



Warrington

R.W. Bro. F. Stanley W. Cornwallis, The Newly-Appointed Provincial Grand Master of Kent.

### United Grand Lodge of England.

A QUARTERLY Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, on the 7th July. The election of the Board of General Purposes, and a more than usually full agenda of important business had the effect of drawing an exceptionally large number of brethren together, which would have caused much crushing and inconvenience but for the precaution adopted of opening Grand Lodge at an earlier hour than usual to enable those brethren who attended solely for the purpose of recording their votes for members of the Board of General Purposes to do so and retire.

Grand Lodge was opened for the despatch of ordinary business at six o'clock by the M.W. Pro Grand Master, Earl Amherst, R.W. Bro. Lord Barnard, Provincial Grand Master of Durham, acting as Deputy Grand Master, and the Hon. Walter John Napier, District Grand Master of the Eastern Archæpelago, acting as Past Grand Master. The Earl of Malmesbury was in the Senior Warden's chair, and V.W. Bro. Sir Borradaile Savory acted as Junior Warden.

After the confirmation of the minutes of the preceding Quarterly Communication, and of the Grand Festival on the 26th April, the scrutineers for the ballot were obligated and retired to count the votes which had been recorded for the several candidates.

On the opening of Grand Lodge Earl Amherst read the following letter from the Princess Margaret of Connaught:

Dear Lord Amherst,

I do not know how to thank the brethren of Grand Lodge sufficiently for the lovely present they have given me, which I shall always value so much.

Believe me, yours sincerely,

Margaret.

The various items in the agenda were then proceeded with: W. Bro. Sir Arthur Collins, K.C. was re-appointed President of the Board of General Purposes, and invested accordingly. Bro. Whinney, of the firm of Whinney and Smith, was re-elected Grand Lodge Auditor. The members of the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, who, under the rules, are required to be elected by Grand Lodge, were so elected, and the various amounts of £50 and upwards granted during the past quarter by the Board of Benevolence were duly confirmed.

The consideration of the report of the Board of General Purposes was then entered upon, and various motions arising out of the report were submitted to Grand Lodge.

The Grand Registrar, after referring to the case of a brother whom the Grand Master of his province had recommended Grand Lodge to expel, said that the Provincial Grand Master afterwards withdrew his recommendation and adopted the suggestion of the Grand Registrar to "pronounce an absolute decree of suspension from all Masonic rights, duties, and privileges, until such suspension shall be removed by the United Grand Lodge of England." This course was recommended in all cases of a flagrant nature which just fall short of meriting the extreme penalty; for thereby a practical expulsion is secured, while jurisdiction over the offender is retained, and he has the incentive of hope of reinstatement in case his future conduct should warrant that course.

The Grand Registrar next proposed an alteration of the Rule which gave the power to District Grand Lodges of expelling members and erasing lodges, which power might well be reserved to the Grand Lodge alone, thus placing Provincial and District Grand Lodges on the same footing in this respect.

The motion was carried unanimously. A motion altering a rule of the Board of Benevolence to render it obligatory on the part of a lodge to furnish a certificate as to certain facts in connection with petitions for relief was also unanimously agreed to.

Grand Lodge also agreed to the transfer of a sum of £250 which had been bequeathed by the widow of a brother to

"the Freemasons' Fund of Benevolence" to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, it having been made apparent that the intention of the testatrix was that it should be given to the latter institution.

The question of the mode of election of Grand Treasurer came next before Grand Lodge and the Grand Registrar submitted the results of the plebiscite which had been obtained from the members of all lodges entitled to vote. Voting papers had been sent to every lodge and the returns were as follows:—

	For.	Against.
I.—Abolishing the Office of Grand		
Treasurer	1,513	30,669
II.—Retaining the present mode of		
election, with such qualifica-		
tions as may be deemed		
necessary	14,636	7,386
(a) Election by issue of Voting		
Papers	18,096	6,760
(b) Ineligibility of Past Grand		
Officers	15,508	7,352
III.—Vesting the appointment in the		
M.W. Grand Master	17,607	19,588

After a statement by the Grand Registrar explaining the means that had been taken to obtain a clear expression of opinion from the Craft at large, Bro. Frank Richardson, P.G. Reg., proposed a resolution vesting the appointment in the M.W. Grand Master; to this an amendment was proposed by Bro. A. F. Robbins, and it being perfectly clear from these figures that the majority was largely in favour of the principle of election as against that of appointment by the Grand Master the amendment was carried by a large majority.

The Grand Registrar then proceeded, in accordance with the notice of motion he had given, to move the necessary alterations of the Rules of the Book of Constitutions, to enable the resolution to be carried into effect which were carried unanimously.

On the recommendation of the Grand Superintendent of Works it was resolved that the sum of £2000 should be expended on the construction of a staircase and other means of egress from the building in case of fire.

In reference to the proposed lease of Freemasons' Tavern and the enlargement of the building so as to render it more suitable for the purpose for which it is to be used, a further sum of £20,000, in addition to the sum of £30,000 granted at the last Quarterly Communication was voted.

The M.W. Pro Grand Master called attention to the notice of motion on the business paper that a sum of £250 be granted in aid of the fund being raised by the Viceroy of India for the relief of the sufferers by the recent earthquake in India, remarking that by comparison with the gifts they had already made for another object, it appeared inadequate and that he desired to propose that the sum of £1000 be granted; this proposition being seconded it was carried unanimously.

Grand Lodge was then closed in ample form.

The result of the voting for members of the Board was subsequently announced in the Grand Master's room and the following brethren were declared duly elected:—Bros. William H. G. Rudderforth, Arthur G. Duck, Robert Manuel, Frederick W. Golby, Charles F. Quicke, John F. Roberts, and Frank Adams.

### The New Fast Grand Officers.

PAST GRAND CHAPLAIN.

Bro. the Rev. Canon Beaumont, M.A., has been a member of the Craft for over thirty years, having been initiated in St. Peter's Lodge, No. 1330, Market Harborough, in 1871. He

subsequently joined the Trinity Lodge, No. 254, Coventry, in 1872, and the St. Michael's Lodge, No. 1630, Coventry, in 1876. He was installed as Worshipful Master of St. Michael's, No. 1630, in 1881, and again in 1897. He was appointed to Provincial rank as P.G. Chaplain for Warwickshire in 1876.



BRO. THE REV. CANON BEAUMONT, M.A.

In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in 1873, in Trinity Chapter, No. 254, and became Principal Z. in 1884; and is Life Subscriber both to the Boys' and Girls' Schools. Our Rev. brother is Vicar of Holy Trinity, Coventry, and an honorary Canon of Worcester.

#### PAST GRAND DEACON.

Bro. Arthur G. P. Lewis, M.A., Oxon., who is a son of the late Bishop of Llandoff, P.G. Chaplain, was initiated in the Apollo University Lodge, No. 375, on the 4th February,



BRO, ARTHUR G. P. LEWIS.

1869. He afterwards became a joining member of the Narberth Lodge, No. 2001, in 1889; of the Glamorgan,

No. 36, in 1903, and a Founder of the Prince Llewellyn No. 9570, in 1896. He was installed W. Master first, of the Prince Llewellyn Lodge in 1897, and again in 1898; and afterwards of the Narberth in 1900, being re-elected in 1901 and 1903. In Provincial Grand Lodge he was appointed P.G. Director of Ceremonies Oxford; in 1897, P.G. Registrar South Wales (E.D.); in 1902, P.S.G. Warden South Wales (E.D.); in 1903, P.S.G. Warden South Wales (W.D.). In Royal Arch Masonry our brother was exalted in the Apollo University Chapter, No. 357, in 1870. He was also a joining member of the St. John's Chapter No. 36, Cardiff, was installed First Principal in 1901, and again in 1902. He was made Prov. Grand Registrar South Wales (E.D.) in 1902. Bro. Lewis is a Vice-Patron of the Masonic Educational and Widows' Fund South, Wales (E.D.).

#### PAST GRAND DEACON.

Bro. Frederic Ernest Remfry, was initiated in the Isaac Newton University Lodge, No. 859, Cambridge, on April 4th, 1870, just thirty-five years ago, and during that long period has devoted much time and energy to Masonry. He became a joining member of the Royal Alfred Lodge, No. 877, in 1899; of the Tenby Lodge, No. 1177, in 1888; of the Duke of Cornwall Lodge No. 1529, in 1889; of the Doric Lodge, No. 2539, in 1890; and of the Sir Francis Drake Lodge, No. 2649, in 1897. He was installed Worshipful Master of the Royal Alfred Lodge in 1900; of the Duke of Cornwall Lodge in 1889; and of the Sir Francis Drake Lodge in 1898. He is equally distinguished in Provincial Grand rank, being Prov. Grand Pursuivant in 1888; Prov. S.G. Warden (S. Wales W. Div.), in 1892; Prov. Grand Registrar (Jersey) in 1900; and P. Prov. S.G. Warden (Devon) in 1902. He was also Prov. Charity Steward for South Wales (W. Div.) for three years, and is Life Governor of the three Masonic Charities. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in the Chapter of Euclid, No. 859, Cambridge. He was afterwards a joining member of Harmony Chapter, No. 244, installed as Principal Z. in 1900 and 1901; of Dinbych Chapter, No. 1177, Principal Z. in 1891; and of the Sir Francis Drake Chapter, No. 2649 (Founder), Principal Z. in 1900. He was made Prov. Grand Registrar (Jersey) in 1900, and Prov. Grand J. (Devon) in 1902. He served as Steward for the Boys' School in 1889 and 1898, for the Girls' School in 1890, and the Benevolent Institution in 1891 and 1892. Bro. Remfry is a member of, and holds rank in, Mark Masonry, Royal Ark Mariners, Ancient and Accepted Rite, Knight Templary, and Red Cross of Rome and Constantine.

