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## THE WESTERN DIVISION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

We have lately received the printed report of the Proceedings of the District Grand Lodge of the Western Division of South Africa at the Annual Communication, which was held in the hall of the British Lodge; No. 334, Cape Town, on Tuesday, the 19th March last, under the presidency of Bro. the Very Rev. C. W. BARNETT-CLARKE, M.A., Dean of Cape Town, Dist. G. Master. Six of the 17 lodges on the roll of the Dist. Grand Lodge were excused from attending, but the others were represented, while of the Dist. Grand Officers there were several absent on service, who were excused attendance, and only in two cases was the absence of the officer unexplained. The Dist. G. Master reviewed the principal events of the past year, referring in sympathetic terms to the loss which the Empire had sustained by the death of Queen VICTORIA, to the accession to the throne of her son as EDWARD VII., and to the election of H.R.H. the Duke of CONNAUGHT, K.G., to be M.W. Grand Master in place of His Majesty the KING, who has taken upon himself the position of Protector of English Freemasonry. He also expressed his satisfaction at the progress which the Craft had made, notwithstanding the prolongation of the war, referring more particularly to the formation of two new lodges—the Lord Roberts Lodge, No. 2827, and the Alfred Milner Lodge, No. 2833, the former meeting at Somerset, and having made substantial progress since its consecration in October of last year, and the latter meeting at Muizenberg, and being also well circumstanced, considering that it only started on its career on the 9th January. The Dist. G. Master also referred to the retirement from active duty of Bro. J. B. WHEELWRIGHT, P.A.G.D.C. England, who had so ably discharged the duties of Dist. G. Secretary for the last ten or a dozen years, and whose resignation would be so sincerely regretted by the brethren throughout the whole of the District.

In the critical portions of his address, the District Grand Master drew attention to what he conceived to be in the nature of shortcomings and irregularities on the part of sundry among the lodges. Thus, he pointedly deprecated “the admission of candidates for Initiation, Passing, Raising, or Joining, who do not reside in or near the place of their Masonic candidature; e.g., when Cape Town Lodges give facilities to, say, residents in Simon's Town, or *vice versa*.” He further insisted on strict compliance with the District Grand Lodge By-Laws relating to the subject and especially to certain Forms enjoining “careful

enquiry as to the character and moral and reputable circumstances of every candidate for Initiation and Joining, remarking “that the customary haphazard meeting of a standing committee for a few hasty moments before lodge is not a tasting of a candidate's qualifications.” A little later he truthfully says “It is spurious masonry to make very much of getting a good large number of members on the lodge roll. We want quality even more than quantity and to be eager to gather in their guineas is not true masonry but masonic money making.”

A word of advice is also offered as to “the absolute and imperative needfulness for greater caution against the admission of visitors without most diligent scrutiny and strict examination, and the more so in these evil and dangerous days.” At the same time he urges that everything should be done by the officers mostly concerned and members “to discourage the intrusion of certain B.B., well known by name and reputation, who are not paying members of any local lodge, and yet put in an appearance at refreshment time, about 9.30 to 10 o'clock. A Brother D.G. Master facetiously nicknames and labels them ‘Masonic locusts,’ seeking what they may devour.” The Dist. G. Master brought his address to a close in the following words:

“Finally, my dear B.B., may we live and labour together in brotherly harmony, in Faith and Hope and Charity.

“May the lurid clouds disperse and the gladsome sun-rays of happier and brighter times cheer our hearts with buoyant hope.

“May the pestilence be stayed by the Mercy of the Most High, and Health and Wealth, and in their truest and literal and most exalted meaning, be vouchsafed to us Masonically, Politically, Physically, Commercially, and Colonially.

“May wars cease in all the land, and progress, prosperity, and peace make South Africa to be verily and truly the sunny land of Good Hope, good and true, based upon the Blessing of T.G.A.O.T.U., to Whom be all praise and Glory.

“So mote it be!”

In the course of the further proceedings it was unanimously resolved that an address of thanks, engrossed on vellum, should be presented to Bro. J. B. WHEELWRIGHT, in recognition of the valuable services he had rendered to the lodges and brethren in the District during the period he had held the office of District Grand Secretary; and it was agreed that the preparation of the address, and the details connected therewith, should be left in the hands of the District Grand Master and his Deputy.

In the Appendix are a number of Reports and Tabular Statements, all of which bear out the statement made by the District Grand Master as to the extent of the progress made by the Craft in the District during the past year. The Treasurer's statement of account in respect of the General Fund of the District Grand Lodge shows a closing balance for the year of £98 8s. 9d., as compared with an opening balance of £6 2s. 8d. The District Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund opened with a balance in its favour of £435 11s. 8d., and closed with one of £381 17s. 2d., but the disbursements were heavier than usual, and included 50 guineas to the South African Masonic Relief Fund and 50 guineas to the Lord Mayor's Mansion House Fund for Widows and Orphans. On the Queen VICTORIA District Masonic Pension Fund, there remained in hand a balance of £1137 12s. 5d., only one small pension to a Widow having been granted during the year. As regards membership, there were on the Register of the District Grand Lodge on the 1st January,

1900, just 15 lodges with a membership of 950, of whom 869 were returned as being in good standing. On the 31st December last, there were 17 lodges with an aggregate membership of 1123, of whom all but 90 were in good standing. Thus during the year the increase in members is 173, while the increase in members in arrear is only *nine*. The strongest lodge, numerically, is the British Lodge, No. 334, Cape Town, which musters 169 members, the next in order being the Woodstock Lodge, No. 2379, with 102 members. The smallest was the Alfred Milner Lodge, No. 2833, which, at the date of the return, had been formed but not consecrated. We trust that as the country becomes more settled, Masonry in this and the other Districts of South Africa will go on making further and still more satisfactory progress.

### UNITED GRAND LODGE.

The following is to be transacted on Wednesday next, the 4th prox.:

1. Minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 5th June, for confirmation.
2. Minutes of the Especial Grand Lodge of the 17th July, for confirmation.
3. The Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master will propose a vote of sympathy with the Most Worshipful Grand Master on the death of her Imperial Majesty, the Empress Frederick.
4. Message from the Most Worshipful Grand Master:

His Royal Highness the Most Worshipful Grand Master having received a complaint from the Grand Lodge of Denmark, that the Grand Lodge of Hamburg (not having any rights in Danish territory) had warranted a lodge in Copenhagen, contrary to the expressed will of the Masonic authorities of Denmark, has caused enquiries to be made, with the result that the complaint appears to be well founded. The Grand Lodge of Denmark having further declared the lodge so warranted to be an illegal and irregular body, and having requested that the Grand Lodge of England should take steps to acquaint English Freemasons with this fact, his Royal Highness desires that the sense of Grand Lodge should be taken on the following resolutions:

- 1.—That a Body calling itself "Lodge Christian Zum Palmbaum," or "Lodge Christian til Palmtrøet," and meeting in Copenhagen, having been declared illegal and irregular by the Grand Lodge of Denmark, all Masons under the United Grand Lodge of England are hereby warned that they cannot visit such irregular Body, nor can any lodge under this jurisdiction admit as a visitor or joining member any member of such irregular Body, without respectively incurring the penalty attaching to a grave Masonic offence.
- 2.—That a copy of the foregoing resolution be transmitted to each Grand Lodge with which this Grand Lodge is in communication, and to the Worshipful Masters of all lodges holding under the United Grand Lodge of England; each such Worshipful Master being hereby instructed to cause these resolutions to be read at the first meeting of his lodge after the receipt thereof, and to direct that they shall be entered on the minutes.
5. Report of the Board of Benevolence for the months ending June, July, and August, in which are recommendations for the following grants, viz.:

The widow of a brother of the Lodge of Prudence, No. 1550, Plymouth	£100 0 0
The widow of a brother of the Humber Installed Masters' Lodge, No. 2494, Hull	100 0 0
A brother of the Ixion Lodge, No. 2501, Buckhuist Hill	50 0 0
The widow of a brother of the Amherst Lodge, No. 1223, Riverhead	50 0 0
A brother of the Yokohama Lodge, No. 1032, Yokohama	50 0 0
A brother of the Mount Edgcumbe Lodge, No. 1446, London	100 0 0

### 6. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

The Board begs to report that it has received notification that the whole of the lodges forming the late District Grand Lodge of Western Australia had resolved to surrender their respective warrants, and to place themselves under the jurisdiction of the recently-formed Grand Lodge of Western Australia, viz.:

The St. John's Lodge, No. 485, Perth.  
 The Freemantle Lodge, No. 1033, Freemantle.  
 The Geraldton Lodge, No. 1683, Geraldton.  
 The Wellington Lodge, No. 1840, Bunbury.  
 The York Lodge, No. 2118, York.  
 The St. George's Lodge, No. 2165, Perth.  
 The Emulation Lodge, No. 2281, Perth.  
 The Harmony Lodge, No. 2282, Fremantle.  
 The Harding Lodge, No. 2297, Roebourne.  
 The Albany Lodge, No. 2443, Albany.  
 The Unity Lodge, No. 2452, Perth.  
 Avon Lodge, No. 2471, Northam.  
 Coolgardie Lodge, No. 2543, Coolgardie.  
 Southern Cross Lodge, No. 2574, Southern Cross.  
 Murchison Lodge, No. 2617, Cur, Murchison Gold Fields.  
 Friendship Lodge, No. 2618, Helena Vale.  
 Beaconsfield Lodge, No. 2635, Fremantle.  
 The Military Lodge, No. 2636, Perth.  
 The Norseman Lodge, No. 2637, Norseman.  
 Esperance Lodge, No. 2638, Esperance.  
 Menzies Lodge, No. 2639, Menzies.  
 Loyal Westralian Lodge, No. 2658, Fremantle.  
 Perth Lodge, No. 2775, Perth.  
 Richmond Lodge, No. 2776, East Fremantle.  
 The Diamond Fields Lodge, No. 2777, Perth.  
 The Kalgoorlie Lodge, No. 2778, Kalgoorlie.  
 The Boulder Lodge, No. 2779, Boulder.  
 Finnerly Lodge, No. 2780, Kalgoorlie.  
 Katanning Lodge, No. 2781, Katanning.  
 The Duke of Albany Lodge, No. 2782, Perth.  
 The Golden Square Lodge, No. 2783, Kalgoorlie.

The Lathom Lodge, No. 2797, Perth.  
 Lodge Australia, No. 2801, Perth.  
 The John Hutt Lodge, No. 2802, Guildford.  
 The Toodyay Lodge, No. 2803, Newcastle.  
 The Board begs to recommend that the above lodges, having returned their respective Warrants to the Grand Secretary, be formally erased by vote of Grand Lodge.

