THE BOYS' SCHOOL PROVISIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND ITS CENSORS.

Very unfair treatment is being meted out to the Provisional Management Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. When nearly two years ago this body was appointed to reorganise the administration of the School, and place it upon a footing which should be satisfactory to the Governors and Subscribers, it was recognised on all hands that the task with which it was entrusted was both an onerous and a responsible one, and that it would require clever handling in order to carry it out successfully. It was known, however, that the Committee was for the most part composed of men of large and varied experience, of sound common sense, and good business habits, and a feeling of confidence existed among the brethren individually and collectively. The Head Master and his Assistants are hard, and with a zeal, an ability, and a singleness of purpose confidence has not been belied. The Committee has laboured well, and with a zeal, an ability, and a singleness of purpose which reflects the highest credit on its members, both individually and collectively. The Head Master and his Assistants are deemed to have already greatly improved the tone of the School, while the report we published last week of the result of the Cambridge Local Examinations, in December, 1890, shows that the standard of educational proficiency has been more than maintained.

The offices of the Institution, now under the control of the new Secretary, are in good working order, while the Regulations and Subscribers in Quarterly General Court assembled. Nor in the meantime has the Finance Sub-Committee been idle. A new system of account-keeping has been adopted, and is carried out under the supervision of a professional accountant, and the audited statement of account and balance-sheet, with the signature appended of that accountant, and verified by the Finance Sub-Committee, make it clear, as we stated in the article we penned on the subject prior to the Committee,"that the funds at the disposal of the governing body have been wisely administered, but also that a distinct advantage in the direction of a greater economy has been made. In short, the Provisional Management Committee, which is on the eve of retiring in order to make way for the newly-sanctioned Governing Bodies, is able to show that the duties which nearly two years ago it undertook to perform have been performed both generally and particularly with a considerable amount of success, and we doubt not that when its task is completed it will receive, as it richly deserves to receive, the sincere thanks of the whole body, or at all events of an overwhelming majority, of the Governors and Subscribers.

Under the circumstances which we have been careful to describe with accuracy, and without any approach to exaggeration, it might in reason have been expected that a Committee, which had done, and was doing, its work so well, would have received encouragement and support from all quarters, or at all events that in the face of the recognised difficulties by which the path of the Committee was beset, the spirit of partisanship would have had the better of it to some extent; at least until the said Committee was in a position to render a final and complete account of its stewardship. In the interests of that fair play on which Englishmen pride themselves, we had a right to expect such forbearance, but the expectation has not been realised. When the Provisional Management Committee issued its first account and balance-sheet—for the half-year ended 31st December, 1889—and calculated that it had reduced the expenditure to somewhere about £39 per boy, the spirit of partisanship was roused, and declared with unblushing effrontery that the claim was a preposterous one; that the milk bill, or some such item, was ridiculously small; and that the much-vaunted new system of accounts, as it was utterly unlike what it had been accustomed to in the old days of its account-keeping, was about as ridiculous as the milk bill. The Provisional Committee wisely took no notice of this attack, but went quietly about its task, as men of business are wont to do, and last month it published its account and balance-sheet for the year 1890. In this document these Puritans of the ordinary business world are very amusing themselves. In common with all the accounts just issued under the Provisional régime, it tells us, in true Puritan fashion, that the average cost per boy for 1890 was in round figures—£41. In making this calculation we took no notice of (1), the "Suspense Account," updated by the Committee and showing Under-estimate of Liabilities in 1889, £1,000; (2), Pensions, £100; (3), Repairs to Organ and Special Sanitary Arrangements, &c., £218; and the total thereby being raised from £10,822 to £13,312, and the average cost per boy from £41 to £50 8s. 6d. Throughout that malevolent spirit again intrudes itself upon the scene and declares our reckoning—not that of the Committee—to be utterly monstrous. One of the heaviest charges made against the old régime, it tells us, was that it reckoned the average cost per boy on the "Ordinary Expenditure," taking no account whatever of the "Special Expenditure," and here, it says, is the Provisional Committee—or a critic writing in its praise—doing precisely the same thing. To us it is clear that these evil critics are utterly and mischievously wrong, and that a comparison of the accounts just issued under the Provisional régime for 1890 with those of any year under the old régime would have shown that their statement was as unfair as the intentions of the Institution itself it is calculated to be mischievous. The "Total General Expenditure for 1890," amounting to £10,822, is what it professes to be, and includes everything, but the items already spoken of as constituting the Ordinary Expenditure for 1890. In the latter being of a special character—for sanitary arrangements, bath accommodation, fire appliances, &c.—such as will not occur in other yearly accounts. In the accounts for the year 1887—which were published, as usual, some weeks prior to the Festival of St. John's, 1888—the Ordinary Expenditure is stated as £14,288, the average cost per boy for 258 being deduced therefrom as £43 15s., which is diminished, by deducting the cost per boy for Rates, to £41 13s. 4d. There is also a Special Expenditure not included in the Ordinary, consisting of Secretary's Travelling Expenses and annual emolument in lieu of Commission, Outfits, Gratuities, and Holiday Entertainments, Matron's Pension, Cambridge Local Examinations, Prizes, Votes of Thanks to Stewards, Stewards' Visit, &c., &c., &c., and Music, amounting, with an item for "Building Account," to £153 8s. 4d. On making a comparison between the accounts for 1887 (old system) and 1890 (new system) we find that all that is described in the former as "Special"—or rather all similar items—with the exception of the Matron's Pension, are included in the General Total of the latter, while the expenditure for sanitary arrangements, fire appliances, &c., is rightly excluded, because, like the cost of a new hall or a new wing, it does not annually recur. We invite our readers to judge of this matter for themselves. Let them compare the Provisional Committee's Account for 1880 with the Account for 1887—which we have taken, because it happened to be available at the moment of writing—or with that for any other year, and they will find the new system shows everything, with the "Special" exception we have stated, while the old system set down as special what was like the cost of a new hall or a new wing, it does not annually recur. We invite our readers to judge of this matter for themselves. 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CONSECRATION OF THE COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 2397.

