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The Fund of Benevolence.

(See page 75, ante).



It can hardly be supposed, in the face of the recently published statement of the income and expenditure for the past ten years of the Fund of Benevolence, and the disastrous results which must surely attend continued indifference to the indisputable fact that the accumulation of many previous years is rapidly decreasing, that the members of our Society will not now bestir themselves to protect what remains of, and, if possible, replace what has been subtracted from the Capital Stock of £50,000 Consols which stood to the credit of the fund on the 31st December, 1878.

To attain this end there should be united effort throughout the English Craft, and all distinctions arising from the division of Lodges into Metropolitan and Provincial sections should merge in the grand aim of securing the continued usefulness of this our most important of Masonic funds, and the much greater distinction of rendering unto every man his just due and upholding the doctrine of fraternal equality which it would so much advantage our Institution to practice in very many respects. The Benevolent fund has ever been and still is open for the relief of each and all of those requiring its assistance and who are qualified, by right of acceptance and initiation into our Order, for its consideration of their appeals; and it matters not whether the applicants are or have been members of Lodges in London or in the provinces. The grants of the board are as readily made to the one as to the other, and the circumstances of the applicants are considered without respect to the locality of their Lodges. Therefore, the contributions which should be expected from every member should be equal in amount.

We see no reason whatever why the establishment of local institutions for similar objects should be urged as a reason for the payment of a lesser contribution to the universal charitable fund of the Order in England. If in our provinces or districts it has been thought beneficial and advisable to create other and additional centres of relief, these should be entirely distinct from the special fund for general distribution, and should be supported by those who alone can be interested in such centres. Our contention is that every Freemason, whether "made," under the English Constitution, in London or any place distant therefrom, should pay the like amount of "quarterage," he being entitled to equal consideration when and should necessity unfortunately require him to seek assistance from the fund.

Before we detail at some length, as we propose to do, certain proceedings in the Quarterly Communications of the United Grand Lodge during the year 1882, and bearing on this subject, we will ask our readers to refer to our issue of the 4th October last (No. 7) and peruse the remarks we then made. They will serve to introduce and make better understood the appended information, which, though probably known to most, is certainly not known to a very considerable number of Freemasons in this country, and who have entered the Order since that date.

At the aforesaid Quarterly Communication held at Freemasons' Hall on the 1st March, 1882,

Bro. JOHN M. CLABON, P.G.D., rising to second a motion for a grant recommended by the Board of Benevolence, called the attention of Grand Lodge to the expenditure of the Board in the following words:—"The grants recommended to-night for confirmation amount to about £1,400.* No doubt they have been recommended with wisdom and prudence, and with the liberality with which such a body as the Freemasons' ought to give. But if the brethren wish the Lodge of Benevolence to be liberal they must give them the means to be so. Last year they had spent in that way £10,000 when their income was only £8,000. There is some £45,000 to the credit of the fund, and the Board spends the income arising from that sum in addition to the quarterages. If this rate of expenditure is continued the fund will be exhausted and smaller grants will have to be made. As quarterages the London brethren pay each four shillings per annum, the country brethren two shillings, and I suggest that the quarterages should be raised to six shillings for London, and three shillings for country brethren, and this increase would give the Lodge of Benevolence continued power to make suitable grants." Bro. G. P. Britten supported Bro. Clabon, but the Prov. Grand Master stopped discussion on a point of Order.

The only comment we shall make on this impotent attempt to do a great service to the Craft and set right that which was *even then* surely going wrong, is to express regret that the foresight of a very worthy and distinguished brother—so far as we remember, for we have lost sight of him for some years, always noted for his good judgment and prudent counsel—was not shared by many now actively engaged in Masonic work and admitting the wisdom of his suggestions. "Points of Order" and such like "stoppers"

* The precise amount of the grants recommended and agreed to at this Quarterly Communication was £1,310.

have much to answer for as affects proceedings in Grand Lodge of late years. To "speak out" there has for long been most unpalatable to "powers that be."

At the ensuing Communication, June 7th 1882, Bro. Clabon followed up his former remarks by proposing:—

That, for the purpose of maintaining and extending the Fund of Benevolence, all the members of the lodges in the London district (except military lodges), shall pay quarterly one shilling and sixpence each to the Fund, instead of one shilling as fixed by the Grand Lodge held on the 2nd March, 1814. And that all members of lodges not within the London district (except military, colonial, and foreign lodges), shall pay quarterly ninepence each to the Fund, instead of sixpence, as fixed by the said Grand Lodge.

That no sale be made of all or any part of the Capital Funds of Benevolence without the express order of a Grand Lodge, confirmed by a subsequent Grand Lodge.

In support of his motion, Bro. CLABON said that the increase of expense to the members of the Craft would be so small that it would not be felt, as it did not amount to a halfpenny a-week for each member. On the other hand, it would add materially to the spending power of the Lodge of Benevolence, as it would add some £4,000 to their annual income. He wished to make it difficult to sell out any of the accumulated funds, as they had been doing of late. During the ten years that he was President of the Lodge of Benevolence, there had been one or two occasions upon which he had ventured to differ from the lodge, but his difference had been not that the grant to a poor Mason had been too large, but that it was more than the funds of the lodge could afford. Without troubling Grand Lodge too much, he would remind them that the quarterage of one shilling and sixpence was fixed at the time of the Union in 1814, and Grand Lodge then thought right to exclude colonial lodges, so that they pay nothing. If they were required to pay, this would happen: that as the Lodge of Benevolence required two years' payments to have been made to the fund before granting relief, it would, in regard to colonial cases, depend very much upon the regularity of their returns whether evidence as to two years' payments could be obtained. As regards the state of the fund, he would say that in 1873 it amounted to £25,000. In 1874 the receipts were £5,449, and the expenditure £4,133. In 1875, receipts £5,953, expenditure £4,036. In 1876, receipts £6,496, expenditure £5,203. In 1877, receipts £5,725, expenditure £5,849. In 1878, receipts £7,913, expenditure £4,934. In 1879, receipts £8,117, expenditure £7,606. So that up to that time the receipts had annually exceeded the payments, and the savings had raised the fund £25,000 to £45,000. In 1880 a change occurs: receipts £8,470, expenditure £9,307; and in 1881, receipts £8,161, expenditure £9,915. This was a state of things that he hoped Grand Lodge would agree with him in saying ought not to go on; by spending their capital they were parting with their provision for old age. What must be the ultimate consequence if that £45,000 disappears? Why, the expenditure must come down, to the great distress of many people. As regards the complaints that the money was distributed improperly, he did not remember any one grant that was given improperly; he believed very much more good was done by the large grants. If £50 was given it went to pay a few debts, and there was no permanent benefit; but if you gave £100 or £150, it might be of vast service to the recipient, and set him up again. If the Lodge of Benevolence was now exceeding its income by £2,000 a year, and Grand Lodge agreed to this increase in the quarterages, the resulting income would cover this excess, and leave a surplus of about £2,000. He proposed that the increase should commence on the 1st January, 1883. The motion was seconded by Bro. BRITTEN.

Bro. TOMBS opposed the motion altogether. The present quarterages were the result of the arrangements made on behalf of the various lodges. The change would upset a vast number of calculations; and it struck him, as Bro. Clabon had admitted, that they had been too liberal with their money, really and truly.

Bro. CLABON: I said nothing of the kind.

Bro. TOMBS said his note of Bro. Clabon's speech was that they had been granting too much money. He would venture to say that the Board of Benevolence had been too liberal as Trustees.

Bro. MONTAGUE GUEST said he thought that before this motion was carried the provinces should be consulted. In his province it would make a difference of £30 a year. He felt that there had been a certain amount of extravagance. He would not say that the larger grants were not beneficial, but still the figures just given to them showed an increase of about £2,000 a year; and he thought that before they rushed into the gap to make up the deficiency that had occurred, by adding something to the contribution of every brother, that the opinion of the provinces ought to be obtained, and that the matter should be postponed in the meantime.

Bro. the Rev. J. S. BROWNRIGG said that he felt strongly against this motion. In his own province they had a voluntary quarterage of 2s. a year, which made their full quarterage equal to that of London brethren. He felt sure that if they raised the quarterage 50 per cent. the local Charities would suffer. On a former occasion they were told that the funds of the Lodge of Benevolence were increasing to such an extent that powers were sought to enable the Board to devote them to some other purpose. He thought that the temporary wave of depression had perhaps produced the extra distress which had caused this excess of expenditure, and if that were the case they might hope that it would not continue.

Bro. J. STEVENS would be disposed to support Bro. Clabon's motion if it went further than it did. He thought that every man who was made a mason, whether in the provinces or the metropolis, should pay the same, and he should be prepared, if necessary, to propose an amendment to carry that out.

After some further discussion, Bro. CLABON said that he wished to say but very few words in reply, and to remind Grand Lodge that the Lodge of Benevolence was representative. As far as his recollection went, a fair proportion of the grants made by that

Lodge were granted as petitions from the country, and what came from the country as freely went back to the country.

The M.W. GRAND MASTER then read the resolution, and stated that that was the question on which the brethren had to vote; there was no direct negative proposed to that, but it was proposed as an amendment that further consideration should be postponed to ascertain the opinion of the provincial brethren, and that no increase should be made at present. That amendment was by Bro. Penrice. There was a second amendment proposed by Bro. Stevens, that if any alteration be made, the sum shall be one shilling a quarter, whether in the provincial or London district. That second amendment was a provisional one, which made it difficult to deal with. He could not help thinking that the amendment of Bro. Penrice very generally expressed the opinion of Grand Lodge, that we were not ripe yet upon the subject.

Bro. PENRICE's amendment, upon being put to the vote, was carried. The original motion was afterwards put and lost.

Bro. CLABON gave notice that he should bring the matter forward again in December.

We shall comment on this discussion in our next, and continue the account of the further proceedings on the 6th December, 1882.

THE RITUAL.

CONTINUATION OF CHAP. V. OF BRO. H. J. WHYMPER'S "RELIGION OF FREEMASONRY."—(See page 336).

AGAIN, in speaking of the columns at the entrance of a Lodge, and the promise that the house of David should be established for ever, Hutchinson said, "In commemoration of this great promise to the faithful, we ornament the entrance into our Lodges with these emblematical pillars; from our knowledge of the completion of that sacred sentence accomplished in the coming of our Redeemer."*

Referring to the Master Masons' Degree and Ritual, Hutchinson said "The great Father of all, commiserating the miseries of the world, sent his only Son, who was innocence itself, to teach the doctrine of salvation."† He goes on to say that "the devotees of the Jewish altar had hid religion from those who sought her,"‡ and that "Our Order is a positive contradistinction to the Judaic blindness and infidelity, and testifies our faith concerning the resurrection of the body."§ Many more opinions could be given to the same purport from this old writer, who completely recognised the Ritual as a Christian one.

It is needless to state the obvious fact, already alluded to, that many writers have regarded H.A. as the type of Christ, but one Christian allusion still remains in our Ritual, closely connected with the Hiram ceremony—we refer to the bright Star whose rising brings peace and salvation to the faithful and obedient of the Human Race.

It would be most interesting to hear our Preceptors and Universalists attempt to expound this in any other than a purely Christian light. We commend the allusion to Ritual mongers and manglers as one urgently calling—from their point of view—for prompt excision.

Perhaps nothing more clearly shows the religious tenets of the Fraternity than the Prayers formerly and still in use.

As regards the earlier prayers, for such are in effect the invocations at the head of every one of the "old Charges" or MS. Constitutions, nothing can be plainer; they are Christian and Trinitarian. So many examples have been adduced in Chapter II. that we refrain from here quoting even one of them.

The authorised prayers of to-day in the various Degrees of the Craft are de-Christianised, for proof is extant that they were formerly Christian. But the mere fact of engaging in prayer at all proves at least the Craft is not, as maintained by some, a body totally unconnected with religion. Why, for instance, invoke "the continual dew of Thy blessing" "upon this convocation assembled in Thy Holy Name," unless the subsequent proceedings be of a religious import. To deny the religious nature of the consequent ceremony is to confess that God's Holy Name has been invoked for a trivial and worldly purpose, i.e., "in vain;" a crime in the eye of Jew, Gentile, and Christian alike. In another prayer do we not thus address the Almighty? "Vouchsafe thine aid, Almighty Father of the Universe, to this our present convention." If our purpose be not connected with religion, what right have we to appeal for *divine aid* in our undertakings.

That the "Ancients" retained the Christian character of their prayers is certain. The following is from the Ahiman Rezon, editions 1756 to 1801.‖ It is also to be found in many masonic works of the last century, including the "Freemasons' Pocket Companion," Edinburgh, 1764:—

PRAYER to be said at the opening of a Lodge, or making of a Brother.

Most Holy and Glorious LORD GOD, thou Great Architect of Heaven and Earth, who art the Giver of all good gifts and graces; and hast promised that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt be in the midst of them; in thy Name we assemble and meet together, most humbly beseeching thee to bless us in all our Undertakings, to give us thy Holy Spirit, to enlighten our Minds with Wisdom and Understanding, that we may know, and serve thee aright, that all our Doings may tend to thy Glory, and the Salvation of our Souls,

And we beseech thee, O LORD GOD, to bless this our present Undertaking, and grant that this, OUR NEW BROTHER, may dedicate his Life to thy Service, and be a true and faithful BROTHER AMONG US; endue him with Divine Wisdom, that he may, with the Secrets of MASONRY, be able to unfold the Mysteries of Godliness and Christianity.

This we humbly beg in the Name and for the sake of JESUS CHRIST our LORD and SAVIOUR. AMEN.

* Hutchinson's "Spirit of Masonry," 1st edition, 1775, p. 147.

† *Ibid.*, p. 159.

‡ *Ibid.*, p. 160.

§ *Ibid.*, p. 164.

‖ And substantially the same to the last edition of 1813.

(To be concluded in our next).

The Masonic "Poet's Corner."

(Original and Selected.)

THE THREE GREAT LIGHTS.

We hold in Bonds of Brotherhood those men (and only those)
Whose hearts expand with others' joys, feel keenly others' woes,
And disregarding rules and forms will aye maintain the Right!
Who judge not from appearances, oft-times deceitful they,
But ever hail true virtue and its humanizing sway,
As 'tis measured by the COMPASSES, the ANGLE, and the LIGHT.