The Board also begs to report that the following lodges having ceased to work, and having failed to show cause why they should not be removed from the roll of lodges, be erased by Grand Lodge:

The Morning Star Lodge, No. 1439, Palampur.  
 The Victory Lodge, No. 2062, Fategarh, Bengal.  
 The Light in Assam Lodge, No. 1985, Silsagar, Bengal.  
 The Britannia Lodge, No. 1277, Bahamas.  
 The Memorial Lodge, No. 1800, King William's Town.  
 The Westmoreland Lodge, No. 1377, Jamaica.  
 The Urania Lodge, No. 1972, Willowmore, South Africa.  
 The Arakan Lodge, No. 646, Akyab, Burmah.  
 The Fort Lodge, No. 1528, Newquay.  
 The Ellan Vannin Lodge, No. 2049, Douglas, Isle of Man.

The Board further recommends that the St. John's Lodge, No. 2468, Douglas, Isle of Man, not having been consecrated, be removed from the Register.

The Board have to report the following presentations to the Library and Museum since the last meeting of Grand Lodge, all of which have been accepted with thanks.

TITLE OR OBJECT.	BY WHOM PRESENTED.
Chivalric Freemasonry in the British Isles	Sir Charles A. Cameron, C.B.
Centennial Medal of the A. and A. Scottish Rite	Gen. John Corson Smith, P.G.M.
An Old Grand Lodge Certificate	Morris Davis, P.M. 2754.
Catalogue of the Coombe Masonic Library	W. James Hughan, P.G.D.
Bye-Laws and History of Lodge No. 44	Nathan Heywood, P.M. 44.
Three American Masonic Medals	Leo A. Heilborn, P.M. (U.S.A.)
Four American Masonic Medals	Jas. W. Squires, P.M. (U.S.A.)
Discours sur le Secret . . . Franc-Maçonnerie	W. A. Dawson, A.G.D.C.
Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Canada	J. Ross Robertson, Past G.M.
A Masonic Token, 1794	A. G. Duck, P.M. 898.
12 Masonic Medals and 10 Masonic Jewels	Anonymous.
Signature of the Duke of Norfolk, G.M. 1731	Fred. Trehawke Davies, P.M.
An Old Masonic Jug	George Kenning and Son.
An Old Masonic Locket	H. T. Lamb.
Two Old Masonic Jewels	F. W. Broadbent, P.M. 37.
A Photo of Old Grand Steward's Jewel	Percy M. Whellock, P.M. 1185.
A Masonic Emblematic Ornament	

The Board also submit a Statement of the Grand Lodge Accounts at the last meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 16th of August, 1901, showing a balance in the Bank of England (Law Courts Branch) of £6264 18s. 5d., and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for petty cash £100, and for servants wages £100.

(Signed) RICHARD LOVELAND LOVELAND, President.

Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.,

August 20th, 1901.

List of lodges for which warrants have been granted by the M.W. Grand Master since the last Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge:

No. 2860, The New Century, London.  
 2861, The Borough of Islington, London.  
 2862, The Grant, Galle, Ceylon.  
 2863, The Kilkivan, Kilkivan, Queensland.  
 2864, The Duke of Cornwall, Stamford Hill, Natal.  
 2865, The East Gosgote, Syston, Leicestershire.  
 2866, The Shillong, Shillong, Bengal.  
 2867, The London Welsh, London.  
 2868, The Ashington, Hirst, Northumberland.  
 2869, The Blyth, Butterworth, S. Africa.  
 2870, The Cheselden, London.

### MARK GRAND LODGE.

The following is the business to be transacted on Tuesday, the 3rd prox.:

1. Read and, if approved, confirm minutes of Quarterly Communication of 4th June, 1901.
2. Report of the General Board.
3. A motion will be made that the Report be taken as read.
4. A motion will be made that the Report be received and entered on the minutes.
5. Recommendation arising out of the Report—  
That the sum of £50 be voted to a widow.
6. A motion will be proposed that the Report be adopted.
7. Presentation of Charity jewels to the Stewards of the last Benevolent Festival.

### ITALIAN FREEMASONRY.

[TRANSLATION FROM A CONTINENTAL CLERICAL PAPER.]

Rome, May, 1901.

The Freemasonry of this country has given signs of life, it has stepped forth almost publicly, has arranged a manifestation, and taken off part of its mask. For Masonry does wear a mask to conceal its organisation, it has some sort of great mysteries, which it discloses only to its own great dignitaries. But was the mask thrown off this time? The Grand Master, Ernest Nathan, it is true, opened for a few hours the great halls of the Giustiniani Palace, invited half of Rome to his lecture, deputies, senators, high officials, the press, to let them hear his promised speech about "Freemasonry, its doings and aims," but, as it was to be expected, he said only what he could say and what he wanted to say.

The Italian Freemasons used to occupy the first floor of the palazzo Borghese, sequestered by the creditors of the Prince Borghese, descendant of the family of Paul V. When the son of Prince Borghese married, in Genoa, the very rich Princess Galliero, he bought off the historical palace and gave the "Great Orient" notice to quit, and they removed consequently their penates, triangles, trowels, and aprons to the Giustiniani Palace. It is a rather strange coincidence that on the second floor, above the Masons, dwells Cardinal Cretoni.

The lecture of M. Ernest Nathan was to be an apology of Freemasonry it was to prove to the Italian public, that the brother Freemasons are not those impersonate devils, black spirits descending direct from Lucifer, disgrace of the human race, agents of licentiousness, officers of Satan. The necessity of such a defence

was evidently greatly needed. For there has been a prevailing opinion here for some time, and even in liberal circles, that Freemasonry is a heap of impostors, den of villany, and that it is responsible for the moral pest prevailing now in Italy. The fact is that Freemasonry having taken possession of the ruling spheres, has seized to such an extent upon public affairs, that who did not belong to Masonry lost all chance to dine at the state crib. And there having become known lately several dirty financial operations in which Freemasons have taken a prominent part, and the fact that Jews are so eager to join them, have contributed greatly to the general condemnation of the Society of Great Orient Brother.

Their official organ was the *Tribuna*, edited by Jews, but the latter, having been sold to the Senator Roux, a Piedmontese, the new journal, *Patria*, is supplied with their official news.

Nathan is an English Jew, naturalised in Italy, and, according to what is said, a son of Joseph Mazzini. In his address he has given a short history of Freemasonry, tracing it from Hiram, the architect of Solomon's Temple, murdered by his companions.

The universal character of Freemasonry is a bond of brotherhood uniting all the Freemasons of the world, members of the sect, so that if any of them happens to be in foreign lands he may rely on receiving help and advice. According to Mr. Nathan, the aim of this Society is universal peace, the ideal of mankind delineating itself on a distant horizon, as the greatest victory of right over force. In this manner, a Mason, having a diploma in his pocket, will have access to a lodge of every country, will be able to participate in the meetings, and will receive support.

Masonry has its symbols, ceremonies, its old traditions, which apparently are an anachronism, but they constitute a kind of international language by which members are recognised. As a proof, however, that it does not shut itself in antiquated forms, but adapts itself to reality, two festive days have been established in Italy—the 21st of April, to celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Rome; on that day, according to tradition, Romulus has ploughed up the boundaries of the walls of the town; and the 20th of September, the day on which the Italian Army has made an irruption into Rome in 1870, through a breach in the "Via" gate, and deprived papacy of its capital. It is just this last day which is the great festival of Masonry, because its main object is the strife with papacy—strife which one would think is up to now the only reason of existence of Freemasonry.

The lecturer (the Master) did, no doubt, say that the Mason should be moral, should know his duties, and citizen rights, should be just, humane, sincere, beneficent, good father, son, brother, husband, &c. All that is, however, an empty form, since one of the tenets of the sect is Atheism, and in life naturalism. I should like to know how does that morality look like? And it is so everywhere where "lodges" have spread. They have brought public depravity, corruption, licentiousness, which we see to-day in Italy, where the influence of Masons is powerful.

Of course, Mr. Ernest denies that Masonry does not know God. It is only a calumny propagated by priests. The Union receives in its bosom men of all creeds, respecting in them their "personal feelings." Its motto are the letters written on the banners, A.G.D.A.D.U.; these mysterious signs mean A gloria del grande Architetto del Universo (To the glory of the Great Architect of the Universe). And whether it is Zeus, Jupiter, Jehovah, God, is quite immaterial to them. In short, God is here something so misty, some kind of a philosophical conception that any atheist will readily subscribe to it. He is only the first cause of everything, an infinity, a ubiquity, and a myth.

A much more important part plays the political side of this great association. Its colour is white, in opposition to the Vatican, the colour of which is . . . black (owing to the priests wearing black cassocks). Unity of Italy! That is the hobby-horse of the Freemasons. Unity of Italy, with the Pope shut up in the Vatican, his international position destroyed, his historical apostolical character, his importance and influence, gone. Having, no doubt, contributed to the Italian unity by conspiring with Mazzini and by warring together with Garibaldi, the sect has created a situation from which it does not know how to escape now. The present situation is impossible, for the Vatican can not, and shall not, descend to the position of the Constantinople patriarch towards the Sultan; the Pope must have both the independent royal position and the international guarantee which the Catholics claim, and these conceptions are contradictory with the present political state on the peninsula. That is the so-called "Roman question," from which there is no issue now.

The Freemasons are fighting, therefore, with what they call clerical conspiracy. Everything that the Vatican does must be paralyzed, destroyed. Administration, municipal councils, refuges, working men's associations, banks, must be withdrawn from the influence of priests, taken over by civil administration, and deprived of everything which gives them a religious, a Catholic stamp. This is how those gentlemen reason, and, with that object in view, they patronise the present monarchy.

At the bottom they are Republicans, but as long as the Vatican exists, they defend the monarchy, they oppose it to Papacy as the paladium of the united Italy of to-day.

When, after the murder of King Humbert, Queen Margaret wrote a prayer which was not in accordance with the canonical rules, the Vatican forbade its being read in churches. All the Freemason confraternity was down on the Vatican, seeing therein a political intrigue, and Mr. Nathan, in speaking on that subject, did not fail to express his indignation. On this strife with the Vatican rests the activity of Masonry. "Here is the adversary against whom (Vatican) Masonry is fighting; it is combatting, not the religion, but the organisation and the sects which make use of religion for objectionable unpatriotic political aims, it is combatting clericalism, not catholicism, and it is combatting the usurpers of faith, not faith itself; it is combatting pharisees, not the moral principles, which are made use of for worldly objects and the lust of power."

I have quoted here literally one of the passages of Mr. Nathan's speech. It follows from same, that if the Vatican will yield on every point, give up all its rights, then it will be pardoned, always on the condition that it does not thwart their designs.

In their opinion the State should be undenominational. Nothing is to be exalted to a dogma, and virtues ought to be a "civic" duty, and teaching to rest only on moral education. Nathan refers here to the opinion of Leo Tolstoy and his words: "Let everybody be allowed to believe in a God of his liking."

Such is than the object of the struggle "worthy of a great association, believing in truth, in the welfare destined for everybody. . . ."