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The Grand Secretary then installed the W.M. designate, Bro. Adolphus Clark, P.M., P.Z., P.G.S.B., as W.M. designate, for the consecration of the Columbia Lodge, No. 2397, which is intended to contain an appreciation of the work of the Grand Officers, which he need not have told them, and in America they had found it out for themselves. The Anglo-American Lodge was a beautiful idea, but he wished to point out that Masonry in the United States, that they should wish to provide a home for American brethren. The petition had been properly drawn out, and his Royal Highness, after due deliberation, having considered the reasons set forth as satisfactory, had been pleased to grant a warrant for a new lodge to be called the Columbia Lodge, a name which brought to their minds their brethren on the other side of the water. During the past four years its mission had been amply and successfully carried out, for the Anglo-American Lodge had, as he was aware, held out the right hand of friendship and hospitality to many of their excellent and esteemed brethren from various parts of the world. It was surely due to the Grand Lodge to say they discovered America, but it was due to the Anglo-American Lodge to say they discovered Anglo-American Freemasonry in England. No sooner had the lodge been given in the Anglo-American Lodge, from which many of them hailed, than they crowded in and they had as many and better future visits to witness the prosperity of the lodge. A cordial vote of thanks was then proposed by the Scottish American Brethren who had made many visits to the lodge, and the lodge was formally closed.

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One summer's day, there were no provisions for the aged, and no infirm. One of his missions in England was to rob the nobles of the following of their Masons, and take them to the Grand Lodge. He returned to London, and wrote to his Noble Master, explaining the reasons why he was so eager to have a lodge of his own, and that he had written home to his father to ask if it was possible to postpone the laying of the cornerstone of that lodge. He was told by his father, the W. M. of that lodge, that they were unable to secure the W. M.'s acceptance. He was, however, surprised at the news.

As he had said, a few years ago they had made provision for the aged and infirm in his own lodge, and had made the Masonry of that lodge a success, and should assist the W. M. that the lodge might prosper. He was a good Mason, had often spoken of the W. M., and had often said that they should find some place of rest for the sole of his foot. There were many lodges, and he ought to mention the names of the treasurer and Secretary, who worked early and late to carry out the plans of the lodge. The ceremony of consecration was performed by Earl Amherst, and there was a large gathering of Masons, among whom were the members of the American Lodge. It was the determination of the members to make the Masonry of that lodge a success, and should assist the W. M. that the lodge might prosper.