Our COMPASSES adjust we so that limits be defined
Within whose arcs there's room for every type of humankind,
For every man man's brother is in GOD's eternal sight!
Within the space thus circumscribed aye Sanctuary be
To which in times of grief and wrong the burdened heart may flee,
And its cause be vindicated by the ANGLE and the LIGHT!

The setting of that ANGLE calls for finished skill and care,
To see its lines be laid aright, its joint precisely square;
Else the justest Work produced our rules may cause us oft to slight,
And we may be constrained to err, and even to condemn
The handicraft of Talent fine, the Acts and Deeds of them
Whom the MASTER* will Himself approve in stronger purer LIGHT.

Seek we that LIGHT at its Great Source, nor dare we to presume
To cast aside the block we've tried amidst uncertain gloom;
In the MERIDIAN SUNLIGHT test it! Not in Shades of Night!
For errors manifold are made, and errors made must be,
By those who of the Standard Guides lack even one of Three,
Be the One of Three the COMPASSES, the ANGLE, or the LIGHT!

When we shall find our fellow-man borne down by treatment hard
Bruised and broken though he be, him may we not discard,
For oft-times of a broken block choose we the fragment white,
And shaping it with nicest Art, a Miniature fair
We place "within the Temple," before the Master there,
When all the world without is dark, it shines in radiance rare,
A perfect Block! A finished Work! A model of a Square!
When 'tis tested by the COMPASSES, the ANGLE, and the LIGHT!

This is the truest Masonry! The Universal Creed!
Without it ne'er can guards and signs a Mason make, indeed
A shapeless mass he prostrate lies before the Orient bright;
But with it oft, as once on earth the MASTER wisely said,
The "Block the Builders cast away becomes the Corner's Head!"†
The noblest Work exhibited in GOD's refulgent LIGHT.

(*) "The Master is come and calleth for thee."—JOHN XI. 28.

(†) "And the LIGHT shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not."—JOHN I. 5.

(‡) "The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner."—LUKE XX. 17.

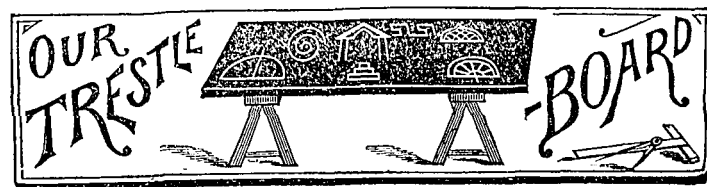
—From "CHIPS FROM A ROUGH ASHLAR."

AUSTRALASIA.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—PERTH—The latest addition to the Masonic Lodges of the Colony, viz.: The Emulation Lodge, No. 2281, was solemnly consecrated in December last, by the Deputy District Grand Master, Bro. D. K. Congdon, in the presence of The Right Worshipful the District Grand Master, Bro. the Hon. J. A. Wright, His Excellency Bro. Sir F. N. Broome, K.C.M.G., Past District Grand Senior Warden, and a large number of the brethren of the different lodges of the Colony. Bro. F. L. Hussey, D.G.S., acted as Director of Ceremonies. The R.W.D.G.M. opened a lodge in the three degrees, after which the Consecrating Officer (Bro. Congdon), performed the Ceremony of Consecration, assisted by Bros. B. C. Wood, E. Sholl and Rice Saunders. The brethren were called from labour to refreshment, when the District Grand Master proposed the toast of "Success and Prosperity to the Lodge of Emulation, No. 2281," and his Excellency the Governor proposed that of the W.M., Wardens and Officers of the Lodge, Bro. Hurst, the W.M. responded, thanking the Governor and the D.G.M. for their attendance. Subsequently the Lodge resumed work, when Bro. Hooper, District Grand Pursuivant, installed the Master and Officers in most impressive style. At the supper the usual loyal and other toasts were proposed and responded to in the happiest manner. It is said that the District Grand Master will consecrate in person the New Lodge of Harmony, No. 2282 at Fremantle, at which a large gathering of brothers of the mystic tie is expected.

VICTORIA—ROMSEY—The Installation Festival of the Romsey Lodge, No. 2079, was held on the 14th December, 1888, at the Mechanics' Hall, Bro. W. T. Moffat, P.D.G.S.B., presiding as W.M. There was a large attendance of the brethren. The visitors included brethren from Kilmore, Melbourne, &c. Amongst the apologies received was a telegram from Sir William Clarke, the R.W. District Grand Master, who is a member of the Lodge. The W.M. elect was Bro. A. F. Taylor, J.W., who was installed into the chair by Bro. Moffat, after which the following officers were invested:—Bros. J. Morrison, S.W.; A. N. Thomas, J.W.; G. Blackham, treasurer (re-elected); S. Seymour, secretary (re-appointed); C. J. Prosser, S.D.; J. Drummond, J.D.; J. R. Brown, I.G.; E. Jeans and L. Robertson, stewards; P. Cook, Tyler. The report and statement of accounts for the year, showing a substantial balance in hand, was read and adopted, and after "Hearty good wishes" had been tendered by the visitors, the lodge was closed. The remainder of the evening was pleasantly and harmoniously passed at the supper table.

MASONIC BALL AT RUGBY.—On the 30th ult., the members of Lodge Rectitude, No. 502, gave a ball at the Town Hall, Rugby, in aid of the Hospital of St. Cross. The gathering did not prove a financial success, which we regret to hear, as the object the brethren had in view was a most worthy one.



"For the Master to lay lines and draw designs upon."

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We desire to call the attention of our provincial readers and advertisers to the list of agents published in our advertisement columns. We are making such arrangements that through our agents any local information or business matters can be respectively forwarded or transmitted without trouble or expense. We shall add to our list as may be desired in respect of other towns.

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We shall be greatly obliged to Secretaries of Lodges and Secretaries of Chapters named in our list of forthcoming Lodge and Chapter Meetings if they will instruct us as to the dates of installations of W.M.'s and Principals respectively. The kindly consideration of one or two of our respected Provincial Grand Secretaries has enabled us to supply the desired information in some cases. We should like to be enabled to do so in all. [See foot-note at page 376.]

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In proposing the toast of "The Masonic Press" at the last meeting of the Addington Lodge, at Durban, South Africa, the W.M., Bro. J. Fletcher, said "The toast was a new one in South Africa, but he hoped would be a permanent one, and that the name of W. Bro. Darley-Hartley, the editor of the *South African Freemason*, would be coupled with it for many years, for the work of a masonic paper was peculiar. It could not comment as freely upon masonic events as could be done in outside journalism. Infinite tact and care were needed in steering a masonic paper properly, and unless the editorial charge was in the hands of a true and competent brother, very great harm might result. After a twelve months' experience of the *South African Freemason*, all could see how carefully it had been edited. Not an improper word had he observed in it. It was indeed a great task to edit such a paper, and it was wonderful how well Bro. Darley-Hartley had accomplished it. Personally he must say that he found much more actual instruction in its columns than in the far more ambitious *English Freemason*. And he might mention that the new London paper, *THE MASONIC STAR*, was proceeding much on the same lines as those adopted by the *South African Freemason*." We thank our brother for his kindly compliment to ourselves, and shall continue our endeavours to merit similar acknowledgement from our brethren "wheresoever dispersed."

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The *Australian Keystone* for December is also good enough to welcome us in the following terms:—"A new Masonic journal, *THE MASONIC STAR*, published weekly in London, has reached us. It shows sufficient signs of vigour to deserve success; we heartily welcome its advent, willingly place it on our exchange list, and commend it to the brethren."

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Our good friend and brother of "Mustard and Cress" concludes his latest contribution to the *Referee* with a mystic allusion familiar only to such amongst us as have heard the late Bro. Dr. Rob. Morris's exquisite poem "Masons' Vows" recited. Referring to the weather of the days immediately preceding his writing—the weather is a favourite topic of his, although it would be difficult to decide what particular weather favours him—he says:—"I am back again in the full possession of the joys of the English climate. Anything more inspiring, more exhilarating, more absolutely entrancing than the past few days it would be difficult to imagine. A good family vault with permission to smoke in it would be an agreeable change from a London house during such weather as we have had. And I have left Nice the beautiful, Monte Carlo the entralling, Cannes the celestial, for this—for this—for THIS. Well, if you knew all that that "this" implies, I think even Cleopatra's Needle would have a tear in its eye for the woes and misfortunes of the melancholy and miserable—DAGONET." Surely a certain portion of the foregoing must be considered as addressed "to 'Masons, and to 'Masons only."

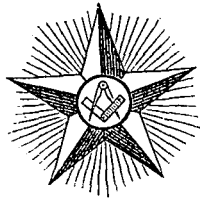
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We have been requested by friends of several distinguished members of the Craft to notify in our pages their election to the honourable and dignified position of County Councillors for London and Provincial towns respectively. Being at all times pleased to hear of the success and advancement of members of our Order we should be willing to acquiesce, but for several reasons. It is historical that the bells of a certain church were not rung in honour of a certain queen, to account for which a large number of reasons were given, the last being that the steeple contained no bells. In like manner all the reasons we could give in respect of not granting the requests made to us, would be capped by the statement that we have no space.

WILL any brother greatly oblige a P.M. and P.Z. by kindly forwarding to him a spare copy of their Lodge or Chapter summons, as he is endeavouring to form a complete collection of them from No. 1 upwards.—Address, C. E. FERRY, 55, Tregunter Road, South Kensington, S.W.—[ADVT.]

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Original Correspondence.

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THE MASONIC CHARITIES.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

In your impression of the 24th ulto., you print a letter of mine in which I endeavoured to put, in the briefest language, a simple question in regard to votes "issued and utilised in respect of sums remaining to this day unpaid." I asked for a reply—Yes or No. None being forthcoming, proceeding onwards, I now, in connection with this issue of votes, would state that I am informed as follows:

In the cases of brethren serving the office of steward who render the names on their lists of contributories to the several charities, premium votes, *personal to themselves*, are awarded as a recognition of their services, proportionate to the amount represented as being collected by them. Many amounts promised are not immediately or speedily forthcoming, being as I read "payable at the convenience of the donor." Yet premium votes *have been and are* issued to stewards in respect of these sums, which may never come in at all.

I don't ask any explanation of this, but perhaps a few more details another week may interest your readers.

Yours fraternally,

Feb. 4th, 1889.

QUIDNUNC.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

An association having some 35 members has recently been started in connection with the charities, and I was successful in winning a Life Governorship. The Secretary asks me which of the three Institutions I wish the £10 10s. sent to. Now, Sir, I am not very particular as to which benefits by this mite, being only anxious that the greatest possible amount of good may be done by it. I am a constant reader of your own and contemporaries' newspapers, and lately have noticed a good deal of correspondence under the heading "Masonic Charities." I gather that an enquiry has been found necessary and is pending in regard to the Boys' School affairs; strange discrepancies appear in monetary totals in those of the girls; and in the case of the old people, such a shrinkage of sum total of contributions caused by official levies as really seems incredible. Here, then, is my position; wishing to do for the best, I hardly know which charity to patronise. I have mentioned my difficulty to many friends and have been advised many ways. It is said that "in the multitude of counsellors there is safety." I fail to realise the truth thereof in the present instance, unless it be that the "safety" is for the "counsellors." Perhaps you can help me by a suggestion, but so far as I can see at present, my best plan

is to refrain from paying altogether, pending some action which I suppose will be taken in regard to what appears to be grave abuses in not only one but *all* of our Institutions. That is my counsel to myself and I think it is the safest.

Feb. 1st, 1889.

Yours fraternally,

HALTING.

R. M. B. I. FESTIVAL.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

I am glad to notice an intimation in the pages of one of our masonic journals that "a fair amount of progress has been made in obtaining the services of additional brethren as stewards," for the approaching Festival of the Benevolent Institution, and trust that that progress may continue up to date of the Festival and result in an announcement that the money necessary for the service of the coming year has been promised. I am one of the many who believe that the light of enquiry into existing abuses connected with the management of our institutions will do great good and in no wise result in even the slightest permanent injury. It is not generally considered a convenient matter to carry out the operation known to our families as "spring cleaning," but we cannot gainsay the fact, that when that work is completed, our houses are all the purer and sweeter for it. So with our Charitable Institutions; and I don't hesitate to say, as one really concerned in their welfare, that those who characterise your correspondents' complaints as "inopportune and groundless," or say that they are dictated by any desire or attempt to do harm for harm's sake, are themselves the worst foes the institutions could have. The inconvenience of enquiry and setting wrongs to rights should be nothing in comparison to the ultimate benefits derivable from a general knowledge that our houses are "clean and in good order."

I also note your temperate article in last MASONIC STAR, and that calling names, like quarrelling children, is being abandoned by the other journal. But I cannot agree with any statement to the effect that we have had "an ample exposition in which all the charges worth noticing have been summarily disposed of." I dare say, however, that will come as the result of your correspondents' efforts, and for the sake of future candidates for each and all of the institutions, the boys', the girls', and the poor old people, no one wishes it more heartily than

2nd Feb., 1889.

Yours fraternally,

A LIFE GOVERNOR.

THE PAST MASTER'S PROBLEM.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

You invite information in the current number of your most excellent journal on the above matter, and I think your correspondent "T. B." is deserving of thanks for endeavouring to obtain for the—I feel sure—majority of the craft, some information on the subject. I am not certain whether the following will be of any use to him, but I was reading in a book entitled "The Constitutions of the Antient Fraternity," &c., by John Noorthouck, published in 1784, some details that may tend to throw some light on the point. They related to Pythagoras who, having travelled into Egypt, was, after twenty-two years' residence among the Egyptian priests, sent to Babylon and Persia, and returned to Greece in the year that Zerubbabel's temple was finished. In the year A.M. 3489 or 515 B.C., "He became not only the founder of a new religion, but likewise of an academy, or lodge of good geometricians; to whom he communicated as a secret that invaluable proposition (Euclid, lib. 1, prop. 47—foot-note) which is the foundation of all masonry, of whatever materials or dimensions, called by masons his *Hwureka*; because they think it was his own invention."

