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10th May—Sunday.	5th September—Saturday.
8th June—Monday.	4th October—Sunday.
8th July—Wednesday.	3rd November—Tuesday.
6th August—Tuesday.	3rd December—Thursday.

FROM THE EDITOR.

Forward your News while yet fresh. Stale reports are not only uninteresting, but misleading.

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MASONIC INSTRUCTION.



ON the 8th April last, Manawatu Kil. Lodge held its annual meeting, and gathered together some 200 Craftsmen, many coming from the surrounding Lodges, and fully 60 per cent. of the whole being young men bearing the impress of being endowed with more than average intelligence. A careful scrutiny of this large assemblage prompted the thought as to whether the majority of these brethren were satisfied with the progress they had made in Freemasonry, or whether there was not some desire to extend their researches in the more hidden paths of nature and science. Such a desire would not only be natural, but would be fully warranted by the teaching inculcated in the several degrees. A close analysis of the charges made to the neophyte almost leads to the conclusion that the ritual gives a maximum of promise and a minimum of performance. For example, the Craftsman is solemnly told that he may offer his opinions under the guidance of an experienced Master, who will guard the landmarks against encroachment. Theoretically, the intention is good, but the practice is a literary fiction. Again, the candidate is admonished : "That the study of the liberal Arts, which tends so effectually to polish and adorn the mind, is earnestly recommended to your serious consideration, especially the science of geometry, which is established as the basis of our Art." Is it not here that the initiate has a right to expect some assistance, in order that his studies may be directed in the proper course ? And this is just where we think the Lodge fails in its promises and its duty. Much of Lodge ritual is very nice, some of it approaches the sublime, but it is only ritual after all, to be learned by rote, making no pretence to elucidate abstruse Masonic problems, or to delve into the realms of a deeper research. It will thus be evident that if the expectations of the candidate, founded upon the promises he has received, are to be realised, special means must be adopted by the Lodge outside the stereotyped formula. We have never admitted that ritual ceremonial has precedence, and that everything must give place to it, indeed we do not think it quite honest to advance such a claim in face of the contract practically made with the initiate. If a Lodge is actively engaged eleven months out of every twelve in ceremonial work, the suspicion may be excused as to whether the numerical progression is strengthening the institution of Freemasonry. But even assuming that each monthly meeting is necessary to overtake ritual work, it would not require an excess of administrative ability to arrange for two emergent meetings, and thus leave two regular nights clear for instruction and educative purposes, which are quite as much a part of the plan of Freemasonry as the continuous admission of candidates. In the large centres, some relief is offered to W.Ms. by the institution of literary Lodges, but the fact is to be deplored that the average M.M. in cities does not avail himself of this channel of instruction as freely as might be supposed. Still, such Lodges have their place in Freemasonry, and will be more appreciated in a progressive future. But there is one part of the work of such Lodges which cannot be over-estimated, and that is, the literature which is printed and disseminated, much of which is as bread cast upon the waters of Freemasonry, which shall return again after many days. Returning once more to the Palmerston North meeting, the writer of this article, seeing representatives of so many Lodges present, was impressed with the idea that Palmerston North would be an admirable centre for the establishment of a literary Lodge. There the outside attractions would not be so great as in a city, thus removing one of the chief difficulties of attendance. The surrounding Lodges are within easy distance, labourers in the vineyard should not be wanting, and if necessary outside assistance would be available, and if taken up in a proper spirit there is no reason why one of the most useful of research or literary Lodges should not find a home in Palmerston North.

THE M.W. THE GRAND SECRETARY.



We learn with pleasure that the B. of G.P. of the G.L. of N.Z. will include a clause in its report to G.L. recommending that six months' leave of absence be granted to M.W. Bro. Niccol, G.Sec. The M.W. Bro. was appointed to this office in May, 1900, by the then G.M. (M.W. Bro. A. Russell). At that time, Bro. Niccol had had an active Masonic experience, extending over 30 years, and in addition to holding high office in sister Constitutions, had filled the office of G.Supt. of the Auckland district for three years, and M.W.G.M. for two years. Since his appointment to his present office, he has faithfully and conscientiously performed the duties without respite or intermission except for a few brief weeks, when he represented the G.L. of New Zealand at an important Masonic function held by the G.L. of Victoria. The question of an extended holiday has recurred on several occasions, and was practically assented to at the last communication in Auckland, the following motion being adopted :—" That G.L. place on record its sense of the value of the services rendered to the Craft by the G.Sec., M.W. Bro. Niccol." In speaking to this motion, the President of the Board said that the Board had considered the question of sending M.W. Bro. Niccol home to conclude the agreement with the G.L. of Scotland. But the G.Sec. had opposed the expense. And so, on each occasion when the subject has arisen, the G.Sec. has interposed, considering that a temporary release from his duties would be prejudicial to the best interests of G.L. But it is now considered that arrangements may be concluded by which the affairs of G.L. will not suffer inconvenience, and as the constant strain has impaired the health of our brother, the Board may submit its recommendation with every confidence. If precedents are wanted, they are to be found in the case of the G.L. of West Australia, which body on two occasions sent its G.Sec. Home, primarily for health reasons; and the G.L. of N.S.W., actuated by considerate motives for its executive officer, granted an extended leave, and supplemented it in a practical manner with the necessary means for the thorough enjoyment of the holiday. We have in these few facts before the brethren so that they may be in a position to more fully appreciate the devoted and continuous service of M.W. Bro. Niccol during the past fourteen years, and to fittingly mark that appreciation by a ready and enthusiastic concurrence in the recommendation of the Board.

POSTERITY.



"I may be wrong, but I do not believe in building up an Annuity Fund for the benefit of posterity."

So said a W.M. on the occasion of his installation, and we do him the justice to say that we acquit him of any suspicion of selfishness, but rather that his sentiment was dictated by a desire to champion and uphold increased charitable efforts in the present than to make provision for those who come after. Further, such views are not singular, but are shared by many brethren, especially in connection with the Benevolent Funds of Freemasonry. Now, what is this great bugbear "Posterity," that is so often regarded askance? It is succeeding generations, those who are our own descendants, so that as a matter of fact the posterity that excites so much jealousy is our progeny, whether in direct or indirect line. Now, if we give the subject a little consideration we shall find that the world generally is always building for posterity. The state of civilisation of to-day, the perfection achieved in the arts and sciences, is not the outcome of the exclusive work of the present generation, but the result of the law of natural progression, which is a factor in the world's history. The banker, the merchant, the manufacturer, and the retailer, in building up their respective businesses, all have an eye—not to limitation of action—but to increase and extension, and thus are building for posterity. The very brother who objects to the creation of an Annuity Fund for a succeeding generation, is inconsistent if he disburses any moneys for the higher education of his own children, or attempts to make any provision for their maintenance after his death. With regard to the Annuity Fund, there are only two methods for its regulation. Firstly, as operated at present, by the accumulation of a capital amount, the interest product of which provides the administrative fund. Secondly, the raising of an annual amount sufficient only to meet the annuity charges. This latter method is not in any sense a business proposition, and we do not think there is the slightest possibility of its supplanting the present form, which has the advantage of economy, in that the

fund itself earns the amount requisite for providing the annual charges. If the Annuity Fund, the capital amount of which is annually increasing, is rightly administered in the cause of suffering humanity, then we should individually and severally rejoice that our charitable efforts have not only provided for present wants, but will also assist those who come after us—Posterity.

THE CENTRALISATION OF GRAND OFFICE.

We return to this question, not with any idea of discussing the merits or demerits of the proposal, but rather to endeavour to remove an erroneous impression, which very widely prevails. It appears to be very generally assumed that the result of the division on the question to rescind the resolution adopted in Auckland last year will decide the whole position as to the centralisation of the office of G.L. Whereas, no matter what may be the result of such division, it will not have the slightest effect on the question. The motion adopted in Auckland expressed an opinion "that the time has arrived when the Constitution should be altered with the view of making the office of G.L. permanent in one of the four centres, etc." But neither the movers nor G.L. took any steps to provide the necessary machinery for giving effect to their opinion, and without an alteration of the Laws the motion carried in Auckland might remain on the books of G.L. for twenty years, and would be absolutely ineffective. If the rescinding motion is lost, then G.L. will simply reaffirm the harmless expression of opinion of the last communication. While, if it is carried, it will not affect in the slightest degree the notice of motion which will be submitted for consideration at the session of G.L. in 1915. It is there that the crucial question will be decided, and if the several laws dealing with the question are amended, as will be proposed, then immediate effect will have to be given to them. Under these circumstances, we would strongly urge that the time of G.L. should not be wasted by a debate which would be utterly unproductive of result, but that the great fight on the question—if there is to be one—will be reserved for the annual meeting of 1915, when the question will be considered from a practical point of view. In this connection we would draw attention to the ambiguous construction of the notice of motion, No. 2, by the President of the B. of G.P. At present, the motion suggests that the proposed committee should "consider the question of locating the office of G.L. permanently, and prepare necessary amendments, etc." Should the committee, after consideration of the question, report adversely on the centralisation, will it prepare the necessary amendments? If so, it will only be necessary to consider the position so far as the alteration of the law is concerned. It is absolutely essential that the functions of the proposed committee should be very clearly defined, otherwise it may entail two or more sections of law-amenders working at cross-purposes, and submitting amendments to the same laws which will be calculated to bring about much confusion in debate.

News and Notes

A P.M. of a small country Lodge was visiting the little town that had been his former home, and had been asked to give a special address at a social arranged by the Lodge. In order to assure the audience that his career had not caused him to put on airs, he began his address thus :—"My dear friends—I won't call you ladies and gentlemen—I know you too well to say that. "

THE popularity of R.W. Bro. J. J. Bengali, G.M. designate, will alone be responsible for a large attendance at the annual communication of G.L. in Christchurch on 13th instant.

THE Freemasonry of Ireland is said to be, in many respects, the purest in the world. Among other things it claims to possess the most ancient form of ritual, one that has never been written, but orally handed down.

INFORMATION comes to hand that R.W. Bro. T. Allen, Prov. G.M. of Auckland, contemplates a visit to the Old Country, and consequently will not be re-appointed to the office he now holds. His successor will be M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, P.Prov.G.M.

KING OUDH, a Mohammedan, an East Indian, was made a Mason in Friendship Lodge, London, Eng. . A volume of the Koran was used in the initiation, which was furnished by the M.W.G.M., and the candidate was obligated on it by the W.M., who was an English clergyman.—"Masonic Voice Review."

THE Rose and Thistle R.A. Chapter will be consecrated at Ashburton on the 15th instant by the First Grand Principal, M.E. Comp. J. J. Esson, and officers of Grand Chapter. As a number of companions will be attending the communication of Grand Lodge, doubtless some of them will go on to Ashburton and participate in the double event. V.E. Comp. Dr. C. E. Russell Randle is the First Principal designate of the new Chapter.

HAVE you ever heard of a lodge meeting held at midnight, yet in the full light of day? This unusual event occurred at the North Cape, and a number of English brethren, from various lodges, who were on a tour of the "Land of the Midnight sun," participated in this extraordinary communication. The meeting was held on an elevated point one thousand feet above sea level, in lat. 71deg. min. 40sec. N., long. 26deg. min. 30sec. E.—"Square and Compass."

THE Australian Keystone—inadvertently, no doubt—appropriates an article from the New Zealand Craftsman without acknowledgment.

DE BURGH ADAMS LODGE, I.C., New Plymouth, is discussing the possibility of additions and improvements to its hall, at a cost not to exceed £400.

A CORRESPONDENT unkindly sent us a copy of the menu of the annual festival of Lodge Waipu, as he put it, "to tickle the editorial palate." As the editorial palate machinery is not working very smoothly at present, a sight of the menu was quite calculated to add insult to injury.

BRO. F. C. B. BISHOP is hon. secretary to the Executive Committee responsible for the arrangements for the reception of G.L. on The 13th instant.

WE learn, quite casually, that the M.W. Grand Master constituted Lodge Strath Taieri, No. 199, at Middlesmarch, on the 2nd April.

WE acknowledge with thanks copy of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Victoria for the year 1913.

THE Grand Lodge of Connecticut (says the West Australian Freemason) has a law in reference to men of the Roman Catholic faith who desire to join the Masonic fraternity. It is as follows :—"A petitioner for the degrees of Masonry, who is a Roman Catholic, should be informed that the policy and rules of his Church prohibit his taking such a step, that the vows of Masonry will not permit him to divulge Masonic secrets at confession or elsewhere; if he then is willing to promise allegiance to the Order religious belief does not constitute a basis for his rejection."

THE Grand Lodge of Victoria (Australia) has £29,439 2s. 8d. invested in the Freemasons' Hall property, and it has a liability of £10,000 to the executors of the late Sir W. J. Clark. The value of the property stands on the books as £39,435 15s. 11d.

PRESS reports state that W. Bro. J. M. Lightfoot, manager of the Bank of New South Wales at Carterton, has been promoted to the charge of the Blenheim branch of that bank. Masonically, Carterton's loss and Blenheim's gain.

THE M.W.G.M. has received a commission from the Grand Lodge of England appointing M.W. Bro. M. Niccol representative of the Grand Lodge of England near the Grand Lodge of New Zealand. The commission will probably be presented to Bro. Niccol in Grand Lodge.

W. BRO. A. JOLLY, P.M. of Lodge Hercules, gave an address to the brethren of Lodge Tutaneikai at the regular meeting in April. There was a large attendance of visitors, who evinced the greatest interest in the subject chosen by the talented W. Bro.

W. BRO. H. G. BROOKS, a P.M. of Lodge Ulster, has been transferred to Dunedin. He is a very old member of Ulster, and at the last meeting of the Lodge was presented with a suit case as a mark of esteem from the brethren. W. Bro. Brooks has been residing in Petone for about 30 years, and is employel in the Railway Workshops.'

THE W.M. of Lodge St. Andrew reported to the brethren at their last meeting that since the previous meeting dire misfortune had befallen the Lodge—in that the challenge from Lodge Pacific to contest a game of bowls had been accepted, the game played, and his Lodge extinguished. Personally, he disowned responsibility for this position, and instead of his colleagues coming to the meeting with the trophies of victory, the scalps of their opponents, they were themselves scalpless, at least some of them, as could now be seen. He was glad to be able to add that the clash upon the green had been succeeded by a very cordial reunion, and lasting peace restored.

LODGE ST. ANDREW intends working the third degree in its own Scotch manner at its next meeting, on 18th inst., and arrangements are being made for the due reception of visiting brethren. A large attendance will no doubt result to witness this efficient Lodge at work in the third.

THE officers of Waitaki Kil. R.A. Chapter have accepted an invitation to visit Waterloo Chapter, Wellington, on the 27th inst. to work the ceremony of Exaltation. As their fame has preceded them there will doubtless be a large attendance of companions on the occasion to do them honour.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

Brethren will regret to hear that W. Bro. W. H. Clark, the popular secretary of Lodge Taringatura, met with a painful accident recently, his right leg being fractured above the ankle. Our esteemed brother is progressing favourably, but it will be some time before he is able to walk with ease.

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St. John's Lodge has got a move on at last in literary effort. The paper prepared and read at the last meeting by W. Bro. Jas. Walker was very interesting, and conveyed much information to the candidates, for whose edification the paper was more particularly given.

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At Southern Cross Lodge meeting on 3rd instant, W. Bro. W. B. Scandrett gave an exceedingly interesting account of his travels abroad and of his Masonic experience in particular.

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On 25th ultimo Southern Cross Chapter paid its promised visit to Wallace Chapter, and worked the R.A. degree. V.E. Comp. Brokenshire and his officers are to be congratulated on their splendid exemplification of the degree. The meeting was a very happy one, and will make for the promotion of R.A. Freemasonry at Otautau.

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Lodge Harvey installation meeting was conducted very successfully by W. Bro. E. Probarth. There was a large attendance, which manifested the continued interest in Freemasonry at Gore. All marks of the flood occurrence have been effaced, and the Lodge has again settled down to what we hope will be uninterrupted prosperity.

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The annual meeting of Lodge Orepuki took place in the thick of Rev. Bates's predicted storm. This and the Easter week festivities interfered very much with the attendance of visitors. However, under the supervision of the Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. W. Timpany, whose cheery disposition and smiling countenance effectually made all oblivious to the storm without. The ceremony of installation passed off very pleasantly indeed. The ball which followed afterwards was very enjoyable, and will not be soon forgotten.

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The G.M., M.W. Bro. M. Thompson, has been paying, a round of visits, much to the satisfaction of the Lodges concerned. At Lodges Victoria, Harvey, and Orepuki, the receptions accorded him go far to show the warm place he occupies in the hearts of his Southland brethren.

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At an informal meeting of Southern Cross Lodge, to which representatives of the Invercargill Lodges were invited, R.W. Bro. Frank A. Steens was presented with a gold sovereign case, suitably inscribed, as a parting gift from the P.Ms. and officers of his lodge.

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Apart from Masonic functions, quite a number of private evenings have been given in honour of R.W. Bro. Steens. At one he was the recipient of a smoker's outfit. At another things were going merrily when a surprise was sprung on the gentleman. A lady, in all the majesty of her self-claimed superiority for her sex, stood up and, inter alia, thus addressed the company :—"Mere men and ladies, I have a duty to perform on behalf of the ladies, and that is to propose God-speed, health, and happiness to 'Our Mr. Steens.' "Chorus from the husbands : "Oh ! Where do we come in?" The interjection was as water on a duck's back, and the fair speaker proceeded with a splendid testimony of "Our Mr. Steens's" many good qualities, which very palpably disturbed the usual placid shew of his countenance. Truly, it may be said of R.W. Bro. Steens—he has won that esteem which money cannot buy.

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The principal theme of conversation amongst brethren just now is Grand Lodge affairs. The Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. W. Timpany, has called a meeting of W. Brethren and Wardens for the 29th instant, when the business to be transacted by Grand Lodge in May, and such other subjects as may be brought forward, will be fully considered.

CANTERBURY CHIPS.

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"Founders' Night" was the piece-de-resistance at the last meeting of the Civic Lodge, when the founders of the Lodge occupied the same chairs as at the foundation. There was quite a smile among the brethren when the W.M. vacated his chair to take up the less onerous position of I.G. R.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall occupied the eastern chair, and carried out the degree work in such a faultless manner as to demonstrate the fact that he is still one of our most brilliant ritualists.

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The letter signed "Country Bumpkin," which appeared in the last issue of the CRAFTSMAN, caused some amusement down here. The question was freely asked : Why, if the Westport Lodge could issue a circular to Lodges, should the same privilege be denied to the Masters and Past Masters Lodges? Surely what is right in Westport cannot be wrong in Christchurch.

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G.L. office has been located in a new and handsome building in Manchester Street, directly opposite St. Augustine Hall, so that for general convenience the arrangement is all that can be desired.

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At the last meeting of the Board of Enquiry a very interesting question arose as to whether charity should be disbursed to a brother who was unable to produce his papers. It was recognised to be a very difficult matter, and although there appeared to be a consensus of opinion against the practice, it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Almoner, W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs, who, in the course of the discussion, came in for many encomiums from the brethren present.

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"Should G.L. centralise " is the question of the day (and hour) in this Province, and there is no doubt that Canterbury brethren will offer strong opposition to the proposed alteration, both in the matter of centralising G.L. and also of making the location Wellington.

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A number of his Masonic friends tendered a dinner at the Federal Club recently to R.W. Bro. "Jack" Dougall. The function was small but enthusiastic. Small because the room would not hold many, and enthusiastic because of the esteem in which our distinguished brother is held by the Masons of Canterbury.

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"Pa" Binns, Prov. G.Sec. Bishop (minus the poodle which generally accompanies him), and a large retinue of Prov. G.L. officers, ended the installation of Bro. "Bertie" Jacobs as W.M. of Lodge Waihora, Leeston. The brethren of Leeston have a hall scheme on hand, and next year will probably receive its visitors in a hall of its own. At the banquet which followed the installation the irrepressible Dr. Wishers was, as usual, "agin the Government," but his opposition was of the good natured and harmless character.