### PAST JUNIOR GRAND DEACON.

Bro. John J. Hamilton is a Mason of thirty years standing, having been initiated in the White Horse of Kent Lodge, No. 1506, in 1875. Later he became a joining member of the Oxford and Cambridge University Lodge, No. 1118, on the 15th June, 1877; installed W. Master on the 17th May, 1889; of the Hervey Lodge, No. 1692 (Founder), on the 26th June, 1877; installed W. Master on the 4th June, 1879; of the Tilbury Lodge, No. 2006 (Founder), on the 16th January, 1884; of the Lutine Lodge, No. 3049 (Founder), on the 9th June, 1904. He is Past Prov. Senior Grand Warden for Kent, his appointment bearing date July 18th, 1882. In the Royal Arch our brother was exalted in the Friends in Council Chapter, No. 1383, in 1877, and was installed as principal Z. in 1885. He is also a member of the Oxford and Cambridge University Chapter, and was Principal Z. in June, 1888. Bro. Hamilton is a Life Governor of all three Institutions; served a stewardship for the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls in 1882, for the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys in the same year, and for the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution in 1884.

### PAST JUNIOR GRAND DEACON.

Bro. Thomas Weeding Weeding, Clerk of the Peace for the County of Surrey, was initiated in the Studholme Lodge No. 1591, on the 15th December, 1881, and was installed Worshipful Master in 1891. He was a Founder and joining member of the Hatchlands Lodge, No. 2756, in 1899, becoming Worshipful Master in 1903. He was

the Lodge of Sympathy, No. 483, becoming Worshipful Master of his mother lodge in 1898. Previous to his appointment as Provincial Grand Secretary he had been honoured with the appointments of Provincial Grand Steward



BRO. THOMAS WEEDING WEEDING.

honoured with the rank of Provincial Senior Grand Warden for Surrey in 1903-4. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in 1883 in the Studholme Chapter, No. 1591, and was installed Principal Z. on the 17th February, 1893.

PAST ASSISTANT GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

Bro. John T. Thorp on whom the rank of Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies has been conferred has long been known as one of the most earnest members of that little band of Masonic students who have for the past few decades done so much to foster the literary spirit which is so marked a feature in modern Masonry. He was initiated into Masonry in the John of Gaunt Lodge, No. 523, on November 17th, 1870, afterwards joining the Lodge of Research, No. 2429, of which he was a Founder and first Master, on October 26th, 1892; and the Quotuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, on November 8th, 1900. He was installed as Worshipful Master of the John of Gaunt Lodge in 1875, and again in 1882, and of the Lodge of Research in 1892. He was selected for Provincial Grand rank in 1872, being made Grand Steward; in 1874 he was Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies; Junior Grand Warden in 1879; and Senior Grand Warden in 1883, all in the province of Leicestershire and Rutland. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted on December 11th, 1872, in the Chapter of Fortitude. No. 279, being installed in the chair of Principal Z. on April 24th, 1879. He was Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies for Leicestershire, 1877-1882, and Provincial Third Grand Principal J. in 1882. He is a Life Governor of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, serving as Steward in 1899; and Life Governor of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

PAST ASSISTANT GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

Bro. Samuel R. Macartney, who succeeded Bro. Alfred Spencer as Provincial Grand Secretary of Kent in 1903, was initiated in the Lodge of Freedom, No. 77 in 1894, and afterwards joined the Erasmus Wilson Lodge, No. 1464, and



BRO, SAMUEL R. MACARTNEY.

and Provincial Grand Deacon. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in the High Cross Chapter, No. 829, on the 18th July, 1898, becoming Principal Z. in July, 1903. He was made Provincial Grand Scribe E. in 1903. He is a Life Governor of all three Institutions.

PAST ASSISTANT GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

Bro. Alexander C. A. Higerty was initiated in the Albert Edward Lodge, No. 1714, in 1881, and has therefore nearly completed his quarter of a century as a Mason. He became



ERO. ALEXANDER C. A. HIGERTY.

a joining member of the Wandsworth Lodge, No. 1044, in 1882; was one of the founders of the Downshire Lodge, No. 2437, in 1892, and a founder of the St. Michael-le-Querne Lodge, No.

2697, in 1898. He was installed as Worshipful Master in the Albert Edward Lodge, in 1884; the Downshire Lodge in 1894; the St. Michael-le-Querne Lodge (first Master) in 1898 and 1903, and the Wandsworth Lodge in 1886. Provincial Grand honours have also fallen to him-first, in 1886, as Past Prov. Grand Deacon for Surrey; and again, in 1895, as Past Prov. Grand Warden for Berks. He is at present a member of the Board of General Purposes. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in the Strawberry Hill Chapter, No. 945, on July 11th, 1883, and was installed Principal Z. in that chapter in 1889, and into that of the St. Michael-le- Querne—of which he was a founder and first Z.-in 1903. He was selected for Provincial Grand honours in 1890, being made Provincial Asst. Grand Sojourner in 1890 for Middlesex. He has served five Stewardships for the Charities, and is Vice-President of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution; two Stewardships and is Life Governor of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys; and one Stewardship and is Life Governor of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls.

### PAST ASSISTANT GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

Bro. T. H. Openshaw, C.M.G., F.R.C.S., has, during an exceptionally active professional life found opportunities to devote considerable time to Masonry. He was initiated in the Hotspur Lodge, No. 1626, in 1882, whilst at the University of Durham. Later he became a joining member of the following lodges: Old Concord, No. 172, in 1890; Esculapius, No. 2410, in 1896; Lancastrian, No. 2528 (a Founder and first Secretary), in 1894; London Hospital, No. 2845, a Founder and first Secretary, in 1901; University of Durham (a Founder and first Junior Warden), in 1904. He was installed W.M. of the Lancastrian Lodge, No. 2528, in October, 1897-8 and 9, and of the London Hospital Lodge, No. 2845, in 1904. In Royal Arch Masonry, he was exalted



BRO, T. H. OPENSHAW, C.M.G., F.R.C.S.

in 1903, in the Eyre Chapter, No. 2742, and later was a Founder of the William Harvey Chapter, No. 2845. He served Stewardships for the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys in 1899, and again in 1904, and for the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls in 1905.

### PAST DEPUTY GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

Bro. J. Gordon Langton has for many years been a familiar figure in London Masonry, more especially in that part of the metropolis which includes a portion of the Masonic Province of Middlesex. He was initiated in the Burlington Lodge, No. 96 in 1881, was appointed Inner Guard in the following year, and has been continuously in office since that date, filling the office of Secretary since 1887. He afterwards became a joining member of the Eastes Lodge, No. 1965; the Thames Valley Lodge, No. 1460; the Union Lodge (Reading), No. 414, and, in 1904, the Lodge which bears his name, the Gordon Langton Lodge, No. 3069. He has on occasions been installed as Worshipful Master, viz., in the Burlington Lodge in 1886 and 1893, in the Thames Valley Lodge in 1903, and the Gordon Langton Lodge, in 1904.



BRO. J. GORDON LANGTON.

In the Provincial Grand Lodge of Middlesex he was elected Grand Treasurer in 1900, and re-elected in 1901, and appointed Provincial Grand Secretary in 1902—he also received Past Provincial Grand rank, that of Senior Warden in 1901.

Bro. Langton was exalted in the Royal Middlesex Chapter, No. 1194 in 1883, and was elected to the First Principal's chair in 1891. He is now Scribe E. of the province. Bro. Langton has served three Stewardships for the Girls' School, two for the Boys' School, two for the Benevolent Institution, and is a Life Governor of each.

#### PAST ASSISTANT GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES,

Bro. George F. Marshall has completed his quarter of a century as a member of the Order, having been initiated in the Lodge of Unity, No. 69 in 1880, of which lodge he became Worshipful Master in 1886. He served as a member of the Board of General Purposes in 1886-7. In the Royal Arch Degree he was exalted in the Prince of Wales Chapter, No. 259, afterwards joining the Grand Chapter, No. 410, and becoming M.E.Z. in 1894. In the same year he was appointed Provincial Grand Sojourner of Surrey.

Bro. Marshall is a Vice-President of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and a Life Governor of both the Boys' School and the Benevolent Institution, having served as Steward for all three.

#### Past Grand Sword Bearer.

Bro. Lieut.-Col. William Henry Drage, D.S.O., was initiated in October, 1878, in the Hibernian Lodge, No. 95, I.C., while on service in Ireland, afterwards joining several other lodges in various parts of the world. In 1892 he joined the Grecia Lodge (Cairo), No. 1105; in 1898, the Bulwer Lodge (Cairo), No. 1068; in 1899,

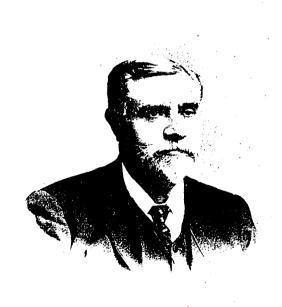
the Nil Sine Labor Lodge, 2736; in 1901, the Khartoum Lodge (Soudan), No. 2877, and in 1903, the Sir Reginald Wingate Lodge, No. 2954. He was installed as W.M. of the Khartoum Lodge in 1902, and the Sir Reginald Wingate Lodge in 1903 and 1904. He was selected for



BRO, LIEUT.-COL. WILLIAM HENRY DRAGE, D.S.O.

District Grand honours in 1902, being made Junior Grand Deacon at that date, and Past Senior Grand Warden in 1904, of Egypt and the Soudan. He was President of the District Board of Benevolence for Egypt and the Soudan in 1903. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted on January 14th, 1880, in the chapter attached to the Hibernian Lodge, of which he is also a Past First Principal. Bro. Drage is Life Governor to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and served as Steward for the same Institution this year (1905).