If you think this worthy of notice, and that it will be in any way an assistance to "T. B.," I shall be glad.

Barmouth, North Wales,

2nd Feb., 1889.

W. CHAS. LOGAN, 1988, P.S. 1509.

P.P.G.A.D.C., North Wales.

SOLDIER MASONS' LODGES.

To the Editor of THE MASONIC STAR.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

I should like to bring to the notice of your readers (a rapidly increasing body of Masons) a matter which, I believe is very hurtful to our beloved Order, inasmuch as it produces a bountiful crop of that undesirable class—non-affiliates; and this in a profession which has always been a warm supporter of the Craft, viz., the Army.

Military Masons labour under this disadvantage, that, as they are birds of passage, there is a natural reluctance on the part of a civilian to give an office to one who may, perhaps, have to leave the station before his year of office has expired. Now it is this absence of the stimulating hope of reward, coupled with the continual payment of joining fees, that produces the military non-affiliate.

In most large military stations there is a lodge in which the soldier element predominates, and there matters go on swimmingly enough; but for the Shorncliffe Mason there is only the Sandgate Lodge consisting of about 80 members, of whom some 30 are soldiers. Last year two office-bearers were "food for powder," this year only one has received a collar, that of I.G. I may mention to show that the W.M. had not a very vast number of long and faithful servants to reward, that the J.W. and S.D. were both initiated *during the last few months*. No wonder that the disgusted soldiers are trying to establish another lodge, where they may hope to receive that reward which sweetens labour. Can you help them?

Yours fraternally,

PUNJABI.

* * We have perused the admirable letter (not for publication) which covered the above, and sympathise very much with the writer and his friends. The subject is important and shall have our early attention. Meanwhile PUNJABI may afford our readers further information in these pages if he pleases, and speak out on his grievance.—*Ed. M.S.*

Answers to Correspondents.

P. M. desires to thank "Provincial" for the copy of report, statement and list of members of the Staffordshire Masonic Charitable Association for 1887, which has been forwarded in answer to request in our issue of the 24th ult.

D. T. J. L.—We cannot possibly insert your communication in its entirety. If you will kindly condense it we will endeavour to put it in next week.

INSTALLATION MEETING OF THE HORNSEY LODGE, No. 890.

A large gathering of brethren assembled at Andertons Hotel, E.C., London, on the 1st inst., to honour the installation of Bro. James Tobias Axford as W.M. of the Hornsey Lodge, No. 890. The popularity of the newly installed brother was evidenced by the numerous attendances and the representation of lodges on the occasion. Amongst those present were—Bros. A. A. Drew, P.M., who in the regrettable absence of Bro. Henry W. Jones, W.M., presided at the opening of the lodge: J. T. Axford, S.W.; E. L. Axford, J.W.; Dr. W. H. Kempster, treas.; E. J. Canderlier, sec.; G. A. Pickering, S.D.; S. J. Pitt, J.D.; W. Garrard, I.G.; Past Masters Major J. C. Grant, J. West and J. Bransdon, and Bowler, tyler: C. J. Donbavand, J. J. Garton, F. C. Wildash, G. Zahn, G. A. Lhow, T. Eagleton, H. G. Walker, G. Wallis, R. W. Brown, W. G. Donbavand, J. A. Arnati, Peyton, Dashwood, &c., &c. The attendance book was also signed by the following visitors:—Past Masters R. S. Sindall, 206 P.P.G.S.B., Middlesex; Henry Shaw, 834; James Stevens, 1216; M. Disher, 1470; F. A. Ford, 1803; R. Nettlefield, 66; J. T. Pilditch, 1257; Edwd. Dalzell, 1549; W. Gowland, 206; W. G. Lemon, 165, and W. Jaques, 1744; J. Batstone, W.M. 1861, and B. W. Ford, W.M. 1803; Bro. H. L. Truman, 21; H. Kempton, 60; W. A. Colyer, 193; T. Schmer, 205; Templer Down, 507; D. Earnshaw, 525; E. J. Donbavand; A. J. Holland, 619; F. H. Cozens, 907; G. Jones, 1056; R. Ardennes, 1184; R. Hardy Smith, 1196; F. H. Villaneuve and E. H. Young, of 1329; Dr. H. Visger and J. Clark, of 1558; F. Bevan, 1706; W. Blackburn and A. Tucker, of 1733; J. A. Brown, 2264; S. M. Wilson, &c., &c. There was a large amount of business before the lodge, although an emergency had been held since the regular meeting in December. This was admirably got through, and the times stated for the several portions of the work and their conclusion were kept to the minute. This may be taken as pretty nearly a solitary exception to a general rule. The report of the permanent committee having been received, Bro. R. W. Brown was elected a joining member. The acting W. M., Bro. Drew then raised Bro. C. J. Donbavand to the degree of M.M. Bro. Brandon, P.M. then initiated Messrs. W. J. Donbavand and Henry G. Walker. Bro. J. J. West, P.M. very ably installed Bro. J. T. Axford into the chair of K.S., and after the usual salutations, the newly installed master invested the following officers, viz.:—Bros. E. L. Axford, S.W.; Geo. A. Pickering, J.W.; Dr. W. H. Kempster, P.M., treas.; A. A. Drew, P.M., sec.; E. J. Canderlier, S.D.; J. S. Pitt, J.D.; R. Garrard, I.G.; R. W. Brown, D.C.; C. J. Donbavand, steward, and Bowler, tyler. The addresses were respectively and very ably delivered by Past Masters Kempster, Brandon and Drew, and the business of installation was conducted throughout, and concluded in a most satisfactory manner. The new master and his officers at once set to work, and Bros. Wallis, Garton, Wildash, Thow and Zahn obtained the privileges of the second degree. A few matters of routine business terminated the work in lodge precisely at the hour named, and the company at once proceeded to the banquet. This was a very elaborate affair, excellently well served, and reflected much credit on Bro. F. H. Clemow, the proprietor of Andertons hotel. After the cloth had been cleared, Bro. Axford, W.M. introduced the several loyal and masonic toasts, and directed the entire proceedings of a most enjoyable evening with creditable ability. For the visitors, Bros. W. G. Lemon, 165, and F. A. Ford, both of them recently elected to the honourable position of London County Councillors, returned thanks, congratulating the master and members on the undoubted prosperity of the lodge, and the assurance given by the character of the work that evening performed, that a continuance of good masonic service might be relied upon. A capital programme of music under the direction of Bro. F. Bevan was performed by Bros. J. A. Brown, Edward Dalzell, F. H. Cozens, F. Bevan, and Mr. Horace Drew, the latter a son of Bro. Past Master Drew, and whose excellent clarionet solos were highly appreciated. Bro. James Stevens, P.M., being specially called upon, recited the exquisite masonic poem of the late Bro. Dr. Rob. Morris, entitled "Masons' Vows." In every respect this installation meeting was a decided success, and the lodge deserves the hearty congratulations which were freely bestowed on its master and officers when the hour for separation at last arrived.

MASONIC CHARITY BALL AT BANGOR.—A grand masonic ball, held in aid of the fund to purchase a life presentation to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls for the province of North Wales, took place at the George Hotel, Garth Ferry, on Wednesday night, under the patronage of Bro. Lord Harlech, P.G.M., N. Wales; Bro. Henry Platt, Bro. Sackville West, and Bro. C. Hunter (Plascoch). The committee to which the arrangements were entrusted consisted of the Worshipful Masters of the lodges of St. David, Segontium, Anglesey, St. Eleth, St. Cybi, St. Tudno, and Madoc, Bros. Col. Platt, Col. West, Sydney Platt, T. E. Harris, R. H. Pritchard, J. Pritchard, and H. Greig Hughes; the secretaries being Mr. W. Thornton Jones and Dr. Langford Jones. The ball was attended by a very large and brilliant company, dancing commencing at nine o'clock. The ball room was exquisitely decorated with masonic emblems and devices and plants, which were kindly supplied by Lord Penrhyn and Sir R. H. Williams-Bulkeley, Bart. Richardson's band, of Liverpool, was also in attendance, and the entertainment was highly successful.

We are requested to Notify that:—

—The Panmure Chapter, No. 720, will hold a convocation at the Horns Tavern, Kennington Park, London, S.E., on Monday next, the 11th inst., at 6 p.m. Exaltations and elections.

—The Chiswick Lodge, No. 2012, Lord George F. Hamilton M.P., W.M., will meet at the Star and Garter Hotel, Kew Bridge, on Monday next, the 11th inst., at 5 p.m. Passings and raisings. Dinner at seven.

—The Great City Lodge, No. 1426, W. Bro. John Seex, W.M., will meet at Cannon Street Hotel, London, E.C., on Saturday, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

—The Ubiqne Lodge, No. 1789, will hold its usual quarterly meeting at the Regent Masonic Hall, Café Royal, Air Street, Regent Street, London, W., on Monday, the 11th inst., at 6 p.m. Passings, raising and election.

—The Union Lodge of Instruction, at Leicester, will hold its sixth meeting for the present session, under the presidency of R.W. Bro. Kelly, F.S.B., F.R. Hist. Soc., P.P.G.M., &c., at Freemason's Hall, Leicester, to-morrow (Friday, 8th inst.), at 7 p.m., when a lecture on "The symbols and legends of Freemasonry," will be delivered by Bro. J. Finlay Finlayson, No. 711, Quatuor Coronati, No. 2076, &c. Supper at 8.30.

—The installation meeting of the Drury Lane Lodge will be held in the saloon of Drury Lane Theatre on Tuesday, the 12th inst., at 3 p.m. Admiral Sir E. A. Inglefield is the W.M. Elect. Alderman Sir H. A. Isaacs is the Senior Warden Designate.

—The Hobart Lodge of Instruction, under warrant from Tasmanian Union Lodge, 536, E.C., holds its meetings at Freemasons' Hall, Murray Street, Hobart, Tasmania, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 7.30 p.m. Members of 536, 801, 345, and 362, are members of this lodge. Bro. James Chisholm, Secretary, New Wharf, Hobart, Tasmania.

—The Egerton Lodge, No. 1030, W. Bro. James Cookson, W.M., will meet at the George Hotel, Heaton Norris, Lancashire, on Monday, the 18th inst., at 6 p.m.

—The "Old Masonians" will entertain their friends at a social meeting at Anderton's Hotel, on Friday the 15th inst., at 8.30 p.m. Mr. R. S. Chandler will preside.

—The fifteen sections will be worked in the following lodges of instruction, viz.:—

RAVENSBOROUGH, No. 1601, at the George Hotel, Catford, S.E., on Wednesday, 13th February, at 7 p.m. Walter Martin, P.M. 879, W.M.; J. G. Milbourn, P.M. 13, S.W.; P. McCarthy, P.M. 1076, J.W.; H. Shaw, P.M. 834, Preceptor; C. Atkins, I.G. 548, Secretary.

CAMDEN, No. 704, at the Lord Northbrook Hotel, Lee, S.E., on Tuesday, 26th February.

FREEMASONRY AND POLITICS IN FRANCE.

The following may interest our readers as an example of how things "masonic" are arranged on the other side of the "silver streak." The old adage, "they do these things better in France," does certainly not apply in matters masonic; and herein is to be seen the foresight of our English predecessors, in tabooing the connection of Freemasonry with political clubs.

The following translation, from *Le Matin* of the 19th ult., will serve to introduce the subsequent extract from the *Standard* of yesterday:—

At a meeting of Freemasons of the department of the Seine, on the 18th ult., having for special object to consider the election of the 27th; after some discussion, the following order of the day was adopted:

"Considering that the Republic is the only form of Government which allows of the improvement of the fate of citizens by reform and continual social progress, and that it is the only one under which the people may manage its own affairs, and which assures the maintenance of liberty;

"Considering that Freemasonry would fail in its duty if it did not help, by every means in the defence of Republican Institutions, in the face of the monarchist and clerical coalition which supports both morally and financially the candidature of Boulanger, and that all ought to unite in favor of the Republican candidate;

"Invites every member of every committee of the Seine to canvass actively in favour of the candidate Jacques, and energetically oppose the plebiscitary and monarchial ways of General Boulanger, whose success would imperil all Republican institutions."

A remarkable scene occurred at the Masonic Lodge of which M. Laguerre is the Master. This Lodge, named the "République Démocratique," is composed of about a dozen members, who are Boulangists. It was known that M. Lalou, the Boulangist writer and editor of the *France*, was to be initiated, and as almost all the Paris Masons are strong anti-Boulangists, they invaded the hall. M. Laguerre opened the proceeding by announcing that M. Lalou being absent from Paris, his initiation must be deferred till March, especially as one of the three reports on M. Lalou was not finished. Violent protests were raised, people on all sides crying out that it was a shameful trick unworthy of a Masonic Lodge. A member proposed to proceed at once to the discussion of M. Lalou's candidature, but M. Laguerre would not listen to the idea. The tumult then grew deafening, and, not being able to restore order, M. Laguerre closed the sitting and left. He had great difficulty in reaching the door through the compact crowd of his adversaries, who hustled him so unmercifully that he lost his hat. After his departure, M. Dénéchaud assumed the Presidency, and a resolution was adopted protesting against the conduct of M. Laguerre for favouring the intrusion of a profane person, and demanding his impeachment by the Council of the Order.

Evenings Abroad.

As the showman at the fair says, "Hi! hi! hi! hurry up! There are only a few more representations of *"Cinderella"* at the Crystal Palace to follow, and those who can enjoy a plain, straightforward fairy story, simply told, admirably illustrated, capitally acted, and altogether entertaining, should not miss the present opportunity. The size and structure of the theatre at the Crystal Palace is only adapted to spectacle; actors may work, and vocalists may strain their voices, but they cannot make their full mark: hence, the spectacular department carries most of the responsibility of these productions. In this particular no effort has been spared to render the whole pantomime a worthy successor of many a triumphant predecessor; and, nothing could well be finer than the Woodland Scene, the Fairy Boudoir, and the Ball Room at the Prince's Palace; all these scenes are replete with magnificence; and the ballets and processions are arranged upon a splendid scale. The transformation scene is a beautiful stage picture. Miss Susie Vaughan, Miss Edith Bruce, Miss Emma D'Auban, Miss Amy Liddon, Mr. Edward Righton, Mr. John D'Auban, and Mr. C. T. Hague, all work capitally. The dancing of Mr. and Miss D'Auban is really first-rate.