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"What about our new 'all?" is the ceaseless enquiry one hears on his Masonic travels. The Directors are holding regular meetings, and as nearly £4,000 worth of shares have been actually taken up, it is fair to assume that the project is now an accomplished fact.

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The various branches of the G.L. Reception Committee are now hard at work, and visiting representatives may rely upon Canterbury upholding its good name in the matter of looking after the visitors.

The installation of Bro. John t. Graham, as W.M. of the Canterbury Lodge, No. 1048; E.C., took place on the 20th February, and the meeting was certainly one of the most successful ever held in this city. The popularity of the Master, as well as the popularity of the Lodge were the two chief features. Bro. Graham has threaded his way through the various chairs, seeking no undue preference, and content to wait until he attained the position of Master. There were 240 who signed the attendance register, and altogether the evening was a great success.

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Another fine thing which has features of interest was that at the St. Augustine Lodge, No. 4, installation Bro. Clifford W. Bingham, son of the respected and popular P.Prov.G.M., was elected to the Chair. The thing was unique, R.W. Bro. Bingham having been invited to conduct the chief portion of the installing ceremony of his son. Bro. C. W. Bingham, it is believed, is the youngest Master in the Provincial District of Canterbury, being but 26 years of age. He was one of the few brethren who came into the Lodge as a "Lewis," and, being a "chip of the old block," soon got to business, and by a faithful and regular attendance at instruction meetings he soon gained the confidence of those in authority, and was given office. The rest will be understood. It was thought that the task of conducting the meeting would prove a difficult one, but he soon showed that he had plenty of confidence in himself. St. Augustine Lodge is fortunate in the sense that the usual regular meeting is held the evening before G.L. assembles, and it will be interesting to note how the youthful Master will carry out the details of the meeting when representatives are to be present from every part of the Dominion.

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NEW MASONIC HALL.—Progress most favourable; allotments of shares have been made, and a strong body of Directors appointed. It had been thought at one time that it would be fit and proper and highly popular to have the foundation stone laid as one of the features of the meetings of the G.L. in Christchurch; but details of a kind involving many fine points led to the abandonment of the idea owing to lack of time. The site chosen is a splendid one. Most of the details have, been successfully fixed up, almost every Lodge in the Province taking shares.

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The arrangements for the reception of delegates from all over the Dominion at the meeting of the G.L., to be held in May next, are well in hand. Christchurch, however, is seriously lacking in the matter of a Town Hall, but, to the credit of the citizens be it said, the erection of a building of this character is now being taken very seriously. The Choral Hall has been secured for the installation ceremony. This, it will be remembered, is the same hall that has been used for several years past; and as R.W. Bro. Dougall, the prospective G.M., is

deservedly popular in the district it is quite certain that the local brethren will turn up in considerable force. R.W. Bro. Dougall has never spared himself where the interest of the Craft was concerned, and his lectures and speeches delivered from time to time at various functions have shown him as a brother of considerable ability, and well qualified to maintain the position and high standing of the Order.
(Received too late for April issue.----Ed. C.)

AUCKLAND NOTES.



A very pleasant and sociable gathering of members of the Auckland Masonic Institute and Club took place on 24th March, for the purpose of according a send-off to two members of the Committee (W. Bro. S. H. Davenport and W. Bro. R. White) upon the eve of their departure for a trip to the Home Land. The chair was occupied by the President (R.W. Bro. G. H. Powley), who referred to the services which had been rendered by the two guests in promoting the welfare of the Institution. On behalf of the members he tendered to both brethren the best wishes for a pleasant trip and safe return. An excellent musical programme was rendered, and altogether a most enjoyable evening was spent.

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At the March meeting of the Auckland Provincial Chapter, No. 9, a presentation of a very interesting nature was made, when E. Comp. M. Copeland handed the V.E.Z. a parchment scroll of the sacred writings, printed in Hebrew, as an addition to the furnishings of the Chapter. The V.E.Z., in warmly thanking Comp. Copeland for his gift, promised that the scroll should be placed alongside the V.S.L. at each meeting of the Chapter.

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At the annual meeting of Lodge Coromandel, No. 17, Bro. A. T. Gatland was installed into the W.M.'s chair, the ceremony being performed by R.W. Bro. T. W. Allan, Prov.G.M.

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The new W.M. of the United Waiuku Lodge, No. 90, is W. Bro. J. McGavin.

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The Committee of the Auckland Masonic Institute and Club have now decided in favour of the new premises which have been under offer recently. The removal to the new building, which is situated in His Majesty's Arcade, will take place in about two months' time.

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The return bowling match between the two Ara Lodges took place recently, when No. 1 was victorious over No. 348.

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One of the visitors to the April meeting of the United Masters' Lodge was R.W. Bro. M. MacLean, P.G. District Inspector of Workings of the G.L. of N.S.W.

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At the annual meeting of Rodney Lodge, No. 1711, E.C., Bro. Wm. Shaw was installed as W.M. The retiring Master (Bro. Wilson) carried on the duties of Installing Officer. The address to the W.M. was delivered by R.W. Bro. Bankart, Dist.G.M. ; that to the Wardens by W. Bro. Furby, Deputy Dist.G.M.; while W. Bro. C. H. Jenkins, Pres. Dist.B.G.P., addressed the brethren. The visitors were afterwards entertained at a banquet when the usual Masonic toasts were duly honoured.

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Lodge Piako, No. 160, drew a large gathering of members of the craft to Morrinsville for the installation meeting. The ceremony was carried out by members of the Lodge. Among those present was R.W. Bro. Allan, Prov.G.M. The new W.M. is W. Bro. G. W. Brayshaw.

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A movement is now on foot for the formation of a Masonic Lodge at Avondale. This is a suburb which has progressed greatly during recent years, and quite a number of brethren are now resident there. It is anticipated that the proposal will be safely launched,'

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At the annual meeting of Lodge Waitakare, the brethren presented a handsome P.M.'s Jewel to W. Bro. Quiltrough, the retiring W.M.

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The installation of Bro. C. T. Major as W.M. of Te Awamutu Lodge, No. 2221, E.C., took place at the Masonic Hall, Upper Queen Street, on 6th April. The ceremony was carried out by W. Bro. G. S. Goldsbro, the retiring W.M. Amongst the visitors present were the Prov.G.M. of the I.C., the Substitute Dist.G.M. of the S.C., and the Dist.G.M. of the B.C. The three addresses were delivered by R.W. Bros. A. S. Bankart, Dist.G.M., E.C., W. J. Rees, Prov.G.M., I.C., and W. Handley, Sub. Dist.G.M., S.C. The brethren were afterwards entertained by the members of the Lodge.

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The deputation from Dunedin, representing the Dist.G.L. of Scotland, spent a very enjoyable time during their sojourn in Auckland. They were entertained not only by the members of the local Dist.G.L., but by members of other Constitutions, prominent amongst whom were the brethren of Ara, No. 348. Bro. Cooke and his companions attended the regular meeting of Lodge St. Andrew, No. 418, on the Monday evening, were present at a social evening at the Masonic Institute on the Tuesday, and on Wednesday were at a special meeting of Ponsonby, No. 708. On the last-mentioned occasion there was a large gathering of brethren, all the Constitutions being represented.

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The work of renovating the Masonic Hall in Princes Street is now proceeding apace. A great change has already been made in the appearance of the building. The lodge-room has been repainted and decorated, a new carpet laid, and the electric light installed. When the improvements are completed, the change will no doubt be fully appreciated by the brethren.

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Some interest and amusement was recently created in Masonic circles by an advertisement which appeared in the daily press, inviting communications from "those willing to assist in the formation of a Masonic Lodge, to be worked under a Continental Constitution." The mover in this matter is, it is understood, a brother who has recently been disciplined by his lodge.

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As usual, there was a large gathering at the annual meeting of Lodge Sir Walter Scott, No. 15, at the Thames. The brethren of the two local sister lodges (Corinthian, E.C., and Lodge of Light, I.C.) attended in force, and numbers were also present from Paeroa, Coromandel, Auckland, etc. Bro. W. Bongard was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year, the ceremony throughout being marked by much enthusiasm. The after meeting was also a most successful function.

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Previous to his departure for a trip to England, W. Bro. S. H. Davenport was presented by the members of his Lodge (Ara, No. 348, I.C.) with a handsome pair of binoculars.

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Amongst the veterans who took part in the celebrations connected with the jubilee of the Battle of Orakau on the 1st April was W. Bro. S. Clements, of Rodney Lodge, No. 1711, E.C., Warkworth. Bro. Clements, who is in his 82nd year, wears medals that are rarely seen now-a-days, viz., Baltic, China, and Kaffir wars. Bro. Clements has occupied the Chair of Rodney Lodge for four different terms.

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One of the events of the month of March was the visit paid to Auckland by R.W. Bro. David Cook, Dist.G.M. of New Zealand South, under the S.C., who was accompanied by R.W. Bro. W. Begg, Dist.G.M. Depute, R.W. Bro. Carter, Sub. Dist.G.M., and a number of other members of the Dist.G.L.

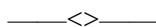
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The remarks made by the newly-installed W.M. of Lodges Te Awamutu, E.C., in proposing the health of his Dist.G.L., caused quite a flutter amongst those present. Bro. Major departed from constitutional lines, and very adversely criticised a good many of our methods, expressing himself in many respects disappointed with what he had met with in connection with the institution. He was not prepared to suggest a remedy, but was satisfied that if such were provided, it would not come from the rank and file, but must emanate from those at the head of the organisation.

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R.W. Bro. T. W. Allan will retire in May from the position of Prov.G.M., after two arduous years of office. Bro. Allan finds that the duties connected with the appointment make too great a demand upon his time, and he has therefore been compelled to relinquish the office: M.W. Bro. Oliver Nicholson, P.Pro-G.M., will again assume charge of the Auckland District.

GRAND LODGE OF NEW ZEALAND.



THE FISCAL POSITION.

From the advance reports and statements of accounts of the G.L. of New Zealand, to be presented to G.L. on the 13th inst., some interesting information may be culled. The following is a summary of the cash balances of G.L. as at the 31st March, 1914 :—

	Balance as at 31st March, 1913.	Receipts (in- cluding inter- est for the year ended 31st March, 1914.)	Total.	Expenditure for the year ended 31st March, 1914.	Balance as at 31st March, 1914.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Fund	4,073 8 7	3,576 7 3	7,649 15 10	+3,768 7 4	3,881 8 6
Fund of Benevolence	3,207 13 5	766 4 6	3,973 17 11	469 16 2	3,504 1 9
Widows' and Orphans' and Aged Masons' Fund	20,625 19 3	*2,686 2 5	23,312 1 8	677 15 0	22,634 6 8
Representation Fund (1913 Communication)	477 11 0	24 0 3	501 11 3	§501 11 3	—
Representation Fund (1914 Communication)	—	489 10 0	489 10 0	—	489 10 0
Circular Appeals	1,695 15 8	†453 9 1	2,149 4 9	*734 13 7	1,414 11 2
	30,080 7 11	7,995 13 6	38,076 1 5	6,152 3 4	31,923 18 1

† Includes 254 6s. 0d. loss on Representation Levy for 1913 Communication.

* Includes £25 6s. 6d., Balance of Circular Appeal Fund transferred.

‡ Includes £3 interest transferred to Murray Appeal Fund.

§ Plus £254 6s. 0d. paid out of General Fund, the net amount of Representatives' Travelling Expenses being £755 17s. 3d.

The fact that the accrued balances of G.L. have reached an amount of £31,923 must be deemed highly satisfactory. We reiterate a previously expressed opinion that a transfer of a portion of the balance to credit of the Benevolent Fund could be made to the Annuity Fund with advantage. From the report of the Committee of Management of the Annuity Fund we find that there are 33 annuitants in receipt of annual amounts varying from £12 to £52.

The capital value of the fund at 31st March, 1914, was £22,634 6s. 8d., an increase of £2,008 7s. 5d. over the amount at the close of the financial year of 1913.

The increase was made up as follows :—

£ s. d.

Voluntary Contributions from Lodges and Brethren	1,495 17 10
Voluntary Contribution from Supreme RA. Chapter of New Zealand	26 0 0
Balance of Circular Appeal Fund transferred	... 25 6 6
Interest earned by General Fund and Fund of Benevolence	314 0 0
Interest earned by W. & O. & A.M. Fund	£824 18 1
Less Annuities paid	677 15 0
	147 3 1

Total £2,008 7 5

The income from the invested Annuity Fund for the year 1914-1915 will be about £910.

The annual charge upon the Annuity Fund is at present £778 103., so that a margin of about £132 per annum exists for the creation of new annuities.

SUMMARY OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' AND AGED MASONS' FUND. from 1st April, 1913, to 31st March, 1914.

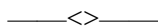
	£ s. d.
Auckland District..	384 15 5
Canterbury Province	383 19 4
Wellington District	274 11 3
Southland District	131 8 0
Otago District	126 14 6
Hawkes Bay District	67 8 6
West Coast District.. ...	55 11 3
Nelson and Marlborough District	39 3 3
Taranaki District	32 6 4
Supreme G.R.A. Chapter of N.Z.	26 0 0
Balance of Circular Appeal Fund transferred	25 6 6
	£1,547 4 4

From the foregoing summary we find that the Auckland District retains its position as the largest contributor, and shows an increase of £54 17s. 1d. over 1913. Canterbury runs Auckland very closely, and has increased its total by £191 5s. 6d. during the year just expired, but of this amount Lodge Civic is responsible for the large increase of £141 4s. 6d. on its last year's subscription. Wellington has lapsed to a bad third place, and shows a decrease of £49 3s. 8d. in its philanthropic efforts. Otago is responsible for an increase of £28 12s. 3d. The average per Lodge in each district works out as follows :—

	£ s. d.
Auckland, 42 Lodges	9 3 2½
Canterbury, 34 Lodges	11 5 10¼
Wellington, 37 Lodges	7 8 4¾
Otago, 26 Lodges	... 4 17 5¾

The receipts to the General Fund amounted to £3,576 70. 3d., and the payments to £3,509 ls. 4d., which included £564 10s. 10d. for various books, of which there are books in stock amounting to £268 8s. 11d. There are also two items, non-recurring—viz., new M.M. certificate plate, £125; and revising G.L. Laws, £52 10s. From this very brief analysis it will be seen that the revenue of G.L. is very elastic in character, and is quite capable of meeting all charges without any undue strain.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE.



The committee having charge of the arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the representatives attending the Annual Communication of G.L., to be held in Christchurch on the 13th and 14th of May, has directed me to communicate to you what it is intended to do, so that the brethren attending will have some idea of the function that it is proposed to hold for their entertainment. Brethren arriving by steamer from the

North will be met at Lyttelton by members of the Reception Committee, who will see to their comfort, and will be prepared to give any assistance or advice that may be necessary. In the same way, on arrival at Christchurch, the representatives will be met and directed to the place selected to stay at. Those arriving from the South will be met at Ashburton, or some other station on the line, and given any information, etc., that might be required. This will apply to both the expresses on the 11th and 12th. After the installation of the G.M., which will take place in the Choral Hall, the brethren will make their way to the Alexandra Hall, where refreshments will be served on the counter principle. It is proposed to hold a Garden Party on Thursday, the 14th, on the Racecourse Reserve, where afternoon tea will be provided in the kiosk, and, as the grounds are beautifully layed out and cared for, given a fine day, a most enjoyable afternoon should be spent. Special trams will be provided. In the evening the customary conversazione will be held in the Alexandra and Victoria Halls, followed by a dance. Special provision for the entertainment of those ladies who may be visiting Christchurch with the brethren are being made by a special Ladies' Committee, who intend having a tram excursion to Victoria, Park (on the Port hills), on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 13th, where the inevitable tea is to be dispensed, followed in the evening by a party to one of the picture entertainments, finishing up with a supper. The committee trusts that there will be a very large attendance of visiting brethren, and that most, if not all, of them will bring their, ladies. On behalf of the committee I have pleasure in extending a most hearty invitation to representatives and their ladies, and can assure them they will receive a true Masonic welcome, and that everything will be done to make their visit to Christchurch pleasant and enjoyable.

FRED. C. B. BISHOP, P.G.D.C.,
Secretary.

Christchurch, 18th April, 1914.

THE PLEASURES OF MOTORING.

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EXPERIENCES OF A TRIP TO WAIROA.

A Napier correspondent writes :—

Motoring has its pleasures, but it also has its drawbacks, and a party of Craftsmen who made the overland trip from Napier to Wairoa on the occasion of Waikaremoana's installation had an experience which they will not soon forget. There were six of them besides the chauffeur, and two or three of them were rather above what may be described as a good riding weight. They started off full of the holiday spirit, gay and hearty, out for a good time—and got it. All went merrily till about three parts of the distance had been covered, when an explosion like the report of a small cannon indicated a blowout. It was not serious, but the incident subdued the gay spirits, and when the operation was repeated a few miles further on, and still again, matters began to look black, and if any of the party had held shares in a motor company they could have been purchased at a very low figure. However, Wairoa was reached in due course, just in time to enable the Scinde brethren to fulfil their promise to work a Degree for Waikaremoana. And here, in passing, let it be said that the work did not suffer by reason of the vexatious journey.

Next day there was the installation, and the troubles of motoring did not worry the tourists, but the following day they set out on a visit to Lake Waikaremoana, the "Sea of the Rippling Water." Of that trip no true and authentic story has yet been told. It was punctuated by punctures that occurred with heart-breaking persistency, and the best part of the morning was monopolised in tedious delays on the road. However, the beauties of the scenery at the lake compensated in a large measure for the untoward experiences, and restored the party to good spirits. A very early start was made the following morning on the return journey, but again disaster accompanied them, and the party were seriously thinking of casting lots with a view to discovering the Jonah. By this time the Craftsmen had become expert in their duties. Each man had his proper station, and at each stop performed his allotted task with the speed and precision of a trained mechanic.

Arrived at Wairoa, the stock of tyres was replenished, and heads were turned for Napier. All went well for a time, and just as the party were flattering themselves on having outrun their run of bad luck, bang went another tyre. This was only the beginning of the real trouble. One of the party counted up to fifteen stoppages, and then gave up in disgust. These calls of labour afforded plenty of time to reflect and moralise on the working tools of an expert mechanic, and the moral deduced by the worthy doctor was that a pair of good horses are worth half-a-dozen motors. All good things have an end, however, and Napier was reached in the early hours of the morning, the last few miles of the journey being covered with one wheel running on the rims. The party are considering a proposal to open a correspondence school for instruction in the art of tyre repairing. What they don't know about the business is not worth troubling about.

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THE LOST WORD.

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The following is the abridged substance of a paper read by Comp. W. H. Munro, at the combined meeting of R.A. Chapters, Otago, No. 7, and Maori, No. 28, on 16th March. The occasion was to receive a visit from M.E. Comp. Esson, G.Z., and M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S., of the Supreme G. Chapter of N.Z., and the business of the evening the presentation of diplomas of past and present G. rank to several distinguished companions.

The brother who has just been raised to the high and sublime degree of a M.M. is then made aware that if he seeks to know the "genuine secrets" he must still proceed onward. He may rest satisfied, becoming a unit in the great majority who are content with the knowledge imparted in the Lodge-room, seeing no reason why they should take up for themselves the unsuccessful quest of the Wardens. But if the "substituted secrets" are not enough for the new M.M.—if the mere fact of a "substitution" being offered shows him that he has advanced but little beyond the "middle chamber"—then he will be impelled to emulate our example, and offer himself a candidate for the mysteries of the H.R.A., in which he will find the "genuine secrets" restored, and "The Lost Word" found again.

"THE LOST WORD" Is it only the secret—the Ineffable Name of the Great Architect and Creator? The Name that no companion singly may pronounce? No, emphatically no! The "Word,"—the "Logos," the "Name,"—is only a symbol for the Great Power which created and preserves the universe, and which pervades all space and everything therein, the "I AM THAT I AM," which was and is and ever will be.

"The Lost Word!" At first, it is strange to find how the story—the legend, call it what you will—is associated with the religious beliefs of every nation and people upon the earth throughout all time.. It matters not whether they be the most civilised and highly cultured, or occupying, on the other hand, the plane assigned to the most barbarous and degraded, yet you will find "The Lost Word " in some easily recognisable form taking the chief place in their religious ceremonies. And the reason for this is plain after all, because "The Lost Word" is really God in nature and nature in God, and all the corresponding and inalienable virtues which that implies.