PAST GRAND STANDARD BEARER. Bro. William Metcalfe was initiated into Masonry on April 16th, 1885, in the King Harold Lodge, No. 1327, and



BRO. WILLIAM METCALFE.

during his twenty years of membership has succeeded more than most men in associating himself with all the best interests of the Craft. He became a joining member of a number of lodges, viz., the Robert Mitchell, No. 2956 in 1903; Jubilee Masters', No. 2712, in 1904; James Terry, No. 2372, in 1890; Chigwell, No. 453, in 1899; Quatuor Coronati, No. 2076 (Correspondence Circle), in 1900; Waltham Abbey, No. 2756, in 1901; Gresham, No. 869, in 1902; White Rose of York, No. 2840, in 1901; West Wickham, No. 2948, in 1903; Cheshunt, No. 2921, in 1902; and King Alfred, No. 2945, in 1902. He was installed as W. Master of the James Terry Lodge in 1892; King Harold in 1893; Chigwell, in 1904; White Rose of York, in 1904; West Wickham, in 1903; and King Alfred in 1903. He was selected for Provincial Grand honours in 1901, being elected P.G. Treasurer for Herts. Bro. Metcalfe is at present a member of the Board of General Purposes. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in the Sincerity Chapter, No. 174, in December, 1891. He afterwards joined the James Terry Chapter in 1897, and the White Rose of York in 1904. He has filled the chair of Principal Z. in all three. He has served nine Stewardships, and is Patron of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys; seven Stewardships and Vice-Patron of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls; and eleven Stewardships and Vice-Patron of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.

#### PAST ASSISTANT GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

Bro. George Corble can claim the unique distinction of having during a long and arduous Masonic career, devoted his energies, as far as Craft Masonry is concerned, solely to his mother lodge, thus proving that services faithfully rendered to one lodge is not incompatible with a full Masonic life. He was initiated in the Chigwell Lodge, No 453, in 1871, and became Worshipful Master in 1877. Shortly after he was appointed Secretary, the duties of which he has carried out for the past twenty-five years. In 1877 he was appointed by the late Bro. R. J. Bagshaw, then Provincial Grand Master of Essex, to the office of Provincial Grand Warden. In Royal Arch Masonry Comp. Corble was exalted in the Faith Chapter, No. 141, in June, 1877, and became one of the founders of the Chigwell Chapter, No. 453. In 1893, he was installed M.E.Z., received the honour of Prov. G.H. in 1897, and now acts as Scribe E. of the chapter. Bro. Corble is a subscriber to all the Charities, and as the colleague of Bro. John Glass, in 1888, took prominent part in the campaign against the then existing Management of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, at Wood Green. This was a disagreeable and uphill task, but gradually the subscribers became interested in the movement, large meetings were held, and what at first was thought to be a hopeless undertaking was persevered in, until a special committee was appointed to inquire into the whole matter; the chairman being our R.W. Bro. His Honour Judge Philbrick, Q.C., the then Grand Registrar and Deputy Prov. G.M. of Essex. The result was the issue of the celebrated report of the 18th April, 1889, after which an entirely new Board of Management was appointed, Bro. Corble being one of the first to be elected on that body, as a country member, representing the province of Essex. He still sits as such, and has been on nearly all the committees of the Boys' School and is Chairman of the Clothing Committee. Bro. Corble is a Liveryman of the City of London, being Upper Warden of the Worshipful Company of Gardeners. He is a Life Governor of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution and the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, also Vice-President of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

### PAST GRAND STANDARD BEARER.

Bro. Charles E. Ferry was initiated in the Lodge of Prosperity, No. 65 in 1875, thus commencing his Masonic career in the eventful year in which His Majesty the King was installed as Grand Master. Three years later Bro. Ferry took part in founding the Lodge of Prosperity, No. 1743, and he subsequently filled the Master's chair in both lodges. He is also a member and Past First Principal of the Prosperity



BRO. CHARLES E. FERRY.

Chapter. But it is as a Masonic student and the historian of the Old Prosperity Lodge that perhaps he is best known, and, as might be expected, he takes great interest in the

proceedings of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, of which he is an active member of the correspondence circle, and has delivered lectures on the following Masonic subjects: - "Signs and Symbols of Craft Freemasonry"; "Rise and Progress of Freemasonry"; "Antient Operative Masonry, Stonehenge"; "Seven Liberal Arts and Sciences, Astronomy"; "What is Freemasonry?" Bro. Ferry's wife is a Life Governor of all three Masonic Institutions.

#### PAST GRAND STANDARD BEARER.

Bro. John C. Moor who succeeded the late Bro. R. Hudson on the appointment of the latter brother as Deputy Grand Master of Durham in 1903, was initiated in the Palatine Lodge, No. 97, in 1879, and filled the Master's chair in 1883. He afterwards became a founder and first Senior Warden of the Londonderry Lodge, No. 2039, and was installed as Master in the following year. He was also a founder and first Master of the Wearmouth Lodge, No. 2934,

He had the honour of having Provincial Grand rank conferred on him in 1884, being made Prov. Junr. Grand Deacon; Prov. Junr. Grand Warden in 1892, and Prov. Grand Secretary in 1903. In Royal Arch Masonry he was exalted in the Strict Benevolence Chapter, No. 97, in 1881, and was installed in the Principal Z.'s chair in the De Lambton Chapter, No. 94, in 1887. He was made Prov. Grand Registrar of Durham in 1888; Prov. G.J. in 1887; and Prov. G.H. in 1902. He is a Life Governor of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys; a Life Member of the Durham Education Fund, and was Hon. Secretary for 1906 Festival (for Province of Durham) of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution under Lord Barnard's Chairmanship.

#### Grand Chapter. Supreme

THE Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter, at which the annual appointment of Grand Officers takes place, was held at Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday, May 3rd-The M.E. Pro Grand Z. Earl Amherst presided, and was supported by E. Comps. the Right Hon. Thomas F. Halsey, M.P., G.H., and W. E. Brymer, M.P., G. Supt. Dorsetshire, as G.J. (in the absence of E. Comp. his Honour Judge F. A. Philbrick, K.C.). The attendance of Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, and Principals and Past Principals of private chapters was unusually large.

Sir E. Letchworth, G.S.E., read the minutes of the February Convocation, which were put and confirmed.

Earl Amherst then said he would now proceed to invest the Grand Officers for the ensuing year. His Royal Highness the Grand Z. had been pleased to re-appoint him Pro Grand Z.; E. Comp. the Right Hon. T. F. Halsey, M.P., Grand H.; and E. Comp. his Honour Judge Philbrick, K.C., Grand J.; and Sir Edward Letchworth, Grand Scribe E.

The other Grand Officers were:

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Comp. Rev. S. T. H. Saunders, M.A. G.S.N.
      R. H. Horton Smith, K.C. ... Pres. Com. of G.P.
      Stanley J. Attenborough
                                 ... G. Treas.
      John Strachan, K.C. ...
                                 ... G. Reg.
      His Honour Judge Lumley D. G. Reg.
        Smith, K.C. ...
      Rev. V. P. Wyatt, M.A.
                                     G. Prin. Soj.
      Col. Gerald C. Ricardo
                                     1st A.G. Soj.
      Lieut.-Col. A. J. H. Ward ...
                                     2nd A.G. Soj.
      Maj.-Gen. G. F. Guyon
                                     G.S.B.
      Lieut.-Col. H. G. Thompson, D.G.S.B.
        M.D. ...
      F. Phillips
                                 ... 1st G. Std. Br.
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      Walter H. Jessop, M.A., M.B.,
                                     2nd G. Std. Br.
                                     3rd G. Std. Br.
      Ernest Clarke, M.D., F.R.C.S.
                                     4th G. Std. Br.
      A. L. Reynolds
                                 ... 5th G. Std. Br.
      Sir J. Brickwood
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J. P. Slingsby Roberts
                                   6th G. Std. Br.
    Frank Richardson
                                    G.D.C.
    A. G. Neville ...
                                    D.G.D.C.
    James E. Terry
                                   1st A.G.D.C.
    J. Sefton Mayors
                                    and A.G.D.C.
    Thomas Cohu ...
                                    3rd A.G.D.C.
    Charles Butcher
                                    4th A.G.D.C.
    W. R. J. McLean, Mus. Doc. ... G. Org.
    William Lake ...
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                                    Asst. G.S.E.
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    Henry Sadler ...
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                               ... G. Janitor.
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The following appointments to Past Grand rank were made:

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Comp. The Rev. Canon Beaumont, P.P.G. Soj.
        M.A. ...
       Edmund A. Smith
                                 ... P.A.G. Soj.
      Lieut.-Col. W. M. Drage, D.S.O. P.G.S. Brs.
      Major R. Ford, D.S.O.
      Thomas Weeding Weeding ....
      John J. Hamilton
                                     P.G. Std. Brs.
      Arthur G. P. Lewis
      F. E. Remfry ...
                                ... P.D.G.D.C.
      J. Gordon Langton
      Samuel R. Macartney...
      George F. Marshall ...
      George G. Corble
      John T. Thorp
                                    P.A.G.D.C.
      W. Metcalfe ...
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      A. C. A. Higerty
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      C. E. Ferry
      John C. Moor ...
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The usual business was transacted including the granting of five new chapters and the election of Members of the Committee of General Purposes as follows:—Comp. C. J. R. Tijou, Major T. C. Walls, W. Cleghorn, W. J. Songhurst, and H. E. Dehaney.

Grand Chapter was then closed in ancient form.

### Consecration of the Mid-Surrey Lodge, No. 3109.

THE above lodge was consecrated at the Masonic Hall, Sutton, on Wednesday, May 24th. The ceremony was performed by R.W. Bro. Sir Thomas Bucknill, Provincial Grand Master for Surrey, assisted by Bros. J. D. Langton, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master; Frank Richardson, G.D.C.; The Rev. Canon Childe, LL.D., P.G. Chaplain; T. S. Cookes, P.P.G.W.; J. W. Sanderson, Prov. G.W.; W. H. Marler, Prov. G.D.C.; and R. J. Ward, P.P.G. Treasurer.

After the ceremony of consecration, which was most impressively rendered, Bro. George Rowland Blakes was installed as the first Worshipful Master. At the subsequent banquet the Worshipful Master, in proposing the toast of "The Grand Officers," coupling with it the name of Canon Childe, said he wished to thank the Canon for his oration and for his able assistance at the Consecration. Bro. Frank Richardson, whose presence they all valued so much, he should refer to later on in another toast.