The grand officers were installed by Comp. T. S. Warne as the three Principals of the lodge. They were requested to state their reasons for joining the lodge, and to support the American Lodge with all the ability they possessed. It was the determination of the members to make the Masonry of that lodge a success, and should assist the W. M. that the lodge might prosper. Earl Amherst, the Master of the lodge, presided over a gathering numbering nearly 100 members of the lodge.

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Earl Amherst, Grand Superintendent of Kent, on Tuesday, the 17th inst, consecrated the Military Jubilee Lodge at Dover, being assisted on the occasion by the following Provincial Grand Officers: Comp. J. S. Entick, Prov. G. H.; H. T. S. Warner, Prov. G. E., as A. J.; J. D. Tawney, Prov. G. S. N., as A. S.; E. Lowery, Prov. G. S., as S. N.; H. Ward, P. P. G. J., as D. C.; W. J. Lane, Prov. G. D. C., as A. D.; and other Provincial Grand Officers.

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The annual Festival of the Grand Mark Master's Lodge of Instruction—which occupies in the Mark Degree the place and authority which belong to the Grand Lodge of England—will celebrate its annual Festival at Mark Mason's Hall on Tuesday, the 14th prox. The Festive Cordial existing between the Constituencies under whose auspices meetings will stand out very prominently on this occasion, Bro. Thomas Penn, President of the Craft of General Purposes, and the leading Education Authorities, having expressed a wish that the Festival should be so managed as to admit of all Masons and Freemasons attending, both in lodging and as guests, and to include Masonic schools and hymns authorised by the General Board. With such a preparative, and under the auspices of so able an authority, we are assured that this Festival will pass off, as it has done in past years, with great eclat.

With reference to a statement which appeared in our columns on the 14th ult. to the effect that the Arch Bishop of York is the only Mason on the Episcopal Bench, Bro. the Rev. John A. Lloyd, Past G. Chaplain, very kindly points out that this must not be taken to apply to the colliers, as there are several Foreign Missionary Bishops of the Anglican Church—Bro. the Rev. Dr. Sillitoe, Bishop of New Westminster, British Columbia, belonging to that Church, and the Rev. W. H. Harwood, C. of E. for the Cape. He even goes further and expresses his belief that Lord Alwynne Compton, Bishop of Ely, is a Mason, and when Dean of Worcester, was a Mason, and is in close connection with the Masonic Exhibition, and the sermon was preached by the Dean of York. Perhaps other readers may feel even more strongly than I do that this is not as considerate as it should be towards those who are unfortunate enough to apply to us for aid. We are sorry we cannot oblige our correspondent by introducing his letter. We have not the least doubt that we shall be able to find space for such a communication, as the reasons which influence the Board of Benevolence in their refusal, or refusal of grants, are essentially private.

The members of the Savage Club Lodge are most desirous to found a Royal Arch chapter to be attached to the lodge. Out of nearly 150 members it should be an easy matter to establish a very strong chapter, and we have no doubt it will be successful.

Bro. Lord Leigh, though he has preceeded over Warwickshire as its Provincial Grand Master for nearly 40 years, is still, we rejoice to say, as ready as ever to assist, Masonically, in any work which is likely to be of service to the good of Warwickshire, and his approaching visit to the colony which he has so kindly consented to preside, Masonically, over, will be productive of benefit to the Festival.

Masonic Notes. At the moment of going to press we have received the gratifying intelligence that R.W. Bro. Lord Carlingford has kindly consented to preside at the next Festival of the Girl's School. This will be excellent news for the supporters and well-wishers of the Institution, for certainly no better or more popularasonic could have been made, and the announcement will be gratifying to his lordship's late District and the Grand Lodge of New South Wales to his future Province of B. No date has yet been fixed for the Festival, but it will probably be held in May or June, so as not to clash with that of the Boys' School.