And everywhere it is the subject of awe and reverence, and must never be pronounced. Always some other word or compound made up of initials is substituted. In Egypt, thousands of years before the time of the Hebrews, we find the "Secret" or " Ineffable Name" in connection with their Supreme God, and when you read the substituted names describing His attributes you cannot but be convinced that no matter under what terms their Supreme God's name was hidden, He was undoubtedly the same Who was later to be revealed to Abraham and Moses.

Their most ancient records, which are embodied in what is known as "The Book of the Dead, or the Coming Forth by Day," one passage among many to the same effect, says :-

"No mortal can Name Him,
Countless are His titles ;
He is unnameable, and abhorreth to have His Name pronounced.
No man knoweth His Name ;
His Names are innumerable in every land."

What is to-day called by our divines and scientists " The immanence of God "—that is, God everywhere, permeating everything in the universe—was also known and taught by the Egyptians ten thousand years ago in the " Ritual of the Masters of the Hidden Secret," where their Supreme God was described as saying :-

" Heaven's space is my head,
My body the sea, the earth my feet,
My ears are in the upper ether,
Mine eye is the wide-shining, glorious sunlight !"

The Egyptian Magi, when they wished to impress the people with a more terror-inspiring, incantation than usual, pretended that they would pronounce the Secret Name. When all else failed, this device would be successful in accomplishing their object, whatever it might be. It was what we might call their "sure card," as they never required to pronounce it, the threat to do so being enough! The following is an example, taken from an ancient papyrus in the British Museum :-

" I will pronounce that Name !
The Name that no one knows—
If I speak that Name over the river,
The river [the Nile] will be dried up ;
If I speak that Name over the land,
Fire will burst through it,
And the Race of Man will perish
And be no more !
If I speak it towards the South
It will become the North !"

This last threat was the most terrifying of all, the Egyptians believing the North to be the place of eternal darkness, the entrance to the abodes of the demons.

In India and China, in Japan and Java, in Persia and Syria, as a substitute for the Great and Secret 'Name, the compound word " A.U.M." (or a variation) has been used for ages—so long that the original Name is indeed lost. " A.U.M." is composed of the initials of words meaning Earth, Fire, and Air. A Brahmin would not pronounce even this substituted word aloud, but must place one hand before his mouth so as to deaden the sound. He must whisper it before and after reading his sacred scripture, otherwise his learning would be forgotten, for thus saith the " Veda " :— The word A.U.M.' shall never pass away, for it is the symbol of the Lord of all things."

In Greece, Italy, and among the Gaelic-speaking nations of Scotland, Ireland, and Wales, we have words of similar sound used in similar fashion. One of the oldest nations in Europe are the Finns, and one of their sagas (or records) coming down from the remote past of thousands of years back gives a history of a quest for a Lost Word of great power.

In the Scotch Third Degree (as used in some of our Lodges) this substituted Word is stated to be preserved in the terminal letters of the mystic names of three individuals who are introduced as taking a very active part in it. They will be readily identified by those who have had the privilege of listening to or perhaps personating the mysterious trio, and have probably been at a loss to account for the singularity of their names.

In Old Testament history it, appears once, when from the burning bush Moses is commanded :—" Thus shalt thou say unto the Children of Israel, I AM hath sent me."

But the Jews have many Rabbinical legends about the "Ineffable Name," which has been so carefully concealed that it is really lost to us entirely. I will only mention two of them :-

The stone which is stated to have ultimately become the chief foundation-stone of the Temple is first mentioned in the Book of Enoch. He was translated to heaven, but before that event took place he obtained as a boon that he should first see all the lower seven divisions of the universe. Among other things he saw the stone which supports the corner of the earth. This stone was afterwards discovered by David when digging for the foundations of the Temple, and on it he saw carved "The unutterable and Ineffable Name." Enoch was also taken down to hell, which he found divided into lower and still lower depths, the deepest of all being allotted to those who had been guilty of the unforgiveable crime of uttering the "Secret Name. "

Another legend, quoted as true history by Eusebius, is that the Egyptian whom Moses slew before he fled from Egypt was the King of Memphis, then tributary to Pharaoh. The latter angrily demanded an explanation, to which Moses replied that he was acting under instructions from his God, Whose Name he could not utter aloud. Pharaoh insisted upon having the Name. Moses whispered it into his ear, whereupon Pharaoh fell to the ground insensible, and Moses escaped in the consequent confusion.

To come down to later times—to comparatively the other day, in fact—we can refer to an actual historical instance, the proof of which is still in existence, of the utterance of a word being made a sufficient reason for putting the speaker to death. In 1565, on the occasion of the oft-recurring Jewish persecutions on the Continent, the Pope issued a special bull declaring that the word " Talmud " was to be considered as henceforth and for ever and ever wiped out of existence; that it was never to be mentioned by the Jews in any way, in private or public, in any speech, lecture, sermon, or document of any kind whatsoever. All copies of the Talmud were to be delivered up to the Church, and destroyed by fire. If any Jew gave utterance to the word "Talmud " thereafter, he was to be similarly delivered up to the Church, and his obstinacy would be, according to the custom of the time, corrected in a similar fashion. For a time, therefore, this word Talmud was never spoken aloud, being only whispered in the ear by one Jew to another, and not then until after the strictest precautions being observed. In ordinary conversation other words were substituted for it, and had this state of things continued, it might have become one of the "lost genuine secrets" of the Jews.

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What is the peculiar mission, then, of R.A. Masonry ? In the words of one of our Masonic writers, if there is one great truth that it would teach, it is : That labour is honourable, be it ever so servile. That he who would be a ruler must learn to obey. Our ancient brethren journeyed from Babylon to Jerusalem—out of bondage into freedom—with one strong purpose in view. And that purpose, in the words of the Ritual : "To rebuild the Temple of the Lord."

Where for us is this Temple to be built? The reply of the candidate in another degree supplies the answer :-

" What do you profess ?—Masonry.

" What do you build ?—The temples and tabernacles.

" Where do you build them ?—For want of ground, we build them in our hearts."

That, companions, is where our Temple is to be built.

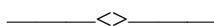
But what are the stones to be used in building this Temple! To extend the hand to the weary sojourners in their toilsome march over rough and rugged roads to the New Jerusalem we look forward to — the G.

Chapter above. To cheer the sorrowing, to encourage the halting, and reclaim the wandering. To forgive and forget the injuries of the malicious, and the stings of the envious. To provide food for the hungry and homes for the unfortunate, for the widow and the orphan, To exercise at all times that greatest of Masonic virtues—Charity—which embraces the rest. Those are the stones of which our Temple is to be built. That is the secret of our spiritual quest under taken in the technical terms of the Craft of Masonry, yet nom the less as mystic, as divine as that of the Holy Grail, of whirl the life-long quest of the lost Building Word is but another allegorical symbol.

Such is the mission of R.A. Masonry—broad as the world deep as God's love, and co-existent with eternity !

Correspondence

"WORSHIPFUL MASTER."



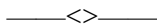
TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— Should the head of a Masonic Lodge speak of himself as "Worshipful Master"? We hear it done every day, but is it proper for him to apply the adjective portion of the title to himself? I quite agree that it should never be omitted by any brother in the Lodge, whatever his rank, in addressing or referring to the presiding officer, but it always seems to me out of place, if not a solecism, for any brother to, as it were, give himself a testimonial to his own' worthiness. The word "Worshipful," I take it, signifies worthy of respect or reverence, and is quite appropriately applied to the officer whom the brethren of a Lodge have seen fit to honour by election to the chair. But when a Master refers to himself as "the Worshipful Master," does it not smack of the suggestion "I am a person worthy of respect"? Perhaps it may not strike others in this way, but I must say that the use of the term in the way I have referred to always grates on my nerves. So far as I can recollect, there is only one place in the ritual where the Master has occasion to refer to himself by his title, and there the prescribed words are:—" I, as Master of this Lodge, and thereby the humble representative, etc." Therefore, I submit that both ritual and modesty dictate that he should always speak of himself as "Master"and leave others to use the word "Worshipful."—Yours fraternally,

A P.M.

Auckland, 3rd April, 1914.

WHAT WE ALL SHOULD KNOW.



(By Cecil Wood, P.M.)

In placing myself before you to-night propose to touch upon a phase of affairs Masonic which is not commonly dealt with, at least in this district. It must be clearly understood that in no way do I reflect upon any particular brother or Lodge; I speak simply from a common sense conclusion, on the misunderstandings and really innocent irregularities on the part of indeed many Masons. Numerous points for the welfare and regularity of our principles and teachings are not explained by our workings, nor are they expressly stated in our ritual, although I am prepared to admit, all are implied more or less, throughout the completeness of the Articles of Constitution or our ritual, but the deplorable lack of attention or thought gives rise to misunderstandings, misconstruction and false ideas on many essentials. It is only with an endeavour of kindly correction and with a hope of doing some little good for the craft in general (from my own point of course) that I am addressing you this evening. The most essential point of Masonry is a knowledge of the T.G. Architect's plan of evolution for man, and when a Mason once grasps and realises that plan he cannot help working for it and making himself one with it, because it is so glorious, so beautiful. Much has been written, and I trust will continue to be written from time to time, regarding the beauties and super-excellencies of our Order; but what good is it doing to the numbers who have been pursuing Masonry along

the wrong channel, through various causes, for which, primarily, they, perhaps, are not responsible, and to members who, with the object of direct personal benefit are always looking for, and in readiness to take advantage of those excellencies and beauties, benefits, etc., of which you hear over and over again. The section to whom I refer is larger than it should be, and we find that every town, but I shall not venture to say every Lodge, has its proportion. It is those brethren against whom I make no reflection, but whom I wish to reach. I recognise that they have missed the objects of Masonry, that they have been led away by misunderstanding or have misconstrued our fundamental principles. Others again, have failed through hasty conclusion on account of some defaulting brother and many other factors have intervened which need not here be entered upon. In the first place, you are bound as instructed in your ritual to study the hidden laws of nature, and as you learn them to arrange your life according to them, using always reason and common sense. In Lodge all brethren are on a level and they part on the square, but this does not extend beyond the Lodge room. In the outside world you mingle as before, giving honour where honour is due, and the Mason who has been admitted amongst us through the influence of good report, for regularity of conduct and propriety of demeanour, is not to presume on that account or to take any undue liberties with men in higher station of life, beyond those he would have been entitled to were he not a Mason. We frequently hear of trivial resentments when brother Masons, perhaps in different walks of life, have inadvertently, perhaps otherwise, overlooked or failed to recognise the common courtesies. I strongly exhort all brethren to banish from their minds at all times and in all places any feelings of misgivings in this respect. These little matters are so far below the dignity of Masonry, that a Mason with a knowledge of the spirit of Masonry, would never allow himself one second's worry. Learn to discriminate, to be tolerant; learn to distinguish the Good (the God) in everyone and everything no matter how evil he or it may appear on the surface. You can help your brother through that which you have in common with him, which is the Masonic spirit; learn how to foster such in him, how to appeal to that in him. Let us try to be true in our actions. Never allow yourself to be other than you are, for all pretence is a hindrance to the pure influence of Masonry ; never allow yourself to feel proud beyond a degree, for pride will easily develop conceit, which at once writes the word "ignorance" all over you, and everybody reads it. A subject I should like to refer to in passing is the ostensible advantage of having time and money, but I will content myself by remarking that I have always admired the brother who has not feared to declare it when he could not afford the time and expense occupied in various excursions, banquets, or other luxuries incidental to Masonry. It is thought by some that it devolves upon every Mason to patronise and trade with his brother Mason ; this is a great misunderstanding. A Mason must never expect or attempt to gain an advantage through Masonic influence. Imagine if such were a rule or one of our objects, how the outside world would denounce us. It would even ruin our institution. A Mason must prepare to compete in the outside world on his merits. Personally, I dislike the prominent square and compass so frequently exhibited. It is not necessary to advertise the fact of your being a Mason. Let your life show that you are a Mason, not your watch chain. I do not hesitate to state that as you use Masonry as it is intended to be used, so sure will you be uplifted in yourself by that Unknown (?) and Mysterious (?) permeating influence which at all times surrounds the genuine Mason. Between right and wrong Masonry knows no compromise at whatever apparent cost. That which is right you must do, and that which is wrong you must not do, no matter what others may require of you. Do right for the sake of doing right, not for any hope of reward—give yourself to the service of the world, always having due and proper regard for the conditions under which you live. Again, I feel I should touch upon the subject respecting "Fit and proper Persons." Every brother should have regard to the qualifications of his nominee, his character, his worldly position, his manner of life and the tone of the man. He may pass in 99 points out of 100 but the remaining one may unfit him for Masonry, and when such is the case, do not hesitate in your duty towards your Lodge. We all know that like follows like, and that the Lodge is exactly what the character of its members make it. Brethren frequently fear "giving away secrets" to a candidate, and are very circumspect when introducing them into the Lodge. I claim it the duty of every proposer to explain to his candidate before initiation, what is expected of him afterwards, his duty to T.G.A.O.T.U., to his brethren and to his fellowmen; that he must, to a degree, eliminate self and work with love and harmony for all about him. Further, in fairness, the candidate must be informed of the necessary requirements of preparation, so that he shall suffer no sense of discomfort. It is incumbent upon us as Masons, to guard our actions. Everyone has an influence for good or evil somewhere or somehow. Let us then be careful with our language and expressions, for remember that words are "living things" and that once uttered will affect ourselves or others accordingly

as in our hearts we meant them. We must endeavour to be pure in thought. Here let me venture to say that every thought has its effect and will ultimately reflect upon us for good or evil, as the case may be. All achievements or accomplishments are the result of thought, whether individual or collective, and the quality of every man's thought is indicated by the life he leads. Troubles and trials come about with every man, but a Mason should be in a position to bear his without difficulty, if he only exercise his thought in the proper' direction. The G.A.O.T.U. never places any man to a trial greater than he can bear, and Masonry is only one of the great plans for the enlightenment of men, which, when rightly understood, greatly lessens their difficulties. The brother who has not the true grasp of Masonry thinks he is great, and that he has done this or that great thing, but the genuine Mason knows that only T.G.A.O.T.U. is great and that we are only his units in degree according to our knowledge and understanding. Masonry informs us that we are all children of one father ; that man is an infirm, short-lived creature who passes away like a shadow ; that he is hastened to that place where human titles and distinctions are not considered; where the trappings of pride will be taken away, and virtue alone have the pre-eminence; and thus instructed we profess that merit is the only prosper distinction. We are not to vaunt ourselves upon the riches or our honours, but to clothe ourselves with humility; to condescend to men of low estate ; to be the friend of merit in whatever rank we find it. We are connected with men of the most indigent circumstances, and in lodge (though our order deprives no man of the honour due to his dignity or character) we rank as brethren on a level; and out of lodge, the most abject wretch we behold belongs to the great fraternity of mankind; and, therefore, when it is in our power, it is our duty to succour the distressed, and comfort the neglected. To young Masons I would suggest a careful study of the ritual. Attend lodge and estimate Masonry by its teachings and insulations. Do not hastily sum up Masonry from the little things which are frequently occurring outside and inside lodge, and which are inconsistent with its principles and tenets. Again I urge discrimination in judging the craft by the empty talk and actions of the few. Where you see defects use your efforts without interference or irritation to anyone. Make allowance for everything and be guided by right for the sake of right, even though hundreds may disagree with you. We frequently hear the actions of brethren characterised as childish and irresponsible. When a person is made a Mason it is assumed that he has arrived at the age of discretion with full 'lowers of intelligence to assimilate the principles and precepts of Masonry, and that he will act and think as a man and a Mason, not as a mere member of an organised body of men. It is written : "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child, but when I became a man I put away childish things."

CHILDREN'S SOCIAL.

Christchurch No. 1 held their Eighteenth Annual Children's Social on 26th March in the Alexandra Hall. The large room was packed with children and their parents, and a most attractive programme was presented by a number of prominent juvenile performers, consisting of Scotch dances, recitations, violin and vocal solos, all of which were greatly appreciated. Supper was done full justice to, and toys distributed to the younger children, after which the usual half-hour's romp brought a most successful social to a close.

OBITUARY.

V.W. BRO. DAVID MEADOWCROFT, PAST GRAND
CHAPLAIN, GRAND LODGE OF VICTORIA.

On the 31st March Bro. David Meadowcroft, P.G. Chap. of Victoria, crossed the dark river into the realms of Eternal Light. Our late brother was attached to the ministry of the Congregational Church, and had a charge in Victoria, which he resigned some years ago in consequence of the infirmities of old age. He then settled in Wellington, and spent the

remainder of his days in quietude and tranquility. For many years he was an active Freemason, and was attached to the G.L. of Victoria, in which body he held the offices of Grand Chaplain and Secretary of Foreign Correspondence. Though occasionally he visited lodges in Wellington, he took no active part in the craft in New Zealand. A son of the deceased brother is also a Wellington citizen, being well known as the manager of Messrs. Cadbury and Co. The funeral took place on the 2nd April, the Rev. J. Reed Glasson being the officiating minister. At the request of the deceased the Masonic service was also read at the graveside.

SCHOLARS OF THE CRAFT.

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SYDNEY TURNER KLEIN.

The subject of this memoir (born 1853, initiated into Masonry 1888) has always been greatly interested in the Physical Sciences, and is a Fellow of Linnean, the Astronomical, and a large number of other Societies. A paper read before the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076. in 1889, and printed in the Transactions of that body, "The Law of Dakheil and other Curious Customs of the Bedawîn," displayed both intellectual power and literary dexterity. Of the hidden mysteries of nature and science he has since given many glimpses, and has expatiated in eloquent terms on the wonders revealed by the science of astronomy. There is no other branch of natural science in which he has obtained greater distinction, and it is doubtless from the methods he has acquired, it may be insensibly, as an astronomer, that his literary work is distinguished by such carefulness and precision.

It is the common habit to prefer the pretty story to the true story, and the custom of historians, by no means omitting those of Freemasonry, has been remarkably uniform in this respect. With the astronomers, however, it is different. It is a pretty story, to borrow the words of the late Professor Freeman, to believe that the sun dances for joy on Easter Day, than to believe that it obeys the laws of gravitation on all days. Yet he who should set forth the pretty story now would hardly win the reputation of a scientific astronomer. But a man may put forth things in history, particularly Masonic history, quite as far from the world of fact as the sun dancing for joy on Easter Day, and he will nevertheless get a following, who will deem it sacrilege to call his statements in question.

By adopting, however, the more critical methods which are followed with so much success by the astronomers, Klein has deservedly won renown, and two of his essays are of extraordinary merit, and it will be safe to affirm that they could have been written by no other man.

The "Great Symbol" and "Magister Mathesios" both deal with the subject of Masonic Symbolism, the former from the operative, and the latter from the speculative or mystical point of view.

In the essay on the "Great Symbol" the author coined the phrase, "The Knowledge of the Square," representing the fundamental principle underlying the science of Operative Masonry, and after showing the importance attached to that knowledge during all the past 6,000 years, it concluded the subject with a curious and really wonderful demonstration—"Segmus irritant animos demissa per aures, Quam quæ sunt oculis subjecta fidelibus"—"What we hear moves less than what we see," and the demonstration was designed to show that the lecturer had at last unearthed the genuine secrets of a Master Mason by the Key of a Fellow Craft, so far as the signs are concerned. The subject of the "Great Symbol," and especially the demonstration with which it concluded, evoked general interest, and the talented author of such a learned essay and so ingenious an hypothesis, was overwhelmed with invitations from all parts of the world to deliver the lecture,

of which the fame had spread far and wide. . The second paper, "Magister Mathesios," completed the subject of the "Genuine Secrets " by suggesting what it was that was lost to Masonry in the fourteenth or fifteenth century. By means of over fifty illustrations of Mediaeval paintings, carvings, buildings, and geometrical diagrams, the author took his readers through bye-paths not hitherto trod in Masonic publications. He pointed out to them that what (in his judgment) had been lost, was the very origin of Gothic architecture, and concluded with one of his Hidden Mysteries" (No. VI.) upon Life, an interesting essay upon what may be called the Evolution of Thought, as depicted by human strivings after the transcendental in the Medieval Mysticism.