Bro. the Rev. Canon Childe, LL.D., said they would forgive him for being reminiscent, but he had been brought up to be more ornamental than useful, but he soon discovered that as pure ornament he was something of a failure, and in accordance with the teaching of the Craft he endeavoured to make himself useful. There was a good deal of truth in the adage that "a child should be seen and not heard," but the W.M. had called him from that lethargy which would have, perhaps, more befitted a proper digestion of the excellent things put before them, to respond to the toast of the Grand Lodge. Amongst the representatives of Grand Lodge were many of eminence—Bro. Bucknill, of whom the county was justly proud; Bro.

BRO. SIR THOMAS BUCKNILL, PROV. GRAND MASTER OF SURREY.

Richardson, whose good work they had seen; and others whom, when he saw them around him, he was struck dumb, and felt it better to again retire into the ornamental. The useful work of the Craft was left to the Grand Officers, who, depend upon it, never failed them when required.

The W.M. said the next toast was that of "The R.W. Prov. Grand Master of Surrey," who followed a long line from the worthy Bro. Thomas Parker in George III.'s reign. The founders had nearly all spent their lives in Surrey, and, although only Masons of a Surrey lodge of two hours' standing, knew Sir Thomas in other places, and vied with the oldest lodge in the province in their regard for their Prov. G.M.—This was the first Masonic function he had attended since his terrible accident, and it was also the first lodge he had consecrated. Sir Thomas Bucknill would take the chair at the next Girls' School Festival. He trusted the province would loyally support him, and especially this, the newly-formed Mid-Surrey Lodge.—It was the most sincere

method by which they could thank him for coming there tha night. Sir Thomas, in his genial way, had written to a brother saying that he had fallen on the thickest part of him—his head. All would agree that he had fallen on the strongest part of him, and that the province was fortunate in having so strong and popular a head to rule over them.

Sir Thomas Bucknill, Prov. G.M., said that having a bad cold and a hoarse voice, they must excuse him if he sounded worse than he felt. Let him begin by contradicting a statement of the Canon's. There was no such thing as judicial eloquence, and they must not expect it that night. If any K.C. possessed a claim to be eloquent, he found he lost it immediately on going on the Bench, for they must not appear eloquent to the jury, and certainly not to the person against whom they decided. But he would like to be eloquent that night. He felt like it, but his voice would not allow him. He should like to say a few words about those who were absent. One was the

rector of the place —Bro. Turner. They all loved him; he had known him for a quarter of a century, and how fortune had seemed to frown on him! How undeserving he seemed to be of it, and how patiently and cheerfully he had borne it! He had had his sight taken from him by cataract, and after an operation—with thanks to the G.A.O.T.U.—he was recovering. In Bro. Charles Tyler they had a man of herculean courage. He hoped he had carried out their wishes when he had sat down that evening and told Bro. Tyler the resolution that had been passed in the lodge about him. A short letter, written under somewhat difficult circumstances, might, he hoped, give him some pleasure when he received it. In his

own experience, and he believed he had been pretty bad after his recent accident—nothing gave him greater pleasure than the letters of those who had written to his wife and to him wishing him a speedy recovery. He had been delighted with the event of that evening. The consecration of a new lodge had been the occasion of some nervousness, and he had some misgivings indeed as to whether it was ever coming off. He had heard of bridegrooms who had been found wanting when the time came to come up to the scratch, and he, for the time, had felt extremely like one. If it had not been for Bro. Richardson and his own Provincial Officers giving him their time, he did not think he could ever have "faced the music." The result had been what it had been, and he now felt like a young three-year old, afraid of nothing, and should now expect to go about the country consecrating and constituting new lodges. He was pleased to see with them the Deputy Grand Master of South Australia. He was a K.C. by profession, and they should take it as a compliment

that he had come to see how the work was done. He was very pleased in having such a Dep. P.G. Master for Surrey, and he should continue to say so, so long as Bro. Langton remained the firm strong officer he was. Bro. Latham, the Prov. Assistant G. Secretary, was always ready also to give him any amount of his time. The brethren had no right to pay him (Bro. Bucknill) gratitude without associating with his name that of his Deputy and Assistant Grand Secretary. It was a compliment to himself that Bro. Langton had come down to help him. He came last to the W.M., who would have ample opportunity of showing what he could do. Let him—he lived at Epsom—give them the "straight tip," keep their eyes on the Worshipful Master, and he would pull them through. He had omitted to mention the name of the "big gun" or the "eloquent Childe," but he quite agreed with what had been said—his oration was touching and eloquent, and would not be forgotten.

The W.M. then proposed the toast of "The Deputy Prov. G.M. and the rest of the Prov. G. Officers, Present and Past," which he did not pass over quickly because of its want of importance, but because the time was growing short. The D.P.G.M. had helped them immensely in the preliminaries relating to the formation of the lodge, and was regarded with the utmost esteem by all Surrey Masons.

Bro. J. D. Langton, P.D.G.D.C., D.P.G.M., said the words he would say were few, but they were not the less sincere, and he would be saying what his brother Provincial Grand Officers would wish him to say in that it was the greatest pleasure to be there that night. He had had particular pleasure in saying that the W.M. was a member of a lodge to which he had had the pleasure of belonging for some years, in assisting to place him in the chair. He sincerely hoped—and he was sure every one joined in that hope—that they should have a prosperous lodge, and the W.M. a happy year of office.

The W.M. next proposed the toast of "The Consecrating Officers," and he associated with it the name of Bro. Frank Richardson. His presence ensured success to any ceremony, and it was a matter for congratulation that he should have come to take part in the consecration.

Bro. Frank Richardson, P.D.G. Reg., G.D.C., rose at once to return thanks, on behalf of the Consecrating Officers, for the kindly way in which the toast had been given, and he assured them on behalf of those who had taken part in the ceremony that it gave them an immense amount of pleasure. It was always gratifying to take part in bringing a new lodge into existence, and especially when the new lodge was one that was wanted, and one that would add lustre to the roll of Grand Lodge. He understood that the lodge was composed principally of brethren living in that neighbourhood, and, therefore, it was sure to do well; and he was quite satisfied that he need not repeat the remark that had been so often used that they must be careful to get good brethren, and good brethren only, into the lodge. It was an easy thing to get a man admitted into Masonry, but a most difficult thing to get him out of it when he had got settled in it. He wished the brethren, individually and collectively, a prosperous term of life, and that the lodge should ultimately become a shining light. To the W.M. he wished a very prosperous year. He had known him for a great number of years, and he was quite satisfied that under his able management the lodge would prosper.

The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. Kift, and added much to the evening's enjoyment.

### "The Caveac" Lodge, No. 176.

THE old lodges are gradually having their histories written, and so by degrees, the usages and customs of the Craft during the eighteenth century are being made known through the publication of many of the quaint and deeply interesting records.

This time the favour has been conferred on the "Caveac," which was formed in the year 1768 with a number more, only three others of the set being now on the roll; all the quartette having centenary jewel warrants.

The historian of the lodge is Bro. John Percy Simpson, its Worshipful Master in 1897, and son of the late V. W. Bro. the Rev. R. J. Simpson, M.A., Grand Chaplain of England 1867-8, who was the respected Chaplain of the lodge from 1885 to 1900. The compilation of the very readable work has been a labour of love, and assuredly the members may well rejoice that its preparation has fallen into such competent hands.

The first chapter is devoted to providing an answer to the question "How did the lodge come to be called the Caveac"; the reply is not quite conclusive as to precisely when the title was selected, for though Bro. John Lane, in his "Masonic Records" 1717-1894, "considers it was not so designated until 1778," we are inclined to think with the author that the selection was made much earlier.

The next chapter explains the meaning of the word "Caveac," and with the next—a useful trio—a mass of information, topographical, biographical, and historical, which adds greatly to the general interest and value of this charming sketch of an old *Atclier*; the result proving how thorough have been the investigations of the author, so as to do full justice to the subject in every possible aspect.

The fourth chapter deals with the history of the lodge from its start in 1768 to the present time, and makes known a number of particulars concerning its eventful past, which cannot fail to be most welcome to the members in particular, as well as to Masonic students generally.

There were nine founders, some of their names appearing in the parish of Hammersmith records as churchwardens, trustees of charities, &c., "yet only one perhaps has left behind him any notable record," viz., Dr. Richard Loveday, the first Secretary apparently of the lodge.

A celebrated Masonic Preceptor, Bro. Laurence Thompson, joined in 1823 and served as Master. He was made a J.G.D. in 1847, another P.M. receiving a similar appointment in 1892, viz., Bro. P. A. Nairne, W.M. in 1868 and 1874, as well as Treasurer, 1877-1881. A third Grand Lodge officer is Bro. M. Slaughter, W.M. 1890, who has been P.A.G.D.C. from 1902, and is the present Treasurer.

Bro. Simpson has looked well after all the chief points in the history of the lodge, and, moreover, has in the kindest and most fraternal manner decided to devote the whole of the proceeds of its sale (apart from those copies assigned to the members of the lodge) to the funds of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. A few copies of the volume are still to be had from the artistic printers and publishers, Messrs. Warrington and Co., at the small charge of *five shillings* each. The numerous excellent illustrations are a special feature of the handsome book, which reflects considerable credit on the author, who should be warmly congratulated accordingly.

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### The Masonic Vagrant.

No one ever imagines that the administration of benevolence can display the precision and accuracy that characterise, say, the management of a bank, and in fact it is not desirable. The quality of mercy is not strained, and it is as well, for the expense and trouble involved in straining it, in such wise as to exclude all who are unworthy, would rob it of its most pleasing characteristics, which are spontaneity and timeliness. The expression "deserving" poor, is not so much heard as it used to be. The question involved in trying to separate those who are worthy from those who are not, has on occasion provoked the counter question "Who are the deserving rich?" When fortunes are made and lost with the rapidity which is one of the features of modern civilization, it may well be that the man of affluence is conscious that it is but the accident of an accident that separates him from his brother in misfortune.

