. The expenditure amounted to 21,638 dollars, leaving a balance of 1861 dollars. Of the expenditure 11,845 dollars was for benevolence. The receipts were 1086 dollars in excess of those of last year. During the year Masonic halls were dedicated at Sturgeon Falls, Arnprior, and Amherstburg.

The Grand Treasurer, Bro. Hugh Murray, reported, showing the balance in the bank on June 3rd, 1901, to be 13,348 dollars. The statement of the general fund showed the balance on hand June 1st, 1901, to be \$1,856 dollars. The balance of the asylum fund is 16,491 dollars. The balance sheet shows investments amounting to \$5,000 dollars, which, with the balance of 13,348 dollars, makes the total of 98,348 dollars.

The honorary rank of Past G. Registrar was given to R.W. Bro. Alex. Patterson, who for 30 years has been closely identified with the work of relief, having acted as Secretary of the Toronto Board of Relief for that period.

During the absence in Europe in July, 1900, of M.W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, P.G.M., he was unanimously elected to the office of Historian of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Robertson has written the history of the Craft in two volumes of 1000 pages each, and the highest encomiums have been passed upon his work not only by the Grand Masters of Canada, but by distinguished Masons in different parts of the world. As this communication afforded his first opportunity of returning thanks for the honour, just before the installation of officers,

Bro. ROBERTSON stepped to the front of the dais and said: Most Worshipful Sir,—I want, with your permission, Most Worshipful Sir, to take this, the first opportunity I have had since my return from Europe, to thank Grand Lodge for the honour done me at the last annual communication, and during my absence in Europe, in appointing me to the position of Historian of the Grand Lodge of Canada. It is an honour which I greatly appreciate. Your kindness in creating this position as a recognition of my efforts to perpetuate the history of the Craft Masonry in British North America is an evidence of goodwill which I appreciate more than tongue can tell. In my poor effort as Masonic Historian I have been rewarded by many tokens of esteem, but the honour you have done me comes as a crown to my labour of love, and you have in my thanks all that my heart can give you."

The speech of the M.W. brother was greeted with loud applause.

The GRAND MASTER referred to the pleasure it afforded all present to see M.W. Bro. Mason, the Grand Secretary, at his post after a serious illness, and the members heartily testified to their approval of his words.

The election of Grand Officers resulted in the re-election of M.W. Bro. Hungerford as Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Harding as Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Bros. McAllister as S.G.W., and A. Dymont, M.D., as J.G.W. M.W. Bros. J. J. Mason was re-elected Grand Secretary, Hugh Murray as Grand Treasurer, and V.W. Bro. James O'Hara as Grand Registrar. The Rev. Bro. Von Pirch, a prominent Lutheran clergyman, was elected Grand Chaplain.

Grand Lodge will meet at Windsor, Ontario, opposite Detroit, Mich., next July.

The District Deputy Grand Masters of Grand Lodge were installed by M.W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, and the other officers by M.W. Bro. Hugh Murray.

The Grand Lodge then closed.

PRESENTATION TO BRO. CORNELIUS THORNE, PAST DIST. G. MASTER OF NORTHERN CHINA.

It has been known for some time that it was the intention of Bro. C. Thorne to sever his long connection with the Far East and go home as soon as he could conveniently settle his affairs. Naturally such a leading light in Freemasonry could not be allowed to depart without due recognition of his services on the part of the brethren in general; and the enthusiastic meeting held on July 2nd, at the Masonic Hall, was the spontaneous outcome of the warm regard in which Bro. Thorne is held by the members of the Craft at large.

The present occupant of the Dist. G. Master's chair, Bro. Lewis Moore, had issued notices for a special communication to be held at seven p.m. At that hour there were present from 150 to 200 representatives of every branch of Freemasonry in the Far East. Members of the English, Scotch, and American Constitutions had assembled in force, and were arranged under their respective lodge banners according to ancient custom.

The business of the meeting was no less pleasing than simple. It was the presentation to Bro. Thorne of a token of esteem and regard from his brother Masons. The testimonial took the form of a set of silver table ornaments of very chaste and elegant design, consisting of a handsome centre piece, four corner pieces, and a set of silver flower stands.

The presentation was made in the large hall by the D.G. MASTER, who in his inimitable style sketched the course of Bro. Thorne's Masonic career in Shanghai, named some of the leading lights in Masonry who were contemporary with him in the early days, men some of whom have now a world-wide reputation amongst members of the Craft—R. Freke Gould for example. He dilated upon the benefits which had been conferred upon their body, not in one constitution only, but in all, by the P.D.G.M. now about to say "good-bye" to them, and concluded with eloquent wishes for long life, renewed health, and added happiness to the R.W. brother and his family, to whom and whose descendants he hoped the token of regard now presented might pass as an heirloom. He then read the inscription which it was proposed to engrave upon the gift.

On behalf of American Masonry, R.W. Bro. DANFORTH expressed the pleasure felt by himself and his compatriots in assisting at such an interesting function. He endorsed to the full the remarks that had fallen from the head of the English Craft in Northern China, and referred especially to the very kind assistance which the Ancient Landmark Lodge had received from R.W. Bro. Thorne.