The "Hidden Mysteries " above referred to, all true students of the Craft will be glad to learn, are engaging the further attention of their ingenious delineator, and will shortly appear in a volume entitled "Science and The Infinite," or "Through a Window in a Blank Wall."

The title of the book will quicken the expectation of the Mystics in Freemasonry, and probably (after a perusal of its contents) many of them will say of the author-

"In wells where truth in secret lay
He saw the midnight stare by day."

BOWLING.

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Waterloo v. Leinster.

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[Contributed.]

The enthusiastic bowler never loses an opportunity of indulging in his favourite pastime, and, on suitable occasions, of enlarging upon the sociability, or, as he prefers to put it, the "Freemasonry of the game," while it is a well-known fact that among the thousands that range under the banners of the fraternity there are many who are not only experts in the mysteries of the Craft, but are able exponents of "the draw," "the drive," and the art of "kissing kitty."

It is not surprising, therefore, that, during the last two or three years bowling matches between the brethren have often been suggested. Nothing came of these suggestions until several energetic brethren of Lodges Leinster and Waterloo arranged the necessary preliminaries for a game, with the result that a battle royal between the representatives of the two Lodges took place on the Wellington Club's green on 21st March. Each was represented by three rinks, the Leinster rinks being skipped by W. Bros. Norwood, Bush, and Bro. Magnus, while W. Bros Veitch, Erskine, and Bro. Powell acted in a like capacity for Waterloo.

In spite of a somewhat cold southerly and a rather heavy, green, a most enjoyable game was played. At the afternoon tea adjournment Waterloo had a substantial lead, but the tea seemed to revive the flagging spirits of the Leinster brethren, and they made a splendid fight, Waterloo eventually winning by the narrow margin of three points. Although the Leinster men thus met their "Waterloo," they were not a whit disheartened, and are already negotiating for a return match.

At the conclusion of what we hope may be the forerunner of many such games, a very pleasant hour was spent in the meeting room of the Wellington Bowling Club, which had been kindly set apart for the occasion. Various toasts were honoured, most important being "The Winning Team," proposed by Bro. Bush; "The Leinster Team," proposed by W. Bro. Harton; "The Wellington Bowling Club," proposed by W. Bro. Godber, and responded to by W. Bro. Salek; "The Promoters of the Game"—W. Bros. Bush and Roberts (Leinster) and W. Bros. Veitch and Erskine (Waterloo)—proposed by W. Bro. Norwood. At this stage Bro. Veitch, who, like a canny Scot, had counted heads beforehand, challenged the Leinster P.M.'s to play two rinks of Waterloo P.M.'s. The challenge was promptly accepted. Opportunity was taken to wish `bon voyage" to Bro. Ledger, who is about to pay a visit to the Old Country.

A most successful afternoon, both from the Masonic and from the bowling point of view, was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" in true Waterloo fashion.

Hearty thanks are due to the Wellington Bowling Club for the use of its green and for the arrangements made for the pleasure and comfort of the brethren.

An apology for absence was received from his Worship the Mayor (Bro. Luke).

G.O.M. OF FREEMASONRY.

The title of Grand Old Man of Freemasonry undoubtedly belongs to Bro. James R. B. Christie, of Dumbarton Kilwinning Lodge, No. 18, who resides at 12 St. James-terrace, Hillhead, Glasgow. He recently attained his 95th year, and the 75th year of his connection with Freemasonry. This makes him the oldest Freemason under the Scottish Constitution, and, so far as is known, the oldest member of the Order in the world. Bro. Christie was admitted to Lodge No. 18 in 1839, and became a Master Mason the following year. At that time the staple industry of Dumbarton was glass-making, and, as owner of the local works, together with his father, Mr. Christie was an influential townsman, and one who never allowed an opportunity to pass of advancing the burgh. In 1850 he returned to Glasgow, of which city he was a native, and, as the glassworks were closed, established another business, which flourished under his guidance, and from which he only retired on attaining the age of 85. To mark the unique occasion of his 75th year as a Mason the Kilwinning Lodge presented Bro. Christie with an illuminated address, which, among other things, sets out that he was "enrolled as a burgess of the Ancient and Royal Burgh of Dumbarton in 1840," indicative of the many ways in which social and material welfare of the town had his lively support. There are other flattering reminiscences, Masonic and otherwise. Strange as it may seem, Bro. Christie, though 95 years of age, can still read his newspapers and his favourite authors without glasses. Also he takes his walk abroad every day, and can cover a fair distance without fatigue. It is interesting to be able to add that Bro. Christie's eldest son is Mr. James Christie, and engineer, a well-known and highly-respected resident of Rozelle, near Sydney. He was for ten years on the North Coast Company's steamers, and for the past eighteen years has been, and still is, in the employ of the Australian Gaslight Company, Sydney. It is to him that we are indebted for the photograph of his father and the other interesting particulars we now publish.—"The World's News."

PRESENTATION TO LODGE ST. ANDREW, No. 32.

Members of this Lodge attended in force at the regular meeting on 20th ult. to witness the formal presentation to the W.M. for the Lodge of a double-bass violin, subscribed for by the brethren, to be used in the Lodge's orchestra. This orchestra, which has been doing fine work, only needed the addition of such an instrument as that presented to balance its effects. In making the presentation W. Bro. A. T. Wells stated that it was the result of the contribution of the general body of members who had most cheerfully subscribed, and he hoped and believed that it would be the means of enhancing the work of the master occupying the chair. In accepting on behalf of the Lodge W. Bro. Nielsen referred to the intrinsic value of the gift, and to the pleasure that he expected to derive from listening to it. More than that, he prized the fact that it represented the cheerfully-given donations of the members, and he charged the Lodge trustees to look well to the care of the new asset. They had brethren possessing musical talent, and furthermore, the willingness to give the Lodge the benefit of it, and the incident pointed to a strong moral—that every member had it in his power in some direction or another to further the prosperity and dignity of the Lodge, and thereby contribute to the welfare of the craft generally.

The instrument presented is a fine one, and bears a silver plate suitably inscribed. W. Bro. Wells was the first player to handle it, and acquitted himself creditably.

ENQUIRIES ON MATTERS OF MASONIC INTEREST.

QUESTION.—If a man has a boy 16 years of age when he joins Freemasonry, is the boy a Lewis? [P.S.—The question has been asked me. I answered in the negative. The questioner insists that I am wrong. If the

question and answer appeared in THE CRAFTSMAN it would, no doubt, enlighten us and many more on the subject.]

ANSWER.—This question has never been satisfactorily solved, and great diversity of opinion exists with regard to it. The generic explanation of a Lewis is "the son of a Mason," but the definition stops here. The more general acceptation is a son "born to" a Freemason. The question recurred in the G.L. of N.Z., and the decision is to be found on page 66 of the Proceedings of 1911, which does not, however, resolve the question.— [ED.C.]

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A. J. Harding 2/3 (Levin), T. Trembath (Hedgehope), H. A. Wunsch (Midhurst), F. S. Amsden, J. R. Smith, H. H. Seaton (Wellington), H. Denker 10/-, J. Hamilton 21/8, W. Peterson 10/-, P. B. Courtis, B. R. Sword (Otautau), C. J. Robins 19/2, E. A. Trail 72/6, H. J. Walden (Riverton), R. J. Carson 46/8, J. L. Kingsland 20/-, J. McIntosh 37/6, A. P. Stuart, W. H. Wilson, A. C. Knapp (Wyndham), W. H. Brown 11/8, F. Moore 10/-, T. Walker 17/6, H. Taylor 40/- (Winton), T. R. Eales (Edendale), H. McKay (Glenham), G. Haddon (Taumarunui), Rev. C. E. Nicholas 20/- (Dannevirke), J. Coombe 3/4, T. Graham (Palmerston N.), L. Curtis 18/4, J. Olsen (Queenstown), J. Smart 10/10, A. J. Campbell, F. F. Dunlop (Arrowtown), A. M. Brodrick 17/6, W. D. Jolly 21/8, W. Pearson 15/- (late Tarras) (Cromwell), J. Vercoe 20/-, W. Holloway 17/6, W. R. McKean, R. J. Mitchell, C. L. Port, R. Bringans, G. Burrows, G. Arthur, J. L. Davidson (Clyde), J. B. Dumsday 17/6, M. A. Fleming 17/6, D. McDonald 10/-, J. D. Thomson, S. Cameron 40/-, G. W. T. Campbell 10/10 (Alexandra S.), R. Glendenning 20/10, H. Henderson 18/4 (Roxburgh), W. J. White (late New Plymouth), J. H. Crenshaw, (Kaiapoi), R. MacRae (Waiotapu), J. Jacobson 10/- (Whangarei).
(All 7/6 but those noted.)

Reports.

[Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Taringatura, No. 100.—The monthly meeting was held on the 6th April, and was fairly well attended. Owing to our much respected Secretary, W. Bro. W. H. Clark, having met with an accident in breaking one of his legs above the ankle joint, which means incapacitating him from his ordinary duties for some weeks, J.M. Bro. G. H. Johnson acted as Secretary. Much sympathy is felt by the brethren with Mr. and Mrs. Clark in the unfortunate accident, which occurred while on his way to the post office to get the mail. He walked right into an open drain. The resident doctor was soon on the spot, and temporarily attended to his leg, and then conveyed him home on a stretcher. Bro. Clark's absence from the Lodge was very severely felt by the W.M. and brethren. A vote of sympathy was passed by the brethren. A vote of sympathy was also passed by the brethren to Mrs. John W. Earl, whose husband, and one of our much esteemed brethren, passed away at a very early age, 27 years. He had been ailing for some little time, but his sudden end came quite unexpectedly. He was the eldest son of our much esteemed P.M., W. Bro. James Earl. A vote of sympathy was also passed to the parents of our much esteemed brother. The W.M. and several brethren journeyed to Athol, and saw the last remains of our brother deposited in the grave, the W.M. reading the Masonic funeral service in an impressive manner. Much sympathy was expressed by the settlers and inhabitants of the surrounding district to the widow and parents of our deceased brother, who attended the funeral in large numbers. A vote of two guineas was passed to the appeal of Mrs. Mason and family. W. Bro. Thomas Campbell, P.M., was appointed to represent the Lodge at the G.L. communication with full power to act. A ballot was taken for one candidate for admission. It was decided to place £80 in the post office on deposit, in

the names of three Trustees. Bro. George Dorricott, of Lodge St. Martin, No. 162, was proposed for affiliation. Bros. D. F. McLeod, J. Chartres, A. Chartres, and R. Ewen were passed to the Second Degree by the W.M. (Bro. W. Roxburgh), assisted by W. Bros. J. McMatto, Address; S.W. Bro. Graham, W.Ts. ; and W.M. Bro. G. F. Johnson the Antient Charge. The Lodge then closed at 11 p.m. No Fourth Degree was held out of respect of our late brother.—[Lodge Correspondent.] [We deeply regret to learn of the accident to our esteemed Bro. Clark, and wish him a speedy recovery.—ED.C.]

Wairaki, No. 145.—On 13th March, the eighth anniversary was celebrated by the installation of Bro. J. O. Clapp as W.M. The ceremony was effectively carried out by the W.M. and P.Ms. of Lodge Aparima, 'No. 77. W. Bro. C. H. Gordon, as I.M., and his officers went to no end of trouble to give a good rendering of the ritual, and well merited the encomiums bestowed on them, Many years ago Bro. Clapp was initiated into Lodge Aparima, and this fact further added to the uniqueness of the occasion. The work was distributed as follows :—Address to W.M., T.M. ; Investiture of Wardens, W. Bro. G. Clark; Address to Wardens, Bro. A. E. Ward ; Investiture of Sec., Treas., and Chap., W. Bro. E. K. Symthies; Investiture of Deacons, W. Bro. F. C. Mills; Investiture of D. of C. and Org., W. Bro. H. Akhurst; Investiture of I.G., Stewards, and Tyler, W. Bro. E. A. Trail; Address to brethren, W. Bro. O. Clark. The H.G.W. showed that the gathering was a most representative one. A social in the Coronation Hall followed the ceremony, and many of the elder brethren showed that they had not forgotten the terpsichorean art. Musical items by the brethren were interspersed with the dancing, and altogether a happy night was spent. List of officers for ensuing year :—W.M., W. Bro. J. O. Clapp ; I.P.M., W. Bro. G. E. Applegarth; S.W., Bro. G. Thomson; J.W., Bro. G. Cleveland ; Sec., W. Bro. J. O. Clapp, junr. ; Treas., Bro. J. B. Purdue; D. of C., W. Bro. W. R. Jaggars; S.D., Bro. J. B. Stroud ; J.D., Bro. A. W. Clapp ; Chap., W. Bro. Jas. McKenzie; Org., Bro. F. F. Thomas; I.G., Bro. A. E. Collins; Tyler, W. Bro. R. Brown; Stewards, W. Bro. L. Clapp, Bros. W. Dixon and A. B. Boyd.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Clutha, No. 14.—The ordinary meeting was held on 14th April, with W. Bro. W. Henderson presiding. There was a good attendance of visitors and brethren. The ceremonial business was " Raising," the Obligation and Secrets and T.H. being given by the W.M., assisted by W. Bro. Thos. Johnstone (Exhortation), S.W. Bro. Lattimore (W.Ts.), W. Bro. B. Whiting (Light), W. Bro. W. G. Finn (Final Charge). The W.M. was appointed delegate to G.L. communication. One demit was granted and one proposal. The Lodge closed and adjourned to the refectory, where an enjoyable hour was spent, and the opportunity was taken of presenting P.M. Bro. Jno. Sneddon with a P.M.'s jewel, W. Bro. Johnstone making the presentation. After a number of brethren had spoken, P.M. Bro. Sneddon, in thanking the brethren, referred to the ups and downs of the Lodge in days gone by, also congratulating the Lodge on its strength, as well as the great enthusiasm shown.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Clinton, No. 183.—The regular monthly meeting was held on 9th April, when the W.M. (Bro. C. A. Capomagian, P.M.), presided over a good attendance of members, which included visiting brethren from Lodges Karamea, Clutha, and Harvey. A ballot was taken for one joining member and two candidates. The ceremonial work was the initiation of one candidate, who was obligated by the W.M., receiving from him the Secrets and the N.E. Charge; Explanation of Preparation was given by S.D. Bro. Rankin ; Apron Charge by Bro. W. McIndoe; W.Ts., Bro. R. McIndoe; Final Charge, 1.P.M., Bro. Jeff. H.G.W. were then tendered, after which the Lodge was closed in due form at 10.30 p.m. A very pleasant time was spent at the " Fourth," with songs and recitations, the usual toasts being honoured with true Masonic spirit.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

Unanimity, No. 3.—The April meeting was well attended, W. Bro. J. Furneaux in the chair. The W.M. was elected representative to the annual communication of G.L. One ballot for initiation proved clear, as did also a ballot for affiliation. Notice to propose a candidate was given. The First Degree was worked, the W.M. being assisted by W. Bro. Haley (W.M., Crown Lodge), W.Ts. ; W. Bro.. Hatton, N.E. Charge; W. Bro. T. A. Murphy, Final Charge; Bro. Prestney, J.W., Charge after Investiture; and W. Bro. Manson (W.M., Civic Lodge). A feature in the refectory was the musical programme presented by W. Bro. Just, Org., Bro. J. C. Thompson, Bro. Postgate, W. Bro. Hatton, I.P.M., and Bro. Robertson. The Lodge will, at its May meeting, consider a proposal to make an all-round increase in fees and does to meet the increased cost of Masonic living.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Lincoln, No. 33.—The regular meeting was held on 7th April. The chair was occupied by W. Bro. C. M. Suckling, W.M. The ceremony was to have been a "Passing," but unfortunately the brother had been called away unexpectedly to Gisborne on urgent business. However, at the eleventh hour, our unassuming D. of C. (Bro. A. Taylor) kindly consented to fill the gap, by giving a paper on the "Origins of Freemasonry." The paper was listened to and followed by the brethren with the greatest of interest. W. Bro. Baldwin, P.Prov.G.W., read a paper by R.W. Bro. F. C. Bingham, entitled "The United Board of Inquiry : Its Aims and Objects." Both brethren were accorded a hearty vote of thanks, and it was suggested that Bro. Taylor be asked to read his paper at some, future meeting of the Christchurch Ms. and P.Ms. Lodge. W. Bro. Casson, of Lodge Concord, was present with a large following of his officers and brethren, together with a number of other visitors from Christchurch. W. Bro. Suckling, W.M., was appointed delegate to the forthcoming G.L. communication. One candidate for initiation was proposed. The meeting closed at 9.45 p.m. A pleasant hour in the refectory followed, and still further cemented the brotherly feeling which has always existed between the members of Concord and Lincoln.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Concord, No. 39.— The regular meeting was held on 25th March, in the Masonic Hall, Papanui, W. Bro. Casson, occupying the Chair. M.W. Bro. S. Clifton Bingham, President of the North Canterbury B. of I., attended by a large number of members of the Board, was present. A quantity of general business was gone through, including the nomination of officers for the ensuing year. M.W. Bro. Bingham read an excellent paper on the work of the Board of Inquiry. The M.W. Bro., who has been a member of the Board since its inception, gave a very interesting account of its duties and objects. He showed what splendid work the Board is doing for the good of Masonry in North Canterbury, and what a protection it has been and still is in Lodges in attempting to safeguard the admission of only the right stamp of man to the Craft. The subject, dealing as it did with a present and more practical aspect of Masonry than the papers one usually listens, to do, was much appreciated by the brethren, and M.W. Bro. Bingham was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. In the absence of Bro. Beanland, C.S., his assistants ably carried out his important duties, and helped to make a very large assemblage very much at home in the " Fourth"— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The regular meeting was held on 24th March, in the St. Augustine Hall, W. Bro. G. H. McLean, W.M., presiding over a large attendance of members. The ritual work was the "Passing" of two brethren to the Second Degree. The candidates were obligated by the W.M.s receiving from him the G., T., and W. of the degree. The Charge after Investiture was delivered by W. Bro. Hayley (W.M., Crown Lodge); the S.E. corner was given by W. Bro. Bingham (W.M., St. Augustine, No: 4) ; the W.Ts. were explained by W. Bro. Murphy, P.M., Kilwinning Lodge; and the F. Charge was delivered by the S.W., Bro. Thomas. H.G.W. were given by a large number of visiting brethren, after which a social hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Augustine, No. 99.—A First Degree was the prescribed work on 8th April. The ceremony was conducted by W. Bro. Menzies, W.M. ; assisted by W. Bro. E. Wright, N.E. Charge, at the pause of which the sacred solo "Charity" was rendered by W. Bro. Hoskins, senr.; by W. Bro. A. C. Colville, D. of C., who gave the Final Charge; by S.W. Bro. Bird, W.Ts.; and by Bro. E. J. Atwill, I.G., who gave R. for P. It was resolved, in

answer to the appeal of M.W. Bro. Binns, Prov.G.N., to give the sum of £4 towards enabling him, on behalf of Prov.G.L. of Canterbury, to take up shares in the new Masonic Temple to be erected in Christchurch. The sum of two guineas was voted towards an appeal by Lodge St. George, Temuka. A ballot for membership was successful. An emergency meeting to work the Third Degree will be held on 22nd April. The work on that occasion will be carried out by the P.Ms. of the Lodge. The Lodge having been closed, an adjournment to the refectory was made, and a happy time spent in toast, song, and chat. Among our visitors was a W. brother from Cornwall, England. He expressed the very great pleasure it had given him to be present at the ceremonial of the evening, for which he had purposely delayed his departure from Waimate. He congratulated the W.M. and officers on the work of the evening, saying he might have seen it equalled, but never surpassed.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Thistle, No. 113.—The regular meeting was held on 15th April, in the Masonic Hall, Ashburton, with W. Bro. J. Williams, W.M., in the chair. After the Lodge was opened in the First Degree and routine business transacted, Methven Lodge, No. 51, including W. Bro. Murray, W.M., and a full complement of officers entered and assumed the chairs of office, and conducted the ceremony of "Raising" Bro. Christmas to the Sublime Degree, the following officers of Methven taking part :—W.M. Bro. Murray, the O. and Final Charge; P.M. Bro. Knight, the Exhortation; P.M. Bro. Goodwin, part of Exhortation and Signs; P.M. Bro. Gillanders, T.H. and W.Ts. The time in the refectory was short, owing to the departure of the Methven brethren, and was spent in honouring the usual toasts.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON.