We propose, however, to discuss the individual, who uses as a lever to move the charitable, not only his misfortunes but his connection with the Order. When the prisoner in the dock pleads, as part of his defence, his previous good character, he lays himself open to having all his antecedents raked up, which would not be the case if he relied solely upon the evidence. And similarly the applicant for relief, who

displays not only a tattered garment, but a Grand Lodge Certificate as well, demands a very special treatment. He, in effect, says that having once occupied an honourable position, and having been counted worthy to be admitted a member of an ancient and honourable fraternity, his misfortunes, or even his faults, have lost him that position' which he cannot regain without assistance. The Order can, and will assist him, but under certain conditions. To enable a man to regain a lost position is not a feat that can be accomplished without trouble and without experience. Freemasons may claim without much fear of contradiction to be the most highly trained charitable experts in the world. We have well developed organizations, sufficiently elastic to adapt themselves to whatever needs may present themselves, and sufficiently stable and well governed to maintain the ever increasing confidence of the quarter of a million brethren who are ranged under the banner of the Grand Lodge of

The Masonic vagrant is not, as a rule, a brother who desires re-instatement. The position he once occupied is too remote for him to have much recollection of it or desire to regain it. Begging has become easier than working.

The regulations which govern the administration of the Benevolent Fund are worth studying. These are found in Articles 222 onwards. Article 245 is especially interesting, for it inferentially lays down the principle which underlies the disposition of grants, that is the assistance of the applicant in his efforts to regain a permanent footing.

Perusal of these articles serves to make it clear that the Masonic vagrant seldom finds his way to the consideration of the Board of Benevolence. He sometimes manages an interview with the almoner of a private lodge, but there is one town at least in England where the several lodges have combined to elect a common almoner, who, by some happy coincidence is also the chief constable, and the dismay of the brother on the tramp on being introduced to this official may be imagined. The practice of appointing one almoner for a given area has many obvious advantages, and in Yorkshire and Lancashire, where lodges are thick on the ground, and where Freemasons meet to exchange notes more frequently than may be the case elsewhere, the Masonic loafer is a rara arxis.

He flourishes exceedingly in India and the colonies. The tyler's toast has more meaning when it is recited by expatriated Englishmen, 5,000 miles away from home and civilization, than it has when drunk at the social board of a London lodge. At home, Freemasonry provides often but an accidental and imaginary community of interest, but in foreign parts it is often the strongest and most real bond of union.

Now in India, a European in distress is a very pitiable object. Climate, language, custom, are all against him, and as a rule the only posts which provide suitable employment for Europeans are filled by highly trained men from home. The brother then who arrives at, say, Calicut from Natal on his way to find work in New Zealand, and who is unfortunately just short of the amount necessary to pay his fare to Madras en route, is not often turned empty away, and in the writer's recollection, one brother on the tramp succeeded in levying toll from the charitable to the extent of about  $f_{30}$ during the course of one week, by means of a story of this description. This transpired at a masonic gathering held a few weeks later at which one Worshipful Master after another recited the tale of his being victimised. This tale was nearly the same in each case, and the name given was the same all through. This incident is quoted because it supplies in itself a remedial suggestion. Possibly the original story has some truth in it. It was a case of wanting the railway fare from Madras to Bombay. The story was plausible and well backed up. Had the first brother applied to seen the applicant off to his destination, with a little cash in his pocket, and sent an advice to Bombay describing the circumstance, all would have been well. But it was easier to give cash down and get rid of the applicant's importunity, and then seeing the ease with which his need was supplied there was the temptation to try again, and so a possibly honest and unfortunate brother was induced to lose his self-respect. His principles were debauched in fact, and doubtless he has by now joined the professional crowd. He has been initiated into the antient order of the "Sons of Rest" who never work between meals.

That kind of relief which is just meant to pass the applicant on to the next street, is not and never was the purpose of Freemasonry.

The charity with which we are identified is of the kind that the private brother is not competent to administer, not for lack of means so much as for lack of technical knowledge. It is not the Board of Benevolence nor the Lodge Almoner who is responsible for the Masonic tramp.

It is the private brother who finds it easier to part with five shillings or half a sovereign to get rid of his visitor than to take his name and address and then to make communications in the proper quarter.

And, in conclusion, it must not be forgotten that all these brethren, now so lost to self-respect, were once ballotted for and were received as worthy members of an antient and honourable order. Sufficient care was not taken to ascertain that they were able to incur the expenses in which they became involved, and with equal probability sufficient care was not taken to ascertain what motives prompted them to seek admission to the order.



The retirement of the Pro Grand Master, Earl Amherst, from the office of Provincial Grand Master of Kent, which we announced in our last issue, has been quickly followed by the appointment and installation of his successor, Bro. F. S. W. Cornwallis, which ceremony took place at the Annual Provincial Grand Lodge of Kent, held at Bexley Heath on the 5th June.

After the formal business and the re-election of Bro. William Russell, P.A.G.D.C., as Provincial Grand Treasurer, Earl Amherst proceeded to instal his successor, and, in introducing him to the assembled brethren, offered his congratulations to the province on having found a new ruler who had shown so much zeal and energy in the Order. Bro. Cornwallis had served in the high rank of Past Grand Warden of England and Senior Grand Warden of Kent. The Provincial Grand Master designate was also known to them in other matters and in the management of many Kent affairs, and had conducted himself in all these positions in such a way that the county of Kent had found him an able, efficient, and very zealous man. It was for all these reasons he (Earl Amherst) congratulated the province on having obtained such an excellent Grand Master. It was his duty to ask the brethren to give to Bro. Cornwallis that unanimous and hearty support which for the past forty-live years had been given to him. Earl Amherst concluded his remarks by tendering his hearty thanks to the Grand Officer, Masters, and brethren who had served in various offices. He had always found them zealous, and ready to attend and give their best services in the various matters to be considered. Bro. Cornwallis was then introduced, and his patent from the M.W. Grand Master read, and he was duly installed, proclaimed, and saluted.

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After the appointment and investiture of the Provincial Grand Officers for the year, Bro. Alfred Spencer, Deputy Prov. Grand Master, moved the following resolution: "The

brethren of the province, in Provincial Grand Lodge assembled, desire to place on record their appreciation of the benefits the Craft has received from the zeal and devotion of Earl Amherst during the forty-five years he has been their Provincial Grand Master. They desire also to express their deep regret that he has considered it necessary to resign, and wish him many years of health to enjoy the high position of Pro Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, and to continue to take a benevolent interest in the affairs of the province." The motion, having been seconded by Bro. W. Russell, was carried by acclamation, and Provincial Grand Lodge was closed.

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At the subsequent Banquet the speeches, both vale-dictarily and congratulatory, were received with much applause. In responding to the toast of "The Pro Grand Master and the rest of the Grand Officers" (proposed by the Provincial Grand Master), while thanking the brethren for such a reception as he had never experienced before in all the years he had served them, he did not think it was a good thing to go on prolonging farewell speeches. He had thanked them in Provincial Grand Lodge and at the preliminary meeting, and they could be assured it was a wrench to part from the old province in which he had formed so many friendships, which he should carry with him in his retirement.

As far as his office of Pro Grand Master was concerned, there were duties to be done there that might be of service to the Craft. They had arrived now at a state in their history in which their very success involved them in certain difficulties. They were endeavouring, with nearly 3,000 lodges, to carry on their business and the whole affairs of the Craft with very much the same accommodation and the same restrictions as they had with only 700 lodges. About 30,000 brethren were now entitled to attend Grand Lodge, and at the outside they could only seat 650. That was only, and only, one of the many difficulties which the large increase and the increasing prosperity was entailing upon them to manage their affairs at head-quarters.

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Questions such as these were coming before them, and if it should be his good fortune to preside when they were satisfactorily solved, and they could fit out the Craft with a newer and larger regulation adapted to their numbers, then he should feel that he had done a good work for Freemasonry, and look back with satisfaction upon the years he had been Pro Grand Master. The proposition, he feared, must of necessity curtail the privileges of individual members of Grand Lodge, but he relied on their hearty good wishes in the somewhat difficult task he had still to perform at Grand Lodge.

The connection of the Mark Degree with the Grand Lodge of Scotland is, as our readers are aware, of a much more intimate character than that which obtains in England, and it is now sought to recognise it still more distinctly by charging a separate fee for conferring the degree instead of including it in the second degree. "The Mallet" of the "Glasgow Evening News, in the issue of June 7th, has the following observations on the proposed change.

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"One of the notices of motion before Grand Lodge, copies of which have been sent to the daughter lodges by Bro. David Reid, Grand Secretary, involves the change of a fundamental principle in our system, and constitution and should not be takenlightly. The Mark degree is a heritage from the operative lodges of Freemasonry, demonstrated by a special committee in Grand Lodge in 1860, on the claim of the Lodge of Glasgow St. John, No. 3 Bis, to confer that degree. From that time the Mark, as a result of the investigations of the committee, was included in the Grand Lodge Laws as a completing part of the Fellow Craft, the discovery being

made that the Mark was wrought by the operative Lodges before the initiation of the Grand Lodge. Several attempts have been made to put the Mark on a different footing in our lodges, but none have been so sweeping as that in the motion by Bros. Rex and Inglis, the object of which seems to ultimately lift the ceremony out of our constitution. It proposes to erase from Rule 3 the reference to the Mark as a part of the Second Degree, and notwithstanding Rule 158 which says "the fee for initiation covers the Mark," the motion proposes not only to charge a fee for the ceremony, but to give lodges unlimited powers to exact a fee to any extent in the case of a member applying for the Mark to other than his mother Lodge. The subject, truly, involves such far-reaching principles that, in justice to the Scottish Craft, any change which may be wished for must be discussed, as in 1860, by a special committee, not merely in a motion such as that which will be on the billet for the August meeting. I trust the lodges will dispose of the matter as the Star, 219, did the other night by deciding to oppose the motion in its entirety.'

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Lord Stanley, M.P., Provincial Grand Master, presided on Friday, June 2nd, at the Provincial Grand Lodge of East Lancashire, held at Middleton, when there was a large assembly of brethren, more in fact than the National Schoolroom, where the lodge was held, was able to accommodate. A resolution was passed thanking Lord Stanley for his gift of his portrait to every lodge in the province, accompanied in each case by an autograph letter. Lord Stanley thanked the brethren for their noble support of him in February, and mentioned Bros. Cheetham and Goulburn, who had laboured indefatigably and successfully, and were specially deserving of grateful acknowledgment. Last year, said his Lordship, he was told by many people that he would have more freedom this year than he had last. Some people were telling him now that he would have that freedom next year for certain. He would not prophesy, but he would assure them that it would be a moment of pleasure to him when relief from work came, which would enable him to fulfil that which he had laid before him as his duty and pleasure in visiting every lodge within his province.