We understand also that very little progress has been made in strengthening the Board of Stewards, which, when we refer to the subject last, was not quite as good, and is now only slightly in advance of that figure. We trust the Committees—for Bro. Hedges, we have no doubt, will be in medical advice and in a position to assist themselves to obtain the services of all brethren while there is still time for those services to be productive of benefit to the Festival.
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Reviews.

MASONIC CALENDAR FOR GLASGOW.

This handy little guide is printed and published by Bro. George Keating, and has by far the larger circulation in England and Scotland. It is utilised by the different lodges, chapteres, &c., in Glasgow by one page being changed, as required for the month, and is then useful for their members. Small as it is, it must be acknowledged that the all-mother works of the Lodge of Scotland, the Provincial Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of Glasgow, and much other matter and a well-arranged table of the days, places, meeting, &c., of the different lodges of the city for each month of the year, which must have necessitated considerable labour in its compilation. The names and addresses of the different lodges, chapters, &c., with the day on which they meet, and the name of the Secretary, &c., are given, and this is the only Masonic magazine that of which we are aware that contains such a list.

Masonic Notes and Queries.

VISITATION OF LODGES.

I am always very pleased to reply to any queries of my friends, especially when asked by friends abroad, and when the question is a good one. Under these circumstances, I am influenced by the following principles: First, to answer as nearly as possible the particular case; secondly, to offer my own views as to the best course of action which a visitor can pursue; and thirdly, to reply as briefly as possible, and in such a manner that the answer may be of the greatest possible value to the visitor. The principles which I have been guided by have been well observed in the case of the present question.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. JUHGAN.

REPORTS.

Craft Masonry.

METROPOLITAN MEETINGS.

London Lodge (No. 190).—This ancient lodge met at the Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall-street, on the first Thursday of the month, with the following present: Bros. G. J. Baker, W.M.; Horace Dance, S.W.; G. H. Whelan, W.G.; T. H. Walford, G. P.M.; W. Green, P.M.; Secretary, S.D.; W. S. Allen, P.M.; J. A. Gray, P.M.; W. J. Gismo, P.M.; R. H. Groves, P.M.; J. W. T. Tyler, P.M.; A. D. P. D. Macdonald, P.M.; D. J. Smith, P.M.; &c., and the following visitors: Bros. E. H. Bennet, P.M.; J. G. Swain, P.M.; J. H. H. Smith, P.M.; &c.

The lodge opened on Friday, April 28th, 1892, at ten o'clock, and was duly closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, for which the Tyler's toast closed a very pleasant and enjoyable evening.

Merchant Navy Lodge (No. 259).—A meeting of the lodge was held at the Silver Tavren, Broadway-road, Limington, E. W. T. Forty, W.M., on the 4th June, 1892, the following being present: Bros. Robinson, P.M., acting S.W.; R. W. Clack, P.M.; T. H. Gooch, P.M.; T. J. Craven, P.M.; &c., and the following visitors: Bros. J. G. Jones, P.M.; H. J. P. Smith, P.M.; &c.

The brethren present numbered between 50 and 60. The following Past Masters assisted the W.M. : Bros. A. W. Stevens, P.M.; T. Evans; W. Thompson; G. H. Seage; A. H. Shepherd; T. H. H. Blundell; R. W. Forge, P.M.; &c.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read, Bros. A. J. Cruickshank, P.M., and D. Willmore were elected to the Degree of F.C.; and, after several communications had been dealt with, the lodge was duly closed.

The brethren afterwards adjourned to a banquet, served in well-lined caparison on the occasion, of the Scottish Masons.

Sincere compliments were tendered to the brethren, and referred to the various matters that had been brought forward, and are now being dealt with by the lodge. A general feeling of satisfaction was expressed, and the brethren were left to proceed with their banquet.

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Dobling and Byward passed to the Second Degree. The roving Master, Bro. Dobling, then impressed the craft with the importance of the matter, and the Odd Fellows were urged to take advantage of the opportunity for advancement, and to participate in the many good works that were being done by the lodge.

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Sincere compliments were tendered to the brethren, and referred to the various matters that had been brought forward, and are now being dealt with by the lodge. A general feeling of satisfaction was expressed, and the brethren were left to proceed with their banquet.

The Tyler's toast closed a very pleasant and enjoyable evening.