And now, why those secret badges, those clandestine meetings, those enigmatic teachings? The Masons have been asked here publicly a long time ago to throw off their mask. They do not throw it off, they only half open it. As Mr. Nathan has explained us, the "secret," that secret of the clandestine organisation, will go on being kept. It should not be known who belongs to the Masonry and who does not! (To-day almost all Italian Ministers are Masons, and, as a great exception, the Marquiss Visconti-Verosti, the former Foreign Secretary, was quoted, who never belonged to the sect).

"We are a target for darts, we, our persons, our reputation, our interests, even our homes are slandered. Some of our adversaries we know, some are unknown to us. Maybe, there are some here, in this hall, happy to gather from my mouth material for aggression!" (Hilarity in the hall).

All that is nothing yet. But what he said further is really interesting:

"We aim at abolishing the secret; we know it to be necessary, but the indispensable condition is reciprocity. As long as the Society of Jesus, and other similar congregations, will prepare in the dark their attacks, so long we won't publish the list of persons, for it would be to the advantage of enemies, and to our detriment."

If the speaker is to be believed, Masonry has besides some more "ideal" aims. Thus, for instance, the spreading of Italian feeling abroad, supporting schools outside Italy, but always only undenominational schools, that is, those to which priests have no access for teaching religion. As it is known, there exists in Italy a literary association "Dante Alighieri," having for its object the cultivating of Italian language and literature, even amongst Italians residing abroad. "Dante Alighieri" is supplied with Masonic funds, and it is Masonry which is fighting on her part with the Slavonians in Istria, Dalmatia, and, in general, on the Austrian coast of the Adriatic, in the name of the great poet of Ravenna.

What funds does it dispose of? That is one of the greatest mysteries, and Nathan did not unveil same. He has told only that every member pays a voluntary contribution.

We have also got to know that the divorce law is supported by the fraternity of the triangle and trowel. The program contains besides many other beautiful things and promises—the combination of capital and labour in the production, raising workmen to the rank of free producers, establishing credit-banks, and, in the present transitory period, before the evolution is completed, the encouraging of agricultural partnership between capital and labour by means of division of the produce between the owner and the agricultural labourer, share of the workman in the profits in industrial undertakings, &c.

The pity is that what we know about Masons does not correspond with those lofty aspirations. Have they not been always accused that the solidarity of Masons goes far beyond the limits of honesty and justice. Why, for instance, has the name of Mason become here synonymous with knavery.

Women do not join Masonry, except in the United States where there exists a separate association, "The Star of the East."

The lecturer concluded his lecture by a pathetic turn, proclaiming Masonry to be nothing less than a haven of rest, a morning star, in the present days, when so many social troubles are threatening, when gloomy flashes are breaking through the horizon, amongst a general anarchy of conscience.

In the enormous splendid lecture hall, where the meetings are holden, and where the council of brothers 33 are sitting, there were placed green banners of 170 Italian lodges with the usual symbols. Behind it were about a dozen of most sumptuously furnished rooms, Freemasonic temples, meeting rooms, for brothers of 9, 18, and 30 degree, with pillars separating the higher from the lower degrees. Truly, in the case of a commercial company, business could be transacted in a more modest dwelling.

It cannot be denied that Mr. Nathan's lecture was very clever. Only the great master has been speaking mostly of some kind of ideal Masons. If in general there could be here a question of ideal, and not of such as they are. Besides, we know them here, unfortunately.

In the political life of Italy they are the decomposing element, judged and condemned—says of them the Liberal press, those who know the working of the company behind the scenes.

The fact that Jews were so eager to join the association proves that they have found out where material gains are to be obtained; and all that speaking about personal morality is merely throwing dust into the eyes.

No, the distrust which the majority of people feel here towards Masons has not been shaken by Mr. Nathan's tendentious lecture.

Considered from the Catholic point of view, the Church has a no more implacable enemy not only in Italy, but also in other countries, than the Freemasons. The Vatican is experiencing now the influence of this sect in France, Spain, Portugal, where demonstrations are organised against the Church, and where a section of the press, clandestinely supported, is spreading most false informations to assail the Holy See and its head.

It is to the Masons that we are indebted that the dispute between the Government and the Church has not been settled yet. The sect would not allow a compromise, for it would then cease to exist, not having any *raison d'être*, and once the profitable Government undertakings coming to an end, their adherers would surely leave them.

That, however, is not likely. Official Italy, pressed on the one side by Socialism in strife with the Catholics, is looking for a support, and finds same in monarchical Masons. There will come a time, however, when this mask will fall off, too, for it is well-known that their final aim is—a Republic. Nathan did not say as much, for he could not do it, although he spoke also of Mazzini, who was a Mason, too. Perhaps, however, there will be somebody else who will abolish both, monarchy and Masonry. Social movements seem to develop. There will come then the turn for the Vatican to save society.

## Craft Masonry.

### Lodge Acacia, No. 2321.

The regular meeting of the above lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Bradford, on Thursday, the 1st instant. Bro. John W. Bland, W.M., presided, and there were also present: Bros. Alfred Stephenson, P.P.G.D.; C. H. Ellis, P.M.; John Morton, P.M.; R. S. Hird, I.P.M.; T. P. Sykes, as S.W.; T. H. Bedford, J.W.; W. Shaw S.D.; J. L. Turner, as J.D.; W. H. Townend, I.G.; J. L. Cooper, Tyler; S. A. Bailey, P.M., Treas.; J. T. Last, P.P.G. Reg., Sec.; J. Wood, Org.; W. Durrance, Asst. Sec.; and a fair attendance of the brethren. Visitors: Bros. Rev. Wm. Wilkinson, P.M. 2069, P.P.G.C.; Rev. J. Moxon Walton, 207, P.P.G.C.; Rev. T. H. Greenhalgh, 275, P.P.G.C.; Rev. E. Richards, 302, P.P.G.C. N. and E. Yorks; Rev. Geo. Dangerfield, Chap. 1301; Rev. J. W. Clough, I.W. 2321; Rev. C. F. Askew, 995; Rev. Jas. Brown, Chap. 1648; J. Wilson, P.M. 1034, P.P.G. Std. Br.; and E. Spencer, 2669.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting having been read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for the Rev. C. H. King, Vicar of St. James', Bolton, and Mr. Wm. A. Drake, which resulted favourably, and the Rev. C. H. King, being in attendance, he was initiated by Bro. Stephenson, P.P.G.D. The working tools were explained by Bro. Last, P.P.G.R., and the charge in the First Degree was delivered by Bro. Ellis, P.M. Bro. M. H. Langley, M.A., was raised to the Third Degree by Bro. Bailey, P.M., the working tools being explained by Bro. Bedford, J.W., and the charge in the Third Degree delivered by Bro. Sykes, acting S.W. A Committee was elected to audit the Treasurer's accounts for the current year.

Apologies were tendered for the unavoidable absence of a number of the members of the lodge, and letters of apology were read from Bros. the Rev. Hugh Doig, Prov. G. Chap., and Rev. Canon Lowther Clarke, P.P.G.C., Vicar of Dewsbury, and a number of other clerical brethren regretting their inability to attend the lodge and greet the candidate on his admission into the Craft.

After "Hearty good wishes" from the numerous visitors, the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to refreshment.

After dinner, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured, the speeches being interspersed with songs and recitations, and a very pleasant and harmonious evening was, as usual, brought to a close by the Tyler's toast.

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### Masonic Notes.

The Quarterly Communication of United Grand Lodge will be held at Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday, the 4th prox. The paper of Agenda, which will be found in another column, contains several items of interest. In the first place announcement is made that the M.W. Pro Grand Master will propose a vote of sympathy with the M.W.G. Master on the death of his Royal Highness's eldest sister—Her Imperial Majesty the Empress Frederick (*née* Princess Royal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland). There is also a message from his Royal Highness the Grand Master relating to the formation of an illegal and irregular lodge in Copenhagen (within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Denmark) by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. The message is to the effect that the inquiries that have been instituted appear to justify the Grand Lodge of Denmark in declaring this body to be illegal and irregular, and Grand Lodge is invited (1) to declare the body illegal and forbid all intercourse between English lodges and its members; and (2) to make known such declaration to all the Grand Lodges with which it is in communication and to the lodges on the English Register.

The Board of General Purposes in their Report recommend that the whole of the English lodges in Western Australia—to the number of 35—having resolved on placing themselves on the roll of the newly-formed Grand Lodge of Western Australia, and, on surrendering their warrants, be formally erased from the Register. They also recommend that 10 lodges, as specified in the Paper of Agenda, having ceased to work, and having failed to show cause to the contrary, be forthwith erased from the list, and that similar treatment be meted out to Lodge No. 2468, in the Isle of Man, which was warranted in 1893, but has never been consecrated.

The number of new lodges for the constitution of which the M.W. Grand Master has been pleased to grant warrants since the June Quarterly Communication is 11, of which four are located in London, two in the Provinces, and five Abroad. The London four are the New Century Lodge, No. 2860; the Borough of Islington Lodge, No. 2861; the London Welsh Lodge, No. 2867; and the Cheselden Lodge, No. 2870. Of the new Provincial lodges, the East Gosgote Lodge No. 2865, will meet at Syston, in the Province of Leicestershire and Rutland; the Ashington Lodge, No. 2868, at Hirst, in Northumberland. The five lodges Abroad are thus distributed: The Grant Lodge, No. 2862, at Galle, in the Island of Ceylon; the Kilkivan Lodge, No. 2863, to meet at the town of the same name in the District of Queensland; the Duke of Cornwall Lodge, No. 2864, in the District of Natal; the Shillong Lodge, No. 2866, at the town of

the same name in the District of Bengal; and the Blyth Lodge, No. 2869, to meet at Butterworth, which is vaguely described as being in "South Africa."

The Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons for England and Wales, &c., &c., will be held at the Mark Masons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on Tuesday, the 3rd prox., at the usual hour. There will be proposed from the chair a vote of sympathy with his Royal Highness the M.W. Grand M.M., on the death of the Empress Frederick of Germany, after which the principal business will be the consideration of the Report of the General Board. From this we learn, that during the quarter ending the 30th June, there were issued 349 Mark and 66 Royal Ark Mariner Certificates, raising the number of registered Mark Master Masons to 43,398, and of Royal Ark Mariners to 6681.