Paul Martinetti's excellent Ballet—*A Duel in the Snow*—has been revived magnificently at the Empire. There is a scene representing a masquerade ball at the Grand Opera House in Paris, which probably could not be surpassed for effect and realistic details of life and colour. The scene wherein the perfect pantomimic acting of the Great Paul comes out strongest is in the Forest. This is another perfect stage picture, the snow effects being wonderful and beautiful. The exquisitely amusing details of this duel must be seen to be appreciated; but Paul Martinetti in a death scene is quite tragic and impressive. I have always admired this ballet previously, but it has never had such a chance as at the Empire, with its gorgeous mounting and its new music by Mons. Hervé. Mons. Konski has painted the scenery, and Mons. Landolf and Miss Fisher have supplied the beautiful costumes. I have congratulated Mr. Paul Martinetti, and must not forget to mention in the highest possible terms Miss Josephine, and Mr. Alfred of that ilk. *Diana*, a perfect ballet of its kind, supported by Signorinas Cavallazzi, Bettina de Sortis and Signor Albertieri, also deserves, and is hereby accorded, a special word of praise. The variety entertainment is of first-class quality, embracing the names of Chirgwin, the cleverest "all round" artist on the music hall stage, Nellie L'Estrange, a piquante vocalist, the Sisters Leamar, very attractive young persons, Mr. G. W. Hunter, quaint and curious, and Don Juan A. Caicedo, "the Columbian Marvel," a tight-rope performer who will make many another in the same walk, I suppose I ought to say rope walk, of business "sit up" with a vengeance. Besides the above-named, Mr. G. Beauchamp, Miss Eunice Vance, "Dutch Daly," Mr. Walter Munroe, Miss May Selby, The Marvellous Eugenes, who as acrobats justify the qualification, the Berisor troupe, and Wilton, Mora, and Carol, triple bar performers of great pluck and finish, appear and give much satisfaction.

At the Alhambra there is also a ballet which, to my thinking, is the best that has been put on the stage of this house for years. By this, my readers may gauge the quality of the praise I wish to convey to Signor Casati, the inventor and arranger thereof, and to Mons. G. Jacobi, who has composed some of the most graceful and characteristic music which has ever come from his pen; at any ordinary house it is not difficult to beat a record, at the Alhambra it seemed to be a feat impossible, yet it has been done, and *Irene* proves herself to be a magnificent first for brilliancy and beauty. Signorina Legnani is magnificent in the *title rôle*, while Signora Cossio, Madle. Cormani, Madame Roffey, Miss M. Thurgate, and Madle. Marie are all perfect dancers. The Carnival at Naples and the scene of Fortuna's Kingdom are simply marvels of pictorial and choreographic art. Casati's pastoral divertissement, *Ideala*, another lovely production, is to be seen here; while the varieties are well supported by the Sisters Collins, the two Armstrongs, Reven and Athas, the Brantfords, a most comical pair, Mr. Harry Randall, a clever vocal comedian, Mr. Curtis D'Alton, a good baritone singer, lively Miss Alice Maydue, and amusing Mr. James Fawn. The Four Athos are extremely good acrobats, the feats of a little boy being perfectly marvellous. Lieut. Walter Cole's "Merry Folks" are as mirth-provoking and admirably worked as heretofore; besides which the Lieutenant now exploits his funny "Alley Sloper" figure, which provokes ample mirth.

Speaking of music halls reminds me that there seems to be a total cessation of work upon the new Tivoli in the Strand. Why is this thus?

John Smith is the title of a bright little musical piece put on in front of *Paul Jones* last Monday. The interpretation is good, though the piece is neither very novel nor very strong. Still it serves its purpose well.

The Balloon goes up at the Strand Theatre on Wednesday of the current week.

Captain Swift at the Haymarket makes way for *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, which will be played every evening after Saturday next with the same cast as has supported it at the matinée performances which have been given here.

A Fool's Paradise (capital title!) will be played at the Gaiety Theatre next Thursday morning with a strong cast, consisting of Messrs. Conway, Gardiner and Wenman, and Misses Kate Rorke, Gertrude Kingston and M. Collette.

LAUNCELOT GOBBO.

Our City Article.

CAPEL COURT, FEBRUARY 6TH, 1889.

In consequence of the numerous new issues money is rather more in demand, and the lowering of the bank minimum to 3 per cent. brings the outside and the inside rates very near. But for the influx of a large sum to the Bank of England there would have been some little scarcity apparent, as it is there is a tendency towards an upward movement, which would become more decided if the demand for South American is renewed; and that this will come before long is certain.

Up to the end of last week the dullness prevailing lately on the Paris Bourse continued, but as soon as their monthly settlement was concluded, without any difficulties being shown, there was a recurrence of the buoyancy of a few weeks ago, and a consequent sharp advance in those loans particularly affected in that quarter. I speak of the Paris Bourse rather than our own Stock Exchange in this relation, as it is either thence or from Berlin that our inspirations come, the dealers in London merely reflecting the tone of either one or the other. The breaking up of the Panama Canal Company had not the effect that was anticipated by some, the loss falling upon small capitalists and being very largely subdivided. The demand at the moment is especially for Egyptian Stocks and for Spanish—the former upon the very good revenue reports from the country, and the latter upon the talked of re-arrangement of the public debt, and the confidence felt in the capacity of the present Finance Minister. Greeks are also well supported. It is rather to South Americans that the next attention will be drawn, particularly those of the Argentine Republic, where the most reliable authorities concur in giving excellent reports of the material progress being made in the country, and where the money so largely supplied from England is being well expended.

The activity in English rails has somewhat abated, but the rise in prices since last week is considerable and well maintained. The dividends on all the principal English lines have now been announced, and are quite up to the expectations previously formed. I cannot but think that there is fairly room for a further rise beyond the present, as the increased traffics published week by week show that the improvement is actual and continuous. In order to make a fair comparison we must go back to the year 1882, when the dividends declared for 1881 were about the same as now, and then prices were much higher even than at present. In the meantime, however, there has been an appreciable advance in the value of solid dividend paying securities, consequently I argue that the present prices do not fully represent the increased and increasing value of railway ordinary stocks. The Great Western dividend of 7½ per cent. caused no rise in the price as it had been expected, and the market was dull at the time of the announcement. I think that this stock will go higher, and that Brighton "A" stock will also reach before the end of the week the price it stood at before, viz., 137½; but the stock which I have mentioned before—Chatham Second Preference—affords the best prospect, perhaps, of a considerable rise. In the American market, which is so uncertain that I did not mention it last week, the improvement that had taken place did not hold, and the activity lasted but for a few days. It is said from New York that the bulls are waiting a decision of the Inter-state Railway Commissioners, but looking at the old conditions I cannot but think that a rise before long is inevitable, although prices in the meantime may go somewhat lower.

The resumption of activity in Mexican rails is very marked, and having once again come to the front, there is every probability of the movement being carried considerably further. The last traffic helped, but it is some vague idea of a re-arrangement of the different classes of stocks that it is said the rise is taking place. This, to my mind, is merely nonsense, unless it further secures the stability of the preference stocks. What is really the case is that the stocks have been largely oversold, and that this bear account has not yet been closed. Trunks keep steady, but there is no advance upon the rise previously noticed, although I am inclined to look for a further jump shortly.

In miscellaneous shares there is very little doing, except in the shares of new issues, or of those Companies which are in a position to grant subconcessions. The Pahang is notably one of these, and what I have before said of this Company has been fully borne out, the shares being now quoted at 7, after being above that price, and in some quarters it is even said that they will go to 15. This is, I think, as absurd as when they were under par. They will probably get rid of another concession this year, in addition to the Pahang Kahang which has successfully floated, and a return of the full capital, in the shape of a 100 per cent. capital may be expected, but inasmuch as the shares are only £1 each the present price is quite high enough, even if they were certain of a 50 per cent. dividend for years to come. New territories are being opened up in South Africa which appears to be literally teeming with metalliferous wealth. New districts are being opened up, and the shares of any Companies offering chances of explorations on virgin ground find their shares readily taken up by the public. Mine shares are as active as ever, the boom not being quite so much confined to the Randt district as heretofore, but interest is still principally confined to South Africa.

Nitrate Shares are dull and drooping, and in the absence of the person most interested are not likely to be very active for the present. The prices reached by the shares of most of the Companies are such as to require very good dividends to warrant a sustentation.

CRAFTSMAN.

ANSWER.

S.D.—(1) We should sell at once, while there is a good premium. (2) Keep until after the special settlement. (3) 27/6 is a fair price.

Reports of Lodge & Chapter Meetings.

METROPOLITAN.

NEPTUNE—No. 22.—There was a large gathering at this old lodge on Thursday, the 31st ult., at the Guildhall Tavern, when Bro. W. R. Brooks was installed in the chair of K.S. Lodge was duly opened by Bro. Jolliffe, the W.M., there being present, among others—Bros. W. R. Brooks, S.W.; H. Savidge, J.W.; H. Povey, P.M., treas.; Thos. Collings, P.M., sec.; J. Corbett, D.C.; Whiting; Coutcher, P.M.; W. Cook, F. T. Palm, W. Whiting, Macgregor, G. Aldridge, Sturmfels, R. B. White, E. S. Hopper, Goss, and the Rev. J. Rose. Visitors—Bros. S. Newman, 1220; Harper, P.M. 72; J. A. Main, 1804; R. Logan, P.M., treas., 1804; J. J. Berry, P.M. 554; E. Anderson, P.M. 49 and 715; B. B. Joy, W.M. 715; Tucker, 209; Kempton, 1287; Sharpe, 861; Tannahill, 171; Trundell, 2108; E. Friend, W.M. 1289; T. G. Scott, 933 and 1928; Fitzgerald, 2168; I. J. Booth, 1804; F. J. Hunt, 222; Cousins, 229; Goodwin, 1768; Bell, W.M. 1613; Showler, 1460; Cousins, P.M. 4; and Hemming, 1287. The installation was conducted by Bro. H. Povey, P.M. The W.M. then appointed his officers as follows:—Bros. H. Savidge, S.W.; W. J. Charles, J.W.; H. Povey, P.M., treas.; T. P. Collings, P.M., sec.; Harrington Baily, S.D.; J. W. Lewthwaite, J.D.; F. E. Sturmfels, I.G.; H. H. Knill, org.; J. Corbett, P.M., D.C.; W. Cook, P.M., W.S.; H. G. Sworn, W.S.; and A. K. Turbelfield, tyler. Lodge was then closed, and the brethren adjourned to a capital banquet, after which the customary toasts were honoured, and the brethren entertained with a capital programme of music and songs by Miss Annie Dwelley, Miss Nellie Levey, Bros. Bevan, Hanson, and Dalzell.

LANGTHORNE—No. 1421.—This lodge held its installation meeting at the Angel Hotel, Ilford, on Thursday, the 31st ult. Bros. W. March, W.M.; R. Hirst, S.W.; C. Mansfield, J.W.; J. S. Taylor, P.M., treas.; B. Cundick, P.M., sec.; D. R. Bryce, S.D.; H. Allard, J.D.; W. W. Gibson, J.D.; J. Shimeld, S.D.; P.M.'s W. Buckle, T. Loane, A. Meyers, J. Bull Winkle, C. Lacey, G. W. Verry, and a large attendance of the brethren of the lodge. Among the visitors were: Bros. J. Brook, P.M. 51; M. Jutsum, P.M. 95; J. M. Knight, W.M. 95; H. Cunningham, P.M. 1625; J. Loftus, W.M. 1308; G. W. Knight, P.M. 1507; G. F. Wehlen, P.M. 511; J. Collier, 1805; A. Lloyd, 1306; A. Furness, &c. Bro. F. C. Lane was passed to the second degree. Bro. B. Cundick, P.M., then occupied the Master's chair, and installed Bro. R. Hirst as Master of the lodge. The W.M. appointed and invested the following brethren as officers for the ensuing year:—Bros. C. Mansfield, S.D.; D. R. Bryce, J.W.; J. S. Taylor, P.M., treas.; B. Cundick, P.M., sec.; H. Allard, S.D.; W. W. Gibson, J.D.; J. Shimeld, I.G.; J. Barnett, D.C.; and R. Bryce, W.S. Messrs. F. Evans and W. R. Simmonds were initiated by the W.M. The lodge was then closed.