J. B. Robertson.

For "The Visitors," Bros. McPherson, Monro, Bisset, and Byard added a "few words." The toast to the W.M. was then proposed, and was received with alacrity. It appeared that the brethren had set high store by the W.M., and were fully disposed to give him every facility to succeed in his office. The brethren then proceeded to drink to the W.M.'s good health, trusting he would be enabled to carry out the wishes of those who had elected him to that office.

The brethren then adjourned to the banquet, a very pleasant and enjoyable evening having ensued.

The Great City Lodge (No. 149).—The quarterly meeting of this lodge was held at the Guildhall Tavern, Mincing-lane, on Monday, the 25th February, 1892, when a large number of members and visitors were present. The brethren present were Bros. J. A. Tattersall, S.W.; Bro. M. S. Ellicott, P.M.; Capt. C. W. W. Keating, P.M.; G. H. W. Whelan, P.M.; T. H. Walford, G. P.M.; W. Green, P.M.; Secretary, S.D.; W. S. Allen, P.M.; J. A. Gray, P.M.; W. J. Gismo, P.M.; R. H. Groves, P.M.; J. W. T. Tyler, P.M.; A. D. P. D. Macdonald, P.M.; D. J. Smith, P.M.; &c., and the following visitors: Bros. E. H. Bennet, P.M.; J. G. Swain, P.M.; J. H. H. Smith, P.M.; &c.

The lodge opened on Thursday, February 25th, 1892, at ten o'clock, and was duly closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet, for which the Tyler's toast closed a very pleasant and enjoyable evening.

The brethren present numbered between 50 and 60. The following Past Masters assisted the W.M. : Bros. A. W. Stevens, P.M.; T. Evans; W. Thompson; G. H. Seage; A. H. Shepherd; T. H. H. Blundell; R. W. Forge, P.M.; &c.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read, Bros. A. J. Cruickshank, P.M., and D. Willmore were elected to the Degree of F.C.; and, after several communications had been dealt with, the lodge was duly closed.

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Dobling and Byward passed to the Second Degree. The roving Master, Bro. Dobling, then impressed the craft with the importance of the matter, and the Odd Fellows were urged to take advantage of the opportunity for advancement, and to participate in the many good works that were being done by the lodge.

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The Freemason.

COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1641).—The regular meeting of this progressive lodge was held at the Criterion, Fleet-street, S.W. on the 12th inst. from Bros. C. H. Cox, W.M.; J. Bladon, S.V.W.; M. Corbett, P.M., Treas.; A. Dudder, J.W., Sec.; J. B. Allen, G. F. H. Parsons, Sec; and a large gathering of brethren.

After the Worthingful Master had, in a satisfactory degree, received and declared the rules of the lodge, he presented the lodge jewels, which were placed to the lodge Benevolent Fund, and 10 guineas were offered by Bro. A. Dudder, on which the lodge returned their thanks. The W.M. gave the brethren some interesting information as to the history of the lodge, which had been in existence since 1721, and was revived in 1757. The lodge was then closed.

Duke of Cornwall Lodge (No. 1839).—A meeting of this lodge was held at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, W.C., on the 13th inst. from Bros. C. H. Cox, W.M.; J. Bladon, S.V.W.; C. E. H. Parsons, Sec.; A. Dudder, J.W.; L. Bell, S.D.; C. O. Burgess, J.H.; H. S. Walker, J.W.; M. Corbett, P.M.; C. Catesby, J.W.; and others. The minutes of the previous meeting were received and confirmed. Bros. J. Cox, W. M. Keen, R. M. Carter, J. Wise, and others presented the jewel that had been enthusiastically received by Bro. W. H. Jones, Steward, the previous evening. The lodge then closed.

Cricklewood Lodge (No. 2961).—A meeting of the brethren of this lodge was held at the Crown Hotel, Cricklewood, on the 16th inst. from Bros. C. H. Cox, W.M.; J. F. J. Codd, P.M., P.P.G.D.C.; S. Simons, J.W.; J. W. Cooper, J.W.; C. Wellsman, J.W.; and others. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bros. Shaw was advanced, and 15 guineas were offered by the brethren for his higher degree, and £21 11s. 6d. for his local and general expenses. The lodge was then closed.