Bro. THORNE, in reply, deprecated the laudation which the previous speakers had used respecting him. He had tried to do his best for Masons and Masonry. He had been connected with the Craft since 1852, and had watched the rise and growth of its influence in Shanghai. He had ever tried to impress upon the brethren the duties as well as the privileges of

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Freemasonry, and had ever exhorted them to put into practice outside the door of the lodge those admirable principles inculcated within it. He accepted the gift of the brethren in the spirit in which it was given, re-echoed the wish of the D.G.M. that it might pass down as an heirloom in his family, so that his children might know in what esteem their father had been held by his brother Masons in Shanghai.

The presentation over, the brethren adjourned to the spacious dining-room of the Masonic Hall, where an excellent dinner was served to more than 100 guests. Fortunately the weather was cool, and with the aid of punkahs the tastefully-decorated room was not in the least hot.

The toast of the evening was, of course, "Health and Happiness to the R.W. Brother," whose approaching departure is so near. The speeches of the D.G.M., Bro. Moore, and of the D.D.G.M., Bro. Danforth, were cast much in the same mould as those before outlined, but Bro. Allan, as the R.W.M. of the Cosmopolitan Lodge, working under the Scottish Constitution, showed by dates and statistics the close connection between the Cosmopolitan Lodge and Bro. Thorne though a member of the English division of the Craft. He told his hearers that Bro. Thorne had aided in the founding of the lodge, that he had been an Honorary Member of it almost from the commencement, and that for the past quarter of a century he had established a record by installing year by year the various Masters as they succeeded each other.

R.W. Bro. THORNE made a very feeling and appropriate reply, and then excused himself on the score of delicate health.

Other speeches, songs, and toasts filled up the remainder of the evening. —*Shanghai Mercury*, July 3rd.

BRO. C. THORNE AND THE FREEMASONRY OF SHANGHAI.

In our last night's issue we gave a short account of the presentation ceremonial and dinner given to Bro. Cornelius Thorne on the occasion of his approaching departure from Shanghai.

Bro. Thorne's connection with local Freemasonry is interwoven with every fibre of its history. In that admirable little book compiled by Bro. F. M. Gratton, and recently re-edited by Bro. Drummond Hay, and entitled "Freemasonry in Shanghai and Northern China," we find Bro. Thorne's name for the first time on p. 2. The date is 1856, when though only a four-year-old as regards Masonry, Bro. Thorne was apparently already Master of the Northern Lodge, a lodge which from that time to this has been second to none in the Far East for high-bred support of Masonic principles. We there find Bro. Thorne, as he then was, engaged in the disposal of the first Masonic Hall, a "one storied structure, entered from a porch supported by Corinthian columns," and situated in the Nanking-road, then known as Park-lane. Since that time, with the exception of a short sojourn at home, Bro. Thorne has been intimately connected with the ups and downs of the Craft in Shanghai. He has seen the erection of two halls, that in the Canton Road still standing, but used for other purposes, and from which the inscription stones were not removed till so recently as 1895, and the present building on the Bund which was ready for occupation in 1867. Its foundation stone had been laid with great ceremony on the 3rd July, 1865, 36 years ago yesterday. There was a large assembly, the Consular Body, the Municipal Council, the Commissioner of Customs, the Volunteers, and many others being present. Amongst the various officers

the names of M. L. Smith, C. H. Butcher, P. A. Myburgh, C. M. Donaldson, and R. F. Gould, will be best known by the present generation of Masons. The band of the 67th Regiment which was here at the time enlivened the proceedings.

In those days China was, Masonically, a province. It is since then that the present division into two districts has taken place. The subsequent history of the present Masonic Hall is matter of common knowledge. Quoting from the little work before referred to, we have the following: "In the year 1895 it was discovered that the back portion of the block of buildings known as the Masonic Hall was unsafe and rebuilding was eventually commenced." On the 19th June, 1897, a great variety of interesting documents was, with some little ceremony, deposited in a leaden casket in a "specially prepared cavity in the walls of the new building," to send down to the distant future "some record of our work."

Referring to the list of Past Masters of the Northern Lodge we find, amongst the collection of well-known and highly honoured names in local history, that of C. Thorne in 1858 (not 1856 as is implied on p. 2) for the first time as Master. He was again in the chair in 1860, since which time, though he has never officially taken the Mastership, he has been an ever ready aid and substitute to a long succession of worthy men. In 1862 Bro. Thorne's name appears as First Principal of the Zion R. A. Chapter, a Craft offshoot of the Northern Lodge. Twenty years later a Committee was appointed by the Municipal Council to inquire into the scholastic needs and capabilities of the settlement, but as their report fell flat, the Masonic Body, led by Bro. Thorne and a few other public-spirited men, took the question in hand, raised money, established a school, the direct forerunner of the present Public School.