Victory, No. 40.—The regular meeting was held on 9th April, when there was an excellent attendance, probably increased by the fact that it was W. Bro. Houlker's last real night in the chair, the installation of the W.M.-elect (Bro. E. W. Rudman) taking place on 28th May. Two candidates were passed to the Second Degree. On every night of the present W.M.'s occupancy of the chair work has been carried out, and there have been some excellent candidates. The election of officers took place on this Lodge night, and where there were two candidates for the same office, the one who had the least claim retired, consequently there was not the slightest friction, as everybody was bent for harmony. A vote of one guinea was made towards a deserving appeal. W. Bro. Dr. W. E. Redman, Prov.G.M., wrote consenting to conduct the installation, and this was received with pleasure and satisfaction. The Lodge gave to their representatives a free hand to vote on the motions to be brought before G.L. communication. There was one exception, that referring to the increased benevolent distress levy, which the Lodge was apparently very much against. Brethren who may be visiting Nelson at installation time have herewith a cordial invitation to be present.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Victoria, No. 21.—The regular monthly meeting was held in the Lodge-room on 7th April, when there was a good attendance of the brethren, as well as two visitors, the W.M. (Bro. H. W. Whitton) in the chair of K.S. Mr. Fascutt Berry was initiated. There were six notices of motion on the Order Paper to alter the By-laws of the Lodge, as follows :—"Rule 8.—No person can be made a Mason or admitted a member of the Lodge if in the ballot one (or more) black ball appears against him." It was proposed to insert "two" in place of "one," the motion being lost. Rule 14 was altered to have the annual installation ceremony on the Wednesday after the first Tuesday in June. Wednesday being the weekly half-holiday in Napier, the installation ceremony will now commence in the afternoon, allowing more time in the evening. Rule 27 was altered to provide for five trustees, instead of three as formerly. The other amendments, being of a minor nature, were carried. The W.M. (Bro. Whitton) was appointed delegate to G.L. Communication. The nominations of the various officers for the ensuing year were then taken.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Bedford, No. 25.—The annual meeting was held at Waipukurau on 7th April, Bro. H. T. Wright, W.M., presiding. The Prov. G.M. of Hawkes Bay, R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, was unavoidably prevented from being present. The G.L. of N.Z. was represented by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, P.Prov.G.M., and a number of other P.G. officers. W. Bro. H. T. Wright acted as I.M., installing Bro. W. H. Booth as W.M. W. Bro. J. Hobson ably filled the role of D. of C. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. F. C. Card, F. F. Wright, and T. Effingham. M.W. Bro. Williams presented the Charter, B. of C., and By-laws, and W. Bro. J. D. Watson delivered a most impressive original address to the W.M. The following officers were invested: — I.P.M., Bro. H. T. Wright; S. W., Bro. F. W. Gore ; J. W., Bro. W. Williams; Treas., Bro. R. J. Fleming ; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Elliott, P.M. ; Org., W. Bro. J. Scholes, P.M.; D. of C., W. Bro. J. Hobson, P.M.; S.D., Bro. D. J. Graham; J.D., Bro. A. D. Gibson; I.G., Bro. D. McLeod; S.S., Bro. H. Hobson; J.S., Bro. W. D. Fleming. The address to the Wardens was given by W. Bro. P. F. Wall, and the Final Charge to the brethren by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams. Supper was subsequently served in the refectory, where the usual toasts were honoured, and harmony was indulged in.

Rawhiti, No. 66.—The regular meeting was held on 19th March, the W.M. (W. Bro. Armstrong) in the chair. Before any business was transacted the W.M. expressed the sorrow of the Lodge at the death of M.W. Bro. Burton, P.G.M. The Secretary declared a credit balance in favour of the Lodge, which is now free of debt: This is certainly a very satisfactory position for the Lodge. Bro. Harris was passed to the Second Degree, being obligated by the W.M., and invested by Bro. Harrison, S.W.; Bro. James, J.D., gave the S.E. address ; Bro. Snell, J.W., the W.Ts. ; and Bro. Harrison, S.W., the Final Charge. At this stage the W.M. (Bro. Armstrong) vacated the chair, and handed over the working to W. Bro. F. Craven, P.M., and the Lodge was opened in the Third Degree, when Bro. Hay was obligated and raised to the Sublime Degree of a M.M. by the Acting-W.M. (Bro. F. Craven, P.M.). Bro. Harrison, S.W., invested Bro. Hoy; Bro. Gillespie, D. of C., gave the T.H.; W. Bro. Wratt, P.M., the W.Ts.; Bro. Paton, P.M., the Charge; and Bro. Soundy, P.M., presented the V.S.L. W. Bro. J. Brown, P.M., assisted generally during the ceremony. The Lodge was now lowered to the First Degree, and the Acting-W.M. vacated the chair in favour of W. Bro. Armstrong, W.M. who thanked W. Bro. F. Craven for conducting the ceremony. All the officers for the ensuing year were nominated. The Lodge closed at 11 p.m., after which an hour was spent in the refectory, but as the Lodge was in mourning, only the King and the Tyler's toasts were honoured. Bro. Wilson sang "He Wipes the Tear from Every Eye," in his usual able manner. The proceedings terminated at 12 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

On the 8th April, the W.M. and officers visited Ormondville, and a number of the brethren accompanied them, four cars being used on the Occasion. The business was the installation of Bro. Bagley as W.M. of Lodge Lion. W. Bro. Gillespie (of Lodge Rawhiti) acted as D. of C. The brethren from Rawhiti enjoyed the outing very much: The Weather was fine and good moonlight, and all arrived safe home about 1 a.m., well pleased with the outing. Lodge Rawhiti installation takes place on the 27th May, when a large number of visitors are expected. The arrangements for the success of the meeting has been placed in good hands, and nothing will be left undone that will in any way tend to the comfort of the visitors.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

The monthly meeting was held on the 16th April, the W.M. (Bro. J. Armstrong) in the chair. There was a fair attendance, considering it was a very stormy night. The business was one initiation and "Passing" Bro. Patterson. Both ceremonies were performed by the W.M. In the initiation ceremony, Bro. Harrison, S.W., invested the candidate; N.E. Address was given by Bro. Foundy, P.M.; Mode of Prep. by Bro. Snell, J.W. ; W.Ts. by Bro. Davidson, S.D.; and the final Charge by Bro. Harrison, S.W. Bro. Patterson was obligated by the W.M., and invested by Bro. Harrison, S.W.; Bro. James, J.D., gave -the S.E. Address; Bro. Snell, J.W., the W.Ts.; and Bro. Harrison, S.W., the Final Charge. It is pleasing to note that each officer is equal to his part. Both ceremonies were gone through without a single hitch, which is highly satisfactory. A ballot was taken for the W.M. for the ensuing year, which resulted in Bro. Harrison being elected. After the Lodge closed an hour was spent in the refectory, when a few songs, recitations, and music was enjoyed.

Heretaunga, No. 73.—An emergent meeting was held on 24th March, for the purpose of a lecture by V.W. Bro. H. B. Bridge, G.Lect. of Wellington. The weather was very wet, rain all day, and even up to the hour of meeting it teemed down, and our fears for a poorly-attended meeting seemed likely to be fully realised, when

the whistle of the special train from Napier was heard, and shortly after a large number of our brethren of the Scinde and Victoria Lodges were welcomed, assuring us by their number that the meeting would be a successful one. There were about seventy brethren present, and the Heretaunga brethren all felt very grateful to the members of the Napier Lodges for their self-sacrifice on such a stormy night. The G.Lect., who was accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M. of Wellington, R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M. of Hawkes Bay, R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, P.Prov.G.M., and other distinguished brethren, were admitted at 8.15, and immediately the business commenced. The title of the lecture was "The Masonic Foundation and Its Superstructure," the delivery occupied about forty minutes, and the scholarly address was listened to with rapt attention by the brethren. Questions were invited and replied to by the G.Lect. The visitors warmly appreciated the hearty welcome extended to them by the Prov.G.M. of Hawkes Bay, and our W.M. (W. Bro. A. J. McGlashan), the only regret being the special train starting too early, conveying our many visitors back to Napier. The warmest thanks of Heretaunga brethren were given to R.W. Bros. Peterkin, Harston, Hobson, V.W. Bro. Bridge, G.Lect., and all those who by being present made a very successful meeting.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Lion, No. 114,—The installation of W.M. and investiture of officers took place on 8th April. There was a large attendance of visitors, who included R.W. Bros. Do Lisle and T. Hobson, P.Prov.G.Ms., the W.M. and officers of Rawhiti, Bedford, Ruahine, Ruataniwha, Waterloo, and Tararua were well represented. The ceremony of installing Bro. B. Bagley was conducted by R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M., assisted by officers of G.L. The impressive ceremony was admirably carried out and thoroughly enjoyed. W. Bro. R. Chadwick delivered the address to the W.M., who was presented with the W.Ts. by W. Bros. J. Armstrong, J. Cartwright, and J. Brown. The newly-installed W.M. invested his officers; W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie rendered the address to the Wardens; and R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston delivered the address to the brethren. W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie discharged the duties of D. of C. in a highly efficient manner, to which may be attributed the smoothness which characterised the proceedings. W. Bro. J. Scholes presided at the organ, and his rendering of appropriate music added to the impressiveness of the ceremony. The following officers were invested :—I.P.M., W. Bro. T. W. Effingham; D.M., W. Bro. T. Fothergill; S.W., Bro. D. Wilson; J.W., Bro. C. F. Barker ; Treas., W. Bro. R. Chadwick; Sec., Bro. H. N. Benson ; Org., W. Bro. J. Scholes; D. of C., W. Bro. Barclay; S.D., Bro. J. Snaddon; J.D., Bro. L. Meeking ; I.G., Bro. W. Chadwick; Tyler, Bro. W. H. Beale; S.S., Bro. C. P. Andersen; J.S., Bro. W. Fothergill. A collection for the W. and O. and A.M. Fund amounted to £3 10s. 3d.

A dainty banquet, to which full justice was done, was afterwards provided by Bro. R. Hardy, in the Parish Hall. The customary loyal and fraternal toasts, interspersed with songs and recitations, were duly honoured. The I.P.M. was complimented on his success in removing the debit balance during his term of office, and in handing over to his successor a credit balance at the bank. The gathering dispersed after midnight, after a most successful and enjoyable installation meeting.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

Sir Walter Scott, No. 15.—The annual festal meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Thames, on 18th March. R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen, Prov.G.M., conducted the ceremony of installing Bro. W. Bongard into the chair of W.M. The officers who presented the W.Ts. were :—W. Bro. E. I. Lyell (W.M., Lodge St. Andrew, S.C.), W. Bro. D. P. Evitt (W.M., Lodge Waihi), and W. Bro. D. Congalton (W.M., Lodge Ohinemuri). The officers invested were :—I.P.M., W. Bro. A. Garry; S.W., Bro. L. McIlvride; J.W., Bro. A. L. Read; Treas., W. Bro. F. H. Claxton, P.M. ; Sec., W. Bro. A. Burns, P.G.P. ; D. of C., W. Bro. J. H. Hodge, P.M.; S.D., Bro. W. E. Hale; J.D., Bro. J. T. Spargo; Org., Bro. S. Whitehead; I.G. Bro. A. G. Durbin; Tyler, W. Bro. E. J. Milnes, P.M.; S.S., Bro. S. T. Bax ; J.S., Bro. F. W. Robinson; Auditors, Bros. A. Bruce and J. Rowe. W. Bro. F. T. Davies (W.M., Lodge of Light, I.C.), and W. Bro. W. J. Hosking (W.M., Lodge Corinthian, B.C.), acted as presenting officers.

Coromandel, No. 17.—The Prov.G.M. paid a visit to Lodge Coromandel on 6th March, and installed Bro. A. J. Gatland the W.M.'s chair. Other officers were invested as under :—S.W., Bro. E. Greensmith; J.W., Bro. Rev. T. Norrie; Treas., W. Bro. Rostgard; Sec., W. Bro. C. H. Bennett; Org., W. Bro. French; Chap., Bro. Rev. E. Fletcher; S.D., Bro. A. G. Harvey ; J.D., Bro. G. E. H. Cleave; I.G., Bro. John Nixon; Stewards, Bros. Wm. E. Carlyon and H. W. Howell; Tyler, Bro. Jas. McKubre; Auditors, W. Bros. Bridson and J. Cleave.

Manukau, No. 24.—The installation meeting was held at the Masonic Hall, Onehunga, on the 4th March, when Bro. H. E. Harrison was inducted into the chair. The ceremony was performed by M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, P.Pro-G.M., in the presence of R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen, Prov.G.M., and a large gathering of representatives of G.L. The W.M.-elect was presented by W. Bros. C. J. Schnauer (Lodge Ara, No. 348, I.C.), and W. Bro. Ferneyhough (W.M., Lodge St. Andrew, No. 8). The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. D. W. Jones (W.M., Lodge Papakura), W. Bro. A. S. Clark (W.M., Lodge Auckland), and W. Bro. Wooller (W.M., Lodge Wairoa). The officers of the Lodge. were invested as follows :—I.P.M., W. Bro. C. M. Page; D. M. Bro. T. Mincher (re-elected); S.W., W. Bro. A. J. Pople; J.W., Bro. McSkimming ; Treas., Bro. W. E. Watts (re-elected);. Sec., W. Bro. A. C. Harrison (re-elected); D. of C., W. Bro. F. Bartlett; Chap., W. Bro. Geo. J. Browne (re-elected); Org., Bro. R. G. Laking ; S.D., Bro. H. Strong ; J.D., Bro. D. C. Fraser; I.G., Bro. C. Simpson; S.S., Bro. S. W. Hill; J.S., Bro. W.C. Hill ; Assist-Steward, Bro. J. Straw ; Tyler, Bro. W. Child (re-elected). The address to the W.M. was delivered by M.W. Bro. Nicholson, that to the Wardens by R.W. Bro. G. Barclay, P.G.S.W., and that to the brethren by R.W. Bro. Allen. W. Bro. Stanley Milroy, G.D. of C., acted as D. of C., and Bro. H. Winkelmann (Lodge Te Awamutu, No. 2221, B.C.), was musical director.

Te Aroha, No. 52.—Bro. R. S. Hanna was installed as W.M.. at the regular meeting on 9th March. R.W. Bro. Allen, Prov.G.M., conducted the ceremony. The presenting officers were W. Bro. J. Anderson (P.M., Lodge Tirau), and W. Bro. J. M. Bell (P.M., Lodge Te Aroha). The W.Ts. of the three degrees were presented to the W.M. by W. Bro. J. C. R. Watts (P.M., Lodge Piako), W. Bro. D. Congalton (W.M., Lodge Ohinemuri), and W. Bro. F. M. Strange (P.M., Lodge Te Aroha). The following officers were invested : — I.P.M., W. Bro. Geo. Cornish ; D.M., W. Bro. F. M. Strange; S.W., Bro. A. J. Clarke; J.W., Bro. C. H. Richardson; Treas., Bro. W. C. Coote; Sec., W. Bro. Lovegrove; Chaplain, Bro. Morrison; D. of C., W. Bro. Dalton; S.D., Bro. Hawken; J.D., Bro. Greening; Org., Bro. W. Brodie; I.G., Bro. Simpson ; S.S., Bro. Bliss; J.S., Bro. Mann ; Tyler, Bro. Whyte; Auditors, Bros. Parker and Gilchrist. W. Bro. Dalton acted as D. of C., and Bro. W. Brodie supplied appropriate music during the proceedings.

Alpha, No. 81.—The officers for the current year are W. Bro. E. E. Roberts; I.P.M., W. Bro. S. Lewis; S.W., Bro. A. C. Curtain; J.W., Bro. J. C. Sawers; Chap., W. Bro. J. Ferguson ; Treas., W. Bro. J. H. Hammond; Sec., Bro. G. H. ()Bard; D. of C., W. Bro. W. J. Andrews; S.D., Bro. H. H. Speight; J.D., Bro. A. S. Stewart; I.G., Bro. H. Lewis; Tyler, Bro. C. C. Muller ; Auditors, Bros. H. Lewis and G. H. 011ard. The installation of Bro. Roberts took place at the Masonic Hall, Cambridge, on Thursday, 12th March. R.W. Bro. Allen, Prov. G.M., was present, and acted as I.M. The officers presenting the W.Ts. were W. Bro. S. L. Bygrave (W.M., Lodge Tirau), W. ' Bro. H. Y. Collins (W.M., Lodge Waipa, No. 119), and W. Bro. E. A. Tisch (W.M., Lodge Tawhiri, No. 166).

United Waiuku, No. 90.—The following are the officers installed and invested at the annual meeting :— W.M., Bro. J. McGavin; I.P.M., W. Bro. J. Albrecht; S.W., Bro. J. McDonald; J.W., Bro. J. B. Copeland; Sec., W. Bro. J. Bent; D. of C., W. Bro. A. May; Chap., W. Bro. R. J. Harris; S.D., Bro. Adamson; J.D., Bro. R. J. Fenwick; I.G., Bro. J. A. Hood; S.S., Bro. R. T. Reid ; J.S., Bro. H. Barnaby; Tyler, Bro. E. R. Chandler.

Piako, No. 160.—The feature of the installation meeting, held at Morrinsville on 10th March, was that the ceremonial work was carried out by its own members. The Prov.G.M. paid an official visit, but had the refreshing experience of being for once an honoured onlooker to the proceedings. The installing officer was W. Bro. J. C. R. Watts, P.M., to whom the W.M.-elect (Bro. G. W. Brayshaw) was presented by W. Bro. D. Congalton (W.M., Lodge Ohinemuri), and W. Bro. S. L. Bygrave (Lodge Tirau), and duly inducted into office. The W.Ts. were handed to the W.M. by W. Bro. E. Tisch (W.M., Lodge Tawhiri), W. Bro. S. J. Hale (W.M., Lodge Rotorua), and W. Bro. R. S. Hanna (W.M., Lodge Te Aroha). The officers invested were :—I.P.M., W. Bro. J. C. R. Watts; D.M., W. Bro. G. P. Armstrong ; S.W., Bro. C. M. Gummer ; J.W., Bro. R. Parlour ; Chaplain, Bro. R. C. Allen; Treas., Bro. J. S. Reid; Sec., W. Bro. S. S. Allen; S.D., Bro. A. M. Humphreys; J.D., Bro. S. B. Sims; D. of C., Bro. S. C. Parlour ; Org., Bro. A. H. Aitken; I.G., Bro. H. Arnold; Stewards, Bros. W. Morrice, J. W. Clark, and F. Pickett; Tyler, Bro. F. Harrison ; Auditor, Bro. W. D. Horne. The address to the W.M. was delivered by W. Bro. G. P. Armstrong, the address to the Wardens by W. Bro. A. Dunnett, and that to the brethren by W. Bro. J. Ashwood. And right creditably was the work done in all its details.

Plunket, No. 163.—The installation meeting was held at Te Kuiti on 2nd April, when Bro. H. Hine was placed in the chair. The ceremony was carried out by R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen, Prov.G.M. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. C. L. McDiarmid (P.M., Lodge Beta-Waikato), W. Bro. H. Y. Collins (W.M., Lodge Waipa), and W. Bro. A. S. Laird (W.M., Lodge Naumai). The officers invested for the year were :—I.P.M., Bro. A. J. Rawston ; D.M. Bro. J. R. Graham; S.W., Bro. G. P. Finlay; J.W., Bro. A. V. Snadden ; Treas., Bro. H. J. Free; Sec., Bro. B. Wolff ; S.D., Bro. J. W. Cochran; J.D., Bro. F. B. Darrow ; Chap., Bro. Rev. E. S. Wayne ; Org., Bro. H. R. Macdonald; S.S., Bro. A. Pettigrew; J.S., Bro. R. Ormsby; I.G., Bro. J. E. Walker ; Tyler, Bro. D. Watkin.