Since the last Report there have also been granted, warrants for three new Mark and two new Royal Ark Mariner lodges. Of the former the Temple Lodge, No. 548, Shillong, and the Prosonno Coomar Dutt Lodge, No. 549, Cooch Behar, are located in the District of Bengal; while the Manica Lodge, No. 550, will meet at Umtali, in Rhodesia. Both the new Royal Ark Mariner lodges will meet in London, the Dramatic being attached to Mark Lodge No. 487 bearing the same name, and the United Service to the United Service Mark Lodge, No. 489. We are further informed that the M.W. Grand M.M. has been pleased to re-appoint for a further term of years Lord Henniker and Viscount Valentia as Prov. G. Mark Masters of East Anglia and Berks and Oxon respectively; and to appoint Bro. the Rev. F. W. Macdonald, M.A., Prov. G.M.M. of Wiltshire, *vice* the Earl of Radnor deceased, and Bro. the Very Rev. E. R. Currie, Dean of Battle, Prov. G.M.M. of Sussex, in succession to himself on relinquishing the office.

The Board further officially reports the death of the lamented Bro. the Right Hon. W. W. B. Beach, M.P., M.W.G.M.M. 1866-69, Prov. G. M.M. Berks and Hants 1857-1873, and Prov. G.M.M. Hants and the I. of W. from 1889 till his death; at the same time paying a sincere tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased, who, from the very commencement of its career as a separate organisation had rendered most valuable services to Mark Masonry. It is also stated that the recent Festival in behalf of the Mark Benevolent Fund, under the presidency of Bro. Col. Clifford Probyn, Past G. Treasurer, yielded £2059, and the Board congratulates both the Chairman and the Stewards on the result.

The recent annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Devonshire appears to have been in every respect a great success. The past year has been one of substantial progress, and the several reports, statistical, financial, Charitable, that were laid before the brethren were all of them satisfactory as regards the past and encouraging for the future of the Province. There are 60 lodges on the roll and the aggregate membership shows a total of 4149, or close on 70 members per lodge. The Prov. Grand Treasurer's statement of account, which opened with a balance to the good of £354, had at the close of the year a similar balance, but amounting to £328. The Fortescue Annuity Fund, which in 1895 had an income of £132 14s., had a total receipt during the past year of £338 10s., the sum paid away in annuities during the year being £450. In moving the adoption of this report Bro. Shorto announced that the Fund had had £500 bequeathed to it by Bro. R. B. West, who died early in the year, and had left a sum of £50,000 to be distributed by his executors among such Charitable Institutions as they might select. Bro. West was initiated in the Apollo University Lodge, No. 357, Oxford, and was an earnest member of the St. George's Lodge, No. 112, Exeter.

Bro. J. B. Gover submitted the Report of the Committee of Petitions, and in announcing that the Province had been successful in carrying the election of a widow candidate for the Benevolent Institution and a candidate for the Boys' School, paid a well-deserved compliment to Bro. F. B. Westlake, Past Dep. G.D.C., for the work he had done in connection with the elections, remarking that "too much credit could not be given" to that brother "for the admirable manner in which he conducted the business." Bro. Gover further stated that whereas some years since the Province possessed only about 700 votes for the central Charities, it now had over 5000, this being due to the more generous support which Devonshire

had latterly given to those Charities, and he expressed the hope that this greater and more liberal measure of support would be continued.

Before the proceedings were brought to a close, the Acting Provincial Grand Master, Bro. G. C. Davie, P.G.D. Eng., D.P.G.M., presented, on behalf of the subscribing lodges and brethren, to Bro. John Stocker, Prov. G. Sec., on his appointment to the office of Asst. G. D. of C. of Grand Lodge, a handsome testimonial, consisting of his Grand Lodge clothing and a cheque for 100 guineas, in recognition of the eminent services he had rendered to the Province. Bro. Davie, who very kindly acknowledged that Bro. Stocker had very materially lightened his labours and those of the Provincial Grand Master, expressed his belief that Bro. Stocker was a model Provincial Grand Secretary, and trusted he would be spared for many years to continue in his office, and place the Province, if it were possible, under still greater obligations to him. These remarks of the Acting Provincial Grand Master were heartily applauded, and so was Bro. Stocker on his brief, but graceful, acknowledgment of the gift.

It should be added that in making his acknowledgment, Bro. Stocker announced his intention of presenting the cheque to the Devon Masonic Educational Fund on certain conditions, which the Acting Prov. G. Master subsequently explained, were to the effect that the gift should be looked upon as the equivalent of a "Perpetual Governorship," the votes of which should be exercised by Bro. Stocker during his lifetime, and afterwards as "The Stocker Votes" by the Prov. G. Secretary, the memory of Bro. Stocker and his great services to the Craft in Devonshire "being thus kept green among Devonshire Freemasons in perpetuity." The whole thing forms one of the most pleasing episodes we have known in the annals of Devon Masonry.

There is still another event in connection with his Province which it was our privilege to report last week, and to which some prominence should be given. The day previous to the annual Provincial meeting which has been the subject of the preceding batch of Notes, Bro. Davie, P.G.D., the Acting Prov. G. Master, consecrated "to the glory of the Great Architect of the Universe and the uses of Freemasonry" the newly erected quarters of the Bedford Lodge, No. 282 Tavistock. The ceremony was most impressively carried out in the presence of a numerous gathering of the members of the lodge and visitors from other parts of the Province; and to judge from the description published last week of the premises, the Bedford Lodge will in future be most comfortably and conveniently located.

In replying to the toast of the Prov. G. Master and Officers, Bro. Davie expressed the pleasure it had given him to attend and perform the ceremony of dedication, and his willingness to perform a like ceremony for any lodge room on the one condition that it should be used "solely for Masonic purposes." Bro. Davie said he did not think it right that so solemn a form should be used at the dedication of premises which were to be devoted only in part to the purposes of Freemasonry, and might every now and then be turned into concert halls or auction rooms. Bro. Davie said he felt very strongly upon the subject, and reserved to himself the right to refuse to undertake a similar duty in the case of premises that were not intended to be used solely for the purposes of Freemasonry. In any such case a brother in authority has the right to give full effect to the opinions he holds, and in this instance we hold that he is justified in exacting this particular condition.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Warwickshire will be held at the invitation of Trinity Lodge, No. 254, at St. Mary's Hall, Coventry, on Wednesday, September 25th. The Provincial Grand Master, the Rt. Hon. and Rt. W. Bro. the Lord Leigh, P.C., LL.D., Lord Lieutenant of the County, will appoint and invest his officers, and other important business will be transacted. The brethren present at Provincial Grand Lodge will attend Divine Service at Trinity Church, Coventry, when the sermon will be preached by Bro. the Rev. R. G. Aldridge, M.A., Prov. Grand Chaplain, after which a collection will be made in aid of the Warwickshire Masonic Benevolent and Pupils' Aid Fund. Prior to the meeting luncheon will be served at the Craven Arms Hotel, at which the R.W. the Prov. Grand Master will preside.

## Reviews.

**The Century Bible.**—*Romans*—(Edinburgh: T. C. and E. C. Jack.)—This remarkable series is progressing, the fourth Volume being now published, and being fully up to the high standard of the previous issues. The valuable Introduction and the Notes to the Revised Version are by the Rev. Alfred E. Garvie, M.A. (Oxon), B.D. (Glas.), and of their class have never been excelled. The "Notes," so-called, are really a very full treatise on the Romans, based upon the latest works on the subject, and written in a most scholarly manner. Only variant readings or renderings of very great interest or importance have been discussed, as the text of the Revised Version has been accepted as the foundation of such commentary, and the author has succeeded in rendering the "thought of Paul" most intelligible and acceptable even to readers dominated "by modern intellectual tendencies," but to reverent minds especially, the Volume is a treasure. (2/- to 3/- each.)

**"Freemasons' Calendar and Directory for the Province of Lincolnshire, 1901-1902."**—C. F. Doncaster, (Lincoln).—This useful little brochure is published by the authority of the Prov. G.L., and we understand has kindly been edited by Bro. William Dixon, P.M. 297, the historian of the province. It is certainly well done, and has special features of its own, which, if we mistake not, will be copied ere long by other provinces. There are 25 lodges in the county, eight R.A. chapters, and as many Mark lodges. The list of extinct lodges is interesting, dating back to 1726, but the Royal Arch is not met with earlier than 1787, which strikes us as scarcely far enough back for the working of that ceremony in Lincolnshire. The compilation is handy, timely, and accurate.

**"An Autumn Tour in the United States and Canada."** By Andrew Iredale, 1901. (Torquay: George H. Iredale).—The author of this very readable and tastefully got-up volume need not have had any misgiving as to its possessing interest for many beyond his own "inner circle," for there is not a dull page in the book, and not a few are of considerable value, because based upon the careful observations of an intelligent and well-informed traveller, who made the most of his time, and with praiseworthy diligence and ability has written a pleasing account of the great country through which he passed or sojourned for a short while. With many a light and graceful touch the chief characteristics of the States and Canada, so far as could be discovered in the time, have been skilfully sketched by Mr. Iredale, occasionally a little humour giving a brighter colouring to the pleasing picture. Throughout the volume there is evidence of a conscientious endeavour to do justice to his subject, and to instruct as well as entertain the reader; and, what is more, he has been eminently successful in such a laudable aim. Copies may be had from Mr. George H. Iredale, Fleet-street, Torquay, for 3s. 6d. net, and as the edition is limited, intending subscribers should apply at once.

**Vine Culture as Exemplified at the Paris Exhibition** is the title of an exceedingly able article written for the September number of the "Chamber of Commerce Journal," at the request of the London Chamber of Commerce, by Sir James Blyth, Bart., of Blythwood Stansted, Essex, an advanced proof of which has been forwarded to us by the author. The article may briefly be described as a guide to wine production in the Colonies of the British Empire, and although the writer admits that Canada, the Cape, and more particularly Australia, have still much to learn from France of the art of vine culture, yet he anticipates the time when none but Colonial wines will be drunk within the Empire. We recommend our readers to procure and read the article for themselves.

**"Dulverton and the District: The Country of the Wild Red Deer"** is one of the latest handbooks for the encouragement of touring in Great Britain by the Homeland Association, Limited, at St. Bride's House, 24, Bride-lane, Fleet-street, E.C. The book is written by Mr. F. Snell, M.A., and deals with the charming portion of West Somerset of which Dulverton is the centre. The chapter on stag hunting, for which Dulverton holds a world-wide reputation, is written by Mr. Philip Evered, Secretary of the Devon and Somerset Stag Hounds, who also contributed a chapter on hare hunting with the Quorn Harriers. Fox hunting is fully dealt with by Dr. R. J. Collins, and the excellent fishing in the two famous rivers, the Barle and the Exe, by Dr. Sydenham. Otter and badger hunting also receive attention. The popular edition is published at 6d. nett, and a well-bound library edition, with an excellent Ordnance Survey map of the large part of Exmoor, at 1s. 6d. nett; postage in each case 2d. The book is carefully indexed and well illustrated.

**The Handy Hotel Guide**, published by the Hotel and General Advertising Co., Ltd., 239-241, Shaftesbury-avenue, Bloomsbury, price 2d., is a handy little guide to the best hotels of all the principal centres and health or pleasure resorts in the United Kingdom. The hotels recommended have been personally visited by the Association's Agents, and from the hotels named in places known to us we quite believe the selections have been made without bias and solely in the public interest. The guide should prove invaluable to all travellers and tourists.