THE SAVAGE CLUB LODGE—No. 2190.—The installation meeting took place on the 5th inst., at the Freemasons' Tavern. Although this lodge has been only established two years, the activity of its members has succeeded in giving it a very high position in the Craft, and the marks of royal favour it has received have naturally added to its popularity. It was unfortunate that the proceedings had to take place in the absence of the retiring Master, Bro. Sir J. R. Somers Vine, who is now on his tour round the world on business relating to the Imperial Institute. The occasion, however, possessed great interest for two reasons. In the first place, it was rumoured that an announcement would be made showing the continued interest taken in the lodge by his Royal Highness the Grand Master, and also in the fact that the W.M. elect, Bro. Thomas Catling, although comparatively new to the Craft, had, by his zeal and energy, worked his way into the front rank in an exceptionally short time. Bro. Edward Terry, the Installing Master, presided at the opening of the lodge, and in the presence of several grand officers Bro. Catling was installed with due solemnity. The W.M. invested his officers in the following order:—Bros. W. E. Chapman, S.W.; T. Burnside, J.W.; W. J. Ebbetts, S.D.; W. J. Fisher, J.D.; John Northcott, I.G.; Edward Terry, P.M., P.Z., P.G.S., treas.; John Paige, sec.; J. D. Beveridge, D. of C.; W. S. Penley, org.; P. Soman, E. Rosenthal, Dr. H. Coffin, H. Nicholls, stewards; and G. F. Swan, tyler. The first duty which fell to the lot of the newly-installed W.M. was, in accordance with the consent he had received from H.R.H. the Grand Master, to propose Prince Albert Victor as an honorary member of the lodge. The W.M. also stated that Prince Albert Victor hoped, if elected, to have the pleasure of dining with the brethren during the spring or summer. The proposal was seconded by Bro. W. E. Chapman, S.W., and was carried with acclamation. The following telegram was read from Bro. Sir Somers Vine, who is at Singapore, and to whom a Past Master's jewel was presented before his departure:—"Convey my kindest fraternal greetings to Brother Catling, and all my brethren of the Savage Club Lodge. My heart is with them. I will drink their health half an hour after midnight, when they will be sitting down to dinner." It was also stated that a benevolent fund had been started, under the direction of Bro. Charles Townley. The masonic work was admirably gone through by all concerned. The installation banquet afterwards took place in the large hall. The W.M. was supported on the right by Bro. F. A. Philbrick, Q.C. (Grand Registrar), and on the left by Bro. Edward Terry (the Installing Master), there being also present Bros. Sir F. W. Truscott, Sir John B. Monckton, Sir H. Isaacs, Thomas Penn, R. Grey, R. Chilton, C. F. Matier, C. F. Hogard, Dr. J. Zacharie (P.G.M. California), Sir W. Young, James Catling, W. Morrell, Lennox Browne, and over a hundred other brethren. During the banquet the band of the Grenadier Guards performed a choice selection of music under the direction of Bro. Lieutenant Dan Godfrey, and the speeches were interspersed with songs, recitations, and sketches, contributed by Bros. J. L. Toole, Edward Terry, J. Fernandez, Walter Clifford, Deane Brand, Ben Davies, Courtice Pounds, Harry Nicholls and Herbert Campbell, John Radcliff (flute solo), M'Call Chambers, Herbert Thorndike, Lovett King, Geoffrey Thorn, R. Ganthony, John Le Hay (ventriloquism with moving figures), Alfred Moore, Charles Bertram (sleight of hand), W. Nicholl, E. J. Odell, and a glee party headed by Bro. Franklin Clive. Bros. Wilhelm Ganz and Theodore Drew were the principal accompanists, and the arrangements of this unsurpassed entertainment were under the direction of Bro. Charles Townley.

BRIXTON—No. 1949.—The installation meeting of this lodge, on Saturday last, at Brixton, S.W., London, was a great success. We hope to give a full report in our next.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

STUART—No. 1632.—Held at the Red Lion Hotel, Poppins Court, 112, Fleet Street, E.C. The first meeting was held on the 31st ult., Bro. Spiegall, P.M., as W.M. There was a numerous attendance of P.M.'s and Brethren, when arrangements were made for the rehearsal of the ceremony of consecration on February 28th at the Holborn Restaurant. The next meeting for business will be Thursday, 7th inst. at 7, for the purpose of considering the bye-laws and other business. Bro. Spiegall, P.M. is elected Preceptor.

ROYAL ARTHUR—No. 1360.—At the Prince of Wales' Hotel, January 31st, 1889. Present:—Bros. J. O'Connell, W.M.; Shelley, S.W.; Wade, J.W.; March, S.D.; Bond, J.D.; Jolliffe, I.G.; King, P.M., P.Z., Preceptor; W. H. Wingfield, hon. sec.; Cause, Ewen, Hudnott, Streeter, Holmes, Baker, Johnson. Lodge opened in three degrees. Ceremony of raising rehearsed, Bro. Ewen Candidate. Traditional history given. Lodge resumed to first degree. First section worked by Bro. King. Bro. Shelly elected W.M. for ensuing week.

RAVENSBORNE—No. 1601.—On the 30th ult., at the George Inn, Catford, S.E. Bros. Thomas, W.M.; Pickering, S.W.; Visger, J.W.; Clark, S.D.; Blanchard, J.D.; Catt, I.G.; Shaw, P.M., Preceptor; James Stevens, P.M.; McCarthy, P.M.; Edwards, Axford, Jones, Hardy Smith, Rogers, Robin, Riminton, Peters, Jas. Smith, Klstruck (Parthenon 267, Canada). Lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. The ceremony of Initiation was rehearsed. The W.M. vacated the chair in favour of Bro. Axford, when the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. Bro. Klstruck was elected member.

LANGTON—No. 1673.—Held at the White Hart Tavern, Abchurch Lane, E.C., on Thursday, the 31st January, 1889. Present:—Bros. J. Jupe, W.M.; A. Toulmeim, S.W.; E. Ansted, J.W.; C. W. C. Webb, S.D.; E. A. de Paive, J.D.; J. S. Fraser, I.G.; H. M. Hobbs, Preceptor; C. W. Mapleton, sec.; also Bros. C. Kibble, E. G. Brewer, B. Gardner, E. L. Axford, G. F. Marshall, T. Burne and W. H. Cayston; Visitors: Bros. J. Graves, Unity 69; E. V. Morgan, Unity 69. The ceremony of Initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Axford acting as candidate. Bro. Marshall took the W.M.'s and Bro. Kibble to S.W.'s chair, and the lodge was opened in the second and third, and resumed in the second degree. The ceremony of installation was

rehearsed, Bro. Ansted acting as candidate. Bro. Toulmeim was elected W.M. for the next meeting, when the ceremony of passing will be worked, and the explanation of the tracing board given. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Bro. Jupe for the excellent manner in which he had for the first time conducted the duties of W.M. Bro. Graves was elected a member and the lodge was closed.

STAR—No. 1275.—On Friday, 1st inst., at the Stirling Castle, Camberwell. Present:—Comps. F. Hilton, P.Z., preceptor; G. L. Moore, H. 169, M.E.Z.; Addington, M.E.Z. 1275, H.; Wingham, J.; Stone, S.E.; Benedetti, S.N. 1275, S.N.; Neeld, P.Z., P.S.; Hattersley, 177, and Murché, A.S. 1329. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed. Comp. Hattersley was elected a member, and Comp. Addington was elected M.E.Z. for the next meeting.

PROVINCIAL.

CORNWALL—CHACEWATER—BOSCAWEN LODGE—No. 699.—On Tuesday, the 29th ult., Bro. P.M. Kent installed Bro. Grose as W.M. for the ensuing year. The W.M. appointed the following as his officers:—Bros. Hall, S.W.; Borlase, J.W.; Church, chap.; Bennet, treas.; Rapson, sec.; Manuell, S.D.; Rogers, J.D.; Gower, I.G.; Moyle, org.; Lean and Bray, tylers. Before the lodge closed Bro. Rapson was presented with a P.M. Jewel for his long and faithful service as secretary of the lodge. Bro. the Rev. and Hon. J. T. Boscawen, P.M. of the lodge and P.P.G., Senior Warden of the province, who was present, then presented to the lodge a very handsome banner, and the W.M. thanked Bro. Boscawen on behalf of the lodge. The Past Master's Board was very large. The brethren then adjourned to their dining-room, where they sat down to a well-served dinner, being joined by a large number of visitors.

SHROPSHIRE—ELLESMERE—BROWNLOW LODGE—No. 2131.—The installation meeting of this Lodge was held at the Town Hall, on the 28th ult., when Bro. Kyffin G. Salter was installed for the ensuing year. Amongst the members of the Lodge present were Bros. W. G. Ogg, W.M., P.G. Steward; A. T. Akeroyd, I.P.M., P.M. 1432, P.G.A.D. of C.; K. G. Salter, S.W.; H. R. Giles, J.W.; J. W. Lawrence, treas.; A. J. P. Child, J.D.; Walter Dugdale; E. K. Bickley; and S. J. Swan, tyler. The visitors present were Bros. W. H. Spaul, Grand Assis. D. of C.; V. C. L. Crump, P.G. Treas.; J. F. Edisbury, P.P.G.J.W. (North Wales), F.R.S.; F. R. Spaul, P.P.G. Reg.; J. Thomas, Mayor of Oswestry, P.P.G.D.; W. Belton, P.G. Org.; J. H. Parsons, P.P.G. Assis. sec.; A. B. Deakin, W.M. 117; Dr. W. Aylmer Lewis, W.M. 1432; W. H. G. Weaver, 1124; T. B. Barton, 1336; and W. H. Bott, 1124. After the usual routine business of the lodge had been disposed of, Bro. Kyffin George Salter was presented and duly installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, in a very impressive and able manner, by Bro. W. J. Ogg, the retiring W.M., the customary addresses being delivered by Bros. Akeroyd and Crump. The newly-installed Master then appointed and invested his officers for the year as follows:—Bros. H. R. Giles, S.W.; A. J. P. Child, J.W.; J. W. Lawrence, treas.; W. J. Ogg, P.M., sec.; A. T. Akeroyd, P.M., S.D.; Walter Dugdale, J.D.; E. K. Bickley, M.G.; and S. J. Swan, tyler. H. R. Giles, S.W., Charity Rep. and Almoner. The brethren subsequently adjourned to the Bridgwater Hotel, where a banquet was served and the usual loyal and masonic toasts were duly honoured.

STAFFORDSHIRE—LEEK—ST. EDWARD'S LODGE—No. 966.—This lodge celebrated the festival of St. John on Thursday, the 31st ult., at the Mechanic's Institute. The installation of Bro. W. Burton was preceded with by Bro. W. E. Challinor, assisted by Bro. W. Allen, after which the Worshipful Master appointed his officers as follows:—Bros. Thos. Flanagan, S.W.; Edward Phillips, J.W.; Rev. C. C. Ward, chap.; F. J. Milner, treas.; J. A. Galley, S.D.; J. C. Clemesha, J.D.; W. Allen, D.C.; S. Gibson, I.G.; and W. Gaunt, tyler. The brethren then adjourned to the Red Lion Hotel and partook of a banquet, prepared and served in Bro. Swift's best style. The after proceedings included the usual loyal and masonic toasts, which were duly responded to in a series of appropriate speeches. A number of capital songs interspersed the toasts and diversified a very pleasant evening.

FENTON—No. 1942.—On Tuesday, the 29th ult., the installation of Bro. T. Barker took place at the Public Hall, in the presence of upwards of 30 brethren. Bro. J. Dugan, the retiring W.M., was the Installing Master, and he was assisted by Bros. Thomas Ashworth, P.P.G.R.; F. W. Grove, P.P.G.J.D.; E. Roberts, P.P.G.J.D.; W. T. McNeal, P.P.G.S.B.; J. Stevenson, P.M.; and E. Peake, P.M. Among the brethren present were Richard Tooth, 2214, P.P.G.R.; S. Bentley, 98, P.G.A.D.C.; S. Bennett, 98, P.P.G.A.D.C.; T. Unwin, 637, P.P.G.P.; J. Godwin, W.M. 98; P. H. Bennion, W.M. 546; W. Tunncliffe, P.M. 418, &c. The following were appointed officers for the ensuing year:—Jabez Stevenson, S.W.; Enoch Hallam, J.W.; George Hallam, treas.; H. R. Strange, sec.; W. R. Woodbridge, S.D.; John Forster, J.D.; F. W. Grove, D.C.; George Taylor, I.G.; Peter Wagstaff, org.; E. Day and J. Hindle, stewards; and T. Warren, tyler. After the lodge had been closed, the brethren proceeded to the Crown and Anchor Hotel, Longton, where Bro. G. Bennion provided an excellent repast. The usual loyal and masonic toasts were honoured. The toast of "The V.V. Bro. Col. Foster Gough, Acting P.G.M. of Staffordshire, and the rest of the P.G. officers past and present," was heartily received, Bro. J. Ingamells, 460, P.P.G.J.D., and Bro. T. McNeal responding, the speakers expressing a hope that steps would, without much further delay, be taken to secure the appointment of Bro. Gough as not only the acting but the actual P.G.M. It was felt to be desirable that the office should be filled, and that a D.P.G.M. should be selected from brethren residing in North Staffordshire. These remarks met with the approval of the brethren present. Bro. E. Hughes, in submitting the toast of "The Masonic Charities," observed that charity was one of the noblest and brightest principles that could find a lodging-place in the human breast, and it was gratifying to know that wherever they met a brother mason they could feel assured that he was well charged with a feeling of charity. The figures recently published showing what had been raised in England for the masonic charities during the past year made him feel pleased that he belonged to such a fraternity. Songs and recitations were supplied by brethren, and the evening was spent harmoniously and pleasantly.

SUSSEX—BRIGHTON—ST. CECILIA LODGE—No. 1636.—Held at the Royal Pavilion on Tuesday, 29th ult. The lodge was opened by the W.M., Bro. C. J. Heald, who was supported by the following officers, viz.:—Bros. H. R. Edwards, S.W.; W. B. Isworth, J.W.; D. T. Bostel, sec.; J. Morris, S.D.; F. E. Sawyer, J.D.; J. Wood, D. of C.; J. O. McCarrogher, chap.; G. Cole, P.M., org.; H. Smith Tester, Steward; H. G. Collins, I.G.; and H. H. Hughes, tyler. The brethren of the lodge, who were present, included Bros. W. Kuhe, P.M., P.G.O.; J. Eberall, P.M.; H. S. Gates, P.M.; E. Broadbridge, P.M.; W. H. Gibson, P.M.; W. K. Wood, jun., P.M.; G. H. Clements, G. R. Wood, &c. The lodge was honoured by the attendance of the following visitors, viz.:—The Right Worshipful Deputy Pro. G. Master Bro. Gerard Ford, and Bros. C. F. Lewis, P.P.G.S.W.; G. J. Clements, 732; Smith Hone, W.M. 311; W. E. Morrison, W.M. 916; A. Lloyd, W.M. 1726; J. H. Wright, W.M. 1110; F. E. J. Greenfield, Prov. G. Chaplain; H. Geere, 1821; H. Anscombe, W.M., 1821; R. B. Higham, W.M., and many other brethren. Bro. H. R. Edwards was then duly installed W.M., the ceremony being performed by Bro. W. Balchin, jun., P.M. The charges were delivered by Bro. W. H. Gibson, P.M., Bro. E. Broadbridge, P.M., and the Right Worshipful Bro. Gerard Ford, Deputy Provincial Grand Master. Bro. C. J. Heald, the retiring W.M., was presented with a Past Master's gold jewel. The following officers were then invested, Bros. W. B. Isworth, S.W.; D. T. Bostel, J.W.; Rev. J. O. McCarrogher, chaplain; E. Broadbridge, P.M., treas.; J. Morris, sec.; F. E. Sawyer, S.D.; J. Wood, J.D.; H. G. Collins, D. of C.; G. Cole, P.M. Prov. G.O. org.; J. Hollands, I.G.; H. S. Tester and F. Guy, stewards; and H. H. Hughes, tyler. All business being ended the brethren adjourned to the banquetting room where they sat down to an excellent banquet supplied by Bro. J. Sayers, of Western Road, Brighton. The newly-installed W.M. presided, and was supported by the Right Worshipful the Deputy Provincial G. Master, the officers of Provincial Grand Lodge past and present, and the Past Masters of the lodge. The usual loyal toasts were given from the chair and duly honoured.