Marsden, No. 169.—The officers installed and invested at the annual meeting of this Lodge, held at Maungaturoto, were as follows :—W.M., Bro. W. Leslie; I.P.M., W. Bro. J. Anderson; S.W., Bro. W. Collins; J.W., Bro. W. J. Littin; Sec., W. Bro. T. J. Stewart ; Treas., Bro. H. McMurdo.; D. of C., W. Bro. T. Myers ; Org., Bro. E. J. Flower ; Chap., W. Bro. A. H. Curtis; S.D., Bro. J. B. Fletcher ; J.D., Bro. W. J. Dell; I.G. Bro. J. McClean; S.S., Bro. G. Taylor; J.S., Bro. G. F. Pasley ; Tyler, W. Bro. R. S. White.

Waitakerei, No. 170.—This Lodge, whose home is at Henderson, held its installation meeting on 16th March, when Bro. W. R. T. Leighton was installed as W.M. There was a considerable influx of visitors from Auckland, including M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, P.Pro-G.M., and R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen was also present officially. The W.M.-elect was presented by W. Bro. A. L. Ferneyhough (W.M., Lodge St. Andrew), and W. Bro. C. M. Page (P.M., Lodge Manukau). M.W. Bro. Nicholson acted as I.M., and the W.Ts. were handed to the W.M. by W. Bro. H. N. Garland (P.M., Lodge Maungawahao), W. Bro. M. Blair, P.M., and W. Bro. A. S. Clark (W.M., Lodge Auckland). Officers were invested as follows :—I.P.M., Bro. E. Qualtrough ; S.W., Bro. H. B. La Trobe; J.W., Bro. Chas. Double, junr.; Treas., W. Bro. G. Harden, P.M.; Sec., Bro. D. Leach ; Chap., Bro. R. Stevens ; D. of C., W. Bro. R. Organ; Org., Bro. W. Rosier ; S.D., Bro. S. V. Rogers; J.D., Bro. W. Carr ; I.G., Bro. A. W. Bussey ; S.S., Bro. R. Ingram; J.S., Bro. J. Vause Tyler, Bro. J. Agnew. R.W. Bro. F. Kearsley, P.Dep.G.M., addressed the W.M., W. Bro. Stanley Milroy, G.D. of C., addressed the Wardens, and the address to the brethren came from R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen.

Waipu, No. 179.—Bro. H. G. Muller was installed as W.M. on the 7th April, and attended by a large gathering of representatives of the Craft from Whangarei and neighbouring districts. R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen, Prov.G.M., acted as I.M. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. K. McBeth. (W.M., Lodge Hikurangi), W. Bro. J. Anderson (I.P.M., Lodge Marsden), and W. Bro. M. McInnes (W.M., Lodge Star of the North). Officers were invested as follows:— I.P.M., W. Bro. H. F. Chandler ; S.W., Bro. D. M. McLeod; J.W., Bro. W. Cleaver ; Treas., Bro. R. R. McKay; Chap., Bro. D. McInnes ; Sec., Bro. A. S. Boldero; D. of C., W. Bro. W. J. Connell, P.M.; Org., W. Bro. W. N. Ingram, P.M.; S.D., Bro. N. McMillan; J.D., Bro. A. P. McKay;

I.G., Bro. N. O. McLean; S.S., Bro. J. R. McKay; J.S. Bro. P. C. Taylor ; Tyler, Bro. N. Durham. The addresses to die W.M. and the brethren were delivered by the Prov.G.M., and the address to the Wardens by W. Bro. J. E. Holmes, G.S.B. The after proceedings were remarkable for the attention bestowed upon the brethren by the ladies of the district, who had been preparing hospitality for the occasion for days beforehand, and in the result set forth a menu fit for a king, and dispensed it with their own fair hands. Needless to say, the brethren rose to the occasion with a toast not common to Masonic boards, and honoured it to the accompaniment of Sheridan's " Here's to the Maiden of Bashful Fifteen."

Tirau, No. 193.—The installation of Bro. S. L. Bygrave as W.M. of this Lodge took place on 11th March, R.W. Bro. T. W. Allen, Prov.G.M., acting as I.M. The officers who presented the W.M.-elect were W. Bro. R. S. Hanna (W.M., Lodge Te Aroha) and W. Bro. A. H. Waring (W.M., Lodge Taupiri). The addresses incident to handing over the W.Ts. were made by W. Bro. S. Lewis (W.M., Lodge Alpha), W. Bro. S. J. Hale (W.M., Lodge Rotorua) and W. Bro. G. W. Brayshaw (W.M., Lodge Piako). The following officers were invested :— D.M., W. Bro. H. J. Clifford; ; I.P.M., W. Bro. J. W. Anderson ; S.W., Bro. H. Head; J.W., Bro. W. H. Allen; Chap., Bro. E. O. Amoores ; Treas., Bro. H. J. Moore-Jones; Sec., Bro. N. D. Clifford; Org., Bro. H. L. Haden ; S.D., Bro. W. King ; J.D., Bro. A. J. Tong; D. of C., W. Bro. W. P. Roberts; Auditor, Bro. C. M. Gummner ; S.S. Bro. J. Middleton ; J.S., Bro. F. Rose ; Tyler Bro. W. Willoughby. The Prov.G.M. delivered the various orations to the assembled brethren.

WELLINGTON.

Masterton, No. 19.—The monthly meeting was held on 8th April, the W.M. (Bro. A. W. Chapman) presiding. After routine business and election of officers, the W.M. invited W. Bro. G. Hyde to occupy the chair for the purpose of "Raising" a candidate. W. Bro. Hyde invited W. Bro. F. Cunn to occupy the S.W.'s chair ; W. Bro. Winzenburg, J.W.; W. Bro. Leslie, Chaplain ; W. Bro. Foss, S.D. ; W. Bro. Henry, J.D. ; and W. Bro. C. D. King, I.G.. It was quite a pleasure to the members present to see our old P.Ms. in work again, and they proved by the efficient way in which they conducted the ceremony that they still take a very keen interest in the Craft and No. 19. The motions to come up at G.L. were discussed, and the delegate was given a free hand in the matter. After the close of the Lodge, a pleasant time was spent in the refectory, some very nice items being rendered by our talented brethren.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Andrew, No. 32.—The monthly meeting took place at Boulcott Street Hall on 20th April. The W.M. (Bro. C. W. Nielsen) presided over a large attendance of brethren, which included a fine muster of old members of the Lodge. A number of officers from Home-liners in port, members of E.C. and S.C. Lodges, were present and made welcome. The W.M. was elected representative of the Lodge for the purposes of the G.L. communication, with authority to vote according to his individual discretion. A gift to the Lodge of an orchestral instrument was made, the circumstances of which are reported elsewhere. The chief business of the evening was to pass three brethren, which was done by the W.M. assisted by his officers following :— Address after Investiture; W.M., Bro. O. Neilson; S.E. Address, Bro. A. D. Proud ; W.Ts., W.M., and Bros. A. W. Rowlands, S.W., and W. Simpson, J.W., in concert ; Final Charge, Bro. Rowlands ; T.B. Lecture, Bro. J. C. Riddell. The Lodge being closed, brethren adjourned to the supper-room and enjoyed a most pleasant hour. Old members of the Lodge of twenty and thirty years' standing were prominent in their efforts to enliven the brethren, and were exceedingly successful. They claim that to visit their Lodge puts back the march of time by ten years or so—at least, so far as they feel.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Manawatu Kil., No. 47.—The annual festival took place on 8th April, at Palmerston North, W. Bro. W. Mouldey presiding. The attendance was very large, 190 brethren signing the attendance roll. R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M., attended in his official capacity, and amongst the visitors were M.W. Bro. Herbert J. Williams, P.G.M. R.W. Bro. J. A. Nash, P.G.W., and others. W. Bro. W. H. Collingwood filled the onerous position of Installing Master, and most ably expounded the ritual ceremonial. R.W. Bro. J. A. Nash filled the roll of D. of C., and materially contributed to the success of the work. Bro. C. S. Rush, the master-elect, was

installed into the chair with the customary ceremonies. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. Lovelock (Otangaki), Boswell (Rongotea), Smith (Huia), M.W. Bro. Williams presented the charter, constitution and by-laws, and W. Bro. J. Hornblow addressed the W.M. W. Bro. A. J. Graham invested the following officers:— S.W., Bro. A. Hopwood, J.W.; J.W., Bro. W. Mundy, S.D.; S.D., Bro. D. Dustin, J.D.; J.D., Bro. B. T. Martin, I.G.; Sec., W. Bro. W. H. Collingwood, P.M.; Treas., W. Bro. W. Rutherford, P.M.; I.G., Bro. W. F. Durward, S.S.; S.S., Bro. E. R. B. Holben, J.S.; J.S., Bro. E. Tucker; Tyler, Bro. H. Ehrhorn; Org., Bro. H. S. Porteous; Choirmaster, Bro. H. K. Swallow; Chap., W. Bro. A. Torstonsen, P.M.; D.C., W. Bro. W. Dawick, P.M. The charge of the Warden was given by W. Bro. J. M'Kenzie, and R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin gave the address to the brethren. The W.M. briefly returned thanks for his election, and a very satisfactory collection was taken up for the Annuity Fund of G.L. A banquet was subsequently held in the Municipal Buildings.

Ulster, No. 62.—The regular meeting was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Petone, on 15th April. The W.M. (Bro. J. C. Davis) was in the chair, and there was a good attendance of members and visitors. One candidate for initiation was elected. The lecture on the 2nd T.B. was given by W. Bro. Wylie. The ceremonial business was the "Raising" of two F.Cs., the principal part of the ceremony being done by the W.M. The T.H. and Signs were explained by W. Bro. Brooks, the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Cox, and the Final Charge was given by W. Bro. Jenkins. At the request of the W.M., W. Bro. Hobbs, of Lodge Waiwhetu, presented the newly-raised brethren with the V.S.Ls. on which they had been obligated. A vote of thanks was accorded to W. Bro. Brooks for a framed photograph which he had presented to the Lodge. The business of the evening was concluded at 10.30, after which the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where an enjoyable hour was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tutanekai, No. 156.—The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Berhampore, on 3rd April. There was an exceptionally large attendance of visitors and members. The third degree was conferred on two brethren in a very impressive manner by the W.M., assisted by R.W. Bro. Peterkin, visiting P.Ms., the officers and P.Ms. of the Lodge. In the refectory, by special invitation, W. Bro. Jolly, in proposing the toast of the candidates, gave a most interesting and instructive address, in which he discussed the question of whether Masonry is a religion, and gave his reasons for his own conclusions that it was not, stating that it had a catholicity and universality broader than any religion. Passing on, he pointed out if not a religion neither was it a reformatory, and that whilst insisting on physical capability, we should institute as strict an enquiry into men's characters. For it was the mentality that made the good Mason, and not physical completeness. Masonry should not experiment with unworthy material. For if a man were not upright, clean, and honest, before becoming a Mason, the experiment of using such material was more likely to result in failure than success. In a rapid review he sketched the past of our institution, and pointed out the benign influence it was still exerting in all that was best and noblest in modern civilisation. The address by our talented brother was very highly appreciated by the brethren present.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.—The monthly meeting was held on 2nd April, it being the first meeting conducted under the guidance of the recently installed W.M. A slight departure from the ordinary routine was adopted, in the form of several of the brethren from the floor being privileged to deliver several items, namely, the seven liberal arts and sciences of Freemasonry and the tenets of the same being delivered by the I.P.M., and finally concluding with the lectures on the 1st and 2nd T.Bs., the former being delivered by the J.W., Bro. Turner, the latter by the S.W., Bro. McNab. The whole of the evening's work was well rendered, also much appreciated by all assembled, it being unanimously agreed upon that such an innovation would have a beneficial effect, also awaken the interests of any who might not otherwise attend the ordinary initiating, passing, and raising ceremonies. The outlook for the ensuing year is very bright and encouraging. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waimarino, No. 175.—The monthly meeting was held on 8th April, the W.M. (W. Bro. E. Mugridge) in the chair. The ceremony consisted of "Raising" Bro. Fraser to the degree of M.M., the ceremony being performed by the W.M., assisted by W. Bro. Harris, P.M., the T.H. being explained by Bro. Treas. ; the W.Ts. by Bro. J.D. ; and the Final Charge by Bro. S.W. Lodge closed at 10 p.m., after receiving H.G.W. from a visitor.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetu, No. 176.—The regular monthly meeting was held on 8th April, W. Bro. H. Hobbs, P.M., in the absence of W. Bro. Ayson, W.M., acting as Master. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed, and circular appeal from G.L. and other business dealt with. Bro. W. B. Hardy presented himself as a candidate for "Raising." The ceremony was conducted by the Acting-W.M. Bro. McLachlan, J.W. presented the W.Ts., and Bro. Guinness, S.W., the T.H. H.G.W. were received from sister Lodges and from two oversea Lodges. Lodge closed at 9.55 p.m. An enjoyable hour was then spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Otari, No. 190.—W. Bro. J. G. Harkness, P.G.S.D., presided over a fair attendance of members at the regular meeting on 3rd April. One brother was raised to the degree of M.M. The degree working, which was impressively executed, proved in a convincing manner the value of assiduous practice in the several duties required of each officer. This was the more noticable because, owing to the unavoidable absence of several regular officer-bearers, their positions had to be filled at short notice. The deacons, both new to the duties of the evening, gave a particularly good account of themselves. Their performance was highly gratifying to the W.M., who, like his predecessor, W. Bro. J. J. Esson, has used every effort to secure a large attendance at rehearsals, both of members and officers. Another pleasing feature of the evening was the announcement that the timber had been ordered for the new Lodge-room. It is anticipated that the building will be in readiness for occupation in a few months' time. The W.M. was appointed to represent the Lodge at the annual communication of G.L.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.—The regular meeting was held in St. Augustine Hall on 8th April, V.E. Comp. T. W. Lee presiding. After routine business, E. Comp. W. Broadley opened a Lodge of E.Ms. :—V.E. Comp. W. F. McLean, S.W. ; E. Comp. — J.W.; E. Comp. C. W. Bingham, S.D. ; E. Comp. A. L. Gray, J.D.; E. Comp. E. Haley, I.G. E. Comps. J. A. Stables, A. K. Hollow, and W. H. Arrow were Captains of the Veils. W. Bros. Hopkinson, J. Richardson, G. Yemm, and Bro. J. W. Beanland were acknowledged as E.Ms. E. Comp. Broadley obligated, V.E. Comp. J. Roberston delivered the lecture, V.E. Comp. McLean gave Final Charge. Lodge was closed by E. Comp. Broadley, and Chapter resumed by V.E. Comp. T. W. Lee. Three brethren were proposed for membership. As G.L. meets on Wednesday, 13th May, it was decided that our next meeting would be held on Friday, 8th May. After H.G.W., Chapter was closed at 9.5 p.m.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waterloo, No. 2.—The regular convocation was held on 25th March, and among those present was the M.E. 1st G.P. (Comp. J. J. Esson), who was paying his first official visit in this district to his Mother Chapter. The distinguished visitor was accompanied by V.E. Comp. H. J. Freeman, G.Treas., and V.E. Comp. C. W. Nielsen, G.Reg., V.E. Comp. W. H. Jones, P.Z., acting as G.S.B., and was received with and accorded the customary honours. M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E., was unable to be present, owing to a prior engagement. The chair was occupied by V.E. Comp. A. Veitch, Z., and there was a fair attendance of members and visitors. A ballot for an affiliating member, E. Comp. B. W. Blakely, of Hinemoa Chapter, was successful, and Comp. Blakely was appointed to and accepted the office of Organist to the Chapter. A Lodge of M.Ms. was opened, and one candidate advanced. The O. and Ss. were conferred by W. Bro. A. Veitch, W.M.M. ; the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. J. Rod, J.W. ; and the Final Charge was delivered by W.

Bro. G. Russell, S.W. Chapter was then resumed, the chief point of interest being discussion of a suggestion by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, in a letter to the V.E.Z., that the Chapter should invite Waitaki Kil. Chapter, Oamaru, to come up and give an exposition of its working in the Exaltation Degree, which, according to both M.E. Comp. Williams and the M.E.G.Z., was a revelation for completeness of detail and excellence of rendition. The suggestion was adopted, and an invitation accordingly has been issued for the convocation on 27th May. The M.E.G.Z. having expressed his pleasure at being able to pay his first visit to his own Chapter, retired with G. Chapter officers, and Chapter was closed at the unusually late hour of 10.30 p.m. A pleasant, though necessarily brief, time was then passed in the refectory.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victory, No. 12.—On the 16th April the monthly convocation was held, V.E. Comp. J. A. Orsman being in the chair. For many months this Chapter has had no work, but of late there has been quite a revival in Chapter work. Three candidates were successfully balloted for, and received the Mark Degree, V.E. Comp. W. Moyer carrying out the duties of M.M. At the same meeting, an additional three candidates were nominated, so that a large amount of work is in store for the present officers, who are exhibiting quite an amount of enthusiasm in their work.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Hinemoa, No. 25.—At the regular convocation held on the 19th March there was a good attendance. In the absence of the V.E.Z., owing to illness in his family, V.E. Comp. O. Nielsen, P.Z., presided. The business was the advancement of a candidate, and this ceremony was efficiently carried out. W. Bro. O. Nielson, as W.M.M., conferred the O. and explained the Ss.; W. Bro. H. B. Bridge presented the W.Ts.; and W. Bro. A. Thompson, P.W.M.M., delivered the Final Charge. A very pleasant time was afterwards spent in the refectory.

The regular meeting was held on 16th April, and there was a good attendance of officers and companions. M.E. Comp. T. Porritt, G.Supt., was also present, and V.E. Comp. Ashwood, who was on a visit to Wellington. V.E. Comp. J. P. Shand, Z., presided, and all officers were present, with the exception of the 1st Soj., who sent an apology. His place was filled by V.E. Comp. C. H. Dement. Apology for absence due to illness was also received from R.E. Comp. G. V. R. Parker. The business was the acknowledgment of a candidate, and the ceremony was very efficiently carried out. W. Bro. J. P. Shand, W.E.M., conferred the O.; W. Bro. Ashwood, P.W.E.M., delivered the Lecture; and W. Bro. O. Nielson, P.W.E.M., explained and communicated the Ss. W. Bro. C. H. Dement,

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P.W.E.M., acted as Conductor. On resuming Chapter, the V.E. 1st P., Comp. J. P. Shand, thanked the companions for their expressions of sympathy with him in connection with recent illness in his family. Chapter closed about 9.15 p.m., and the usual adjournment was then made to the refectory.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

A. AND A RITE.

Wellington, No. 91.—The quarterly conclave was held on 17th April, M.W.S. Bro. A. S. Bias presiding over an excellent attendance of members. A ballot was successful in favour of W. Bro. J. J. Esson, who subsequently received the Rite of Perfection at the hands of the M.W.S., who was assisted by P.M.W.S. Williams, 30deg., and P.M.W.S. Rev. T. Porritt. A by-law was amended to provide that all members, except country, pay an equal subscription. It was resolved to recommend E. and P. Bro. Rev. T. Porritt for the distinction of the 30deg. Three brothers were proposed for membership. At the conclusion of the work of the Chapter, an adjournment was made to the refectory, where two hours were spent pleasantly and profitably.

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PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON: 37 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov. G.M.)

N.Z. Pacific, No. 2:—Founded 1842, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, on fourth Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. No meeting December. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. S. Connell; S.W., Bro. E. Norton; J.W., Bro. J. S. Connell; Sec., W. Bro. J. H. Worboys, P.M., Kilbirnie. Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1866, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, on second Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. C. B. Harton; S.W., Bro. S. J. Moncrieff; J.W., Bro. A. Wilson; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., Box 811, G.P.O. Masterton, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets in Masonic Hall, Bannister-street, Masterton, second Wednesday every month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. W. Chapman; S.W., Bro. E. R. Wilson; J.W., Bro. R. J. Young; Sec., Bro. F. J. Hunn, Box 31, Masterton.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1879, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the third Monday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. C. W. Nielsen; S.W., Bro. A. W. Rowlands; J.W., Bro. W. Simpson; Sec., Bro. J. B. Lea, P.O. Box 236, Wellington.