Such is a very brief outline of the connection between Shanghai Masonry and the estimable gentleman who expects so soon to leave us, and to whom, in common with the whole community, Masonic and non-Masonic, we offer our heartiest good wishes. To such a man as R.W. Bro. Thorne the teachings of Freemasonry were more than empty sound. Ceremony, rite, and ritual are to such but externals, useful only as typifying those grand principles which are ever the pride and the glory of the world-wide brotherhood whom they bind together. "By their fruits ye shall know them." Throughout history they have stood primarily for brotherly love, for charity, and truth, with the endless streams of good of which these are the fountain head. Any one of the annual reports that are issued by the thousands of Masonic institutions throughout the world will suffice to show the practical effect of the charitable teaching which is a corner stone in Masonic principle. In Great Britain the Craft has long been honoured by having the Heir Apparent as its Grand Master. Now that he has attained the Throne he has necessarily resigned this post, taking the more honorary rank of Patron. In the United States, the highest members of the Commonwealth are enrolled in the lists of Freemasons. It is only in lands that are suffering from want of freedom either in church or state that we find Masonry under a cloud. We cannot go into the vexed question why this should be. Possibly there are faults on both sides. Certain it is that the experience of England and America, and in a somewhat less emphatic degree, of Germany, shows that in Masonry we have a system which "thinketh no evil, which rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth," and the inference is that if other Continental Masonry is comparable to that of the Anglo-Saxon type, there is something wrong with the institutions that condemn it. —*Shanghai Mercury*, July 4th.

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MASONIC MEETINGS (METROPOLITAN)

For the week ending Saturday, August 24, 1901.

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 19.

(No Meetings.)

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Blackheath, Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, at 8.
 Brondesbury, Earl Derby Hotel, High-road, Kilburn.
 Commemoration, Star and Garter, Arbour-square, Commercial road, E.C., at 8.
 Dalhousie, Greyhound Hotel, Kensington, at 8.
 Duke of Cornwall, Bristol Room, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, E.C., at 7.
 Eleanor, Red Lion, High Road, Tottenham, at 8.
 Erkenwald, Railway Hotel, Barking, at 7.45.
 Friars, The White Horse, 94, White Horse-lane, Mile End-rd., E. at 8.
 Hyde Park, Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne-terr., Bishop's-rd., Paddington, at 8.
 Italia, Fumagalli's Restaurant, 13, Wilton-road, Victoria, 9 to 11.30.
 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., at 8.30.
 Marquess of Ripon, Weaver's Arms, London Wall, E.C., at 6.45.
 Metropolitan, Moorgate Tavern, 15, Finsbury-pavement, at 7.30.
 Neptune, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, S.W., at 7.30.
 North London Chapter, Cock Hotel, Highbury, at 8.
 Perseverance, Ridler's Hotel, Holborn, E.C., at 7.
 Queen's Westminster, Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.
 Regent's Park, Frascati Restaurant, 32, Oxford-street, at 8.
 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hotel (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 8.
 Royal Commemoration, Railway Hotel, Putney, at 8.
 Royal Savoy, Earl Russell, 2 Pancras-road, King's Cross, at 8.
 Scots, Holborn Restaurant, Holborn, at 7.30.
 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant (Piccadilly entrance) St. Mark's, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell New-road.
 St. Michael's, Richmond Hotel, Shepherd's Bush Road, W., 8.
 Sincerity, Blackwall Railway Hotel, Fenchurch-street, at 7.
 South Norwood, Goat House Bridge Hotel, Penge-rd., at 8.
 Tysen Amherst, Amherst Club, Amherst-rd., Rectory-rd., N., 7.30.
 Juton, Great Eastern Hotel, Bishopsgate-street, at 8.
 Walthamstow, Chequer's Hotel, High-st., Walthamstow, at 8.
 Wellington, New Cross House, New Cross, at 8.
 Woodrow, Stone's, 24, Panton-street, Haymarket, S.W., at 3.
 Zetland, "The Falkland," Falkland-road, N.W., at 8.
 Joric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, at 6.
 Lewis Chapter, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, N., at 8.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20.

Board of General Purposes, at 5.

CRAFT LODGE.