YORKSHIRE, W.R.—CONSECRATION OF A NEW MARK LODGE AT DONCASTER—DANUM LODGE—No. 398.—On the 29th ult. the consecration of this lodge took place. The ceremony was impressively conducted by R.W. Bro. C. Letch Mason, Provincial Grand M.M. of West Yorkshire, assisted by several Grand and Provincial Grand Officers; the installation ceremony was ably performed by R.W. Bro. C. F. Matier, P.G.W., sec. M.F.B. The warrant from H.R.H. the M.W. Grand Master nominated the following brethren to be the first officers, viz.:—W. Delaney, P.M., P.Z., Provincial G.M.O., the W.M.; Rev. J. Blake, the Rev. J. Blake, P.M., P.P.G.C., the S.W.; and H. T. Bellerby, P.M., P.G.S., the J.W. The Provincial Grand Master of West Yorkshire was supported by R.W. Bro. the Earl of Euston, Grand S.W.; R.W. Bro. C. F. Matier, P.G.W., sec. M.F.B.; V.W. Bro. T. C. B. Smyth, D.D., LL.D., P.G. Chaplain, D.P.G.M.; V.W. Bro. C. H. Driver, G.M.O.;

V.W. Bro. R. Berridge, P.G.M.O., G.D.C.; W. Bro. B. R. Bryant, P.G.S. and B.; W. Bro. W. Cooke, P.G. sec., &c.; and many other Provincial Grand Officers and representatives of West Yorkshire lodges; also by R.W. Bro. J. Sutcliffe, P.G.M., Lincolnshire, and several Lincolnshire brethren. After W. Bro. Delaney had invested his officers and closed the lodge, the majority of the brethren adjourned to Brown's Rooms, High Street, where an excellent banquet was served, and the usual loyal and masonic toasts were duly honoured.

THORNE ST. NICHOLAS—No. 2259.—On the 31st ult. a successful masonic ball took place in the Town Hall. The W.M. and sec. and about 20 brethren from Doncaster attended. Bro. Tew, P.G.M., was present, and much of the success of the ball was due to the exertions of Bro. Peace and Constable—the latter acting as secretary.

PRESS EXCHANGES AND BOOKS RECEIVED.

The South African Freemason, Vol. II., No. 12 (quoted at page 369); *Lifeboat Journal* for February; *The Liberal Freemason* for January, Boston, Mass.; *Report of Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland*, November, 1888, W. Bro. D. Murray Lyon, Grand Sec.; *Society; Masonic Review*, for January, edited by Bro. Henry D. Moore, Cincinnati; *Dorset Masonic Calendar*, 1889, Sherren and Son, Weymouth; *Latonia, Neue Zeitschrift für Freimaurerei*, Leipzig.

MASONIC BALL AT LEICESTER.—The annual ball under the auspices of the five Leicester lodges of Freemasons (the St. John's, 279; Commercial, 1391; John of Gaunt, 523; Albert Edward, 1560; and Golden Fleece, 2081), the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, was held by permission of Sir Henry Halford in the County Assembly Rooms on Tuesday the 29th ulto. The company, a representative gathering, numbered between 180 and 190 persons of the town and neighbourhood. The brethren were arrayed in their Masonic insignia. Brother Henry Nicholson conducted the quadrille band. The hon. secs. to the committee were Bros. J. H. Marshall and J. B. Waring, and to the efforts of these gentlemen the success of the ball was in no small measure due—both working most assiduously. Dancing was timed to commence at nine o'clock, and Wednesday morning was well advanced ere the company dispersed. Brother George Jessop proved a most efficient M.C., his efforts being ably seconded by an efficient body of stewards.

Metropolitan and Provincial Lodge and Chapter Meetings
FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Metropolitan Lodges and Chapters.

"All Lodges held within Ten Miles of FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON, are LONDON LODGES."—General Laws and Regulations.

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THIS DAY (1st) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th.			(2nd) TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12th.		
10	Westminster and Keystone ...	F. M. H.	96	Burlington ...	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.
27	Egyptian ...	Anderton's Hot., Fleet Street, E.C.	167	St. John's ...	Holly Bush, Hampstead
45	Strong Man ...	M. H. Tav., Basinghall St., E.C.	180	St. James's Union ...	F. M. H.
192	Lion and Lamb ...	Cannon Street Hot., E.C.	198	Percy ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.
227	Ionic ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.	211	St. Michael's ...	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.
231	St. Andrew's ...	F. M. H.	235	Nine Muses ...	Willis's Rooms, St. James's, W.
538	La Tolerance ...	Ditto	548	Wellington ...	White Swan, High Street, Deptford, E.
554	Yarborough ...	Green Dragon, Stepney, E.	834	Ranelagh ...	Criterion, Piccadilly, W.
822	Victoria Rifles ...	F. M. H.	917	Cosmopolitan ...	Cannon Street Hot., E.C.
1178	Perfect Ashlar ...	Bridge House Hot., London Bridge	933	Doric ...	Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.
1351	St. Clement Danes ...	The Palsgrave, 225, Strand, W.C.	1196	Urban ...	F. M. H.
1361	United Service ...	Café Royal, Regent Street, W.	1593	Royal Naval College ...	Ship Hot., Greenwich
1425	Hyde Park... ..	The Westbourne, 1, Craven Road, W.	1604	Wanderers ...	F. M. H.
1672	Mornington ...	Imperial Hot., Holborn Viaduct, E.C.	1614	Covent Garden ...	Criterion, Piccadilly, W.
1724	Kaiser-i-Hind ...	Café Royal, Regent Street, W.	1635	Canterbury ...	33, Golden Square, W.
1765	Trinity College ...	13, Mandeville Place, W.	1668	Samson ...	Café Royal, Regent Street, W.
1772	Pimlico ...	Victoria Mansions Rest., S.W.	1769	Clarendon ...	Guildhall Tav., Gresham Street, E.C.
1790	Old England ...	M. H., New Thornton H'th, nr. Croydon	1969	Waldeck ...	F. M. H.
1804	Coborn ...	Vestry Hall, Fairfield Road, Bow, E.	2127	Drury Lane ...	3 p.m. Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, W.C.
2291	West Ham Abbey ...	Town Hall, Stratford, E.	R.A.C.	Prudent Brethren ...	F. M. H.
R.A.C.	2	St. James's ...	145	Jerusalem ...	F. M. T.
9	Mount Moriah ...	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.	185	Iris ...	Greyhound, Richmond, Surrey
1381	Kennington ...	Horns Tav., Kennington, S.E.	255	Studholme ...	33, Golden Square, W.
Mark.	197	Studholme ...	K.T.	Supreme Council, 33°	Ditto
		33, Golden Square, W.	140		
			A.&A.R.		
(2nd) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8th.			(2nd) WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13th.		
33	Britannic ...	F. M. H.	3	Fidelity ...	F. M. H.
134	Caledonian ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.	11	Enoch ...	Ditto
157	Bedford ...	F. M. H.	13	Union Waterloo ...	M. H., William Street, Woolwich
177	Domatic ...	Anderton's Hot., Fleet Street, E.C.	15	Kent ...	F. M. H.
1201	Eclectic ...	F. M. H.	87	Vitruvian ...	Bridge House Hotel, S.E.
1559	New Cross ...	Portland Hot., Greenwich	749	Belgrave ...	Anderton's Hot., Fleet Street, E.C.
1997	John Carpenter ...	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.	781	Merchant Navy ...	Silver Tav., Burdett Rd., Limehouse, E.
2000	Earl of Mornington ...	Holborn Restaurant, W.C.	1228	Beacontree... ..	Private Room, Red Lion, Leytonstone
R.A.C.	6	Friendship ...	1260	John Hervey ...	F. M. H.
R.C.	3	Mount Calvary ...	1306	St. John ...	Three Nuns Hot., Aldgate E.
K.T.	45	Temple Crossing ...	1538	St. Martin's-le-Grand ...	Great Eastern Hot., Liverpool Street
		Bridge House Hotel, S.E.	1586	Upper Norwood ...	White Lion Hot., Upper Norwood
			1694	Imperial ...	Pier Hotel, Oakley Street, Chelsea
			1900	Montague Guest ...	Inns of Court Hot., W.C.
			R.A.C.		
			857	St. Mark's ...	Surrey M. H., Camberwell
			Mark.	Old Kent ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.
			A.&A.R.	Supreme Council, 33°	33, Golden Square, W.
(2nd) SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9th.			(2nd) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14th.		
108	London ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.	19	Royal Athelstan ...	Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.
1853	Phoenix ...	F. M. H.	91	Regularity ...	F. M. T.
1328	Granite ...	Ditto	266	Friendship ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.
1426	The Great City ...	4 p.m. Cannon Street Hotel, E.C.	238	Pilgrim ...	F. M. H.
1446	Mount Edgumbe ...	Bridge House Hotel, S.E.	263	Bank of England... ..	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.
1584	Loyalty and Charity ...	Star and Garter, Kew Bridge	534	Polish National ...	F. M. H.
1607	Loyalty ...	London Tav., Fenchurch Street, E.C.	657	Canonbury ...	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.
1612	West Middlesex ...	Lytic Hall, Ealing	860	Dalhousie ...	Anderton's Hot., Fleet Street, E.C.
1671	Mizpah ...	Albion Tav., Aldersgate Street, E.C.	879	Southwark ...	Bridge House Hot., S.E.
1743	Perseverance ...	Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, E.C.	1076	Capper ...	Guildhall Tav., Gresham Street, E.C.
1839	Duke of Cornwall... ..	F. M. H.	1216	Macdonald ...	Hd. Qrs., 1st Surrey R., Camberwell
1928	Gallery ...	Brixton Hall, Acre Lane, Brixton	1471	Islington ...	Cock Tav., Highbury, N.
1964	Clerkenwell ...	Holborn Viaduct Hotel, E.C.	1558	Duke of Connaught ...	Surrey M. H., Camberwell
R.A.C.	1297	West Kent ...	1598	Ley Spring... ..	Anderton's Hot., Fleet Street, E.C.
1397	Anerley ...	Ditto	1599	Skelmersdale ...	Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St., E.C.
Mark.	234	Brixton ...	1707	Eleanor ...	Great Eastern Hot., Liverpool St., E.C.
		Anderton's Hot., Fleet Street, E.C.	1708	Plucknett ...	Bald Faced Stag, East Finchley
			1987	Strand ...	Criterion, Piccadilly, W.
			2047	Beckenham ...	Public Hall, Beckenham
			R.A.C.		
			73	Mount Lebanon ...	Bridge House Hot., S.E.
			554	Yarborough ...	Green Dragon, Stepney, E.
			1383	Friends-in-Council ...	33, Golden Sq., W.
			1642	Earl of Carnarvon ...	Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill
			Mark.		
			86	Samson and Lion ...	M. H., Masons' Avenue, E.O.
			331	Davison ...	8a, Red Lion Sq., W.C.
			K.T.		
			117	New Temple ...	Inner Temple, Fleet Street, E.C.
			R.C.		
			44	Bard of Avon ...	33, Golden Sq., W.
N.B.—We will insert hours of meeting of London Lodges, if summonses are sent to us in sufficient time.—ED. M.S.					

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BIRMINGHAM—16 LODGES, 6 CHAPTERS.

43	St. Paul's ...	25th Feb	M. H., New Street
74	Athol ...	6th Mar	M. H., New Street
468	Light ...	19th Feb	Great Western Hotel
473	Faithful ...	12th Feb	M. H., New Street
587	Howe ...	11th Feb	Ditto
739	Temperance ...	14th Feb	Ditto
887	Leigh ...	27th Feb	Ditto
925	Bedford ...	18th Feb	Ditto
938	Grosvenor ...	20th Feb	Ditto
1016	Elkington ...	26th Feb	Ditto
1031	Fletcher ...	13th Feb	Ditto
1163	Emulation ...	28th Feb	Ditto
1180	Forward ...	4th Mar	Ditto
1474	Israel ...	11th Feb	M. H., Severn Street
1551	Charity ...	19th Feb	M. H., New Street
1644	Alma Mater ...	15th Mar	Ditto
R.A.C.			
43	Fortitude ...	12th Mar	Great Western Hotel
74	Athol ...	26th Feb	M. H., Severn Street
587	Howe TO-DAY, ...	7th Feb	M. H., New Street
938	Grosvenor ...	7th May	Ditto
1016	Elkington TO-DAY, ...	7th Feb	Ditto
1031	Fletcher ...	5th Mar	Ditto

BOLTON—5 LODGES, 3 CHAPTERS.

37	Anchor and Hope ...	11th Feb	F. M. H., Institute Street
146	Antiquity ...	13th Feb	Ditto
221	St. John ...	18th Feb	Ditto
348	St. John's ...	28th Feb	Ditto
1723	St. George ...	27th Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			
37	Concord ...	15th Apr	Ditto
221	St. John ...	6th Mar	Ditto
348	St. John's ...	12th Mar	Ditto

BRADFORD—5 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.

302	Hope ...	18th Feb	M. H., Darley Street
600	Harmony ...	21st Feb	F. M. H., Salem Street
974	Pentalpha ...	5th Mar	M. H., Darley Street
1018	Shakespeare ...	13th Feb	M. H., Darley Street
1648	Prince of Wales ...	1st Mar	Ditto
R.A.C.			
302	Charity ...	18th Feb	Ditto
600	Sincerity ...	5th Mar	F. M. H., Salem Street

BRIGHTON—9 LODGES, 5 CHAPTERS.

