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MONDAY, 6th

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TUESDAY, 7th

Ponsonby

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Ara

THURSDAY, 9th

Albion

TUESDAY, 14th

Papakura

Hobson

WEDNESDAY, 15th

Ohinemuri

*Rico

THURSDAY, 16th

Bata Waikato

Tairāngia

Maungawhau

FRIDAY, 17th

*Hokitanga

SATURDAY, 18th

Oharewai

MONDAY, 20th

Waioa

Whangarei

Whititi

Tairāngia

TUESDAY, 21st

St. Andrew

*St. Walter Scott

Rotorua

Tawhiti

Te Aroha

WEDNESDAY, 22nd

*A. Pihl

Taupiri

Pihikete

THURSDAY, 23rd

Mangonui

*Waiapu

FRIDAY, 24th

Waiapu

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WEDNESDAY, 29th

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Bedford

TARANAKI.

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St. John's

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WEDNESDAY, 22nd

*Stratford

RUAPEHU.

THURSDAY, 2nd

*Hui

THURSDAY, 9th

Manawatu K.I.

St. Andrew K.I.

TUESDAY, 14th

Kaitake

*Otane

THURSDAY, 16th

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FRIDAY, 17th

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18th April—Tuesday	12th September—Tuesday
18th May—Thursday	11th October—Wednesday
16th June—Friday	10th November—Friday
15th July—Saturday	10th December—Sunday

FROM THE EDITOR.

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

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REFRESHMENT.



FORTY years ago the social side of Freemasonry was a very distinct feature, and it was as unvarying as the laws of the Medes and Persians. Whether the function was a Lodge installation, a consecration, or laying a foundation stone, the call to refreshment was symbolised by a "banquet" in the strict interpretation of the term, the minimum cost of which was one guinea, and though we do not recall the fact that money was more plentiful than to-day, one rarely if ever found any exception taken. To-day, under the assumption of a greater morality, we cynically comment on the wasteful habits of our forefathers in Freemasonry, and almost unanimously decide that their epicurean tastes were calculated to, and perhaps did, prostitute the real purposes of Freemasonry. But it is quite possible that our spectacles do not quite reflect the actual position of the past. Four or five decades ago, the conditions of the then "Colony"—and we have an affection for the old appellation—were quite different to those of to-day, socially, politically and Masonically. Amusements of all kinds were exceedingly limited, and it may be doubted if the average individual outlay under this head was equal in twelve months to that for a period of six months in the present era, even of cheap picture shows. Masonically, the average age of members was very much higher, and Masonic life considerably longer, which conduced to more sociality, if not stronger fraternity. If the cost of refreshments for each Lodge meeting was very greatly in excess of that of to-day, it was distinctly the event of the month, anticipated with pleasure and thoroughly enjoyed in realisation, and frequently was the only extravagance for the month. While, if the relief of distress was not in organised form, it was still dispensed with the utmost liberality. It is rather too readily assumed to-day that the "social" habits of former days were injurious to the reputation and the best interests of Freemasonry. This opinion may have subsequently supervened, but it was not so held then, as the whole state of the times was so distinctly sociable in all grades of society. But we do not write as the apologist of old time Freemasonry—one aged brother sarcastically says, there is no occasion—but rather as leading to present conditions. With the introduction of the public works and immigration scheme in the early seventies, a general evolution overwhelmed the colony. With it also commenced a decided influx into Freemasonry, and many of the entrants were not of the moneyed class. In due course this was to a large

extent responsible for more economical considerations, and a more organised system of relief began to be demanded. For years past the general cry has been "lighter refreshments," heavier relief, and charity circumscribed by rule and line. This cry was freely answered and carried into practical effect. Suddenly the great war came, and with it changes in all states of society, and retrenchment and greater economy individually and collectively became the slogan to the people. Freemasonry, animated by the best of motives, readily acquiesced. The festive board at once became lighter, and in some cases disappeared. But though this journal has always advocated the greater moderation, we do not think absolute abolition is desirable, well knowing and fully appreciating the influence and value of the social function. Now, a word to G.Ls. and Chapters which only meet annually. It is well known, if not expressed, that a spirit of emulation has been in evidence for some years past, without doubt the intention being to give as much pleasure as possible to visiting brethren. A most laudable desire ! But there has always been the danger of this spirit of emulation exceeding the bounds of prudence, especially at this time, when the cost could be so well applied in other directions. In former times the G.L. of New Zealand was content to celebrate its annual meeting with simple refreshments after the grand function. Then two nights' entertainment supervened, which was subsequently further increased by day outings of varied character. While not in any way attempting to dictate to the different districts wherein future inactions will be held, we would still point out that each form of entertainment means additional cost, and the G.L. War Relief Fund is still comparatively very small. Each day gives further proof that if this fund is to be effective as additional relief to maimed brethren, or to the widows and orphans of those killed, its dimensions will have to be very greatly augmented, and economy exercised at the functions of G. bodies could be productive of considerable increase to the fund. We are glad to record that the Sup. G.R.A. Chapter of New Zealand at its annual meeting last month in Dunedin, wisely set the example of excising all second day functions from its programme. The refreshments at the close of the ceremonial meeting closed the festivities, and this course was generally lauded. It requires some strength of resolution to break from past custom, and perhaps the risk of acquiring a reputation for meanness, but in the present strenuous times this may well be risked, especially if it is in the cause of good works.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