Sir Guy's Lodge (No. 1840).—A quarterly meeting of this lodge was held at the Freemasons' Tavern, where the W.M. presided over one of the annual meetings. The W.M. was ably assisted in his arduous duties by Bros. W. J. Higgens, M.H., W.M.; Goodchild, P.M., Treas.; Chas. Sheppard, P.M., Sec.; Foot, J.W.; Burton, J.W.; Lovett, J.D.; M. M. Mansell, J.G.; A. D. Williams, J.W.; P. J. Hoare, J.W.; G. C. Potts, T.; and others.

The usual loyal, Grand, and Provincial Grand Lodge addresses were given. Mr. Chief Justice Angell said that he bad spent a most enjoyable evening. The brethren joined the ladies in a settlement, and the evening terminated with a very enjoyable meal.

GATESEND-ON-TYNE.

The usual instalment of the Lodge was opened at the Castle Hotel, Tynemouth, on the 10th inst. from Bros. W. M. Brown, W.M., and Peter H. Taylor, P.M., Treas., who presided. The usual addresses were given. Mr. Chief Justice Angell said that he had been a member of this lodge for many years, and was very pleased to be there. The lodge was then opened, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The brethren then proceeded to the business of the evening, and the usual loyal, Grand, and Provincial Grand Lodge addresses were given. Mr. Chief Justice Angell said that he had been a member of this lodge for many years, and was very pleased to be there. The lodge was then closed.

Lodge of Industry (No. 49).—The installation of the new Master of this lodge was held at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on the 12th inst. from Bros. R. Whitfield, P.M., Past W.M.; W. M. Brown, W.M., and Peter H. Taylor, P.M., Treas. The usual addresses were given. Mr. Chief Justice Angell said that he had been a member of this lodge for many years, and was very pleased to be there. The lodge was then closed.
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The Visitors." was the next toast on the list, and Bro. T. M. Barron, T. E. Johnson, and G. N. Paterson replied.

"The Past Masters of Industry Lodge" was proposed by the W.M., and all the Past Masters present followed.

"The Present and Past Officers" and the Tyler's toast completed a very pleasant and enjoyable evening.

HAMPTON COURT.

Hemming Lodge (No. 1337).—This highly successful visit of the Provincial Grand Lodge to the Hemming Lodge was held at the 11th inst., when there were present, among others, Bros. A. Hobday, Lieut.-Col. J. C. P. W. N. Stimpson, acting Sec.; W. Clarks, S.D.; Roberts, J. D. Robinson, J. D.; Riddle, J. G.; Front, J. B. Harrison, D.C.; E. Clark, I.P.M., W. P. F. W. M., and others. Among the visitors were Bros. Harvey, P.M.; J. W. Howard, P.M., and S. C. Godbold, and T. G. Temple, P.M.

The lodge was opened, and confirmed, and Bros. Whicker was raised to the Third Degree. The Chairman, in a very impressive manner, expressed the pleasure of the performance of the ceremony having left but little to be desired and commented on the mode of proceedings. The V.W. Master, Bros. E. Clark, I.P.M., with the collar and jewel of his office in a fine case presented to him by his Brethren, Bro. Clark, I.P.M., and T. G. Temple, P.M., were read from Ross, W. Fisher, S.W.; R. K. Kent, Secretary; and W. McDermott, Treasurer.

The lodge was then closed, and the brethren addressed to the audience.

"Upon the removal of the cloth, the customary toasts received the hearty response of all present.

Bro. W. Spranger responding on behalf of "The Provincial Grand Lodge" said:

"The Health of the W.M." followed, and having been duly proposed and seconded, the W.M. said that the purpose of the toast would have spoken very ill for his Masonic knowledge, but the representation had been wisely and felicitously illustrated by quotations from the works of Dr. D'Assignon's study of the Royal Arch.

He then quoted a passage from the York minutes, and referred to the history of the Lodges of Jerusalem, etc.