St. John, No. 37:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Wakefield-street, Featherston, on second Monday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. C. J. Carlyon; S.W., Bro. F. Henry; J.W., Bro. G. T. Baker; Sec., Bro. E. H. Saunders, Box 15, Featherston. Rangitikei, No. 38:—Founded 1880, meets at Masonic Hall, Bulls, Tuesday before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. G. W. McKenzie; S.W., Bro. K. W. Deighton; J.W., Bro. W. S. Penney; Sec., Bro. Thomas King, P.O. Box 6, Bulls.

Felding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Temple, Felding, Monday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., Bro. O. N. Gillespie; S.W., Bro. W. A. Bailey; J.W., Bro. N. Bray; Sec., W. Bro. Gordon Elliott, P.M., Felding.

Leinster, No. 44:—Founded 1882, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, first Monday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., J.W., Bro. Haynes; S.W., Bro. David Ritchie; Baudinet, P.M., Cooper; Sec., Bro. W. A. collection each meeting. "Copper" W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Church-st., Palmerston N., Wednesday before full moon every month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. C. S. Rush; S.W., Bro. H. Hopwood; J.W., Bro. W. Mundy; Sec., Bro. W. H. Collingwood, P.M.

St. Mark, No. 53:—Founded 1884, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, second Tuesday every month, 8 p.m. Installation April (St. Mark's Day). W.M., Bro. A. N. Burns; S.W., Bro. A. J. Reynolds; J.W., Bro. H. E. Hart; Sec., Bro. A. Philpotts, P.M.

Uster, No. 62:—Founded 1888, meets in the Masonic Hall, Petone, third Wednesday every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. C. Davis; S.W., Bro. G. D. McEwen; J.W., Bro. W. H. Richards; Sec., Bro. R. Wylie, P.M., 49 Victoria-street, Petone.

Tararua, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets at Masonic Hall, Pahiatua, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. C. E. Clifton; S.W., Bro. W. W. Scott; J.W., Bro. — Bacon; Sec., Bro. G. Moore.

Otagaki, No. 70:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Ashhurst, on Tuesday before full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. G. R. Lovelock; S.W., Bro. D. Howie; J.W., Bro. H. W. Smart; Sec., Bro. A. O. Buchler, P.M., 83 Ferguson St. West, Palmerston N.

Rangitira, No. 71:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Hunterville, Rangitikei, Friday on or before full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. J. Woolford; S.W., Bro. T. Chisholm; J.W., Bro. W. H. Maclean; Sec., Bro. R. A. Campbell.

Otaki, No. 72:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Otaki, on Tuesday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. W. M. Simcox; S.W., Bro. W. J. Howell; J.W., Bro. W. Quayle; Sec., W. Bro. Swabey, P.M.

Greytown, No. 74:—Founded 1877, meets at the Masonic Hall, Greytown, on second Friday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation St. John's Day (June). W.M., Bro. Alfred George Tyer; S.W., Bro. Sven Polson; J.W., Bro. John B. Brickell; Sec., Bro. Alex. Murray, P.M., Greytown.

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79:—Founded 1868, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday each month (excepting Dec., first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. N. G. Armstrong; S.W., Bro. A. Doig; J.W., Bro. L. Craig; Acting-Sec., Bro. D. McFarlane, P.M., P.O. Box 120.

Eketahuna, No. 92:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Bengston-street, Eketahuna, Friday nearest full moon each month (except May, Installation, on Thursday nearest full moon), at 7.30 p.m. W.M., Bro. R. W. Ashcroft; S.W., Bro. D. M. Wilson; J.W., Bro. A. Rowden; Sec., Bro. G. Gavan Jackson.

Hinemoa, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington S., on second Thursday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. S. T. S. Martin; S.W., Bro. J. Reid; J.W., Bro. F. Robinson; Sec., Bro. C. Foster.

Kimbolton, No. 123:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Kimbolton, on Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. E. Nix; S.W., Bro. F. A. C. Baddeley J.W., Bro. J. M. Turnbull; Sec., Bro. W. Beedie.

Coronation, No. 127:—Founded 1902, meets at Masonic Hall, Johnsonville, Saturday, on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. P. Cook; S.W., Bro. O. Jerusalem; J.W., Bro. E. Harrap; Sec., Bro. J. Wheeler.

Ruapehu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, meets in Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. W. R. Snellgrove; S.W., W. Bro. J. Robson; J.W., Bro. H. J. Cameron; Sec., Bro. J. Mogridge, P.M.

Brooklyn, No. 132:—Founded October, 1903, meets in Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, on first Wednesday in each month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. Jensen; S.W., Bro. S. M. Arcus; J.W., Bro. H. V. Futter; Sec., Bro. A. Oakey, Beachamp-st., Karori, Wellington.

Te Awahou, No. 133:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Little-street, Foxton, Tuesday nearest full moon. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. Senior; S.W., Bro. W. Bullard; J.W., Bro. J. Ross; Sec., Bro. J. W. Hodgson.

Horowhenua, No. 135:—Founded 1906, meets in Druids' Hall, Levin, on Thursday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation, Wednesday nearest in Sept. W.M., Bro. C. Blenkhorn; S.W., Bro. T. Brown; J.W., Bro. Wm. Jamieson; Sec., W. Bro. James McIntyre, D.H. School, Levin.

Otaihape, No. 142:—Founded 18th December, 1905, meets in the Masonic Hall, Taihape, on Tuesday on or before full moon, at 7.45 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. G. Bray; S.W., Bro. A. James; J.W., Bro. G. Johnstone; Sec., Bro. T. A. Garratt.

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday after full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. McMillan; S.W., Bro. E. T. Glover; J.W., Bro. R. M. Matheson; Sec., Bro. T. McGee.

Puketoi, No. 148:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Pongaroa, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. F. Armstrong; S.W., Bro. C. Liverton; J.W., Bro. T. A. Yeoman; Sec., W. Bro. W. Sounness, P.M.

Waihenga, No. 150:—Founded October, 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Martinborough, on first Wednesday in each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. Nicol; S.W., Bro. A. D. McLeod; J.W., Bro. W. McKay; Sec., Bro. H. Kershaw, P.O. Box 12, Martinborough.

Tutanekai, No. 156:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Adelaide-rd., Berhampore, first Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. T. C. Watt; S.W., Bro. E. D. Alexander; J.W., Bro. A. A. Whitelaw; Sec., Bro. J. P. Shand, P.M., Cuba-st., Wellington.

Huia, No. 171:—Founded 1910, meets at Masonic Hall, Church-st. E., Palmerston N., on first Thursday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. S. Smith; S.W., Bro. R. McNab; J.W., Bro. W. Turner; Sec., Bro. C. J. Hewlett, Courthouse, Palmerston N.

Waimarino, No. 175:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Ward Street, Raetihi, on Monday nearest full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. E. Mugridge; S.W., Bro. D. H. Grant; J.W., Bro. W. H. Tustin; Sec., Bro. A. Mabbott, Raetihi.

Waiwhetu, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Huia-street, Lower Hutt, on second Wednesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. L. F. Ayson; S.W., Bro. E. J. Guinness; J.W., Bro. J. McLachlan; Sec., Bro. W. H. Frethey, Main-street, Lower Hutt.

Manga-te-Weka, No. 178:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Mangaweka, on Monday on or before full moon in each month at 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. D. Galloway; S.W., Bro. D. M. Watkins; J.W., Bro. J. W. Tompkins; Sec., Bro. R. B. Turnbull, Mangaweka.

Otari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets in the Public Hall, Khandallah, second Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. J. G. Harkness, P.G.D.; S.W., Bro. S. P. Curtis; J.W., Bro. J. H. Jerram, P.M.; Sec., Bro. W. A. Tanner, Khandallah.

Installed Masters Lodge, No. 194:—Founded 5th October, 1912. Meets in Freemasons' Hall, on fourth Friday in November, "February," April, "June," August, "October," Installation in Oct. W.M., Bro. G. Allport; S.W., Bro. J. J. Esson; J.W., Bro. H. B. Bridge; Sec., Bro. Morris Fox. (*Open to visiting M.Ms.)

Moutoa, No. 195:—Constituted 24th April, 1913, meets in Masonic Hall, Gonville, fourth Thursday in each month (excepting December, third Thursday). Installation fourth Thursday in April. W.M., Bro. D. Munro; S.W., Bro. J. W. Deem; J.W., Bro. J. D. V. McBeth; Sec., Bro. F. Symes, Avenue, Wanganui.

SOUTH ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON: 8 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. Dr. W. E. Redman, Prov. G.M.)

Victory, No. 40:—Founded 1881, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Collingwood-street, Nelson, second Thursday every month (except May—fourth Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. Houliker; S.W., Bro. E. W. Rudman; J.W., Bro. A. E. Hedges; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42 (Blenheim): Havelock, No. 104:—Founded 1896, meets in Masonic Hall, Havelock, Friday, before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. H. Buckman; S.W., Bro. R. W. Price; J.W., Bro. W. A. Russell; Sec., Bro. J. R. A. Gifford, Havelock.

Marlborough Unanimity, No. 106:—Founded 1869 (formerly 1236, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1896, meets in Masonic Hall, Charles-st., Blenheim, Thursday nearest full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. W. J. Girling; S.W., Bro. C. H. Mills; J.W., Bro. C. A. Eckford; Acting Sec., Bro. S. A. Edinger, Blenheim.

Waitohi, No. 111:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Picton, last Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. T. W. Bragge; S.W., Bro. J. Burgess; J.W., Bro. H. A. S. Martin; Sec., Bro. R. C. Branch.

Forest, No. 116:—Meets at Wakefield on Wednesday before full moon. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. H. C. Fitzsimmonds; S.W., Bro. M. Fawcett; J.W., Bro. G. Worth; Sec., W. Bro. F. B. Peart.

Motueka, No. 177:—Founded 1900, meets in Lodgroom, Motueka, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. R. H. Shaw-Thompson; S.W., Bro. J. A. Wallace; J.W., Bro. W. E. Poole; Sec., Bro. L. E. Rhodes.

St. Cuthbert's, No. 144:—Founded 1905, meets in Masonic Hall, Collingwood, on Saturday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. Walker; S.W., Bro. W. J. Shaw; J.W., Bro. Jas. Phillips; Sec., Bro. H. Lash, P.M., Rockville, Collingwood.

PROVINCE OF WESTLAND: 12 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. J. H. Harkness, Prov. G.M.) Robert Burns, No. 50:—Founded 1883, meets in Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly-st., Reefton, third Thursday each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 25th Jan. W.M., Bro. W. H. Nicholas; S.W., Bro. R. Tudehope; J.W., Bro. F. S. Willis; Sec., Bro. Roy Liddelow.

Advance, No. 61:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Brunerton, Thursday on or nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Jan. W.M., Bro. J. Rouse; S.W., Bro. J. Cook; J.W., Bro. W. Dando; Sec., Bro. F. Jacobs.

Kumara, No. 65:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon-st., Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. W. E. Richards; S.W., Bro. S. T. Peters, P.M.; J.W., Bro. J. Steel; Sec., Bro. W. H. Evenden, P.M.

Westland Kil., No. 88:—Founded 1867, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Hokitika, on Wednesday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. H. M. Lynch; S.W., Bro. H. M. Coulson; J.W., Bro. W. H. Shannon; Sec., Bro. J. McMillan, P.M.

Aorangi, No. 89:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Denniston, on first Wednesday in every month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. R. Colligan; S.W., Bro. A. L. Macdonell; J.W., Bro. W. Thawley; Sec., Bro. G. Whitefield.

Mokihinui, No. 90:—Founded 1896, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddonville, first Saturday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. H. E. Mumm; S.W., Bro. O. G. Jones; J.W., Bro. W. J. Mumm; Sec., Bro. C. M. Johnson, P.M.

Torea, No. 121:—Founded 1900, meets at Masonic Hall, Granity, third Saturday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. J. Burt; S.W., Bro. T. A. Stephens; J.W., Bro. E. G. Brown; Sec., Bro. H. G. Webster, Ngakawau.

Mawhera, No. 136:—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Tainui-st., Greymouth, second Thursday each month. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. C. G. T. Morice; S.W., Bro. J. Hales; J.W., Bro. A. Gilbert; Sec., Bro. J. C. Duncan.

Kawaitiri-Westport, No. 152:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Russell-street, Westport, second Monday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. T. Peterkin; S.W., Bro. F. Hobbs; J.W., Bro. W. Panckhurst; Sec., Bro. A. Gifford, P.M.

Runanga, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddon-st., Runanga, on Tuesday nearest full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. Hall; S.W., Bro. W. Wick; J.W., Bro. T. Latimer; Sec., Bro. A. A. Shannon.

Waro, No. 173 (Blackball).
Connaught, No. 187 (Karama).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 34 LODGES. (M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns, Prov.G.M.)

Unanimity, No. 3:—Founded October, 1851, meets at Masonic Hall, Summer-rd., Lyttelton, first Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. Furneaux; S.W., Bro. J. A. Borthwick; J.W., Bro. A. R. W. Prestney; Sec., Bro. W. H. Brown, Box 34, Lyttelton.

St. Augustine, No. 4:—Founded 1852, meets in St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Christchurch, second Tuesday every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. W. Bingham; S.W., Bro. T. H. Ker, junr.; J.W., Bro. H. H. Wauchop; Sec., W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, P.O. Box 372, Christchurch.

Southern Cross, No. 6:—Founded 1858, meets in Masonic Hall, Kaiapoi, on first Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. A. L. Gray; S.W., Bro. L. Brighting; J.W., Bro. A. Gribble; Sec., Bro. R. H. Croft, Box 13, Kaiapoi.

Caledonian, No. 16:—Founded 1871, meets in Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia-street, Timaru, first Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. Burns; S.W., W. Bro. H. B. Hall; J.W., Bro. J. Gibb; Sec., Bro. James Simpson.

Progress, No. 22:—Founded 1876, meets at Masonic Hall, Southbridge, Tuesday on or before full moon in each month at 8 p.m. Installation regular night in December. W.M., W. Bro. J. C. Free; S.W., W. Bro. R. B. Willis, P.G.D.; J.W., W. Bro. J. S. Inwood; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. A. Walker, District High School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil, No. 23:—Founded 1875, meets at Masonic Hall, Canterbury Street, Lyttelton, third Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. N. W. Taylor; S.W., Bro. W. T. Lester; J.W., Bro. J. D. Plimmer; Sec., Bro. C. Kay, P.M., Oxford Street, Lyttelton.

Geraldine, No. 27:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. H. M. Hullah; S.W., Bro. C. E. Norrell; J.W., Bro. A. Wilkinson; Sec., Bro. B. R. Hogg.

Ashley, No. 28:—Founded 1878, meets in the Masonic Hall, Rangiora, on second Thursday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. P. J. Coates; S.W., Bro. H. Farrelly; J.W., Bro. T. J. Withers; Sec., Bro. B. A. McKeown, P.O. Box 12, Rangiora.

St. George, No. 29:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Wilkin-st., Temuka, on second Wed. in each month. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. A. Calder; S.W., Bro. A. E. Smith; J.W., Bro. J. Preddy; Sec., Bro. F. A. Joynt.

South Rakai, No. 31:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, Tuesday on or before full moon in each month. Installation Oct. W.M., W. Bro. C. M. Suckling; S.W., Bro. J. W. Kime; J.W., Bro. C. J. Morland; Sec., W. Bro. Jno. Graham, P.M., P.O. Lincoln.

Concord, No. 39:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Hall, Papanui, fourth Wednesday every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. Gasson; S.W., Bro. R. Laurie; J.W., Bro. Wilson; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, 72, Aikman's Road, Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa):
Methven, No. 51:

Kaikoura, No. 60:

Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1893, meets in St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, on fourth Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. G. H. McLean; S.W., Bro. J. Thomas; J.W., Bro. W. Kidley; Sec., Bro. H. Hopkinson, P.M., 33 Clifton Street, Addington, Christchurch.

Mackenzie, No. 93:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Fairlie, on Thursday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation third Thursday in Oct. W.M., Bro. C. J. Talbot; S.W., Bro. P. J. Beaton; J.W., Bro. J. Richards; Sec., Bro. J. H. Southwick, Fairlie.

St. Augustine, No. 99:—Meets Lodgeroom, Leonard-st., Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. J. Menzies; S.W., Bro. S. Bird; J.W., Bro. Thos. W. Manchester; Sec., Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.M.

Thistle, No. 113:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Havelock-st. W., Ashburton, on third Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 30th Nov. W.M., Bro. J. Williams; S.W., Bro. S. Crooks; J.W., Bro. J. Harris, P.M.; Sec., Bro. C. Campbell, P.M., Box 6, P.O., Ashburton.

Cheviot, No. 124:

M. and P. M., No. 130 (Christchurch):

Mairaki, No. 131:—Founded 1903, meets at Masonic Hall, Cust, third Friday in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. A. Searrell; S.W., Bro. E. L. H. Wolff; J.W., Bro. F. E. Fairweather, P.M.; Sec., Bro. D. Arnott, Cust.

Pareora, No. 134 (St. Andrew's).

Crown, No. 138 (Christchurch):

Robert Burns, No. 139:—Meets at St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on third Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. R. L. Bush; S.W., Bro. R. W. S. Eastwood; J.W., Bro. R. H. Taylor; Sec., W. Bro. H. Wyatt, 93 Worcester Street, Christchurch.

Waihora, No. 141:—Founded 1905, meets Odd-fellows' Hall, Leeston, Thursday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. H. F. Penlington; S.W., Bro. B. C. Jacobs; J.W., Bro. J. W. Lemon; Sec., Bro. W. J. Mansell.

Civic, No. 157:—Meets at St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, first Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. D. Manson; S.W., Bro. A. J. Symonds; J.W., Bro. F. Steans; Sec., Bro. W. V. Garton, Christchurch.

St. Martin, No. 162 (Pleasant Point):

Ahurewa, No. 181:—Founded 1911, meets in Schoolroom, Dunsandel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. F. Lill; S.W., Bro. T. Wright; J.W., Bro. J. Macpherson; Sec., Bro. G. Stapleton.

Amuri, No. 184:—Founded Oct., 1911, meets Masonic Hall, Rotherham, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. Dr. W. Todd; J.W., Bro. W. M. Munro; J.W., Bro. C. Thompson; Sec., Bro. E. Britton.

Avon, No. 185 (Christchurch).

Tawera, No. 188 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 196 (Timaru).

Koranga, No. 197 (Timaru).

PROVINCE OF OTAGO: 26 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. A. Stoneham, Prov. G.M.)

Otago, No. 7:—Founded 1860, meets Freemasons' Hall, King-street (opp. A.M. month), Dunedin, on second Wednesday. W.M., Bro. J. L. at 8 p.m. Installation. W.M., Bro. J. L. Miller; S.W., Bro. D. C. Cameron, P.M., 27, Macdonald Place, Dunedin.

Waikati, No. 11:—Founded 1869, meets Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, Wednesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. G. M. Whale; S.W., Bro. J. M. Forrester; J.W., Bro. H. M. Roxby; Sec., W. Bro. J. A. Peebles, Newborough, Oamaru.

Clutha, No. 14:—Founded 1866, meets in the Masonic Hall, Douglas Street, Balclutha, second Tuesday in the month, at 8 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. W. Henderson; S.W., Bro. A. R. Lattimore; J.W., Bro. T. W. Bain; Sec., Bro. B. Whiting, P.M., Box 18, P.O., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 26:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston S., Friday on or before full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. O. Dempsey; S.W., Bro. J. T. Argue; J.W., Bro. G. B. Smith, junr.; Sec., Bro. W. Diach.