RAFFLES.—We understand that some little exception has been taken—on principle—to the case of surgical instruments, kindly donated to G.L. War Fund by R.W. Bro. Dr. Redman, being disposed of by "raffle." We presume that what is meant by "principle" is that the element of gambling should not be introduced into Freemasonry, and such principle is no doubt quite right. But gambling is interpreted as "to play or game for money or other stake," or, in other words, a desire to acquire a maximum stake by a minimum expenditure. But it would appear that the only gambling element with regard to the case of instruments is the name "raffle," and the manner in which the result is to be determined. And the promoters may have contributed to the gambling supposition by the announcement that if preferred the sum of £100 would be handed to any Lodge (not member) which might draw the winning number. But we do not for one moment believe this statement has acted as an inducement to Lodges to purchase tickets; on the contrary we are assured that in some few instances it has acted as a deterrent. Neither do we imagine that there is one member who purchased a ticket who had any desire to acquire the prize. He simply regarded this as another device to augment the War Fund, and he responded accordingly. One could almost fancy the morbid owner of such a possession sitting by the fireside on a winter's night with the lights not turned up, and glancing at his cabinet, conjuring up a vision of an ancient battleship of Nelson's day. The scene could change to the cockpit, with its operating table, and rows of wounded. Then the ghastly blood-covered instruments performing their several parts in the hands of the skilled surgeon, and he would almost fancy he could hear the cries and groans of the wounded. Aroused with a start, he would again glance at the case on his cabinet or sideboard, but would he regard it as his most treasured possession? We trove not. In a museum it would be an attraction and draw crowds of morbid people who would gaze upon the instruments with awe, but as an individual we do not want the case. Dismiss the gambling theory, the principle is quite safe, and those who have assisted the war fund by this means need have no qualms of conscience that they have been engaged in gambling.

BUSINESS AT G.L.—The announcement has been made by the chief executive officer of the G.L. of New Zealand that no notices of motion have been given for the Annual Communication in May next, and that it appears that only routine business will engage the attention of G.L. We are not aware of any momentous question either of policy or administration likely to obscure the horizon of G.L. politics. But since the commencement of the war it has been tacitly understood in the British G.Ls. that only questions of urgent

and deep moment should be submitted for consideration. In England immediately prior to the war the Craft was rent asunder by the conflict of party on the question of an entire change in the government of English Freemasonry. But, like Home Rule in Ireland, when war broke out the opposing camps broke up, and it was mutually agreed to adjourn the contest until the close of the war. Who can doubt the wisdom of such a course? And it is one that can be followed in the oversea dominions with advantage. The only discussion necessary in the G.L. of New Zealand at the present time is to give practical evidence of our loyalty, and to discover the best means of alleviating the distress that numerous of our brethren and their relatives will suffer.

INSTALLATION MEETINGS.—It would appear to be constitutionally correct, and in any case is very general practice, that the Master of a Masonic Lodge should be elected at one regular meeting, and be installed at the following regular meeting. Under the Scottish Constitution it is the custom in many Lodges to hold the installation meetings on the 30th November—St. Andrew's Day. In some cases this has caused confusion, as Lodges held the regular meeting on the ordinary day in November and the installation meeting on the 30th. This was the practice with a few Lodges in New Zealand some years ago, but we thought the practice had been abrogated until receiving cards of a lodge for the regular meeting on the 20th January, and an annual installation meeting on the 25th. In England the position is very clearly defined, as the constitution provides for the ballot taking place on the day named in its by-laws—which must be the regular meeting and then goes on to say :—"At the next regular meeting . . . he shall be installed." And this law is generally in vogue. Under the G.L. of New Zealand the regulations are most ambiguous, and on such an important question leaves much to be desired. It simply refers to the day named in the by-laws. Though the matter may not appear to be of any great importance, as to whether two meetings can be held in one month, neither of which are emergent, yet the questions are pertinent., firstly, as to whether the installation of W. M. should be held on the regular monthly meeting of the Lodge, and secondly, when a Lodge provides for holding monthly meetings, can two regular meetings be held in one month. In our opinion the answer to the first question must be in the affirmative, and the second, in the negative.

News and Notes.