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The Provincial Grand Lodge of Lancashire (W.D.) held its annual meeting at Barrow on June 2nd, over 500 brethren being present, the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom, P.G.M., presiding. Prior to the business proceedings a number of the brethren were entertained to luncheon by the Mayor at the Town Hall. The annual report and accounts were considered highly satisfactory, and unanimously adopted. Bro. R. Wylie, P.G.D., D.P.G.M., subsequently moved the following resolution: "That the sum of 100 guineas be voted from the Charities Fund, 30 guineas of which shall be given to the funds of the West Lancashire Masenic Educational Institution, 30 guineas to the West Lancashire Hamer Benevolent Institution, 30 guineas to the West Lancashire Alpass Benevolent Institution, and 10 guineas to the West Lancashire Victoria Fund of Benevolence"; also "That 100 guineas be voted from the Provincial Grand Lodge Fund to the Lathom Memorial Chapter House, Liverpool Cathedral," The resolutions were unanimously carried. Honour was done to the Mayor of Barrow (Councillor Geo. S. Heath) by his being invested as the Provincial Grand Junior Warden; and also to Bro. R. Clark Turner, of Barrow, who was elected Provincial Grand Treasurer. The meeting was one of the most successful that had ever been held, it being 17 or 18 years since Barrow

had the honour of entertaining Provincial Grand Lodge. Invitations were received from Liverpool, Heaton Chapel, and Old Trafford to hold the next Provincial Grand Lodge, nothing definite being decided.

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The annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Norfolk was held at the Town Hall, King's Lynn, on Friday, June 2nd. The R.W.P.G. Master Bro. Hamon le Strange presided, and was supported by a large number of Grand Officers, and brethren. Bro. G. W. G. Barnard was appointed Deputy Provincial Grand Master in place of Bro. H. J. Sparks, who has resigned his position owing to his leaving Norfolk to reside in London. Bro. Barnard, who last year relinquished his duties as Prov. Grand Sec., was presented with a massive silver salver, and was also asked to accept a diamond ring for Mrs. Barnard.

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At the Cannon Street Hotel, on May 1st, the brethren of Citizen Lodge, No. 2911, met to instal their fourth Worshipful Master, W. Bro. W. J. Lodge. Between thirty and forty brethren were present. The ceremony was most ably performed by the retiring W.M., Bro. Maurice Miroy, who was presented in the name of the lodge with a very beautiful Past Master's Jewel. Bro. Lodge appointed his officers as follows: Bros. I. Seaman, S.W.; W. F. Millmaker, J.W.; Rev. D. L. Scott, LL.D., Chaplain; W. Foxton, P.M., Treasurer; Henry Grimsdall, P.M., Secretary; M. Garland, S.D.; W. Bradford Smith, J.D.; C. H. Ellis, I.G.; Claude Basil Lumley, P.M., Prov. Grand Registrar, Herts., D.C.; Reginald Bellew, Organist; W. J. Webster, Steward; H. G. Waterson, Asst. Steward; J. Ellis, P.M., Tyler.



BRO. W. J. LODGE.

Amongst the visitors present were W. Bros. Percy Leach, W. Mervyn Ward Shortt, L.R.A.M., and Bro. Alderman Trehawke Davies. The musical arrangements were in the capable hands of Bro. Maurice Garland, and were of a distinctly high order. The cornet solos of Bro. Shortt, L.R.A.M. (The King's Trumpeter), being specially well done. Bro. Reginald Bellew, ably officiated at the piano.



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MISS B. DEBNAM, THE BRIDE ELECT.

near Yelverton, Devon, and will be performed by the Vicar, the Rev. R. J. Hayne, M.A., assisted by the Rev. J. White, B.A. The father of the bride-elect (W. Bro. A. R. Debnam) is well



W. BRO. T. W. DOCKETT-SMITH.

known in Devonian Masonic circles, being a P.M. of many years standing and a member of the Plymouth Town Council, whilst his only son is at present W.M. of the Maristow Lodge, Devon. Many well known Masonic friends from various parts of the country will foregather at the ceremony to wish long life, health and happiness to the fortunate couple. W. Bro. Smith was initiated in March, 1807, and raised in the following

May. In a few months he was invested with a Steward's collar, and has since filled each successive office. He is also a Comp. of the Trafford Chapter, No. 1496, in which he has held several offices including that of P.S.

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In his will Bro. Dr. Thomas Trollope, P.G.D., of St. Leonards-on-Sea, who died on April 21, left his leasehold residence and the income from £4,000 to his housekeeper, Frances Crouch, with an annuity of £30, on condition that she cares for "his dogs, birds, cats, and other animals" in a manner satisfactory to the executors He also left £100 to the Home for Lost and Starving Dogs at Battersea, and £100 to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

There were in addition many bequests to charities connected with Freemasonry, hospitals, and churches, and £1,500 to his butler.

Bro. the Hon. Sir Samuel Gillott, ex-Lord Mayor of Melbourne and Chief Secretary in the Victorian State Government, whose appointment as Past Junior Grand Deacon was announced at the recent meeting of Grand Lodge, was Worshipful Master of the Combernere Lodge, No. 752, Melbourne, the only one of the ninety-six English lodges once working in Victoria in 1904-5. He is the third who served the office of Worshipful Master in that lodge to be honoured with Grand rank. The first was the late Bro. Dr. J. E. Willmott, Past Junior Grand Deacon, in 1887, Worshipful Master in 1883; and the second, Bro. W. F. Lamonby, P.A.G.D.C., in 1889, and Worshipful Master in

There was a large gathering on May 3rd, at Shepton Mallet, when the Provincial Grand Lodge of Somerset was held under the banner of Love and Honour Lodge. All the lodges in the province but two had representatives at the meeting. The Provincial Grand Master, Bro. the Earl of Cork and Orrery, and Deputy Provincial Grand Master Bro. Colonel Long were present. Bro. C. L. B. Edwards was re-elected Provincial Grand Treasurer for the twenty-first time. After the appointment of the other Grand Officers the Provincial Grand Master moved that a record be placed on the Minutes expressing grief at the irreparable loss sustained by Freemasonry by the death of Bro. R. C. Else, Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master. Bro. Colonel Long seconded, and the motion was carried in silence. The Provincial Grand Treasurer mentioned that up to the present £2,040 had been subscribed by the Somerset Lodges this year to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, at whose festival the Earl of Cork would preside.

It is proposed to form a lodge in connection with the Cumberland and Westmoreland Association of London. The matter has been taken up with much zeal by several influential brethren resident in the metropolis, and it is hoped that, in the event of the petition being favourably considered by the M.W. Grand Master, Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck, M.P., Provincial Grand Master for Cumberland and Westmorland, may consent to become the first Master.

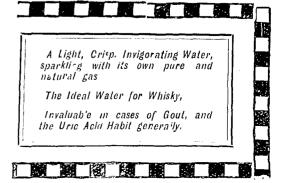
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The annual sports of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys were held on Saturday, June 3rd, in the picturesque grounds of the new school at Bushey. The open quartermile was won by Anderson, who was, in addition, placed second in the 100 yards and half-mile, and so acquired the prize and title of "victor ludorum." The champion of the small boys under thirteen was found in Hall, who had several good races to his credit. The best individual performance of the afternoon was achieved by Fletcher, who, though not yet thirteen years of age, did 4ft. in the high jump. Egg and spoon and wheelbarrow races aroused plentiful merriment, and the boys were stirred to much enthusiasm by the "interhouse" tug of war, which with two extraordinarily long and hard-fought pulls fell to Knight's. The old boys' 220 yards handicap was won by H. A. Dodds. After a musical club drill in the assembly hall, the prizes were distributed by Mrs. John Strachan.







### Royal Edward Lodge, No. 1489.

N Friday, the 2nd of June, this lodge celebrated two events, namely, the termination of the eminently successful year of office of the Worshipful Master, Bro. E. H. Raynham, and the completion of twenty-five years service as Secretary of Bro. Edwin George, P.M.



BRO. E. GEORGE.

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There was a good muster at the Temple at the Holborn Restaurant for the business of the lodge, during which reference was made to Bro. George's connection with it and his work for Masonry, and a formal vote of thanks for his splendid services to the Royal Edward Lodge were entered in the minutes.

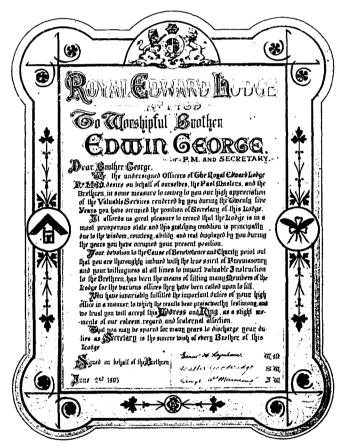
At the banquet in the evening a great number of Past Masters, members of the lodge, and visitors were present.

After the customary toasts, and during a splendid programme of music, the Worshipful Master, on behalf of the officers and brethren, presented to Bro. Edwin George a valuable diamond ring and a handsome framed illuminated address, of which we give a reproduction.

The W.M. in highly eulogistic terms spoke of Bro. George has having practically built up and watched over the interests of the lodge until it had arrived at its present successful state. He referred to Bro. George's Masonic career. He was initiated in the Duke of Connaught Lodge in 1875, and consequently had been a Mason for thirty years. He joined the Royal Edward Lodge, then the Marquis of Ripon, on August 2nd, 1878, and was appointed Secretary on June 4th, 1880, thus making twenty-five years service almost to the day. He was installed Master in 1885 and had served several Stewardships, and was the present Preceptor of the Lodge of Instruction in connection with the Royal Edward Lodge, and is P.Z. and Scribe E. of the Royal Edward Chapter. He is P.M., Secretary, and also one of the founders of

the Brondesbury Lodge, and Secretary of the successful Benevolent Association connected with the Royal Edward Lodge. The W.M. said that a brother who had the respect and love of the whole of his lodge and who had worked hard for the Charities and Masonry in general was not only worthy of all the honours they could give him as a lodge, but was entitled to some recognition from Grand Lodge. Not only had Bro. Edwin George served them with faithfulness, ability, and untiring energy, but he had been the means of helping in the wider field of Masonry outside the lodge.