## The September Magazines.

**Cassell's Magazine** contains besides the continuations of the serial tales, Rudyard Kipling's "Kim" and Max Pemberton's "The Giants' Gate," the following complete stories: "The Man in the Swamp," "The Lone Spot," "From Sunset to Sunrise," and "In the Days of Top Hats," a cricket story. "Metz—Thirty Years After," is an illustrated article on one of the most historic scenes of the Franco-German War. Mr. E. H. Cooper has a most interesting article on "Tattersall's," the famous horse-mart, and there is also a capital paper on Japanese jugglers. "Our British Mountains," by a member of the Alpine Club, proves conclusively that difficult and dangerous climbs need not be sought for by Englishmen so far afield as Switzerland. Papers on lady golfers and other subjects of interest go to make up a really excellent number.

**The Cornhill Magazine** opens with an unsigned English Idyll, in verse, "Betwixt the Hay-time and the Corn," which is followed by some criticisms on Conan Doyle's "Great Boer War," supplied by some of the Ceylon prisoners, to whom copies of the book had been forwarded. Sir William Lee-Warner contributes an article on "The Indian Civil Service: Past and Present," and the Hon. Mrs. Anstruther sums up the various Family Budgets that have appeared in the recent numbers under the title of "That Tyrant Income." George Paston discourses on N. P. Willis, "The Pencil by the Way." There are further instalments of the "Londoner's Log-book" and the "Tale of the Great Mutiny." The Rev. W. H. Hutton describes a Byway in the Cotswolds,

and Mr. C. Parkinson writes his experience on a Sailing Trip to St. Helena. "Urbanus Sylvan" dates his Provincial Letter from Bloomsbury. Bennet Copplestone has a story called "A Vagabond's Wooing," and Mr. Stanley Weyman continues "Count Hannibal."

**Longman's Magazine** opens with a further instalment of Edward Dyson's clever story "The Gold-Stealers; a Story of Waddy," the description it contains of the Great Goat Riot being most laughable. Edith Darr has one of her amusing West-Country stories entitled "Passon's Dilemma." George Paston contributes an article on "Eighteenth Century London through French Eye-glasses," while the Rev. John Vaughan is the author of a paper of fascinating interest on "Essex and the Early Botanists." "According to the Code" is a somewhat original complete story, while "English flowers in an Egyptian Garden" is an article of unusual interest especially to lovers of floriculture. There are several other items of interest in the current number.

**The Pall Mall Magazine** opens with "London Ten Years Hence," an illustrated account of a future walk from Westminster to St. Paul's and westwards again to South Kensington, by H. B. Philpott, the illustrations showing the vast new buildings of national importance and other wonderful improvements that may be expected 10 years hence. There is a beautifully-illustrated article by Professor Max Liebermann on the artist, Jozef Israels. The story of the auto-car in France is ably told by Robert Crawford, and there is an interesting paper on "Some Private Zoos." William Archer's Real Conversation is this time with Mr. W. S. Gilbert, and Eden Phillpotts has a delightful article on wild flowers, entitled "A Nature Note." "The Climber in the Dolomites," "Books to Read," and several of the short papers and verse are also well worthy of perusal. There are, moreover, excellent short stories by G. E. Street, Guiller-Couch, R. Neish, Stephen Gwynn, Marie Van Vorst, and C. L. Antrobus. The prize-drawing is by Lex de Renault, and is illustrative of Gray's "Elegy," while the etching for frontispiece is of Fisher Folk on the Dutch Coast.

**The Royal Magazine** opens with illustrations of the difficult art of child-photography. "Soldiers of the Kaiser" is an article that should be read by the many who are apt to overrate the German Army in comparison with our own. "Mind your Skirt" is the title of a few humorous, though some ladies may think uncalled for remarks (illustrated) on skirts and their management, by a mere man. There are several other very interesting papers while in the realm of fiction, "The Affair of the Bal Masque" is a good story of cleverly designed crimes, and "The Regent's Park Murder" is a tale on similar lines, being the fifth of the series of London mysteries, told by the whimsical old man with the piece of knotted string. Other interesting complete stories are told by R. Neish, Hamilton Rae, G. A. Thurlow, Basil Jay, and others. But more wonderful than all the fiction, though it seems as yet to partake somewhat of its nature, is the account of the latest electrical wonder by means of which handwriting and sketches may be transmitted for hundreds of miles.

**The Smart Set** fully sustains the reputation of that fascinating magazine for vivacity and cleverness. The number opens with an amusing novelette by Caroline Duer, entitled "A New Bonnet for Mary." The adventures of the ingenuous and unconventional heroine, a society heiress, who assumes to be a dressmaker's assistant for sweet charity's sake, and dramatically assists in the recovery of a large quantity of stolen gems, are diverting to a degree. Mrs. M. E. W. Sherwood writes entertainingly on the subject of divorce under the title of "Untying the Knot." Mrs. Flora Bigelow Dodge, a sister of Poultney Bigelow, is the author of a brilliant and humorous society satire, entitled "Mrs. Mack's Example," while Edgar Saltus writes another of his pyrotechnic essays, entitled "The Poms of Satan." One of the strongest stories in the number is "The Price of Honour," and Prince Vladimir Vaniatsky contributes a strange tale, called "The Queen of the Far Country." Other features of this attractive issue are "Underbrush," "His Prophylactic Flirtation," "The Transmogrification of Dan," "Brocton Mott, Realist," a £20 prize story, by Kate Jordan; "The Companion to Virtue," and "The Picture over the Mantel." The leading poems are "The Wish that Came True," "Twilight in the City," "Marionettes," "Compensation," "The Supreme Hour," and "Fulfillment."

## RESCUE BY A LIVERPOOL STEAMER.

### PRESENTATION TO HER MASTER.

A special meeting of the Liverpool Local Marine Board was held on the 21st instant at the offices, Sailors' Home, to present to Bro. Captain W. H. Bullock, of the Liverpool steamer William Cliff, a pair of binoculars, on behalf of Bro. the King of Sweden, for his services in rescuing the crew of the Norwegian barque Arabia in the Atlantic. Colonel Goffey, V.D., presided, and there were also present Lieut. Macnab, R.N.R. (secretary), Captain Hendersen, and Mr. Geo. Oxford.

It appears that on the afternoon of the 15th January last the steamer William Cliff was four days out from Liverpool, when she sighted a sailing barque flying Norwegian colours, and in distress. She proved to be the Arabia, of Christiania, coal laden, and in a sinking condition, the crew asking to be taken off in the steamer's boats owing to the heavy sea running. With masterly seamanship Bro. Captain Bullock laid his ship to windward of the wreck, and lowered one of his lifeboats in charge of Mr. Chadwick, chief officer, and the following men: Wm. Logue, boatswain; M. Daley, P. Gordon, J. Rimmer, and J. Harrison. A south-east gale had just given way to a strong westerly gale, and left a most dangerous and confused sea, which rendered the operation very difficult, the steamer rolling at the time 38 degrees each way by clinometer. In fact, on the first essay the automatic stern davit tackle released itself before the bow, with the result that the boat became vertical, and threw the chief officer and three of the men into the waves, but fortunately they were saved by life lines, and, nothing daunted, the brave fellows again tried and succeeded in getting away. The wreck was rolling fearfully, which rendered it impossible for the boat to lie alongside. The crew had to jump overboard, and be hauled in by lines or hands, as could best be done, leaving all their belongings in their ship. In this way the 14 men comprising the crew were brought away, but the worst trouble had still to be encountered, for although Bro. Bullock had worked the steamer round to leeward the task of getting the men out of the boat proved most difficult. It had to be done by streaming away lifebuoys and throwing lines. Every man had to be hauled up the side, not only the boats crew, but every other available man on board working heroically for the purpose. Two hours and a half were consumed in the work. The men were all subsequently landed at Fayal (Azores).

Colonel GOFFEY, in making the presentation, expressed on behalf of the Local Marine Board his pleasure in handing a souvenir of the rescue to Bro. Bullock. It seemed that it was no new thing for the captain to risk his life in saving the lives of others, for in 1888, when he was second mate of the barque Athelstan, he saved life by swimming among sharks off the coast of Chili, and for this he was awarded the bronze medal of the Board of Trade. In 1893 he was presented with the silver medal of the Board of Trade for having, when chief officer of the steamer Floridan, saved life by swimming amongst sharks at Colon. He (Colonel Goffey)

could only express his gratification that he had the opportunity of making this presentation on behalf of the King of Sweden in recognition of his services in saving the lives of these 14 men from a vessel which, he presumed, foundered immediately the rescue was effected. It was done under circumstances of great danger, and showed great skill on the part of the master, and great bravery on the part of Mr. Chadwick and the rest of the boat's crew.

Bro. BULLOCK expressed his thanks, and hoped his thanks would also be conveyed to Bro. the King of Sweden for his kindness. He was merely a looker on, for the boat's crew did all the work.

The CHAIRMAN said that in these cases they always felt that a very great deal depended upon the master of a vessel, for without his skill and daring the rescue could not be effected.

The proceedings then terminated.

Bro. Bullock, who is a lieutenant in the Royal Naval Reserve, is a member and first initiate of the United Northern Counties Lodge, No. 2128, of which lodge his father is P.M., Secretary, and founder.

## Craft Masonry.

### Era Lodge, No. 1423.

This lodge held its 143rd meeting at the Albany Hotel, Twickenham, on Saturday, the 10th instant, when there were present: Bros. E. C. St. Aubyn, W.M.; D. Hart-Davies, P.P.A.G.D.C. Middx.; I.P.M.; P. M. Saunton, acting S.W.; C. E. Dowling, J.W.; J. Beresford Ryley, P.M.; P.G.W. Hertford, P.P.G.D. Middx.; Treas.; G. L. Wingate, P.M.; P.P.G.R. Middx.; Sec.; W. Anning, S.D.; S. Enever, J.D.; C. R. Conway, I.G.; J. T. Skelding, Stwd.; T. J. Peckham, P.M.; J. H. Anderson, P.M.; F. W. Tallack, P.M.; P.P.A.G.D.C. Middx.; H. T. Tallack, P.M.; P.P.A.G.D.C. Middx.; J. Wheatley, P.M.; J. A. R. Duchon Doris, and F. G. Mitchell, Tyler.