Among the other brethren present were Bros. J. Wilkins, P.Z.; G. F. Vandervord, J.; F. Fullerton, P.Z., S.E.; Major W. H. Wellsted, Z. 204; C. Nathan, P.Z.; J. Andrew, M. Miller, J.D.; H. 645. Visitors: Comps. J. J. Woolley, H. Sawyer, and J. Hargreaves. Letters of congratulation and thanks were read from the W.M., with a Past Master's jewel, as a mark of the W.M.'s appreciation of the uniform cordiality with which they had carried out the duties of the lodge, and the latter the toast of his health so well, that it would be bad taste in him to insert the names of those gentlemen.

The W.M. then, on behalf of the lodge, expressed his gratitude for the hospitality offered the visitors, for at the dinner which followed, the brethren were dully initiated.

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The Freemason.

Lycovegga Lodge (No. 210) — The annual general meeting of this lodge was held at the Free Mason's Hall, Highbury, London, on Monday, the 22nd inst., when the company present were Comps. G. L. Moore, Z. 169, M.E.Z.; J. Hill, H. 1329, H.; J. W. Girls, P.M.; J. W. Watts, P.M.; J. Marshall, Freemason, J. W.; G. W. Mead, Fasciag; H. Parry, P.W.; J. Penny, P.M., S. D.; J. Bostock, W. M. and others.

The lodge having been opened, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The centre of the Lodge was then removed to the First Degree, and the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed by Bros. J. Penny, P.M., S. D.; J. Bostock, W. M., and others.

The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of working the Second Degree was rehearsed by Bros. J. Penny, P.M., S. D.; J. Bostock, W. M., and others.

The lodge was then opened in the Third Degree, and the ceremony of working the Third Degree was rehearsed by Bros. J. Penny, P.M., S. D.; J. Bostock, W. M., and others.

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The lodge was then closed.

WINTERCROSS.

Sir Francis Burdett Lodge (No. 181) — The meeting at the Albany House on the 17th inst., was opened in the Third Degree, and the Sections of the First Lecture were worked by Bros. F. T. Sturgess, P.M., J. W.; H. Sheepshanks, J. W.; W. J. Whittaker, I. G.; and others.

The lodge having been opened, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was then removed to the First Degree, and the ceremony of working the First Degree was rehearsed by Bros. W. J. Whittaker, I. G.; H. Sheepshanks, J. W.; F. T. Sturgess, P.M., J. W.; and others.

The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of working the Second Degree was rehearsed by Bros. W. J. Whittaker, I. G.; H. Sheepshanks, J. W.; F. T. Sturgess, P.M., J. W.; and others.

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The lodge was then closed.

ST. LUKE'S LODGE (No. 144) — A meeting was held on Monday, the 16th inst., at the Somerset Arms, Fulham-road, when there were present Bros. — Comps. — J. W. Watts, P.M.; J. R. Williams, J. W.; F. A. Ball, P.M.; T. C. D. Williams, J. W.; J. R. Williams, J. W.; F. B. Price, P.W.; and others.

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The lodge was then closed.

ASSEMBLE (No. 182) — A meeting was held on Wednesday, the 18th inst., at the Deanery, Westminster, when there were present Bros. — Comps. — J. R. Williams, J. W.; W. H. Mullins, P.M.; E. J. Parke, W.M.; T. W. Neech, S. M.; G. E. Higginson, and others.

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The lodge was then closed.

ABBEX (WESTMINSTER) (No. 193) — A meeting was held on Friday, the 19th inst., at the Brompton Hall, Westminster, when there were present Bros. — Comps. — J. R. Williams, J. W.; T. E. Newman, W. M.; F. W. Woodard, G. E. Higginson, and others.

The lodge having been opened, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The centre of the Lodge was then removed to the First Degree, and the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed by Bros. J. R. Williams, J. W.; T. E. Newman, W. M.; F. W. Woodard, G. E. Higginson, and others.

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The lodge was then closed.
Mount Calvary Preparatory (D), the adjournment took place at the Hotel Court, Lincoln’s Inn Fields, on the 23rd inst. Among those who were present at the evening were Mr. J. Drury, M.P. (for Uttoxeter, Derbyshire), Mr. F. Woodwell, M.P. (for South Staffordshire), and Mr. T. J. Stohwasser, M.P. for the North-Eastern Railway officials, and others.