1339, Stockwell, Surrey Masonic Hall.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alfred Newton, Royal Palace Hotel, Kensington, at 8.
 Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, Herne Hill, S.E., at 8.
 Capper, City Arms, St. Mary Axe, at 6.
 Clarence and Avondale, Green Man Hotel, Leytonstone, E., at 8.
 Constitutional, "Apple Tree and Mitre," 30, Cursitor-street, Chancery-lane, W.C., at 7.
 Chaucer, Grapes Tavern (Slee & Pike's), 121, Borough High street, at 8.
 Corinthian, George Hotel, Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 8.
 Croydon Lodge of Concord, King's Arms, Katherine-street, Croydon, at 8.
 Dalhousie, Lord Iruo, Dalston-lane, at 8.
 Egyptian, Salut tion, Newgate-street, at 7.
 Emblematic, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, at 8.
 Enfield, Rose and Crown, Church-street, Edmonton, at 8.
 Excelsior, Fuma all's Restaurant, 12 and 13, Wilton-road, Victoria-station, S.W., at 8.
 Euphrates, Ye Old Greyhound, Balaam-street, Plaistow, E., at 7.30.
 Finsbury, The Bell Hotel, Old Bailey, at 7.
 Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-street, Woolwich, 2nd and 4th Tues., at 7.30.
 London, Railway Hotel, West Hampstead, N.W., at 8.
 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 7.30.
 Jappa, "The Moorgate," 15, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., at 7.30.
 Kensington, Town Hall Tavern, High-street, Kensington, at 8.
 Kirby, Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras Station, at 7.30.
 Mount Edgumbe, Rockingham Arms, Newington Causeway S.E., at 7.30.
 Nelson, Star and Garter, Powis-street, Woolwich, at 8.
 New Cross, Kembles' Head, Long Acre, W.C., at 8.
 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav., Finsbury Park.
 Pythagorean, Portland Hotel, Greenwich, at 8.
 Richmond, The Freemasons' Club, Richmond, at 8.30.
 Robert Burns, Frascati Restaurant, Oxford-street, W.
 Rose of Denmark, Brunswick House, Wandsworth-road, at 8.
 South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Waltham Green, S.W., at 7.30.
 St. Kew, Masonic Hall, Weston-super-Mare, at 8.
 St. Leonard's, Bedford Hotel, Victoria Park-road, South Hackney, at 8.
 Strand, The Salisbury, 91 & 92 Strand, at 7.
 Stockwell, Callingham's Restaurant, 94, Cannon-st., E.C., at 6.
 Victoria Park, George Hotel, Stratford, E., at 7.30.
 Southwark, White Hart Hotel, New Cross Gate, at 8.
 Wandsworth, St. Mark's School-room, Battersea Rise, S.W. at 8.
 Westbourne, Oliver Arms, Westbourne-terrace North, Harrow-road, at 8.
 Yarborough, Mitre Tavern, Fish-street-hill, E.C., at 7.30.
 Industry Chapter, Prince Regent, Dulwich-road, Herne Hill, at 8.
 Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Corner of Abchurch-lane and Cannon-street, at 6.30.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21.

General Committee of Grand Lodge and Board of Benevolence at 5 precisely.

CRAFT LODGE.

619, Beadon, Holborn Restaurant.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alley, George Canning Hotel, Effra-road, Brixton, at 8.
 Beach, London and South Western Railway Institute, Brunswick House, Wandsworth-road, at 8.
 Bromley St. Leonard, Bromley Vestry Hall, Bow-road, at 8.
 City of Westminster, Cafe Royal, "B" Room, at 8.
 Claremont, Newland's Hotel, Peckham Rye, at 8.
 Confidence, Bunch of Grapes, 14, Lime-street, E.C., at 7.
 Creation, Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.
 Crouch End, Christ Church Schoolroom, Edison-road, Crouch End, at 8.30.
 Derby Alcroft, Midland Grand Hotel, at 8.
 Dore, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate-street, at 8.
 Duke of Connaught, Royal Edward Hotel, Triangle, Hackney, 8.
 Earl of Lathom, Station Tavern, Camberwell New-road, S.E., at 8.
 Eyre, Eyre Arms Hotel, St. John's Wood, at 8.
 Fidelity, Castle Hotel, 81, Holloway-road, N., at 8.
 Gallery, Press Club, Wine Office-court, Fleet-street, at 7.
 Guelph, Plough and Harrow, Leytonstone-road, E., at 8.
 Hammersmith, Wycombe House, 263, Hammersmith-rd., 7.45.
 Langthorne, Angel Hotel, Ilford, at 8.
 La Tolerance, Frascati Restaurant, 32, Oxford-street, at 8.
 Lonsborough, Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.
 London Scottish Rifles, Albert Hotel, Victoria-street, S.W., 8.30.

Merchant Navy, Town Hall, Limehouse, at 7.30.

Mitcham, Vestry Hall, Mitcham, at 8.
 Mount Lebanon, Foresters' Arms, 294, Boro' High-street, at 8.
 New Concord, Farleigh Hotel, Amherst-road, N., at 8.
 Panmure, Balham Hotel, Balham, at 7.30.
 Peckham, Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, at 8.
 Plucknett, Railway Hotel, Finchley, at 7.45.
 Prosperity, Manchester Hotel, 145, Aldersgate-st., E.C., at 7.
 Royal Oak, Lord Clyde, Wotton-road, Deptford, at 8.
 St. Leonard, Prince of Wales Hotel, Bishop's-rd., Victoria Pk., 8.
 Southgate, Railway Hotel, New Southgate, at 8.
 Temperance-in-the-East, Greenwich Pensioner, Bow-lane, Poplar, at 7.30.
 United Mariners, Duke of Albany, Kitto-road, Nunhead, at 7.30.
 United Strength, Hope Tavern, Stanhope-st., Euston-road, at 8.
 Wanderers, Fumagalli's Restaurant, 12 and 13, Wilton-road Victoria-station, S.W., at 7.30.
 West Smithfield, City Scotch Stores, 27, Knight-ridge-st., E.C.
 Whittington, Red Lion Poppin's-court, Fleet-street, at 8.
 Zodiac, Denmark Hotel, East Ham, at 8.
 Andrew Chapter, Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.
 Clapton Chapter, Amhurst Club, Rectory-road, N.W., at 8.
 Domestic Chapter, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, W., at 8.
 Lewis Chapter, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, at 8.
 Camden Mark Lodge, Earl Russell, Pancras-road, King's Cross F.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22.