THE February meeting of the I.M's. Lodge of Wellington was not largely attended, but a most exhaustive and exceedingly interesting discussion took place on a paper read by the W.M. at the previous meeting. This is the usual practice, but will be departed from at the April meeting, when the discussion will follow the reading, as the paper may not be printed.

W. BRO. COLONEL TRACEY INGLIS of Auckland, who went with the 'daheno on her first trip to the Mediterranean, has assumed the command of the medical branch at the Awapuni Camp.

LIEUT. FOWLDS, son of R.W. Bro. Hon. G. Fowlds, is with the 3rd Battalion of the New Zealand Rifle Brigade at the Rangiotu Camp.

W. BRO. "BOB" WITHEFORD, P.M. of New Zealand Pacific Lodge, has received a commission in the New Zealand military forces.

THERE was a large attendance at the installation meeting. of Lodge Tutanekai on the 3rd February. The new W.M. is very popular, and as a distinguished brother told him, he has established a reputation that will require a lot of living up to.

THE M.W.G.M. has donated £10, amount of travelling expenses of his recent southern trip, to the G.L. War Fund.

R.W. BRO. THORNTON having been installed as Prov.G.M. of Canterbury, has resigned the presidency of the B. of Benev., and is succeeded by W. Bro. W. Brown of Lyttelton.

V. W. Bro. E. D. MOSLEY has been appointed G. Rep. of the G.L. of Ohio, near New Zealand, in succession to the late M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns.

THE B. of G.P. of the G.L. of New Zealand has invested £3000 in 5 per cent. Debentures of the New Plymouth Borough Council Loan.

IN connection with business to be transacted at the annual meeting of G.L., there were no notices of motion of any kind, and business will be entirely routine.

LODGE ROBERT BURNS, Reefton, held three meetings in one week during the month of January. On the 20th the regular meeting was held, an emergency on the 24th, and an annual installation meeting on the 25th.

A CABLE message from Egypt announces that Bro. Claude H. Weston, of Ngamotu Lodge, No. 48 (New Plymouth), has got a step, and is now Major Weston. Two of the sons of the Lodge have just been accorded the privilege of a Lewis and have been initiated into Freemasonry previous to leaving on active service. Corporal Kenneth S. Ewing of the 10th Reinforcements, eldest son of our W. Bro. W. N. Ewing, P.M., received his First Degree in Ngamotu Lodge, his Second in Lodge Waiwhetu (Trentham), and came home for the Third. Cadet Leonard Goss, eldest son of our Bro. A. H. Goss, J.D., is in his third year at the Military College, Duntroon, and advantage was taken of the vacation to give him his E.A. and F.C. while here. Bro. Goss, junr., has returned to Australia, but it is probable that he will be back shortly in order to join the New Zealand forces for the front. The advent of these young men into Masonry was regarded as an interesting episode in the history of our Lodge, and, the brethren manifested their goodwill to the neophytes and their parents by turning up in considerable numbers on each occasion. We have no doubt that they will uphold the honour of King and Craft wherever the fortune of war takes them.

CAPT. E. S. HARSTON, of the Wellington Infantry Battalion, has been mentioned in despatches. Capt. Harston is the son of R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, of Napier, who is the Prov.G.M. of Hawkes Bay.

THERE was an excellent attendance at the annual convocation of the C.R.A. Chapter of New Zealand held in Dunedin on 17th February, both at the business and ceremonial meetings, which was a tribute to the popularity and esteem in which M.E. Comp, T. Ross is held.

JANUARY, 1917, will complete the twenty-fifth year of the existence of the G.R.A, Chapter of New Zealand. At the annual convocation held last month M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, who has held the office of G.S.E. since the inception of the Chapter, announced his intention to retire from office at the end of the year.

TARANAKI TRIFLES.

The event of the month, in Masonic circles in the Taranaki district, was the installation of Bro. J. Lindsay Weir as W.M. of Lodge St. John, Eltham.

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Over a hundred signed the attendance book, easily a record for the Eltham Lodge, and practically every Lodge in Taranaki was represented.

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The motor car has been brought to its present state of perfection for the special convenience of the fraternity, and excuses for not attending any important function are hard to find.

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R.A. Masonry is progressing in this district. Early this month the companions of Egmont Chapter journeyed to Wanganui to work a Mark Degree.

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Those who were able to go to the river town were delighted with the reception accorded them, and a suggestion made by V.E. Comp. Bullock that an annual interchange of visits between Wanganui Chapter and Egmont was cordially received and is certain to be acted on.

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The 1st Prin. of Egmont Chapter has removed to Auckland and was not able to take his place when the Chapter visited Wanganui, but his work was ably performed by Comp. G. Young, 2nd Prin.

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At the ordinary convocation of the Egmont Chapter, held in Inglewood on the 14th February, two members were proposed.