After the lodge was opened the Dep. Prov. Grand Master, Bro. Vice-Admiral William H. C. St. Clair, P.G.D., entered the lodge, and was saluted in due form. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, Bro. Jean Amédée Raoul Duchon Doris was raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason by the W.M., the charge and the traditional history being declaimed by Bro. T. J. Peckham, P.M. Bro. J. Beresford Ryley, P.M., moved, and Bro. Saunton, P.M., seconded, and it was unanimously resolved: "That a sum of £5 5s. be voted from the Benevolent Fund of the Era Lodge towards the objects of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, such sum having been advanced by the Treasurer, and placed on the list of W. Bro. Admiral St. Clair, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex." The Deputy Prov. Grand Master acknowledged the vote, and took occasion to impress upon the brethren the desirability of the study of the ritual, so as to do away with all necessity for the prompter's voice to be heard when the proper intonation and emphasis could be the better realised. The Treasurer having read a communication from the Secretary, being a short report of the installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught as Grand Master, on the 17th July last, at the Royal Albert Hall, it was moved by Bro. Tallack, P.M., seconded by Bro. J. Beresford Ryley, P.M., and resolved unanimously, that the communication be received and entered on the minutes:

"Angel-court, London,  
9th August, 1901.

"To the W.M. of the Era Lodge, 1423.

"Worshipful Sir and Brother,

"The Grand Secretary having informed the lodge through you that the installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught was appointed to take place on the 17th July last at the Royal Albert Hall, and that a list of members qualified to be present should be forwarded to the Grand Secretary, efforts were made to ascertain whether or not those qualified would be able to attend when a list of 12 names was submitted to Grand Lodge.

"The Era Lodge was favoured with eight tickets, and a ballot was taken in the presence of the W.M. before these tickets were distributed.

"On the day appointed an Especial Grand Lodge was held at the Albert Hall. The arrangements which had been made by Grand Lodge were so perfect that, notwithstanding the large number of nearly 9000 brethren being present, no inconvenience was experienced in finding or taking up the position and seat which had been allotted to the different brethren.

"The ceremony was the occasion of a noteworthy assemblage of some of the most distinguished Freemasons from all parts of the world owing allegiance to the United Grand Lodge of England, and also of those of more humble rank, but none below the office of Warden.

"After having taken a solemn obligation with regard to the duties H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G., who then held the office among others of Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, was installed as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England by the Pro Grand Master.

"The Earl Amherst having addressed the Grand Master on the subjects of Loyalty and Charity, H.R.H. stated, in reply, he was proud to occupy the position of Grand Master, an office that had been held by some of his ancestors, rulers and Princes of this country, and mentioned the fact that during the 25 years his Majesty the King held the office of Grand Master nearly two millions of money had been subscribed for the benefit of the three Charities, in addition to local and many other contributions. In conclusion of the occasion the Grand Master promoted several Grand Officers and made many appointments to Past Grand Rank.

"The Grand Organist played selections from an overture by King Hall, a Cantilene by Woestenholme, an Andante religioso by Grison, and the March from Athalie, by Mendelssohn, during the progress of the proceedings.

"In conclusion, may the pure principles and precepts of our Order, whether taught in allegory or illustrated by symbols prosper continuously under the fostering care of our Grand Master, whom may the Great Architect of the Universe long preserve.

"I am,

"Worshipful Sir and Brother,

"Yours faithfully and fraternally,

"G. L. WINGATE, Secretary."

Bro. P. M. Saunton proposed, and Bro. Anning seconded, as a joining member Bro. Charles Blondin Gammon, a member of the Benevolent Lodge, No. 2340. Communications from absent brethren and others having been disposed of, and all business being ended, the lodge was closed.

The warrant of the lodge was produced, and remained in lodge during the meeting.

The brethren then partook of refreshments at the Albany Hotel, when the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and responded to, Bros. Anning, Doris, and others joining in the entertainment by recitations, songs, and music.

## Science, Art, and the Drama.

### INSECTS USED AS FOOD BY MAN.

(Continued).

In the *hemipterous* order of insects, none are more widely dispersed or (if you will forgive a pun) have made more noise in the world than the *Cicada* tribe. From the time of Homer, who compares the garrulity of age to the chirping of these insects, they have been celebrated by the poets; and Anacreon has inscribed a very beautiful ode to them. We learn from Aristotle that these insects were eaten by the polished Greeks and accounted very delicious. The worm (*larva*), he says, lives in the earth where it takes its growth; that it then becomes a *Tettigometra* (*pupa*), when he observes they are most delicious, just before they burst from their covering. From this state they change to the *Tettix* or *Cicada* (*Grasshopper*), when the males, at first, have the best flavour, but after impregnation, the females are preferred on account of their white eggs. Athenæus also and Aristophanes mention their being eaten; and Ælian is very angry with the men of his age, that an animal sacred to the Muses should be strung, sold, and greedily devoured. The imago of the *Cicada septendecim* is still eaten by the Indians in America, who pluck off the wings and boil them; and the aborigines of New South Wales formerly used various species of the *Cicada* as food, stripping off the wings and eating them raw. They are aware that the sounds made by these insects, which they call *galang-galang*, are peculiar to the males, and depend upon their drums, and say in their peculiar English, "Old woman galang-galang no got, no make a noise." The ancient Greek taste for *Cicada* seems now much gone out of fashion; but, perhaps, if it were revived in those countries where the insects are to be found—for they inhabit only warm climates—it would be ascertained that so polished a people did not relish them without reason. No insects are more numerous in this island than the caterpillars of the Lepidoptera; if these could be used in aid of the stock of food in times of scarcity, it might subserve the double purpose of ridding us of a nuisance and relieving the public pressure. If, however, we were to take to eating caterpillars, we should be of the mind of the red-breasts, and eat only the *naked* ones, those without hair. But there is some encouragement from precedent to make a meal of the caterpillars which infest our cabbages and cauliflowers. Amongst the delicacies of a Boshjesman's table, Sparman reckons those caterpillars from which butterflies proceed. The Chinese, who waste nothing, after they have uncovered the silk from the cocoons of the silk-worm, send the chrysalis to table; they also eat the larva of a hawk-moth (*Sphinx*), some of which tribe, Dr. Darwin tells us, are, in his opinion, very delicious. A species of butterfly congregates on the insulated granite rocks of a particular district of New Holland in the months of November, December, and January, in such countless myriads (with what object is unknown) that the native blacks, who call them *Bugongs*, assemble from far and near to collect them, and after removing the wings and down by stirring them on the ground, previously heated by a large fire, and winnowing them, eat the bodies, or store them up for use by pounding and smoking them. The bodies of these butterflies abound in an oil with the taste of nuts, and when first eaten produce violent vomitings and other debilitating effects, but these go off after a few days, and the natives then thrive and fatten exceedingly on this diet, for which they have to contend with a black crow, which is also attracted by the *Bugongs* in great numbers, and which they despatch with their clubs and use as food. The next order, the Neuroptera, contains the white ant tribe (*Termes*), which, in return for the mischief it does at certain times, affords an abundant supply of food to some of the African nations. The Hottentots eat them boiled and raw, and soon get into good condition upon this food. König, quoted by Smeathman, says that in some parts of the East Indies the natives make two holes in the nests of the white ants, one to the windward and the other to the leeward, placing at the latter opening a pot rubbed with an aromatic herb, to receive the insects driven out of their nest by a fire of stinking materials made at the former. Thus they catch great quantities, of which they make with flour a variety of pastry, that they can afford to sell cheap to the poorer people. They are also eaten alone, without sauce or other addition, by the Africans, who consider them delicious food, and eat them by handfuls, as we do comfits. Mr. Smeathman has eaten them several times, and thought them delicate, nourishing, and wholesome, resembling in taste sugared cream or sweet almond paste. The female ant, in particular, is supposed by the Hindoos to be endowed with highly nutritive properties. The Hymenoptera order also furnishes a few edible articles. Knox says that bees are eaten in Ceylon. Piso speaks of yellow ants inhabiting Brazil, the abdomen of which many used for food. It is said that ants have no unpleasant flavour; they are very agreeably acid, and the taste of the trunk and abdomen is different. In some parts of Sweden ants are distilled along with rye to give a flavour to the inferior kinds of brandy. Some of the galls, the product of gall-flies (*cynips*), are esteemed in the Levant for their aromatic and acid flavour, especially when prepared with sugar, and form a considerable article of commerce from Scio to Constantinople, where they are regularly exposed in the market. The galls of ground-ivy have also been eaten in France. Insects of the class *Arachnida* (spiders) are sought for and eaten with avidity by the inhabitants of New Caledonia. These spiders are nearly an inch long, which they roast over the fire. Even individuals amongst the more polished natives of Europe are recorded as having a similar taste, so that, if you could rise above vulgar prejudices, you would in all probability find them a

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#### GENERAL REMARKS ON ART DURING THE REIGN OF JAMES I.

From Gothic magnificence in domestic architecture, to interpolations of classical ornaments and members; and lastly, to a style retaining no part of either in perfection, it is apparent that the great mansions which were erected during the reign of James I. were built upon plans which are discriminated from all by which they were preceded—a circumstance immediately obvious to the practised eye. The date of the completion of any great building will be adopted in preference to that of its first foundation, as both of them together will frequently include parts of two reigns, which might render any other classification indeterminate. The exclusion of angular or circular bay windows, and the introduction of very large square ones, unequally divided by a transom, and all placed in lengthened rows, in the several tiers or stories, form the leading distinction. The parapets were farther removed from an appearance of battlements, and the general effect of the whole pile was that of massive solidity, broken generally by one square turret, more lofty than those at the angles. The houses of James the First's time are much less picturesque than those of his predecessors. Of the architects who are known to have designed and completed principal buildings we have the names of John Thorpe, Gerard Christmas, and Bernard Jansens, with Robert Smithson. Besides these were Huntingdon Smithson, Thomas Holte, Rodolph Symonds, and Moses Glover, architects of equal merit. Huntingdon Smithson built Bolsover, an immense pile, for the first Cavendish, Duke of Newcastle, and was buried there in 1648. Thomas Holte was the architect of the quadrangle of the Schools at Oxford, that of Merton College, and, by fair conjecture, of the whole of Wadham College, before 1613. Rodolph Symonds superintended Sidney Sussex and Emmanuel Colleges at Cambridge; and Moses Glover was associated with Gerard Christmas in building Northampton (afterwards Northumberland) House, and was much employed at Sion House by Henry, Earl of Northumberland, where he had expended £9000, between the years 1604 and 1613. A plan, dated 1615, for rebuilding Petworth House, belonging to the same nobleman, and probably drawn by Glover, is still preserved there. The inside of the square of the Public Schools at Oxford, built by Thomas Holte above mentioned, has an air of great grandeur, resulting from the large dimensions of the relative parts rather than accuracy of proportion. To the lofty tower is attached a series of double columns, which demonstrate the five orders, from the Tuscan at the base to the Composite at the top.