House Committee Girls' School at 4.30.

CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT—

1657, Aldersgate, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, at 6.30.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Burdett-Coutts, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.
 Burgoyne, Coach and Horses, 348, Clapham-road, S.W., at 7.30.
 Caxton, Carr's, 265, Strand W.C., at 7.
 Covent Garden, The Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.
 Duke of Edinburgh, Eastern Hotel, East India Dock Rd., E., 7.30.
 Earl's Court, Greyhound Hotel, Kensington-sq., W., at 8.
 Elliot, Railway Hotel, Feltbam.
 Great City, Red Cross, Paternoster-square, at 7.
 High Cross, Red Lion, High-road, Tottenham, at 8.
 Highgate, Falkland Arms, Falkland-road, N.W., at 8.
 Hornsey, White Hart Masonic Rooms, Lewisham, S.E., at 8.
 Ivy, Half Moon & French Horn Hotel, East Hill, Wandsworth at 8.
 Justice, Brown Bear, High-street, Deptford, at 8.
 Kent, King and Queen, Norton Folgate, at 8.
 La France, Cafe Royal, Regent-street, at 8.
 Langton, Simpson's Restaurant, Bird-in-Hand Court, E.C., at 5.30.
 Leopold, Moorgate Tavern, Moorgate-street, E.C., at 7.
 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, at 8.
 Priory, Berrymead Priory, Acton, at 8.15.
 Rose, Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, at 8.
 Royal Albert, White Hart Hotel, Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.
 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 7.45.
 St. John's, Court House, Harlesden, N.W., at 7.30.
 St. John's, Queen Victoria Tavern, Exmouth-st., Stepney at 8.
 St. Luke's, Victoria Tavern, Gertrude-street, Chelsea, at 8.
 Sir Hugh Myddelton, Star and Garter, Upper-st., Islington, at 8.
 Southern Star, Ship Tavern, Kennington Road, S.E., at 8.
 Temple, Upland Tavern, Crystal Palace-road, S.E., at 6.
 Tranquillity, Restaurant Frascati, Oxford-street, W., at 8.
 Tredegar, The Cheshire Cheese, Crutched Friars, E.C., at 7.30.
 Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-street, Woolwich.
 United Military, Star & Garter Hotel, Powis-st., Woolwich, at 8.
 Highgate Chapter, Hornsey Wood Tavern, Seven Sisters-road, at 8.30.
 Kintore Mark Lodge, Montpelier Arms, Choumert-road, Peckham, at 8.30.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23.

Board of Management Boys' School, at 2.30.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, Essex Head, Essex-street, Strand, at 7.
 All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.
 Chough, Forest Hill Hotel, Forest Hill, at 7.30.
 Citadel, Farleigh Hotel, Amhurst-road, Stoke Newington, N.
 Clapton, Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool-street, E.C., at 7.
 Coborn, The George Inn, High-road, South Woodford, at 8.30.
 Crusaders, Northampton Arms, 205, Goswell-rd., E.C., at 8.30.
 Earl of Carnarvon, Elgin Hotel, Ladbrooke-grove, Notting-hill, 7.
 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward Hotel, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.
 Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, at 6.
 Gavel Club, Freemasons' Tavern, at 8.
 Harrow, Waterloo Arms, High-street, Marylebone, at 8.
 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 8.
 Hugh Owen, Restaurant Frascati, Oxford-street, at 7.30.
 Kennington, Horns Tavern, Kennington Park, S.E., at 8.
 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, N., at 8.
 Lewisham, White Hart, Lewisham, S.E., at 8.
 Loyalty, Private Rooms, 91, Church-st., Stoke Newington, at 8.
 Metropolitan (Victoria), Mail Coach, 60, Farringdon-street, at 7.
 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Queen-street, Hammersmith, W., at 8.
 Royal Standard, Castle Tavern, 81, Holloway-road, 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.
 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds Hotel, Upper Richmond-road, Putney, at 8.30.
 Stuart, The Deacon's, Walbrook, City, at 8.
 Temperance, Railway Tavern, New Cross-road, at 8.
 The Abbey, The Town Hall, Westminster, 7.30 till 9.30.
 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-road, at 7.30.
 Warner, Royal Forest Hotel, Chingford, at 8.15.
 Woodgrange, Princess Alice Hotel, Forest Gate, E., at 8.
 Camden Chapter, Stanley's Restaurant, Lavender-hill, S.W., 1st and 3rd Fridays, at 8.
 Dagmar Chapter, "Slee & Pike's," 121, Boro' High-street, at 8.
 Eastern Star Chapter, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-street, 2nd and 4th Friday, at 7.
 Hornsey Chapter, Prince of Wales Hotel, Eastbourne-terrace, Bishop's-road, Paddington, W., at 8.
 Pythagorean Chapter, Dover Castle, Broadway, Deptford, at 8.
 Star Chapter, Stirling Castle Hotel, Church-st., Camberwell, at 8.
 Westbourne Chapter, Town Hall Tavern, High-st., Kensington, at 8.
 Grand Masters' Mark Lodge, Mark Masons' Hall, at 6 p.m. sharp

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24.