Bro. Edwin George, who was evidently moved by the praise that had been uttered, said he felt completely overwhelmed with the kindness and affection that prompted the gift, which was an absolute surprise to him. He felt he had done his bare duty, but that duty had been nothing but pleasure to him, as all his efforts (and he feared some faults) had been regarded with the greatest kindness by the brethren. He could conscientiously say that the lodge contained his dearest friends, and in it he had no enemies. He trusted that for many more years he would have the health to enable him to act, for he was proud to be the Secretary of so harmonious and happy a lodge. He had seen many changes during his twenty-five years of office, and



THE ADDRESS.

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he had seen much good work done by the lodge, and if he had helped in any way to accomplish that he was sufficiently recompensed.

Many other speakers testified to Bro. George's good qualities, and besides the remarks of the officers and Past Masters, several visitors spoke of the apparent lack of recognition of such good work from Grand Lodge.

### Cathedral Lodge, No. 2741

THE seventh installation meeting of this lodge took place on Saturday, May 13th, at the Holborn Viaduet Hotel. W. Bro. May finished a basy year's work by installing his successor in a very able manner. The W.M. then invested the following officers: Bros. Frank Wilkinson, S.W.; W. G. West, J.W.; Vernon Taylor, Secretary; F. Marshall, S.D.; James Mathews, J.D.; F. B. Kempe, I.G.; Rev. W. P. Besley, Chaplain; John Spink, Organist;

John Chalis, A. Philips, and J. Brand, Stewards; and Bowler, Tyler.

After the initiation of two candidates the brethren adjourned to a banquet. The toast of "The King, Protector of the Order," followed by that of "The Grand Master," having been enthusiastically drunk, the toast of "The Grand Officers Present and Past" was next proposed by the W.M., who said, although many thought that Grand Office was a

sinecure, if they attended the Board of Benevolence and Board of General Purposes they would find that many of these Grand Officers spent a great deal of time in settling the affairs of the Craft.

The I.P.M., W. Bro. May, then proposed the toast of "The W. Master," which was most heartily received. He said they had that evening had an example of the capabilities of the W. Master both in the admirable way in which he had invested his Officers, and also in the impressive manner in which he had initiated the two candidates, he wished the Master plenty of work to do, knowing he would maintain and add to the prestige of the lodge. The W.M. in responding said he fully appreciated the great honour the brethren had conferred on him, but his feelings at the



W. BRO. W. H. POCKLINGTON, W.M.

moment prevented him from adequately expressing his grateful thanks. He had taken the greatest interest in the lodge from its inception, and he would do his utmost to maintain the great reputation it had gained during its short career. He would ask the brethren to drink the health of one of the best hearted of men and best of workers in the lodge, one who had gained the esteem of all who knew him, namely, the I.P.M., Bro. George May, upon whose breast he would pin the jewel so deservedly voted by the brethren.

Bro. May replied in a few graceful and well-chosen words. W. Bro. Tiney, by the Master's wish, then proposed the health of "The Secretary," Bro. Vernon Taylor, who had so worthily conducted the work of the lodge from its commencement, and whom they especially wished to thank for the splendid manner in which he had carried out the arrangements of the Ladies' Festival which had been such a great success. He presented him in the name of the lodge with an illuminated address and a cheque for £50, having no doubt the address would be treasured by his family, and that he would have no trouble in disposing of the cheque. W. Bro. Taylor thanked the brethren for their kindness, and said what he had

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done was a labour of love, and he was only too pleased to do everything in his power to promote the interests of the Cathedral Lodge.

The W. Master next proposed "The Visitors," to all of whom in the name of the lodge he extended a hearty welcome. Bros. W. A. Tanner, F. Bryen, F. Grose and C. A. Robertson reponded.

The Initiates received some very useful advice from the W.M., who wished them a long and prosperous Masonic career.

Bros. Bradbear and Moore having replied, a long, but most enjoyable evening came to an end.

An excellent programme of music was arranged under the direction of Bro. R. de Lacy, who was assisted by Miss Gertrude Maxted, Miss Lilian Gardner and Mr. Adolf Fowler, but the charm of the evening was the glee singing, in which the brethren took part whilst sitting round the tables. It being the anniversary of Sir Arthur Sullivan's death, the W.M. called for his beautiful part song, "The Long Day Closes," which formed a fitting finale to a feast of good things.

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#### HOLIDAYS IN AUSTRIA.

Now when we commence to think of where to spend our holidays, it may be interesting to give our readers a short sketch of the Austrian Capital, Vienna, which is not as popular as it deserves, although it can be reached almost within twenty-four hours from England. The capital of Austria is one of the most beautiful cities of the world. Innumerable are the historic buildings in the "Kaiserstadt" on the Danube, which recall the glorious history of the ancient commonwealth, and there where modern times have made breaches in the time-honoured grove, palaces have risen under the gracious reign of the present venerable Emperor. There they stand in such splendour, in unbroken roads as no second capital can boast of. Where there was once only ramparts, entrenchments, and a wide military exercise place, now rises the Botive Church University, the Gothic Town Hall, opposite which is the Imperial Theatre, further on the Houses of Parliament, standing in placid beauty the two Imperial Museums, the New Imperial Palace, the Opera House, and finally a circle of private mansions surrounding the inner city. But above all these towers the land mark of Vienna, the steeple of St. Stephen's, grey with age, rising far above the noise and turmoil of the city, and looking upon the quiet mountains, which stand in an unbroken chain from the dazzling white Schneeberg, as far as the gates of the city. Vienna is also particularly agreeable on account of its magnificent surroundings, and on account of the nearness of the Semmering mountain Alps, which can be reached within two hours by rail.

### Installation Meeting of the Vincent Lodge, No. 3031.

IRTH tinged with melancholy is necessarily the keynote of most installation meetings, inasmuch as while the new-comer in the Master's office may be the considered choice of the brethren, there cannot, at the same time, but be a pang of regret at the loss of the outgoing ruler. Especially was this the case in the passing from the chair of one who had been the Master during the first year of the lodge's existence. Bro. Leonard Cook is no unimportant member of the Grand Secretary's staff, where he commenced his career, having been initiated under age by dispensation. Since that time Masonry has had, at any rate, few more faithful adherents; and not the least of Bro. Cook's achievements has been the bringing into being, together with the other founders, of the above lodge, named after the late Bro. William Vincent, P.G. Std. Br., a P.M. of Bro. Cook's mother lodge, No. 1194.



BRO, FREDERICK GILL RICE, W.M.

The new Worshipful Master, Bro. Frederick Gill Rice, both by his execution of what work he had to do, no less than by his appropriate speech later in the evening, showed that, to use his own words, he would prefer to create tradition rather than to follow it. The Lodge has every reason to be proud of its Master for the ensuing year, who is not only one of the best workers, but also one of the most popular members of the lodge. That the meeting was a representative one may be inferred from the list of those present:— Bros. F. G. Rice, W.M.; L. G. Cook, I.P.M.; Henry Times, P. Dep. G.D.C.; Charles Butcher, A.G. Purst.; Rev. F. May, M.A., Prov. G. Chap. Middx.; W. A. Clark, P.M.; E. Monson, J.P., P.M. Treas.; T. Walters, S.W.; A. J. Philcox, J.W.; W. Taylor, and A. J. Campbell, Deacons; E. Usher, I.G.; H. Stubbs, P.M., D. of C.; H. W. Clarkson, P.M., Org.; Rev. Dixon, P.G. Chap. Tasmania; Fletcher, Weller, Tomes, P.M.'s., and many others.

Amongst the many agreeable incidents of the gathering was the presence of a number of the Worshipful Master's old school-fellows, one at least of whom, Bro. Bradley Alexander (to give his professional name) was responsible for much of the enjoyment of the post-prandial proceedings.

The balance sheet showed a gratifying amount on the credit side, after the sum of ten guineas had been deducted

for the Benevolent Institution, a first year's result on which the lodge is to be congratulated.

At the banquet, Bro. C. Butcher, A. G. Purst., replied for the Grand Officers, while Bro. Frederick Rice in response to the toast of "His Health," said that in common with such things as classical music, and other things of which the ordinary man stood in awe, the office of Worshipful Master was not so fearsome as it seemed, although he had not been without his own feelings of trepidation as that memorable occasion had grown near.

Bro. Cook made a very graceful exit from the position which, as testified by the assembled members of the lodge, he had filled so well. The esteem of the brethren, culminating in the P.M.'s jewel presented to him that evening was, he said, a sufficient reward for anything he had been able to do during the past year.

The toast of "The Visitors" was acknowledged by Bros. Rev. F. W. May, King, Green, and How.

The toast of "The Treasurer, Secretary, and Officers of the Lodge" concluded the adulatory part of the programme, which was interspersed with a first-class concert.