The adjournment was then closed, and the air tight adjusted to the banquet.

Upon the resumption of the cloth, the customary toasts followed.

The Rev. Major Stowhouse acknowledged his thanks for the speech of Sir Knight Drury (the speaker) believed that in all stations of life Sir Knight would give to the lodge of instruction. He would ask the brethren, together with the Secretary, Bro. C. H. Chadwick, were appointed by the brethren to assist the lodge in the evening, which was “Success to the Rose Lodge of Instruction.”

The following toast was proposed:

ANNUAL SUPPER OF THE ROSE LODGE OF INSTRUCTION, No. 1522.

The toast the rose of the lodge being known over the world, he might well choose remarks by Bro. Loader, P.M., stating that the Society of the East Lancashire Masonic Charities would accept the toast of “The Officers of Great Priory.”

That the toast was heartily received.

The annual meeting of this preceptory, postponed on account of the illness of its Master, was held in the evening, which was “Success to the Rose Lodge of Instruction.”

The toasts were received from Sir Knights Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G.S.P.; W. Ganz, P.G.O. J. Dr. Lott, P.G.O. J. Harwood, P.G.O. J. L. Steele, 2nd Captain; Major F. J. Stohwasser, P.E.C. J. Tweed, &c., &c.

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Henley (West Ham Abbey Lodge); Myers, Blow (Dulwich Connoisseur Lodge); Kepp, Taylor; Aube, J. W.; Ray, J. M.; Martin, P. M., Harwell (Harney Lodge); Hurrell; Halaby, P. M.; Bassett, P. M., West; P. M., Jay, J. D., L. H., F. G., Barlow, P. M., Bonsall, and Davis (Essexhust Lodge); G. H.

Henry Lodge, faithful and diligent in the discharge of his duties, from every other member, well knowing that Parley pr authority can complete the record.

HENRY LASHMORE, P.M. 394,

Within the district of Fortitude Lodge, No. 105, one of the most interesting meetings which have been held in connection with the work of Masonic and ceremonial took place in the large hall in Princess-square, Plymouth, on Friday evening, the 20th inst.

After a few preliminary remarks, Bro. STEVENS proposed with an address on the subject of "The Masonic Lodge: Its Position and Influence," which gave general satisfaction, and at its conclusion the brethren testified to the excellence of the lecture which he made up.

A cordial vote of thanks to Bro. Stevens was proposed and seconded by Bro. E. Wells, M.W., and M.W. G. S. Strauss-Lee, P.G.G.S.

We should not fail to mention that in the course of his remarks Bro. Stevens, in answering a question put to him, pressed to the principles which he as Masons professed, the duty of supporting the Masonic charitable institutions, and especially the work of the Masonic Benevolent Institution.

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At a meeting of the Sylves Lodge, No. 1029, on Thursday, December 20, W.M. Dixon was elected W.M. for the ensuing year.

The members were in a very friendly spirit, and the meeting was adjourned until the 2nd week in January.

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**The Masonic Record**

Of the several hundred Masonic Societies in operation in the United States, it is rather difficult to take the task of editing the paper, we are afraid the plain that he cannot do justice to the paper. Unless, find matter for a Magazine. When in addition to the number who had been reduced to poverty and dis-

In the course of his speech it was pointed out that during the 16th inst. by Bro. James Giesman Chillingworth, the late of Torquay, who died on January 8th, was proved on

At the Covent Garden Theatre last evening, the 20th inst., when Bro. Frank Cliffe and Lathom were among those present.

Our readers, both at home and abroad, will be sorry to know him. It is not astonishing to know he gained a ten-

and the Archbishop of Canterbury was the preacher.

At the C hapel Royal, St. James's, on Sunday, when Stewards on this occasion we observe the names of Bros. Mark Palmer, Bart., M.P.; Mr. Cosmo Bonsor, M.P.; Sir Spencer Ponsonby Fane, K.C.B.; Mrs. Caven-

M.P., and his father, Earl Fortescue; Mr. R. K. Causton, M.P.; Sir Spencer Ponsonby Fane, K.C.B.; Mrs. Caven-

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