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1541, Alexandra Palace, Holborn Viaduct Hotel.
 2707, Lord Kitchener, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

1185, Lewis, Holborn Restaurant.
 1623, West Smithfield, Anderton's Hotel.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alexandra Palace, Station Hotel, Camberwell News-road, at 7.30.
 Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hotel, King-st., Hammersmith, at 7.30.
 Duke of Connaught, The Windsor Castle, 135, Lower Clapton-rd at 8.
 Ebury, The Rockingham, Newington Causeway, at 8.
 Eccleston, 12 and 13, Wilton-road, S.W., at 7.30.
 Evening Star, Rutland Hotel, Perry Hill, Catford, at 8.
 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, at 8.
 King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7.
 Manchester, Waterloo Arms, High-street, Marylebone, at 8.
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Masonic and General Tidings.

BRO. J. MORRISON McLEOD has been elected a Liveryman of the Glovers' Company.

BRO. V. I. R. LONGMAN, C.C., is spending the vacation at Melton Constable.

BRO. SIR HENRY HARBEN has been appointed the hon. colonel of the 1st Cadet Battalion of the Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment).

BRO. ARCHDEACON SINCLAIR says he rarely finds that sufficient attention is paid to the ventilation of churches. Perhaps this is one of the reasons, he adds, why people so often go to sleep in church.

THE DIRECTORS of the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation (Limited) have declared an interim dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum. The interim dividend a year ago was at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum only.

KING'S YACHT.—His Majesty's new yacht, Victoria and Albert, left Portsmouth on the 14th instant for Gibraltar, in order to subject the vessel and her boilers and machinery to a series of very severe tests. Commodore the Hon. H. Lambton was in command.

COAL PRODUCTION.—The production of coal in the United Kingdom in 1900 was 225,181,000 tons, valued at £121,653,000. The output in Belgium was 23,352,000 tons, in France 32,587,000 tons, in Germany 109,225,000 tons, and in the United States 245,422,000 tons.

TOURISTS who intend spending their holidays at Cromer or in the neighbourhood would do well to procure a copy of the Great Eastern Railway's Company's new booklet, forming an annotated time-table to the London and Cromer express service, which has just been issued by the company at their publishing office, No. 30, Fleet-street, E.C.

ON THE 14th instant, in the presence of a vast assembly of spectators, soldiers, and civilians, the Countess of Dundonald opened the new rifle ranges on the Morfa camping ground, Conway. Lord Cochrane fired the first shot with a Lee-Metford and scored a bull's-eye, amid great cheering. The Mayor of Conway, Alderman Hugh Hughes, presented the Countess with a beautiful album containing an address of welcome.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT is expected to leave Ireland very shortly for Germany in order to witness the autumn manoeuvres of the German Army. He will be accompanied in all probability by Prince Arthur, and will proceed to Marienbad, where he will be the guest of the Kaiser. Bro. Lord Roberts has also accepted the invitation of the Emperor to be present. The Duchess of Connaught will, in the meantime, pay a visit to her mother, Princess Frederick Charles of Prussia, at Mödlitz.

THE HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM.—The King has been pleased to sanction the following promotions in, and appointments to, the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England: Knights of Grace: Colonel Bordrigge North North (from Esquire); Sir John Alexander Cockburn, K.C.M.G. (from Honorary Associate); Mr. John Brown, L.R.C.P. (from Honorary Associate); and Col. Arthur Montagu Brookfield, M.P. Ladies of Grace: Miss Henrietta Wedgwood (from Honorary Associate) and Agnes Fanny, Mrs. Temple.

FISH UNFIT FOR FOOD.—During last month the officers of the Fishmongers' Company condemned as unfit for human food 197 tons 9 cwt. of fish at Billingsgate Market, representing one ton in about 83 tons; one ton 15 cwt. at Shadwell, representing one ton in about 109 tons; and two cwt. at Farringdon Market. The weight of fish delivered during July at and near Billingsgate Market was 16,348 tons, of which 12,252 tons arrived by land and 4,096 tons were delivered by water; and at Shadwell the total delivery was 191 tons by land. Fifty-five tons of the quantity returned as condemned were immature plaice and whiting too small for sale on a glutted market.

THE MEMORIAL over the grave of "Chicago Smith," whose death, it will be remembered enriched the British Exchequer to nearly a million pounds sterling, is a unique feature in the beautiful cemetery near Elgin. A massive semi-Corinthian structure of Aberdeen granite, and weighing many tons, the monument covers a number of yards square. On one side of the slab, underneath the canopy, supported by four ornate pillars, are inscribed the simple words: "In Memoriam. George Smith, Banker in Chicago. Born at Millhill, Old Deer, 10th Feb., 1803; Died at London, 7th October, 1899."