#### THE CORONET THEATRE, NOTTING HILL, W.

We paid a visit the other evening to the above theatre, and witnessed a revival of the great drama, "The Two Orphans," which many years ago was presented to the public by Bro. Henry Neville, during his management of the Olympic. It was well received, and achieved a certain amount of success, but did not equal that which attended "The Ticket of Leave Man," which had a great run, and reversed for a while the bad luck which had previously attended the unfortunate theatre. The sunshine of good fortune did not last long, and was eventually overclouded, so that Bro. Neville was compelled to retire. We have already testified to the admirable way in which "The Ticket of Leave Man" was produced some time since at the Coronet Theatre. With the same completeness of detail, was produced "The Two Orphans." Mr. C. W. Somerset took the part of Jacques, the bully brother, while the lame one, Pierre, was represented by Mr. Lewis Edgard. The "Two Orphans," Louise (blind) and Henrietta, were efficiently enacted by Miss Agnes Russell and Miss Terese Osborne.

We have often had the pleasure of noticing the productions at the Coronet, and can only repeat what we have previously stated, that the Managing Director not only wisely affords constant variety, but ensures completeness in the staging of everything he offers to his appreciative patrons.

#### GENERAL NOTES.

Mr. Gillette is personally conducting rehearsals of "Sherlock Holmes," at the Lyceum, to be produced there on the 9th prox., after a preliminary performance at the Shakespeare Theatre, Liverpool. The play was acted no fewer than 442 times in America.

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Bro. Sir Henry Irving has been appointed by the Royal Institution of Great Britain to be their representative, at Manchester, in connection with the national commemoration of King Alfred, and, in response to an invitation from the Mayor, will, on the afternoon of 18th September, give a reading from Tennyson's "Becket."

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Mrs. Patrick Campbell produced at Bristol, on Monday last, a new comedy by Mr. and Mrs. Downing, entitled "Lady Tetley's Divorce," which, if successful in the country, will later on be seen in London—at the Royalty.

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The Princess's will open on 30th September with "The Sin of a Life." The cast will include Mr. Charles Warner and Miss Kate Rorke.

#### The Craft Abroad.

Hiram (Mark) Lodge, No. 272 (E.C.).  
INSTALLATION OF BRO. W. C. AIKEN, P.M., P.Z.

The installation of Bro. W. C. Aiken, P.M., P.Z., as W.M. of the above Mark lodge took place in the Freemasons' Hall, Christchurch, New Zealand, on the 19th ult. The installing officer was Bro. C. Dillworth Fox, D.D.G.M. The following were invested as officers for the ensuing year: Bros. Dr. B. M. Moorhouse, S.W.; Rev. A. C. Hoggins, J.W.; F. Waymouth, M.O.; H. Whittingham, S.O.; H. Acton-Adams, J.O.; W. J. Cookson, Sec.; Jno. Thornton, S.D. and Treas.; H. B. Hamlin, J.D.; G. Davies, I.G.; J. G. L. Scott, Chap.; H. N. Martin, Reg.; and H. F. Arnold, Tyler.

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**MASONIC MEETINGS (METROPOLITAN)**

For the week ending Saturday, September 7, 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.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.**

THE ST. JOHN'S CLUB.

1, Marjorie Grove, Sisters' Avenue, Clapham Junction, S.W., at 11 a.m.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2.**

CRAFT LODGE.

1321, Emblematic, Criterion.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

1591, St. Ambrose, St. James's Restaurant.

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., at 8.

Dalhousie, Greyhound Hotel, Kensington, at 8.  
Duke of Cornwall, Bristol Room, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate-street, E.C., at 7.

Eleonor, 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.

Fyde 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, Ridley'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 Wimbeldon 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.

Tyssen Amherst, Amherst Club, Amherst-rd., Rectory-rd., N., 7.30.

Upton, 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, 14, Panton-street, Haymarket, S.W., at 3.

Zetland, "The Falkland," Falkland-road, N.W., at 8.

Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-road, at 6.

Lewis Chapter, Fishmongers' Arms Hotel, Wood Green, N., at 8.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.**

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS, MARK MASONS' HALL.

CRAFT LODGES.

1472, Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich.

1662, Beaconsfield, Lord Brooke Hotel, Walthamstow.

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, Curator-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 Turo, 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, Fumagalli'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.

Joppa, "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, Kenble's 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.

Yarrowburgh, 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, SEPTEMBER 4.**

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE, at 5 for 6.

CRAFT LODGE.

2739, Verity, Cate Monica.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

598, Temperance-in-the-East, Masonic Hall, Romford-road.

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.

Creaton, Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.

Crouch End, Christ Church Schoolroom, Edison-road, Crouch End, at 8.30.

Derby Allcroft, Midland Grand Hotel, at 8.

Doric, 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., 8.

Eye, 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.

Londesborough, 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.

Pannure, 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-rider-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., 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 8.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.**

CRAFT LODGES.

1178, Perfect Ashlar, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark.

1445, Prince Leopold, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate.

1790, Old England, Fine Art Gallery, Croydon.

1903, Duke of Albany, Surrey Masonic Hall.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

1693, Kingsland, Holborn Restaurant.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Burdett-Coutts, Swan Tavern, New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.

Burgoynne, 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, Feltham.

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.

United Military, 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 8.10.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.**

CRAFT LODGES.

1275, Star, Ship Hotel, Greenwich.

2511, St. John at Hackney, South Place Hotel, Finsbury.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

2266, Cator, Holborn Restaurant.

LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, Essex Head, Essex-street, Strand, at 7.

All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.

Cough, 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.

Crusaders, Northampton Arms, 205, Goswell-rd., E.C., at 8.30.

Earl of Carnarvon, Elgin Hotel, Ladbroke-grove, Notting-hill, 7.

Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward Hotel, Triangle, Hackney, at 7.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, at 6.

Gavel Club, Freemasons' Hall, 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.

Loyalist, 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 Deacons, Wallbrook, 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.

## Masonic and General Tidings.

BRO. A. CAIRN HODGES, late of Bangalore, India, would oblige the Editor of the *Freemason* by communicating with him.

MR. WEEDON GROSSMITH has renewed his lease of the Avenue Theatre for yet another term until January to enable him to continue the run of his play "The Night of the Party."

SPRATT'S PATENT, LIMITED, have been honoured with the Royal appointment to H.M. the King. Their foods have for many years been supplied to the Royal kennels at Sandringham and Windsor.

BLACKHEATH LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1320. — The duties of the above lodge will be resumed at the Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, S.E., on Monday, the 2nd prox., at 8 o'clock p.m., under the able Preceptorship of Bro. Wm. Dawson, P.M. 788 and 1622. Brethren will be cordially welcomed.

KING EDWARD'S STATUE.—The discovery has been made that the metropolis does not possess a public statue of the King. The omission is to be repaired, for it is proposed in the City to celebrate the Coronation next year by the erection of an equestrian statue of King Edward in a leading thoroughfare.

THE ROSE LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1622.—This well known and successful lodge will resume its duties on Thursday, the 5th prox., at 8 p.m., at the Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, S.E., under the revered Preceptor, Bro. David Rose, P.M. 73 and 1622, by whom brethren will be most heartily welcomed.

STAR CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT, No. 1275.—The weekly convocations will be resumed at the Stirling Castle, Church-street, Camberwell, S.E., on Friday, the 6th prox., at 8 o'clock p.m. Comp. T. Grumant, P.Z. 1275, P.P.G.P.S. Essex, is the capable and worthy Preceptor. All Royal Arch companions will be most cordially invited.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY FUND.—Hospital Saturday will be observed on October 12th, when special collections will be made in the workshops and business houses in aid of the medical charities of London. The regular weekly collection in the industrial establishments, which constitutes the main source of the fund, will continue until the end of the year. It is hoped that the ultimate total will not fall short of £25,000.

BRO. THE REV. T. SELBY HENREY, incumbent of St. George's Church, Old Brentford, and formerly the curate of St. Botolph's, Aldersgate, expresses the opinion that something more than the usual stereotyped form of service is needed to attract a certain class of people to church. As a result he had a sermon preached by phonograph the other evening, and the large attendance on that occasion has made him firmer in his belief.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE MILLENNARY OF KING ALFRED.—The ceremony of unveiling the colossal statue in memory of King Alfred at Winchester on Friday, the 20th prox., will be performed by Lord Rosebery. There will be a representative national procession on the occasion. Bro. the Lord Mayor (the chairman of the committee), Bro. Alderman and Sheriff Vaughan Morgan, and Bro. Sheriff Lawrence, M.P., will take part in the ceremony.

THE SUMMER and Installation Number of the *Freemason* is specially interesting to the brethren of the Craft. It gives a full page portrait of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G., M.W.G.M.; a review of English Freemasonry from 1875 to 1901, with numerous portraits of Grand Officers; an account of the Charitable Institutions maintained by Freemasons, profusely illustrated, and much other valuable information relating to Freemasonry, that should command the attention and interest of the brethren.—*West of England Advertiser*.

BRO. THE LORD MAYOR AND THE GLASGOW EXHIBITION.—In the course of a long letter expressing congratulations and thanks which the Lord Provost of Glasgow has received from Bro. the Lord Mayor with reference to his recent visit to Glasgow, his lordship says: "It was gratifying to us to observe and to sincerely congratulate you upon the brilliant success attending your splendid exhibition, which, on all hands, is admitted to be the finest of its kind ever held under British auspices, and to which we hope many thousands of additional visitors will be attracted before it finally closes."

A DAY IN THE COUNTRY.—In connection with the St. Giles's Christian Mission, no fewer than 1300 children and adults enjoyed an excursion on the 21st inst. to Pinner. The gathering was representative of the mission's extensive work, as there were contingents from the Sunday schools, the children's services, the boys' homes, the women's home, the temperance societies, the mothers' meetings, &c. Mr. Wheatley, the superintendent, of 4, Ampton-street, Regent-square, is still sending sickly children and adults to the mission's convalescent and holiday homes at Maldon, Essex. Funds for the purpose are urgently needed.

SEVERAL OF THE METROPOLITAN VOLUNTEER CORPS have Masonic lodges attached to them, and some years ago instituted an annual rifle match. To encourage them in the laudable effort to keep up their proficiency with the rifle, Bro. Col. Lambert, of the Queen's Westminster Lodge, No. 2021, presented them with a silver gavel, to be held for the year by the lodge making the best score. A few years later, the number of lodges having increased, Col. Lambert added a second gavel. The match will be shot this year on the Bisley Ranges on Saturday, the 14th prox. The following lodges are eligible to compete: Honourable Artillery Company, Victoria Rifles, 2nd (South) Middlesex, London Scottish, Queen's Westminster, Paddington Rifles, Bloomsbury Rifles, London Rifle Brigade, and 1st Surrey. The arrangements are being made by Captain Keeson, Victoria and St. George's Rifles.