271	Royal Clarence ...	15th Feb	Royal Pavillion
315	Royal York ...	5th Mar	Ditto
732	Royal Brunswick ...	14th Feb	Ditto
811	Yarborough ...	16th Feb	Ditto
1466	Hova Ecclesia ...	2nd Mar	Old Ship Hotel
1636	St. Cecilia ...	26th Feb	Royal Pavillion
1821	Atlingworth ...	21st Feb	Ditto
1947	Stanford ...	13th Feb	Town Hall, Hove
R.A.C.			
271	Lennox ...	3rd May	Royal Pavillion
315	Royal Pavillion ...	19th Feb	Ditto
732	Royal Sussex ...	28th Mar	Ditto
811	Yarborough TO-MOR., ...	8th Feb	Ditto
1466	Hova Villa ...	1st Mar	Old Ship Hotel

BRISTOL—9 LODGES, 3 CHAPTERS.

68	Royal Clarence ...	11th Feb	F. M. H., Park Street
103	Beaufort ...	5th Mar	Ditto
187	Royal Sussex Lo. of Hospitality ...	13th Feb	Ditto
326	Maira ...	14th Feb	Ditto
610	Colston ...	20th Feb	Ditto
686	Jerusalem ...	12th Feb	Ditto
1388	Canynge ...	2nd Mar	Ditto
1404	St. Vincent ...	28th Feb	Ditto
2257	Powell ...	25th Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			
68	Royal Clarence ...	16th Mar	Ditto
103	Beaufort ...	26th Feb	Ditto
187	Charity TO-DAY, ...	7th Feb	Ditto

BURY—5 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.

42	Relief ...	21st Feb	Gray Mare Hotel
128	Prince Edwin ...	13th Feb	Bridge Inn
191	St. John ...	14th Feb	Knowsley Hotel
1012	Prince of Wales T-DY., ...	7th Feb	Derby Hotel
1392	Egerton ...	28th Feb	Stanley Arms
R.A.C.			
42	Unanimity ...	28th Feb	Derby Hotel
128	Prince Edwin ...	18th Feb	Bridge Inn

CAMBRIDGE—4 LODGES, 3 CHAPTERS.

88	Scientific ...	11th Feb	Red Lion Hotel
441	Three Grand Principles ...	4th Mar	Ditto
859	Isaac Newton Univsty. ...	5th Mar	Ditto
1492	Alma Mater ...	21st Feb	University Arms Hotel
R.A.C.			
88	Pythagoras ...	26th June	Red Lion Hotel
441	Fidelity ...	3rd July	Ditto
859	Euclid ...	6th Mar	Ditto

DERBY—4 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.

253	Tyrian ...	26th Feb	M. H., Gower Street
751	Arboretum ...	13th Feb	Ditto
802	Repose ...	19th Feb	Ditto
1085	Hartington ...	6th Mar	Ditto
R.A.C.			
253	Justice ...	12th Mar	Ditto
751	Truth ...	17th Apr	Ditto

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HAMPTON COURT—14 LODGES, 4 CHAPTERS.

708	Carnarvon ...	My, Jn & Jy only	Mitre Hotel
778	Bard of Avon	My, Jn, & Jy only	Ditto
788	Crescent	Ap, My, Jn & Jy only	Ditto
1194	Villiers ...	16th Mar	Ditto
1293	Burdett ...	27th Apr	Ditto
1415	Campbell ...	13th Apr	Ditto
1494	Felix ...	Ap to Jy only	Ditto
1512	Hemming ...	21st Feb	Greyhound Hotel
1597	Musgrave ...	16th Mar	Ditto
1691	Quadratic ...	My, Jn, Jy only	Mitre Hotel
2024	Raymond Thrupp	4th Apl	Ditto
2087	Electric ...	25th May	Ditto
2105	Cama ...	24th June	Ditto
2183	Royal Hamp. Court	13th Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			
778	Bard of Avon	My & Jy only	Mitre Hotel
1194	Royal Middlesex ...	18th May	Ditto
1293	Burdett ...	11th May	Ditto
1691	Quadratic ...	15th Apr	Ditto

HULL—5 LODGES, 4 CHAPTERS.

57	Humber TO-DAY, ...	7th Feb	F. M. H., Osborne Street
250	Minerva ...	13th Feb	M. H., Dagga Lane
1010	Kingston ...	6th Mar	M. H., Worship Street
1605	De la Pole ...	22nd Feb	58, Charlotte Street
2134	Wilberforce ...	1st Mar	Ditto
R.A.C.			
57	Humber ...	28th Feb	F. M. H., Osborne Street
250	Minerva ...	21st Feb	M. H., Dagga Lane
1010	Kingston ...	15th Mar	M. H., Worship Street
1605	De la Pole ...	22nd Feb	58, Charlotte Street

ISLE OF MAN—7 LODGES, 1 CHAPTER.

1004	Athole ...	6th Mar	M. H., Loch Parade, Douglas
1075	S. Manghold ...	12th Feb	M. R., Ramsey
1242	Tynwald ...	13th Feb	M. H., Douglas
2049	Ellan Vannin ...	5th Mar	Ditto
2050	St. Trinians ...	20th Feb	Ditto
2164	St. Germans ...	12th Feb	Peel Castle Hotel, Peel
2197	Spencer Walpole ...	11th Feb	M. H., Douglas
R.A.C.			
1004	Athole ... ? 14th or 21st Mar		M. H., Loch Parade, Douglas

LEEDS—8 LODGES, 4 CHAPTERS.

289	Fidelity TO-DAY, ...	7th Feb	M. H., Carlton Hill
304	Philanthropic ...	27th Feb	M. H., Great George Street
306	Alfred ...	1st Mar	M. H., Kelsall Street
1042	Excelsior ...	21st Feb	M. H., Great George Street
1211	Goderich ...	4th Mar	Ditto
1221	Defence ...	11th Feb	M. H., Carlton Hill
1311	Zetland ...	15th Feb	M. H., Great George Street
2069	Prudence ...	9th Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			
289	Fidelity ...	12th Feb	M. H., Carlton Hill
304	Philanthropic ...	6th Mar	M. H., Great George Street
306	Alfred TO-MOR., ...	8th Feb	M. H., Kelsall Street
1042	Excelsior ...	21st Feb	M. H., Great George Street

LEICESTER—5 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.

279	St. John's ...	6th Mar	F. M. H., Halford Street
523	John of Gaunt ...	21st Feb	Ditto
1391	Commercial ...	22nd Feb	Ditto
1560	Albert Edward ...	12th Feb	Ditto
2081	Golden Fleece ...	* 18th Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			
279	Fortitude ...	* 5th Apl	Ditto
1560	St. George's ...	* 4th June	Ditto

LIVERPOOL—34 LODGES, 15 CHAPTERS.

32	St. George's ...	27th Feb	Adelphi Hotel
155	Perseverance ...	15th Feb	M. H., Hope Street
203	Ancient Union ...	21st Feb	Ditto
216	Harmonic ...	14th Feb	Adelphi Hotel
241	Merchants ...	12th Feb	M. H., Hope Street
249	Mariners TO-DAY, ...	7th Feb	Ditto
292	Sincerity ...	11th Feb	Ditto
594	Downshire ...	21st Feb	Ditto
667	Alliance ...	19th Feb	Ditto
673	St. John ...	5th Mar	Ditto
680	Sefton ...	1st Mar	Ditto
724	Derby ...	27th Feb	Ditto
786	United Service ...	14th Feb	Ditto
823	Everton ...	20th Feb	Ditto
1013	Royal Victoria ...	6th Mar	Ditto
1094	Temple ...	13th Feb	Ditto
1182	Dk. of Ednbg. ...	14th Feb	Ditto
1264	Neptune ...	4th Mar	Ditto
1299	Pembroke ...	21st Feb	Rawlinson's Hotel, West Derby
1325	Stanley ...	25th Feb	M. H., Hope Street
1350	Fermor Hesketh ...	11th Feb	Ditto
1356	Toxteth ...	13th Feb	80, North Hill Street
1393	Hamir ...	21st Feb	M. H., Hope Street
1502	Israel ...	18th Feb	Ditto
1505	Emulation ...	28th Feb	Ditto
1547	Liverpool ...	13th Feb	Ditto
1570	Prince Arthur ...	19th Feb	Ditto
1609	Liverpool Dramatic ...	26th Feb	Ditto
1620	Marlborough ...	6th Mar	Derby Hall, Tnebio k
1675	Ancient Briton ...	26th Feb	M. H., Hope Street
2042	Apollo ...	6th Mar	Ditto
2114	Lodge of Prudence ...	18th Feb	Ditto
2215	Anfield ...	28th Feb	Eaton Hall, Breck Road
2229	Latham ...	27th May	Adelphi Hotel
R.A.C.			
32	Jerusalem ...	18th Feb	Ditto
203	S. John of Jerusalem ...	5th Mar	M. H., Hope Street
216	Sacred Delta ...	15th Feb	Ditto
241	Friendship ...	25th Feb	Ditto
249	Mariners ...	21st Mar	Ditto
292	Liverpool ...	28th Feb	Ditto
594	Downshire ...	11th Mar	Ditto
673	St. John's ...	13th Feb	Ditto
680	Sefton ...	22nd Feb	Ditto
823	Everton ...	26th Feb	Ditto
1094	Temple ...	26th Mar	Ditto
1350	Fermor Hesketh ...	20th Mar	Ditto
1356	De Grey and Ripon ...	6th Mar	Ditto
1393	Hamer ...	7th Mar	Ditto
1502	Israel ...	12th Feb	Ditto