SUCCESS OF THE GLASGOW EXHIBITION.—The attendance at the Glasgow Exhibition on Saturday was 69,854, and the money taken amounted to £1535. In the three months the Exhibition has been open the aggregate attendance has almost equalled the six months' total of the 1888 Exhibition, the exact figures being 5,106,311, as compared with 5,748,179. A comparison of attendances and takings for the Bank Holiday week is interesting. Thirteen years ago 255,045 people passed the turnstiles, and £6050 was realised; while last week the attendance totalled 438,440, and the cash taken amounted to £8343. The latter figures do not include coupons or steamboat tickets.

THE FACT that England and France are neighbours, writes Bro. the Rev. J. Stephen Barrass, the Rector of St. Lawrence Jewry, ought to ensure the two countries living peacefully side by side. "That this is recognised by the Governments of our respective countries is evident," he adds, "and the sooner it is recognised by the people and the Press the better will it be for all concerned. Whilst it is true that we are France's best customer, it is also true that France can serve us as no other country can. If this were not so our trade would have gone elsewhere long ago. Very well! What happens? That we are interdependent; that any rupture in relations would produce mutual discomfort, unhappiness, dismay. What follows but that no effort must be spared to produce friendly relations? Where difficulties arise they should be faced and discussed in a friendly way—of course, with mutual friendliness. Such a course would commend itself to the commonsense of both England and France."—City Press.

THE "ALFRED JEWEL."—The following letter to the Editor of the Times, by Sir George Birdwood, on the famous "Alfred Jewel" in the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, which holds so important a position in the history of ancient jewellery and enamelling, is taken from the issue of the 5th instant: Quite apart from the question whether the prognathic basal extension of the "Alfred Jewel" was intended to represent the snout of a boar or a fish, every one familiar with the phylacteric talismany of the regal helmets of the Chinese and Indian Tartars will be prepared to accept Professor Earle's explanation of the jewel as a significant adjunct and a variant of a "Cynehelm" of, or about, the time of Alfred the Great. It closely resembles the *toru* worn on their regal helmets and turbans by the "Mo(n)gol Emperors" of India. The word *toru* means literally "a forelock," "a curl," "a ringlet," and hence "a plume," "a crest," "a tassel," and metaphorically "the cream (of anything)"; while the *toru* of the Tartar regal helmet, as worn by the "Emperors of Delhi" and their higher officers, was a phylacteric jewel of gold set with precious stones, fashioned as a variant of the "knop and flower" pattern, of which I have written at length in the last chapter of "The Industrial Arts of India." The base of the jewel represents an expanded lotus flower of, usually, 12 petals, and the apex a lotus bud, modelled flat, with a slim-boyant edging of gold, irradiated with diamonds. The back of both the flower and the bud are always decorated, in graven work, or enamel, with a conventional representation of the "Tree of Life." It is the "Tree of Life," in its lily form, that is engraved on the back of the "Alfred Jewel," and this at once suggests its Oriental inspiration, and it is evidently but another variant of the lotus-knop of Egyptian, Assyrian, Buddhist, and Arab art. Of course, no Oriental understanding the symbolism of the jewel would have so draughted the decorations thereon that it had to be worn on the "Cynehelm" upside down—that is, with the broad end of the "knop" upward and the pointed end downward—in utter violation of all the principles of talismanic "signature."

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BRO. HENNIKER HEATON, M.P., suggests that it would be an improvement if every official at St. Martin's-le-Grand had a preliminary two years' business training in a City shop.

BRO. DR. WYNN WESTCOTT, H.M. coroner for N.E. London, is among the latest victims to the mosquito scourge. Both his hands have been badly bitten, the left hand being much swollen and painful.

THE EFFORTS of the Worshipful Company of Plumbers to improve the technical knowledge and skill of the working members of the craft have met with most encouraging success. At the recent examinations held in London and the chief provincial centres upwards of 400 candidates were examined.

A PAINTED-GLASS WINDOW in memory of the late Duke of Westminster has been placed by the parishioners of St. George's, Hanover-square, in St. Mary's Church, Bourdon-street, Berkeley-square, which was erected 20 years ago by the late Duke of Westminster as a chapel of ease to the mother church. The subject of the window is Christ blessing children.

IN WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS it is rumoured that the visit of the Crown Prince of Germany is not unconnected with the desire of his Imperial Highness to discover whether his feelings towards one of the daughters of Bro. the Duke of Connaught finds a response. Every good wish from the people of this country will accompany the Prince in his suit.

THE REMAINS OF SIGNOR CRISPI arrived at Palermo on the 15th instant on board the steamer Varese. The event was the occasion of a great popular manifestation. During the passage of the funeral car many flowers were thrown from the windows along the route. The coffin was taken from the carriage, and placed in the church known as the Albergo delle Povere, while bands played, the soldiers presented arms, and all present uncovered their heads. The scene was very solemn and imposing.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, Bro. the Earl of Warwick (Lord-Lieutenant of Essex) attended a public gathering at the Drill Hall, Brentwood, and presented suitably inscribed silver watches, provided by public subscription, to 20 Volunteers belonging to Brentwood and the vicinity, who have returned from active service in South Africa. Seven of the recipients joined the C.I.V.'s, 12 were members of the Essex Volunteers Active Service Company, and one served with the Imperial Yeomanry. Major Rasch, M.P. for the division, was present.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON left Liverpool on the Teutonic on the 14th instant for New York, to watch his yacht race for the America Cup. The owner of the Shamrock was accorded an enthusiastic organised farewell, both at Southgate, his Hertfordshire home, and at Euston Station. At the latter place Sir Thomas told a correspondent experts had assured him that the old challenger had in recent trials shown herself at least eight minutes faster than she was at any time during the races, while Shamrock II. had proved herself nine minutes quicker than her sister.