DONCASTER RACES, 1901.—The Great Northern Railway Company are, as usual, making very extensive and complete arrangements in connection with this year's Doncaster races. The ordinary splendid service of 17 express trains from London will be fully maintained, and the following additional special expresses will be run: On Monday, September 9th, a first and third-class express, at ordinary fares, will leave London (King's Cross) at 3.18 p.m., due Doncaster 6.28. On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, September 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th, a special express, with first and third-class luncheon cars attached, will leave King's Cross at 9.5 a.m., arriving Doncaster 12.53 p.m. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, September 10th, 11th, and 12th, a special first and third-class dining-car express will leave Doncaster at 6.5 p.m., arriving King's Cross 9.5, and on Friday, September 13th, a special first and third class dining-car express will leave Doncaster at 4.50 p.m., arriving King's Cross at 8.50 p.m.; an additional express will also leave Doncaster on Friday, September 13th, at 4.40 p.m. Luncheon or dining-cars, first and third-class, are also attached to several of the express trains between London and Doncaster.—For the convenience of passengers attending Alexandra Park Races, not wishing to leave Doncaster until Saturday, September 14th, a special express has been arranged to leave Doncaster at 9.39 a.m. on that day, which will stop specially to set down passengers at Wood Green, Alexandra Park. Special express excursions will be run as under for Doncaster: Monday, September 9th, for three or five days, from Woolwich (Arsenal) at 8.24 a.m. and 1.17 p.m.; Dockyard, 8.29 and 12; Greenwich, 8.53 and 1.44; Moorgate, 10.10 and 1.56; Aldersgate, 10.12 and 1.58; Farringdon, 10.14 and 2; King's Cross, 10.35 and 2.45. Tuesday, September 10th, for two or four days, Woolwich (Arsenal), at 6.32 a.m.; Dockyard, 6.35; Greenwich, 7.1; Moorgate, 8.21; Aldersgate, 8.23; Farringdon, 8.25; King's Cross, 8.45. Wednesday, September 11th ("St. Leger" Day), for one or three days, from Woolwich (Arsenal), at 6.25 a.m.; Dockyard, 6.27; Charlton, 6.30; Maze Hill, 6.35; Greenwich, 6.40; Deptford, 6.43; Blackheath, 6.20; New Cross, 6.30; Spa Road, 6.45; Moorgate, 6.37; Aldersgate, 6.39; Farringdon, 6.41; King's Cross, 7. Friday, September 13 ("Cup" Day) for one day, from Moorgate at 6.37 a.m.; Aldersgate, 6.39; Farringdon, 6.41; King's Cross, 7. The third-class fares by these trips will be, for one, two, or three days, 13s. 6d. and for four or five days, 14s.

ANGLO-INDIANS AND OTHERS seeking genuine Indian-manufactured condiments, currie stuffs, chutneys, preserves, poppudums, Bombay ducks, Nepaul pepper, &c., send to the original firm. C. Stenbridge and Co., 18, Green-street, Leicester-square, London; and Calcutta. Established 1821. Write for price list. (Removed from 33, Leicester-square).

BRO. SIR JOHN AIRD, BART., M.P., will present the certificates of efficiency awarded by the Plumbers' Company to plumbers resident in Paddington.

A NEW ROOM is being built by the Jockey Club adjoining the Royal stand at Newmarket for the use of the King and other members of the Royal Family.

THE ST. JOHN'S CLUB OF INSTRUCTION will resume their meetings on Sunday, the 1st prox., at 1, Marjorie-grove, Sister's-avenue, Clapham Junction, S.W., at 11 a.m.

HOLLAND IS reclaiming 115,000 acres from the Zuyder Zee by means of four big dykes, of which "Commercial Intelligence" gives a map. Twenty years and £10,000,000 will be expended on the scheme.

LIEUT. SYDNEY H. W. CRAWFORD, who is a nephew of Bro. Sir Home-wood Crawford, and for some years was on the staff of the City Surveyor's office, has been gazetted a lieutenant in the Norfolk Regiment.

VISCOUNT CRANLEY, eldest son of Bro. the Earl of Onslow, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been appointed to the diplomatic service, being one of three successful candidates at a recent competitive examination.

"IN COMMEMORATION of the glorious and prosperous reign of her late Majesty Queen Victoria," Bro. Earl Carrington, L.C.C., is presenting a new road, to be named "Queen Victoria-road," to the Corporation of High Wycombe, Bucks.

FIRE BRIGADES IN THE ISLE OF WIGHT.—At the annual festival of the Isle of Wight Fire Brigades' Federation on the 28th inst., Ventnor won the challenge cup presented by the late Prince Henry of Battenberg, and Cowes was second. A demonstration of engines took place both in the morning and the evening.

THE ISLINGTON LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1471, will resume its weekly meetings on Tuesday next, the 3rd prox., at the Cock Tavern, Highbury, at 7.30 p.m. Bro. W. Hancock, P.M. 2191, is the Preceptor, Bro. A. F. Hardymont, P.M. 1500 and 2698, Asst. Preceptor, and Bro. C. M. Coxon, P.M., P.P.G.D. Herts, Treasurer.

"A KEEN though generous politician, a man high in Freemasonry, the future Lord Mayor has cultivated a good platform style, and his voice, if not strong, is clear and penetrating. The social amenities of the Mansion House will not suffer in his hands." The foregoing is the compliment paid to Bro. Alderman Sir Joseph Dimsdale by the *Week End*.

AUTOMOBILES IN SCOTLAND.—A new order which has been made by the Secretary for Scotland with regard to the speed of motor-cars will give great satisfaction to Caledonian automobilists. The effect of the order is to raise the limit of speed for light locomotives and motor-cars in Scotland from 10 to 12 miles an hour. Twelve miles is, of course, the rate allowed in England.

ACCORDING TO present arrangements, the King will proceed to Scotland immediately after his visit to Castle Fredensborg. His Majesty will be the guest of the Duke and Duchess of Fife at Mar Lodge, when the usual deer drives will take place. It is yet quite decided whether Queen Alexandra will go to Scotland this year, but anyhow her Majesty's visit to Denmark will be prolonged for some weeks further.

FAMOUS PICTURE STOLEN.—Robberies of Italian works of art continue to follow one another with alarming rapidity. The latest theft to be discovered is that of the "Madonna and St. John" of Fra Filippo Filippi, which used to hang in the Church of the Carmine at Florence. This painting is of great value, and marks an important epoch in Italian Renaissance art. It has undoubtedly been stolen for transmission to some foreign country.

BETWEEN October 27th, 1899, when the Rabies Order of 1895 was again put into force, and March 28th of this year, 23,881 stray dogs were seized by the police within the metropolitan area. Of this number 3036 were claimed at the police stations and the Dogs' Home, while 20,845 were destroyed or disposed of. Proceedings were taken in 2994 cases. No outbreak of rabies has been reported in London since June, 1893, and the last reported case in Great Britain occurred in March, 1901.

TEA PARTY FOR THE BLIND.—For many years past a tea party, followed by a concert, has been given, generally at the Chelsea Town Hall, to the blind people, nearly 200 in number, who are on the books of the National Blind Relief Society, but, owing to funds, it has not been held during the past two years. The expenses of this entertainment are about £150, of which £100 has already been subscribed by patrons of the society, and, provided the other £50 can be secured, a date for the function will be fixed, Mr. Arthur Coke, of "Our Dumb Friends' League," having promised to arrange a concert.

THE REMARKABLY cold weather during the last days of August has naturally made people think of winter overcoats, and what is likely to be worn. Mr. T. D. Woodhouse, of 318, Euston-road, a cash tailor whose goods are said by a contemporary to combine "excellence with economy," has a fine stock of winter materials which, made up in the prevailing Raglan or Chesterfield styles, will be found as serviceable as they are smart, and considering that the prices range from 35s. to 70s., and that the cut is everything that can be desired, Mr. Woodhouse is fully entitled to his designation of excellence with economy.

A WARNING TO BANKERS.—Scotland Yard has issued a timely warning to the bankers of London against the operations of a gang of expert American thieves. The thieves, it appears, present themselves at the counter of a bank, and demand the pass-book of some man who they know does his business there. Having secured that, the forgery of cheques is easily accomplished, as, of course, the cheques which have been cleared while the pass-book has lain at the bank are contained in the packet, thus giving the thieves ample opportunities for studying the signature. It is well known that there is no difficulty in obtaining pass-books, as depositors rarely send a particular clerk for them.

RENOVATING THE EXCHANGE.—The Royal Exchange is in the hands of the decorators, so far as its exterior is concerned. The repainting and renovating is supposed to be done triennially, but four years have elapsed since the last clean-down. Messrs. Mansfield and Son, of 169, Upper Thames-street, have just put the clock-tower in splints, preparatory to gilding the figures on the dial and the grasshopper who acts as weathercock. Here, if anywhere, "the grasshopper is a burden," for he is no less than 14 feet long, and takes a large amount of gold leaf to cover him. It is over 10 years since he had his last new coat. Then, when the sun shone upon him, he was a dazzling sight indeed.

THE KING'S NEW HEAD GARDENER, Mr. Mackellar, has arrived at Windsor from Sandringham, and taken over his duties. Not only the beautiful flower gardens at Windsor Castle, but the Royal Frogmore Gardens, those at the Royal Lodge, Windsor Great Park, and the magnificent grape vines at Hampton Court and Cumberland Lodge are under the new gardener's care. The Cumberland Lodge vine, it may be mentioned, is even finer than the famous Hampton Court one, and yields some 2000 bunches of luscious black grapes every year. Like her late Majesty, King Edward is very fond of them. Moreover, he has recently ordered that these grapes and other fruit and vegetables shall be supplied to various officials of the Royal household.

BRO. SIR HENRY IRVING'S TOUR.—Bro. Sir Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry commence their provincial tour at the Theatre Royal, Manchester, on Monday. The programme for the week includes "Coriolanus," "Madame Sans-Gêne," "The Lyons Mail," "Louis XI," "The Merchant of Venice," "King Charles I," "Waterloo," and "The Bells." Glasgow, Leeds, and Birmingham will be visited, and the company will then sail for New York, where the American tour commences on October 21. Bro. Sir Henry has been appointed by the Royal Institution of Great Britain to be its representative at the national commemoration of King Alfred the Great, and he will, on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 19th prox., give a reading at Winchester, from Lord Tennyson's "Becket."

THE "FREEMASON" Summer and Installation Number (15.) is well worth buying and keeping by all in the Craft. There is a frontispiece of the new M.W. Grand Master, besides a number of smaller personal photographs entitled "Then and Now; or Particulars of English Freemasonry in 1875 and 1901 respectively"—among these being one of Bro. Col. E. C. Malet de Carteret, Prov. Grand Master of Jersey. Special attention is devoted, pictorially and otherwise, to the Masonic Charities; while one turns with instructive interest to "Memorable Installations of Royal and Distinguished Masons," this being, of course, brought right up-to-date. Several pages are devoted to an account of the rise and progress of the firm of Messrs. George Kenning and Son, whose establishments are so well-known to members of the Masonic fraternity.—*Guernsey Evening Press*.