Hercules, No. 36:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Tapanui, Wednesday nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. C. Keeley; S.W., Bro. H. Mackay; J.W., Bro. D. D. Cleghorn; Sec., Bro. E. B. Wethey, P.M.

Hiram, No. 46:—Founded 1883, meets at Masonic Hall, Cargill-road, S. Dunedin, on fourth Tuesday in month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. G. H. Westwood; S.W., Bro. H. E. Woodhead; J.W., Bro. R. V. Parker; Sec., Bro. J. T. Laling, P.M., 45, Lees-street, Dunedin.

Ngapara, No. 68:—Founded 1891, meets in the Masonic Hall, Ngapara, Oamaru, on Monday on or preceding full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. O. Little; S.W., Bro. A. Robbie; J.W., Bro. S. Wilson; Sec., Bro. R. McGillivray, P.M.

Oamaru Kil, No. 82:—Founded 1872, meets in the Masonic Hall, Oamaru, on first Wednesday after full moon in each month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. W. Moss; S.W., Bro. J. Swindley; J.W., Bro. D. Herron; Sec., Bro. J. M. Brown, P.M., Thames St., Oamaru.

St. Thomas Kil, No. 83 (Kaitangata):

St. John, No. 84 (Mosgiel):

Mount Ida, No. 97:—Founded 1868 (originally No. 1262, E.C.), meets in the Masonic Hall, Naseby, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. A. E. Inder; S.W., Bro. D. Rankin; J.W., Bro. G. Bell; Treas., Bro. F. P. Christopher; Sec., Bro. A. E. Brown.

Cromwell Kil, No. 98 (originally No. 535, S.C.):—Meets in Lodgeroom, Melmore-terrace, Cromwell, on Wednesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. F. Bradley; S.W., Bro. W. J. Olds; J.W., Bro. W. R. Parcell; Sec., W. Bro. W. J. Ritchie, P.M., Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 103 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1869, joined N.Z.C. 1895, meets in Town Hall, Clyde, on Tuesday on or nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. G. W. Shelton; S.W., Bro. W. Holloway; J.W., Bro. W. R. McKean; Sec., Bro. H. E. Stevens.

Maori, No. 105:—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. G. Ross; S.W., Bro. S. Hanlon; J.W., Bro. H. Crawley; Sec., Bro. R. Dewar, Ravensbourne.

Manuhierikia Kil, No. 109:—Founded 1896, meets in the Masonic Hall, Alexandra South, on Friday on or nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. A. E. Spooner; S.W., Bro. H. Munroe; J.W., Bro. G. W. Campbell; Sec., Bro. J. B. Arnott.

St. Bathans, No. 126:—Founded 11th Nov., 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Becks, on Thursday nearest full moon every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. T. H. Mee; S.W., Bro. C. Alexander; J.W., Bro. T. Sheppard; Sec., Bro. R. Wilson, P.M., Becks.

Otago Kil, No. 143:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Moray-place, Dunedin, on first Thursday each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. W. Farquharson; S.W., Bro. W. G. Hay; J.W., Bro. G. Adess; Sec., Bro. G. Watts, P.M., 53 Clyde-st., Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 148:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Roxburgh, on the Saturday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. D. A. Mitchell; S.W., Bro. Wm. Donnelly; J.W., Bro. S. E. T. Vernon; Sec., W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Gilmour, P.M., Box 18, Roxburgh.

Oceanic, No. 154:—Meets in St. Mary's Hall, Dunedin, third of each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation S.W., Bro. J. Couch; Bro. H. C. A. Cameron; Sec., W. Bro. D. man; J.W., P.M., 33, Moreau St., St. Kilda.

Phaeremal, No. 155:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Gt. King-st. (opp. Museum), Dunedin, second Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. Alex. Allan; S.W., Bro. J. W. Raffles; J.W., Bro. C. F. J. Bell; Sec., Bro. J. J. Clark, P.M., 1 Union-st., Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161:

Kurov, No. 164:—Founded May 13, 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Kurov, on Thursday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. N. Hayes; S.W., Bro. S. M. Taylor; J.W., Bro. C. L. Ayson; Sec., Bro. R. H. Appleby, P.M., Kurov.

Owaka, No. 180:—Founded 1911, meets in Masonic Hall, Owaka, on Thursday every four weeks from 15th January, 1914, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. W. Geddes; S.W., Bro. R. McLean; J.W., Bro. W. H. Halley; Sec., Bro. Dr. J. S. Stenhouse, P.M., Owaka.

Clinton, No. 183:—Founded 1911, meets in Oddfellows' Hall, Clinton, on Thursday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. A. Capamagian; S.W., Bro. A. H. Charlton; J.W., Bro. J. Wright; Sec., Bro. J. C. Borthwick.

Ionic, No. 191 (Green Island):

Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington):—

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany, Prov.G.M.)

Southern Cross, No. 9:—Founded 1864, meets Masonic Hall, Forth-street, Invercargill, first Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. T. Waters; S.W., Bro. J. Critchfield; J.W., Bro. G. Kelly; Sec., W. Bro. A. Heron, P.O., Invercargill.

Harvey, No. 49:—Founded 1864, meets Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. E. Frobarth; S.W., Bro. L. Fretwell; J.W., Bro. G. B. Paterson; Sec., Bro. Walter Gee, Box 35, Gore.

Mokoreta, No. 63:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Temple, Wyndham, on third Thursday in every month, at 8 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in September. W.M., Bro. H. B. Porter; S.W., Bro. W. C. Hislop; J.W., Bro. —; Sec., Bro. B. Sutherland, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64:—Founded 1888, meets at Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. C. P. Horne; S.W., Bro. S. D. Pearce; J.W., Bro. W. R. Røden; Sec., Bro. E. Parker, P.M.

Aparima, No. 77:—Founded 1876, meets in Masonic Hall, Riverton, Tuesday nearest full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. H. Akhurst; S.W., Bro. T. B. McIntyre; J.W., Bro. A. E. Ward; Sec., Bro. Alex. Hamilton.

Lake Lodge of Ophir, No. 86:—Founded 1864, meets Masonic Hall, Queenstown, third Tuesday each month. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. McNeil, P.M.; S.W., Bro. A. Fraser; J.W., Bro. L. Curtis; Sec., Bro. W. D. Warren, P.M., Queenstown.

Arrow Kil, No. 86:—Meets at Masonic Hall, Arrowtown, Monday on or before full moon. Installation Feb., same day as No. 85. W.M., Bro. J. Jenkins; S.W., Bro. J. Duncan; J.W., Bro. E. Graham; Sec., Bro. F. F. Dunlop, Box 48, Arrowtown.

St. John, No. 94:—Meets at Masonic Hall, Invercargill, third Friday every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. le H. Hoyle; S.W., Bro. A. S. Cookson; J.W., Bro. R. Smith; Sec., Bro. C. H. Poole, 169 Teviot-st., Invercargill.

Taringatua, No. 100:—Founded 1887, meets at Masonic Hall, Lumsden, on Monday on or before full moon in each month. Installation last Wednesday in November. W.M., Bro. W. Roxburgh; S.W., Bro. H. Graham; J.W., Bro. D. Walker; Sec., Bro. W. H. Clark, P.M.

Winton, No. 108:—Founded 1896, meets at Masonic Hall, Park-st., Winton, on Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. T. Walker; S.W., Bro. W. D. Cowie; J.W., Bro. J. R. Hamilton; Sec., Bro. J. A. Broom, P.O. Box 3, Winton.

Wallace, No. 129:—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Otautau, on third Friday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. G. H. Stevens; S.W., Bro. A. A. Stewart; J.W., Bro. R. Gibson; Sec., Bro. E. Matheson, jun., Otautau P.O.

Orepuki, No. 187:—Founded 1903, meets at Masonic Hall, Orepuki, second Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. L. E. Clapp; S.W., Bro. W. R. Hood; J.W., Bro. W. H. E. Fortune; Sec., W. Bro. W. Growther.

Wairaki, No. 145 (Nightcaps): Victoria, No. 147:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth-st., Invercargill, second Bro. 1 every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. O. J. S.W., Bro. G. J. Yule; J.W., P.M., Crescent, Invercargill. Bro. A. Campbell, Wairaki, No. 151:—Founded 1896, meets in Lodge-room, Wairaki, Monday nearest full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. full Bennetts; S.W., Bro. G. S. Rees; J.W., Bro. T. Keating; Sec., Bro. D. Browning.

Mataura, No. 174: Waihopai, No. 180 (Invercargill):

ENGLISH CRAFT LODGES.

Pacific Lodge, No. 1453, E.C., Reefton:—Founded 1878, meets in the Masonic Hall, Reefton, on the Tuesday nearest full moon in every month. Installation in July. W.M., Bro. T. J. M. Ferens; S.W., Bro. H. Smith; J.W., Bro. R. Burley; Sec., Bro. Nicholas Lawn, Walsh Street, Reefton.

Wellington, No. 1521:—Founded 1874, meets at the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on third Wednesday in each month except in Jan., Feb., and March. Installation June. W.M., Bro. F. J. Courtney; S.W., Bro. H. N. Fletcher; J.W., Bro. S. P. Andrew; Sec., Bro. E. E. Coghlan, Box 819, Wellington.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE. GRAND LODGE OF FRANCE.

Veritas, No. 384:—Founded 1907, meets at the Freemasons' Hall, Mission-street, Papeete, on fourth Saturday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. J. Randall; S.W., Bro. G. Lamprecht; J.W., Bro. C. Brown; Sec., Bro. G. Largaude. [This Lodge, working in English, cordially invites brethren from New Zealand.]

L'Océanien Française, No. 350:—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Mission-street, Papeete, on first Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. E. Langomazino; S.W., Bro. Allain; J.W., Bro. G. Verbaeghe; Sec., Bro. M. Sue.

SUPREME G.R.A. CHAPTER OF NEW ZEALAND.

(With jurisdiction over 31 R.A. Chapters and 1 Mark Lodge.)

Annual convocation January or February. I.P.G.Z., M.E. Comp. W. Smith; G.Z., M.E. Comp. J. J. Esson (No. 2); D.G.Z., R.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews (No. 1); G.H., R.E. Comp. T. Ross (No. 28); G.J., R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris (No. 17); G.S.E., M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams (No. 2); G.S.N., V.E. Comp. J. S. Hope (No. 19); G.Treas., V.E. Comp. H. J. Freeman (No.

24); 1st G.Soj., V.E. Comp. H. Coop (No. 9); 2nd G.Soj., V.E. Comp. E. A. Steans (No. 3); 3rd G.Soj., V.E. Comp. M. N. Rivers (No. 18); G.Reg., V.E. Comp. C. W. Neilsen (No. 2); G.Chanc., V.E. Comp. M. Evans (No. 15); G-Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. A. McLean (No. 20); G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. R. Gillespie (No. 30); G.Svd.B., V.E. Comp. E. W. Eaton (No. 7); G.Std.B., V.E. Comp. G. S. Gordon (No. 23); G.Org., V.E. Comp. C. F. Turner (No. 31); Asst.-G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. J. H. S. Perritt (No. 19); Asst.-G.Svd.B., V.E. Comp. L. A. H. Gogoie (No. 6); Asst.-G.Std.B., V.E. Comp. H. M. Smyth (No. 29); Asst.-G.Reg., V.E. Comp. W. McLilrea (No. 33). SUPREME G. COMMITTEE—Chairman M.E. Comp. R. Fletcher, the G.P.s. and G.Treas. (ex officio), all P.G.Z.s., all G-Supts., and V.E. Comps. C. J. B. Norwood, G. E. Smith, H. Preston, and H. H. Seaton.

G. SUPERINTENDENTS—

Auckland—R.E. Comp. F. Kearsley. Wellington—M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt. Canterbury—R.E. Comp. C. Flavell. Southland—R.E. Comp. T. M. Rankin. Otago—R.E. Comp. E. Lane. Westland—R.E. Comp. E. Dacre Dunn. West Coast (North Island)—R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer.

NEW ZEALAND CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1:—Founded November, 1899, meets in the St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on second Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. Z., Comp. T. W. Lee; H., Comp. W. Broadley; J., Comp. R. McFarlane; S.E., Comp. J. W. Piper, 537, Hereford-street, Linwood.

Waterloo, No. 2:—Founded 1875, meets in Masonic Hall, Boulcott Street, Wellington, fourth Wednesday in each month. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. A. Veitch; H., Comp. G. Russell; J., Comp. J. Rod; S.E., Comp. H. B. Bridge.

Southern Cross, No. 3:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Invercargill, on fourth Friday in each month, excluding Dec. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. N. J. Brokenshire; H., Comp. R. Prentice; J., Comp. W. T. Waters; S.E., Comp. G. Gilchrist, Invercargill.

Victoria, No. 4:—Founded 1879, meets in Masonic Hall, Munro-st., Napier, last Thursday each month, except Dec. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. J. W. Ritchie; H., Comp. L. Freedman, P.Z.; J., Comp. A. J. McGlashan; S.E., Comp. J. Redshaw.

Albert Edward, No. 6: Otago, No. 7:—Meets in Oceanic Masonic Hall, St. Kilda, Dunedin, first Wednesday in every month except Dec. and Jan. Instruction on Friday before each meeting. Installation H., E. Comp. V.E. Comp. G. H. Westwood; E. W. Eaton, P.Z.; Anderson; J., V.E. Comp. den, 39 Main South-st., Dunedin. G. T. Lumsden.

Waitaki Kil, No. 8 (being Otago Chapter, No. 8, and Waitaki Chapter, No. 13, which were amalgamated 9th October, 1901):—Meets in Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, every second Wednesday after full moon. Installation September. Z., Comp. W. Miller; H., Comp. S. J. Davys; J., Comp. W. J. Hill; S.E., M.E. Comp. J. M. Brown, P.G.Z.

Auckland Prov., No. 9:—Founded 1892, meets third Wednesday every month, except December and January. Installation September. Z., Comp. M. Blair; H., Comp. A. H. Walker; J., Comp. R. White; S.E., Comp. A. E. Bagnall.

Wairarapa, No. 10:—Founded 1892, meets in the Masonic Hall, Carterton, on third Friday in Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept., and Nov. Installation 23rd Sept. Z., Comp. A. Phillips; H., Comp. R. J. Foss; J., Comp. W. Moore, P.Z.; S.E., Comp. J. B. Bairstow.

Manawatu, No. 11:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Palmerston North, third Thursday each month. Z., Comp. W. Dawick; H., Comp. W. Smith; J., Comp. J. Mounsey; S.E., Comp. W. J. Culver, Box 127, P.O., Palmerston North.

Victory, No. 12:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Nelson, on third Thursday in month as required (except in Dec. and Jan.). Installation Oct. Z., Comp. J. A. Orsman; H., Comp. J. Bartlett; J., Comp. J. L. Ching; S.E., V.E. Comp. R. W. Stiles, Nelson.

Marlborough, No. 14:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, on Wednesday nearest new moon in October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation 23rd September. Z., V.E. Comp. F. W. Smith; H., E. Comp. G. J. Logan; J., E. Comp. M. McKenzie; S.E., Comp. W. Nesworthy, P.Z.

Timaru, No. 15.

Waimate, No. 16:—Founded 1891, meets in St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Waimate, on first Wednesday after full moon in the months of Sept. (Installation), Nov., Jan., March, May, and July. Z., Comp. J. Menzies; H., Comp. D. A. Fulton; J., Comp. S. Bird; S.E., Comp. J. W. Manchester.

Ohinemuri, No. 17:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Paeroa, first Wednesday after full moon in Sept., Oct., Dec., Feb., April, June and Aug. Installation Sept. Z., V.E. Comp. C. B. Gentil, P.Z.; H., E. Comp. S. S. Allen; J., E. Comp. H. O. Searle; S.E., V.E. Comp. S. D. McKinnon, P.Z.

Inangahua, No. 18:—Founded 1892, meets in Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly-street, Reefton, on second Tuesday in each month. Installation Sept. Z., V.E. Comp. D. Panckhurst, P.Z.; H., V.E. Comp. J. Banks, P.Z.; J., V.E. Comp. R. A. Stewart; S.E., E. Comp. W. H. Thompson.

Ruapehu, No. 19:—Founded 1903, meets in the Masonic Hall, Marton. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. H. Perrett; H., Comp. A. N. Neilsen; J., Comp. E. Lloyd; S.E., Comp. W. R. Snellgrove, Box 14, P.O., Marton.

Cromwell Coronation, No. 20:—Founded 30th November, 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Alexandra South, third Thursday in January, March, May, July, September, November. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. J. H. Dunsday; H., Comp. J. D. Thomson; J., Comp. A. E. Spooner; S.E., Comp. T. Adams.

Kawatiri, No. 21 (Westport):—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Westport, on the third Wednesday in each month. Installation Sept. Z., V.E. Comp. A. J. Gifford, P.Z.; H., E. Comp. Geo. H. Gothard; J., E. Comp. D. Darrack; S.E., V.E. Comp. J. H. Harkness, P.Z.

Waikato, No. 22:—Founded 30th January, 1905, meets Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Tuesday on or before full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. W. Warren; H., Comp. J. C. Williams; J., Comp. W. C. Pickett; S.E., Comp. M. McArthur.

Wanganui, No. 23:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Wanganui, first Thursday in November, February, April, June, and August. Installation fourth Thursday in September. Z., Comp. J. Ashwell; H., Comp. N. Koulston; J., Comp. W. A. Veitch; S.E., Comp. F. Stevens, Wanganui.

Brooklyn, No. 24:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, on second Wednesday in July, September, November, January, March, and May. Installation September. Z., Comp. E. B. Parsons; H., Comp. G. Luke; J., Comp. J. B. Hopkirk; S.E. Comp. S. M. Arcus.

Hinemoa, No. 25:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Daniel Street, third Thursday every month. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. P. Shand; H., Comp. H. B. Bridge; J., Comp. J. Reid; S.E., Comp. C. Foster.

Whangarei, No. 27:—Founded Sept., 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, John-st., Whangarei, fourth Thursday in Feb., March, April, May, June, July, Aug., Sept., Oct., and Nov. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. N. McKenzie; H., Comp. A. M. McLeod; J., Comp. R. Worner; S.E., Comp. C. McKinnon, Box 17, P.O., Whangarei.

Wairarapa, No. 28:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Pevensbourne, on fourth Friday in every month. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. W. Crawley; H., Comp. S. Hanlon; J., Comp. J. W. Radfils; S.E., Comp. T. Ross, P.Z., Ravensbourne.

Westland Kil, No. 29 (Hokitika): Rawhiti, No. 30:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Dannevirke, on third Monday each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. J. Brown; H., Comp. J. Craven; J., Comp. F. Craven; S.E., Comp. C. A. Mears.

Prince of Wales, No. 31 (Christchurch): Takahoa, No. 32:—Founded 1912, meets on the third Thursday in each month at Patea, Eltham, and Hawera, alternately. Installation Sept. Z., Comp. W. T. Simmonds; H., Comp. J. Phillips; J., Comp. T. E. Hamerton; S.E., Comp. H. Priestley, P.Z., Patea.

Iwikatea, No. 33 (Balclutha): Wallace, No. 34 (Otautau):

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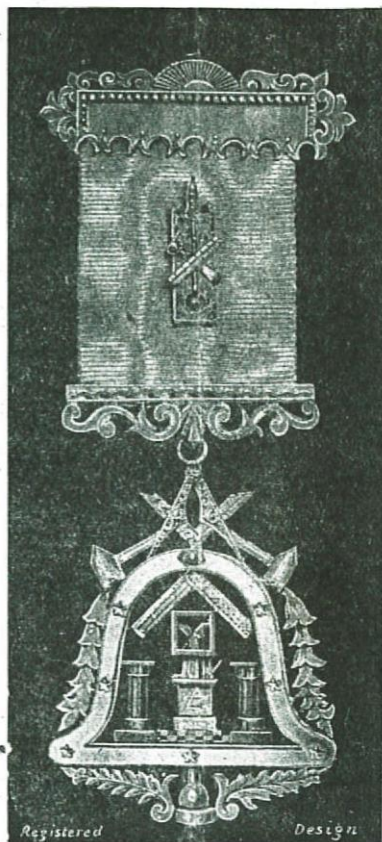
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