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MR. LABOUCHERE tells the following story of the late Lord Acton, Regius Professor of History at Cambridge: "Some years ago Lord Acton wrote me a letter in the interests of those who suffer from sea-sickness. He was, he said, a bad sailor, but he had recently crossed to Holland. A heavy gale prevented landing, and the boat on which he was pitched and tossed outside the harbour during the entire night. He almost alone was not sea-sick, for even the captain and many of the crew were. He ascribed his immunity to having taken a dose of Yanatas before embarking. I published the letter, but at his request I did not say by whom it was written. I, too, am by no means a good sailor. If it is rough, I am always just going to be sick, if not quite. The other day I bought myself a bottle of this remedy and took it. Although very rough between Dover and Calais, not only was I not sick, but I looked on with the air of the hardy and seasoned tar, whilst most of my fellowpassengers succumbed. As Lord Aston is now dead, I think that his personal experience may be useful to

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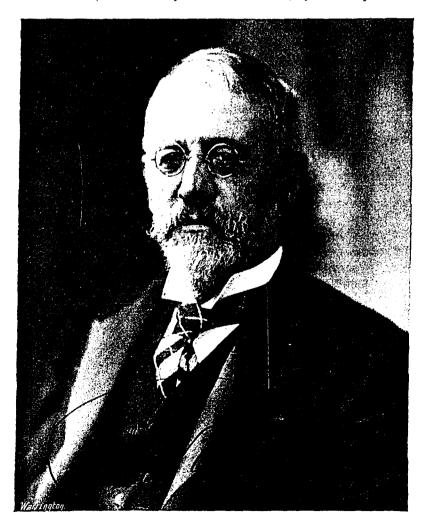
By Bro. W. F. LAMONBY, P.D.G.M. of Victoria, and P.A.G.D.C. of England.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Ir was on Dec. 28th, 1836, that the colony of South Australia was proclaimed in the presence of a few hundred settlers, and the historian informs us that the occasion was celebrated by an al fresco luncheon and by much waving of bunting, whilst the rejoicings were kept in full-blast till midnight. At that time Adelaide (named after the Queen of King William the Fourth) was a scattered collection of wooden buildings and tents. Yet more than two years previously the first Masonic lodge was warranted by the Grand Lodge of England, under the name of the South Australian Lodge of Friendship, to meet in Adelaide. But the most interesting circumstance connected with the birth of this famous lodge (now No. 1 on the South Australian register), is the fact that it was consecrated in London on the very same day that the warrant was signed by H.R.H. the Duke of Sussex and issued from Freemasons' Hall, the raison d'étre being that the founders and succeeding members, emigrants to the new settlement, might in due course take the charter with them, and resume work in the land of their adoption. The consecration ceremony was performed by the Grand Secretaries, Bros. White and Harper, and the first Master installed was Bro. Taylor, described as "late of the Grand Master's, Old King's Arms, and Hertford lodges." Subsequently three gentlemen about to proceed to the new colony were initiated, and the party thereafter dined at Freemasons' Tavern. The chronicler of the period records that Bro. White complimented the officers on the excellent manner in which their duties had been performed, and he suggested that the brethren then present, and such other members of the fraternity as might be interested in the success of the colony, might hold an anniversary meeting to celebrate the opening of the lodge. This interesting episode, so far as is known, is unique and unparalleled.

It appears that permission had been granted for the lodge meetings to be held in England meanwhile, however, it was not till August 11th, 1838, that the first meeting was held in Adelaide, at Black's Hotel, Franklin Street. The infant city must, therefore, have gone on apace. In 1869 the South Australian Lodge of Friendship amalgamated with the Lodge

of Concord and the Albert Lodge. In regard to the English Constitution, it need only be observed that, up to the year



THE RIGHT HON, SIR SAMUEL WAY, BART., FIRST AND PRESENT GRAND MASTER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

1884, when the South Australian Grand Lodge was founded, the parent Grand Lodge had warranted twenty-two lodges.

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The following were Provincial or District Grand Masters of South Australia under England:—

Benjamin Archer Kent ... ... 1854 Arthur Hardy ... ... 1860



THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF KINTORE, G.C.M.G., SECOND GRAND MASTER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The Scottish Constitution had likewise a Province or District in the Colony, the following being the holders of office:—

J. Hart	•••	•••	•••	1871
C. H. T. Connor	•••			1877
H. C. E. Muecke				1880

And the Irish Constitution had, and still has, its share in the Masonic history of South Australia, seeing that it owns a lodge working in Adelaide, namely, the Duke of Leinster, No. 363, opened in Adelaide in 1855, it being the first Irish lodge warranted in the colony. The reason why the Duke of Leinster Lodge did not throw in its lot with the Grand Lodge of South Australia is that since the year 1866 it has owned the Alfred Masonic Hall, the revenues accruing from which are devoted to an Orphan and a general Benevolent Fund. The Provincial Grand Masters of South Australia under the Irish Constitution were:—

 John Tuthill Bagot
 ...
 ...
 1860

 William J. Crawford
 ...
 ...
 1871

South Australia, as is pretty generally known, was the pioneer of regular Masonic self-government in the "Sunny South," as distinguished from the unrecognised Grand Lodges in New South Wales and Victoria, which respectively preceded it in 1877 and 1883. Only one year after the latter ill-timed action South Australia founded its Grand Lodge on lines and precedents that insured its instant and cordial acknowledgment by England, Ireland, and Scotland, the parents of the constituent whole of which it was composed. At the outset the leaders of the movement were fortunate in securing as their prospective Grand Master "a gentleman of the best fashion" and an "eminent scholar," as the old Constitutions of England so aptly enjoin, in Chief Justice Way, an old colonist and a Demosthenes in eloquence, as very many will testify when they call to mind his officiating at the opening of others of the Australian Grand Lodges.

Our distinguished brother was made a baronct in 1899, and he is an Australian representative on the judicial committee of the Privy Council. Further, he was gazetted Chief Justice of the colony in 1876, Lieut.-Governor in 1877, and he has been Chancellor of the Adelaide University since 1883, besides being a D.C.L. of Oxford, and LL.D. of Cambridge.

It was in 1884 that the Grand Lodge of South Australia was inaugurated, or fifty years after the warrant for the first lodge was granted, the Jubilee of Masonry in the colony thus being most happily conceived. The new Grand Lodge opened its career with twenty English lodges, five Irish, and six Scottish, or a total of thirty-one lodges. Seventeen new lodges have since been warranted and four have been erased, making a total of forty-four lodges in 1904.

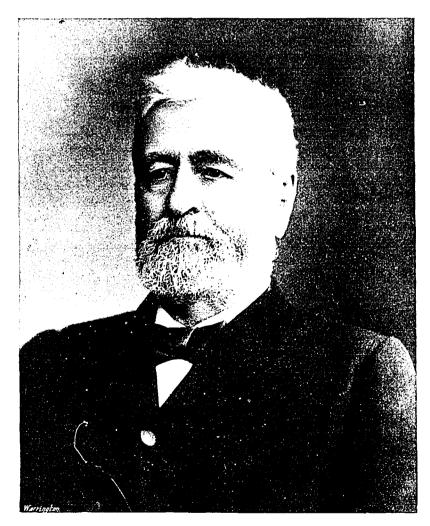
Below are the Grand Masters of South Australia:

His Honour Chief Justice Way... ... 1884

The Right Hon. the Earl of Kintore,
G.C.M.G. ... ... ... 1889

The Right Hon. Sir Samuel Way, Bart. 1895

It may here be explained that Lord Kintore (an eminent Scotch Mason) as Governor of South Australia was elected Grand Master, Chief Justice Way acting as Pro Grand Master, only to again assume office on the return of Lord Kintore to the old country. In the interim the present Grand Master was honoured by his sovereign with the dignities of baronet of the United Kingdom and member of the Privy Council. The Grand Lodge of South Australia ever since its foundation has gone on progressing slowly but surely, and the one and only rift in the lute occurred the year after its opening, when by some oversight or forgetfulness recognition was granted to the then irregular Grand Lodge of New South Wales, when the Grand Lodge of Scotland, on St. Andrew's Day, passed the following resolution:—

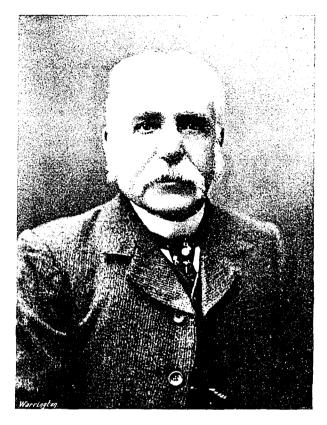


THE HON. SIR JAMES PENN BOUCAUT, K.C.M.G.

"The Grand Lodge met to-day, and it was unanimously resolved, that, in respect of the Grand Lodge of South Australia recognising the so-called Grand Lodge of New South Wales, the recognition of the the Grand Lodge of South Australia be withdrawn."

However, this little unpleasantness was very soon removed, and relations between the two Grand Lodges were resumed.

A very interesting event in South Australian Masonry, late in 1904, was the installation at Adelaide, as Master of the St. Alban Lodge, of His Excellency Sir George Le Hunte, Governor of the State, with the ceremony performed



BRO, J. C. CUNNINGHAM, GRAND SECRETARY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

by the Right Reverend J. R. Harmer, D.D., at that time Bishop of Adelaide, and now of Rochester.

It would be an oversight to omit deserving reference to

one who may fairly claim to be the father of Masonry in South Australia. The eminent brother referred to is the Hon. Sir James Penn Boucaut, K.C.M.G., Judge of the Supreme Court (he was called to the Bar in Adelaide in 1856) from 1878 till 1905, when he resigned. He has been three times Premier of the land of the colony, the first time in 1866. Our venerated brother has been an active member of the Duke of Leinster Lodge, Irish Constitution, during nearly fifty years, the greater part of that long period as Deputy Provincial Grand Master. Very prominently, too, has been his connection with the chapter and Mark lodge, still attached to the Duke of Leinster Lodge, and since 1858 he has been a member of the Percy Preceptory of Knights Templar, which was opened in that year in Adelaide, under warrant of the then "Baldwin" Grand and Royal Encampment, at Bristol, which body was amalgamated with the present supreme head of the Order in 1862. In 1868 the veteran frater was appointed Grand Commander (now styled Provincial Prior) of the Order in South Australia, and in 1897 West Australia was added to his jurisdiction, coincidently with the granting of a warrant for the opening of a preceptory at Fremantle, in the latter colony, and it is only recently that another preceptory was chartered under his sway at Broken Hill. Add to all this, Sir J. B. Boucaut was one of the founders of the Alfred Masonic Hall already referred to, and from the very commencement he has been a trustee of the Benevolent Fund connected therewith, indeed, he is the only survivor of the five originals, he then being Provincial Grand Secretary of the Irish Constitution.

All else requiring to be observed in connection with South Australian Masonry is summed in the fact that it has a Supreme Grand Chapter, also a Masters' and Wardens' Association, and that the Grand Lodge funds total is more than £21,000.

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