FOR SICK CHILDREN.—The East London Hospital for Children, Shadwell, is appealing for a sum of £20,000, which is urgently required for extensions. The following new buildings are needed, as many cases have to be turned away every week on account of the want of accommodation in the hospital: New mortuary and laundry, £2500; new kitchen, casualty department, accommodation for staff, £11,000; a ward of 12 beds for whooping cough, and new wards with 20 beds for general cases, £6500. The number of patients applying for relief has increased from 6873 in 1877 to 35,000 last year; while the number of beds has only increased by 17.

BURNS' RELICS.—The trustees of Burns' cottage, museum, and monument at Alloway, near Ayr, have just acquired a number of MSS. for the museum. The documents, which are eight in number, and all in the handwriting of the poet, have been purchased for £400. Chief among these writings is a copy of "Holy Willie's Prayer," inscribed on all four pages of a double sheet of paper 8 inches or 9 inches square. It is interesting as having the motto from Pope, "And sent the godly in a pet to pray." Among several other objects of interest recently acquired by the trustees are three panes of glass from the Globe Hotel, Dumfries, on which Burns had scratched some characteristic verses with a diamond.

THE FOLLOWING is a list of the wreaths sent by various lodges at the funeral of the late Bro. the Right Hon. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., for which we are indebted to the undertaker, Bro. W. Carnon: Province of Hants and Isle of Wight, Supreme Grand Chapter R.A., Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, East Medina Lodge, No. 175; Provincial Grand Mark Lodge, Hants and Isle of Wight; Boscombe Lodge, No. 2158; Albert Edward, No. 1789; St. Hubert, No. 1373; St. Clair, No. 2074; Royal Gloucester, No. 159; Medina, No. 35; Lodge of Economy, No. 76; Camp Lodge, No. 1331; Oakley, No. 694; Aldershot Army and Navy, No. 1971.

LADY WARWICK ON EDUCATION.—The Countess of Warwick on Wednesday entertained a party of visitors from the Oxford University Extension Summer School at Warwick Castle. In the course of an address, she urged the Universities to bridge the gulf that lay between them and the mass of the people. She wished more of the working classes participated in such gatherings, for the University Extension Movement was intended to reach the people, of whom, she feared, the movement did not now touch the great mass. The Universities would never reach the democracy until teaching in elementary schools was much improved. Here the great Universities ought to step in and make their voices heard in demanding first that teachers in elementary schools should have a thoroughly liberal education, as well as high technical training, the training colleges being affiliated to the Universities. Secondly, they should urge upon the ruling powers the necessity of providing a really sound system of national education, which should bring not only our present very inferior primary, but also the best secondary, higher, and even University education within the reach of every working man's child. Lecturers had something to learn from those whose *alma mater* was poverty.

THE LATE BRO. SAMUEL POPE'S WILL.

£74,000 IN TESTAMENT.

The will bears date 25th March, 1899, with a codicil of the 3rd June, 1899, of Bro. Samuel Pope, of 74, Ashley gardens, K.C., J.P., and D.L., Recorder of Bolton, who died on the 22nd ult., aged 74 years, son of the late Mr. Samuel Pope and of Phoebe, daughter of Mr. William Rushton, of Liverpool. The late Bro. Samuel Pope's estate has been valued at £74,024 18s. 6d. It was his desire to be buried at Llanbedr, in the same grave as his late wife, and he bequeathed £100 in trust for the purpose of keeping the grave in order. He confirmed the gift to the Rector of Llanbedr of the Star Inn, now known as the "Artro" Workmen's Club, and the premises are to be in trust for use as a reading-room for the inhabitants of the village of Llanbedr. Bro. Pope was chairman of the English Association of American Bond and Shareholders, and a director of the South African Territories, Limited. He bequeathed to Mr. Charles Henry Mason, of 36, Holland Park, and Mr. Frederick Walker, of 68, Coleman-street, solicitors, the executors of his will, £500 each; to his clerk, Charles Taylor Barlow, £2000; to his servants of 15 years' service £500 each; to his niece, Margaret Bury, £1000; to his niece, Elizabeth Bury, his cat's eye stud, his portrait as Q.C., by Percy, and his household effects; and to his nephew, Samuel Pope, the portraits of his father and grandfather. The testator leaves the residue of his property in trust as to two-sixths thereof for his said niece, Elizabeth Bury, as to two-sixths for his niece, Florence Maud Wright, as to one-sixth for his niece and nephews, Phoebe and Samuel and William Rushton Pope absolutely, but with the intention that they shall provide for their mother, Mrs. Janet Pope, and the remaining one-sixth in trust for his nieces, the daughters of his sister, Mrs. Phoebe Lankester, absolutely, but with the intention that they also shall provide for their mother.