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MANCHESTER—37 LODGES, 11 CHAPTERS.			OXFORD—4 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.		
44	Friendship 1st Mar	Albion Hotel	340	Alfred 5th Mar	M. H., Alfred Street
62	Social 25th Feb	Queen's Hotel, Piccadilly	357	Apollo University ... 26th Feb	Ditto
64	Fortitude 12th July	Ditto	478	Churchill 4th Mar	Ditto
152	Virtue 15th Feb	F. M. H., Cooper Street	1515	Bertie 12th Feb	Ditto
163	Integrity 27th Feb	Ditto	R.A.C.		
204	Caledonian 13th Feb	Ditto	340	Alfred 20th Feb	Ditto
317	Affability TO-DAY, 7th Feb	Ditto	357	Apollo University ... 27th Feb	Ditto
325	St. John's 20th Feb	F. M. H., Salford	PLYMOUTH, DEVONPORT AND STONEHOUSE—		
633	Yarborough 20th Feb	F. M. H., Cooper Street	16 LODGES, 12 CHAPTERS.		
645	Humphrey Cheetham 6th Mar	Ditto	Lo. 70	St. John's 5th Mar	Huyshe Masonic Temple
915	Blair TO-MOR., 8th Feb	Town Hall, Hulme	105	Fortitude 11th Feb	Ditto
852	Zetland 13th Feb	F. M. H., Salford	156	Harmony 4th Mar	Ditto
935	Harmony 25th Feb	Ditto	159	Brunswick 6th Mar	M. H., Phoenix Place, Stonehouse
992	St. Thomas 6th Mar	Griffin Hotel, Lr. Broughton	189	Sincerity 11th Feb	St. George's Hall, Stonehouse
993	Alexandra 8th Mar	Midway Hotel, Levenshulme	202	Friendship 28th Feb	M. H., Granby Street, Devonport
999	Robert Burns 25th Feb	Albion Hotel	223	Charity 19th Feb	193, Union Street
1009	Shakspeare 4th Mar	F. M. H., Cooper Street	230	Fidelity TO-DAY, 7th Feb	M. H., Granby Street, Devonport
1011	Richmond 21st Feb	Old Boar's Head, Withy Grove	954	St. Aubyn 12th Feb	Ditto
1052	Callender 19th Feb	Town Hall Buildings, King Street	1205	Metham 18th Feb	1, Caroline Place, Stonehouse
1055	Derby 14th Feb	Bedford Street, Cheetham	1247	St. John's 14th Feb	Huyshe Masonic Temple
1077	Wilton 4th Mar	Red Lion Hot., Blackley	1255	Dundas 18th Feb	Ditto
1083	Townley Parker ... 27th Feb	Grand Hotel, Aytoun Street	1550	Prudence 2nd Mar	Ditto
1134	Newall 5th Mar	F. M. H., Salford	1847	Ebrington 12th Feb	8, Hobart Street, Stonehouse
1147	St. David 14th Feb	F. M. H., Cooper Street	2025	St. George 26th Feb	St. George's Hall, Stonehouse
1161	De Grey and Ripon ... 5th Mar	F. M. H., Manchester	2258	Western District } United Service }	20th Feb East Stonehouse
1170	St. George 18th Feb	F. M. H., Cooper Street	R.A.C.		
1219	Strangeways 27th Feb	Old Boar's Head, Withy Grove	70	St. John's 28th Feb	Huyshe Masonic Temple
1253	Travellers TO-MOR., 8th Feb	Queen's Hotel	105	Fortitude 19th Feb	Ditto
1458	Truth 2nd Mar	Conservative Club, Newton Heath	156	Harmony 6th Mar	Ditto
1534	Concord 21st Feb	Chester Bank, Prestwich	159	Brunswick 22nd May	Ebrington M. H., Stonehouse
1633	Avon 27th Feb	Denmark Hot., Lloyd Street, Greenheys	189	Sincerity 22nd Apr	St. George's Hall, Stonehouse
1773	Albert Victor 15th Feb	Town Hall, Pendleton	202	Friendship 14th Feb	M. H. Granby Street, Devonport
1798	Zion 4th Mar	74a, King Street	223	Concord 22nd Feb	193, Union Street
1993	Wolsley 5th Mar	74A, King Street	230	Fidelity 22nd Feb	M. H., Granby Street, Devonport
2109	Prince Edward 12th Feb	Assembly Hall, Heaton Moor	954	St. Aubyn 15th Apr	Ebrington M. H., Stonehouse
2156	Arthur Sullivan 13th Feb	Old Boar's Head, Hyde's Cross	1205	Elliot 29th Apr	Metham M.H., Stonehouse
2185	Ardwick 11th Feb	Midland Hotel, Ardwick	1255	Dundas 23rd Mar	Huyshe Masonic Temple
R.A.C.			2025	St. George 21st Feb	St. George's Hall, Stonehouse
62	Social 13th Feb	Queen's Hotel, Piccadilly	PORTSMOUTH, LANDPORT, AND SOUTHSEA—		
152	Virtue 22nd Mar	F. M. H., Cooper Street	11 LODGES, 6 CHAPTERS.		
204	Caledonian 21st Mar	Ditto	257	Phoenix 27th Feb	110, High Street
317	Affability 21st Feb	Ditto	342	Royal Sussex 20th Feb	F. M. H., Landport
325	St. John's 7th Mar	M. H., Salford	487	Portsmouth 14th Feb	M. H., Highbury Street
581	Rectitude TO-DAY, 7th Feb	Midland Hotel, Ardwick	1069	United Brothers 11th Feb	Grosvenor House, Southsea
645	Humphrey Cheetham 19th Mar	F. M. H., Cooper Street	1428	United Service TO-MOR., 8th Feb	M. H., Landport
815	Blair 26th Mar	Town Hall, Hulme	1776	Landport 21st Feb	Ditto
935	Starkie 14th Mar	M. H., Salford	1834	Duke of Connaught 26th Feb	Ditto
993	Alexandra 15th Feb	Midway Hotel, Levenshulme	1903	Prince Edw. Saxe } Weimar }	19th Feb M. H., Portsmouth
1055	Derby 19th Mar	M. R., Bedford Street, Cheetham	1990	Hampshire Lo. of } Emulation }	9th Feb F. M. H., Landport
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE—11 LODGES, 4 CHAPTERS.			2068	Portsmouth Tem- } perance }	25th Feb Soldier's Institute, High Street
24	Newcastle-on-Tyne T-DY, 7th Feb	M. H., Grainger Street	2074	St. Clair 18th Feb	F. M. H., Landport
406	Northern Counties 6th Mar	F. M. H., Maple Street	R.A.C.		
481	St. Peter's 11th Feb	Ditto	257	Friendship 13th Feb	110, High Street
541	De Lorraine 15th Feb	M. H., Grainger Street	342	Royal Sussex 10th Apr	F. M. H., Landport
635	Northumberland ... 5th Mar	Assembly Rooms	487	Portsmouth 12th Feb	M. H., Portsmouth
1342	Walker 13th Feb	F. M. H., Grainger Street	1428	United Service 15th Feb	F. M. H., Landport
1427	Percy 19th Feb	F. M. H., Maple Street	1776	Landport 28th Feb	Ditto
1626	Hotspur 28th Feb	Ditto	2068	Portsmouth fem- } perance }	25th Feb Soldier's Institute, High Street
1676	St. Nicholas TO-MOR., 8th Feb	F. M. H., Grainger Street	SHEFFIELD—5 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.		
1712	St. John's 22nd Feb	Ditto	139	Britannia 14th Feb	F. M. H., Surrey Street
1863	Priory 11th Feb	Grand Hot., Tynemouth	296	Royal Brunswick ... 11th Feb	Ditto
2260	Ridley 5th Mar	F. M. H., Maple Street	1239	Wentworth 4th Mar	Ditto
R.A.C.			1779	Ivanhoe 26th Feb	Ditto
24	De Swinburne 21st Mar	Ditto	2263	St. Leonards 28th Feb	Ditto
406	De Sussex TO-MOR., 8th Feb	M. H., Maple Street	R.A.C.		
481	St. Peter's 20th Feb	Ditto	139	Paradise 18th Mar	F. M. H., Surrey Street
685	Northumberland ... 19th Feb	Assembly Rooms, Westgate Road	296	Loyalty 18th Feb	Ditto
1863	Priory 11th Feb	Grand Hot., Tynemouth	SOUTHAMPTON—5 LODGES, 3 CHAPTERS		
NEWPORT, MON.—3 LODGES, 2 CHAPTERS.			130	Royal Glo'ster 14th Feb	M. H., Albion Place
471	Silurian 6th Mar	F. M. H., Dock Street	359	Peace & Harmony ... 18th Feb	Ditto
683	Isea 20th Feb	Ditto	394	Southampton 21st Feb	Ditto
1429	Albert Edward 14th Feb	Ditto	785	Twelve Brothers ... 22nd Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			1780	Albert Edward 5th Mar	Ditto
471	Silurian 22nd Feb	F. M. H., Dock Street	R.A.C.		
683	St. Woolos 13th Mar	Ditto	130	Royal Glo'ster TO-DAY, 7th Feb	Ditto
NORWICH—6 LODGES, 3 CHAPTERS.			359	Peace & Harmony ... 1st Mar	Ditto
Lo. 52	Union 5th Mar	Norfolk Hotel	394	Concord 28th Feb	Ditto
93	Social 12th Feb	23, St. Giles Street	SUNDERLAND—5 LODGES, 3 CHAPTERS.		
213	Perseverance 19th Feb	Ditto	80	St. John 12th Feb	M. H., Park Terrace
807	Cabbell 28th Feb	Ditto	94	Phoenix 6th Mar	F. M. H., Queen Street
943	Sincerity 26th Feb	Ditto	97	Palatine 14th Feb	M. H., Park Terrace
1500	Walpole TO-DAY, 7th Feb	Ditto	1399	Fenwick 15th Feb	Ditto
R.A.C.			2039	Londonderry 22nd Feb	Ditto
52	Royal George 15th Mar	Norfolk Hotel	R.A.C.		
213	Perseverance 14th Mar	23, St. Giles Street	80	St. John's 10th Mar	M. H., Park Terrace
807	Cabbell 11th Apr	Ditto	94	De Lambton 30th Apr	F. M. H.
NOTTINGHAM—9 LODGES, 5 CHAPTERS.			97	Strict Benevolence *21st Feb	M. H., Park Terrace
Lo. 47	Newstead 5th Mar	M. H., Goldsmith Street	Installation Meetings, as far as known, are marked * before date of meeting.		
402	Royal Sussex 19th Apr	George Hotel			
411	Commercial 11th Feb	M. H., Goldsmith Street			
1405	Southwell 1st Mar	Ditto			
1434	Nottinghamshire ... 4th Mar	Ditto	Secretaries of Lodges will greatly oblige us by checking our Lists of Lodge Meetings, in regard to their individual lodges; and in any case of error by forwarding a post-card to the Editor, at 59, Moor Lane, London, E.C., thus:		
1435	Annesley 22nd Feb	Ditto			
1794	De Vere 15th Feb	Ditto			
1909	Carnarvon 18th Feb	Ditto			
2017	Duke of Portland ... 21st Mar	Ditto			
R.A.C.			No 486, Blair (Craft). F.M.H., Surrey Street. 1st Mon. every month. Installation in		
47	Abbey *30th Apr	Ditto			
402	Royal Sussex 12th Feb	Ditto			
411	Commercial 28th Feb	Ditto			
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1909	Carnarvon 29th Apr	Ditto			

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THIS DAY (1st) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th.			(2nd) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11th—continued.		
13	Union Waterloo ... at 8	Earl of Chatham, Wm. St., Woolwich.	1586	Upper Norwood ... at 8	White Hart, Church Rd., Up. Norwood
144	St. Luke's ... " 7.30	White Hart Tav. King's Road, Chelsea.	1603	Kilburn ... " 8	South Molton Hot., South Molton St.
147	Justice ... " 8	Brown Bear, High Street, Deptford.	1623	West Smithfield ... " 7	Manchester Hot., Aldersgate St., E.C.
259	Prince of Wales ... " 7.30	Railway Hot., Wimbledon	1662	Beaconsfield ... " 8	Chequers, Walthamstow.
754	High Cross ... " 8	Coach & Horses, Lower Tottenham.	1707	Eleanor ... " 8	Seven Sisters Hot., Tottenham.
879	Southwark ... " 8	Sir Garnet Wolseley, Roth. New Road.	1789	Ubique ... " 7.30	Vic. Mans. Rest., Victoria St., S.W.
901	City of London ... " 6.30	City Arms Rest., St. Mary Axe.	1804	Coborn ... " 8	Eagle Hot., Snarebrook.
907	Royal Albert ... " 7.30	White Hart, Abchurch Lane, E.C.	1891	St. Ambrose ... " 8	Baron's Court Hot., West. Kensington.
1017	Montefiore ... " 8	St. James's Restaurant, Piccadilly, W.	1901	Selwyn ... " 8	East Dulwich Hot., Dulwich.
1158	Southern Star ... " 8	Sir Syd. Smith, Chester St., Kenn. Rd.,	2021	Qn's Wr. & S. Marylebn. ... " 8	Criterion, Piccadilly.
1259	Duke of Edinburgh ... " 7	C. of G. Hope Tav., Limehouse Church.	2090	Hammersmith ... " 7.30	The Baths, Black's Rd., Hammersmith.
1278	Burdett Courts... " 8	Swan Tav., New Bethnal Green Road.	R.A.C.		
1306	St. John ... " 8	Three Crowns, Mile End Road.	206	Hope ... " —	Globe Tav., Royal Hill, Greenwich.
1339	Stockwell ... " 7.30	Cock Tav., Kennington Road.			
1348	Ebury ... " 8	Greyhound Hot., Streatham Common			
1360	Royal Arthur ... " 7	Prince of Wales Hot., Wimbledon			
1366	Highgate ... " 8	Bull and Gate, Highgate Road, N.			
1436	The Great City... " 6.30	M. H. Mason's Avenue, R.C.			
1441	Ivy ... " 8	Railway Tav., Battersea Rise, S.W.			
1571	Leopold ... " 7	Austin's Hot., London Street, E.C.			
1602	Sir Hugh Myddelton ... " 8	White Horse, Liverpool Road, N.			
1614	Covent Courts... " 8	Criterion, Piccadilly. [well.]			
1622	Rose ... " 8	Stirling Castle Hot., Church St., Camber-			
1625	Tredegar... " 7.30	Wellington Arms, Bow Road, E.			
1632	Stuart ... " 7	Red Lion, Poppins Ct., Fleet St., E.C.			
1673	Langton ... " 5.30	White Hart, Abchurch Lane.			
1685	Guelph ... " 8	Town Hall Leytonstone			
1744	Royal Savoy ... " 8	Blue Post, Charlotte Street, W.			
1791	Creaton ... " 8	Whitshf. Hot., Glidhvk Rd., Shephd's Bsh			
1816	Victoria Park ... " 8	The George Inn, Broadway, Stratford.			
R.A.C.					
188	Joppa ... " 7	Whitby Tav., 37, Wapping Wall.			
753	Prince Frederick Wm. ... " 7.30	Eagle Tav., Clifton Road, Maida Vale.			
1471	North London ... " 8	Northampton Ho., St.Paul's Rd., Canon- bury, N.			
1624	Eccleston ... " 7.30	Crown & Anchor, 79, Ebury St., S.W.			
(2nd) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8th.					
9	Alblon ... " at—	Crown Hot., Essex Street, Strand.			
25	Robert Burns ... " 8	Bedford Hd. Hot., Maiden La., Cov. Gar.			
167	St. John's ... " 8	York & Albany Hot., Albany St., N.W.			
169	Temperance ... " 8	Railway Tavern, New Cross Road.			
217	Stability ... " 8	Fas. Ha. Tav., Basinghall Street.			
256	Unions (Emula. L. of I.) ... " 6	M. F. M. H.			
507	United Pilgrims ... " 7.30	S. M. H., Camberwell New Road.			
749	Belgrave ... " 8	Clarence Hot., Aldersgate Street, E.C.			
765	St. James's ... " 8	Princess Vict., Lower Rd., Rotherhithe			
766	William Preston ... " 8	St. Andrew's Tav., George Street, W.			
780	Royal Alfred ... " 8	Star and Garter Hot., Kew Bridge.			
834	Ranelagh ... " 8	Six Bells, Queen St., Hammersmith, W.			
1056	Victoria (Metro. L. of I.) ... " 7	Portugal Hot., 155, Fleet Street, E.C.			
1185	Lewis ... " 7.30	Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green.			
1228	Beacontree ... " 8	Green Man, Leytonstone			
1287	Great Northern ... " 8	Berwick Arms, Berners Street, W.[bury			
1298	Royal Standard ... " 8	Bulldog's Arms, St. Paul's Road., Canon- Ld. Stanley, Sandringham Rd., Dalston			
1365	Clapton ... " 8	Horns Tav., Kennington Park, S.E.			
1381	Kennington ... " 7.30	Three Crowns, North Woolwich			
1472	Henley ... " 7.30	Private Ro., 206, Mare Street, Hackney			
1607	Loyalty ... " 8	M.H., Mason's Avenue, E.C.			
1629	Henry Muggeridge ... " 6	Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove Road.			
1642	Earl of Carnarvon ... " 8	Town Hall, Poplar.			
1716	All Saints ... " 7.30	King's Arms, Buckingham Palace, Rd.			
2080	Abbey ... " 7.30				
R.A.C.					
890	Hornsey... " 8	Porchester Hot., Leinster Pl., Paddingn.			
946	Strawberry Hill, ... " 8	Greyhound Hot., Richmond, S.W.			
1275	Star ... " 8	Stirling Castle, Church St., Cmbrrwl, S.E.			
M rk.					
355	Royal Savoy ... " 7.30	The Moorgate, 15, Finsbury Pavt., E.C.			
(2nd) SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9th.					
179	Manchester ... " at 8	Blue Post, Charlotte St., Fitzroy Sq.			
198	Percy ... " 8	Jolly Farmers, Southgate Road, N.			
1275	Star ... " 7	Dover Castle, Broadway, Deptford, S.E.			

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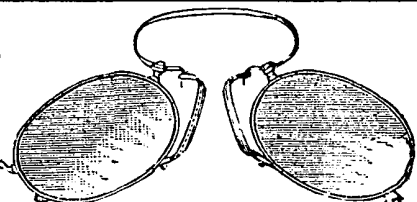
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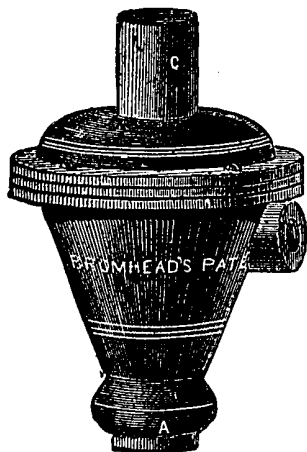
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JEMIMA SARAH TRUSLOW,
Aged 78 Years,

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