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Tukahoa Chapter has now fixed its abode in Hawera, and this should prove convenient for a majority of the members.

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Harking back to Craft Masonry, two installations are to take place early in March, Bro. Roberts as W.M. of Lodge Moa, and Bro. C. H. Speck as W.M. of Lodge Stratford.

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An experienced brother acting as D. of C. announced, "The brethren will now face the E. and salute, etc.,

taking their time from me." As he stood by the S.W., how did they do it ?

EXTRACTS FROM FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE REPORTS

CALIFORNIA draws attention to the very small criminal element in Masonic membership as shown by the almost entire absence of criminal charges made against members. Less than one in every 2,500 Masons in California is prosecuted for crimes involving moral turpitude in the tribunals of the Craft. Little more than one-half of that number are found guilty and disciplined.

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Great financial problems are to be solved in connection with the Masonic Temple in San Francisco. A debt of over \$300,000 remains on their million dollar edifice. However, if anybody can, they will swing it. It is really a question whether Lodges and G.Ls. do not dissipate their energies for the true purposes of Masonry by engaging in these vast, commercial enterprises.

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The retiring G.M. was presented with "a solid silver service." This looks from this distance as a most pernicious practice. Presenting an appropriate jewel as a memento of service is fitting, but to go into the making of presents of considerable intrinsic value is too commercial and mercenary for Masonry.

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FROM THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Resolved : That this G.L. affirms its approval of the principle under which a Master of a Lodge or a presiding Warden may call upon any M.M. to preside in his presence and under his direction, the Master, or acting-Master, being responsible for all that is done the same as if he were actually presiding in person.

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IDAHO says : Numerically speaking we are prospering ; gaining in members and in the number of Lodges. This is cause for congratulations, but let me admonish you, brethren, to be guarded and, always remember that Masons should be made—not fast but well. The Masonic standard is high, and it takes a man to maintain it. It is a serious mistake to elect weak men, or men of low mental or moral worth, hoping to elevate them through the associations of the Lodge and its members; the Lodge is not a reformatory. Masonry demands of her suitors that they be good men and true, before they receive her favours, as well as after. Character is our greatest asset, and the standard of the men you initiate to-day will be the standard of the Lodge in the future. Beware the men who seek to join for business, professional, or political reasons—for the standing it will give them in one way and another, and in balloting the Lodge should always be given the benefit of the doubt.

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IOWA.—Referring to the misuse of the blackball the G..M. says :—:Brothers, 1 caution you in terms of sincerest meaning—be careful—and remember always that there is that all-seeing eye who is Master and Judge of us all. "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone." One of my hardest problems has been to offer a remedy where this germ has strongly manifested itself. A few Lodges now report themselves at a standstill owing to these unwholesome conditions. Another deplorable condition, and too prevalent, is the unnecessary publicity given to unfavourable ballots. I fear many of our brethren soon forget their vows of secrecy. A Lodge's disposition of a petition for the mysteries should be both secret and sacred, and its action, especially if unfavourable, should remain within the confines of its own walls. If these affairs could be discreetly handled, as was the intent of the originators of our Order, there would be less of heartache and infinitely less food for the ever-ready gossips.

SMOKERS ARE SELFISH.

Smoking in Lodgerooms is treated without gloves. Poetry and all—he says :

" A club there is of smokers—dare you come
To that close, clouded, hot, narcotic room?
The very candles seem
Dying for air and give a ghastly gleam."

The inclination of men to smoke, regardless of their surroundings, is not always agreeable, nor is it always to be encouraged. There are some Lodges in this jurisdiction that permit smoking during the conferring of the degrees. While our law is silent on this practice, the annoyance is apparent and should be stopped. No

member of the institution should demand the right to indulge in any habit that offends his brethren. A Mason has not the true spirit of brotherhood at heart who would smoke or perform any other act that would tend to be offensive or degrade the dignity of this beloved Order. Where this custom prevails it shows weakness in the presiding officer and ignorance on the part of those so indulging.

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MARYLAND.—The distinction between Order and Fraternity is being ignored, sometimes the words are used interchangeably, more frequently the word Order is used. It is not to criticise this "modern" invention, though I confess to a weakness for the word "Antient," as the English spell it. An Order is conferred, a Fraternity is a confession or recognition of equal rights, enjoyed, inherited, if you please, but first in a man's own heart; not solicited nor invited, much less urged; but somehow there is a drawing, a leaning, a yearning, and he finds fellowship in kindred spirits. It is the soul seeking after light, if haply he may find it.

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MICHIGAN.—The G.M. inveighs against the over-big Lodges. He says "that in Lodges having a large membership we have too many brethren who are Masonically inactive, and it is too often the case that only a small proportion of them attend our meetings with any degree of regularity." In Detroit alone there are six Lodges each with over 1,000 membership. These are Palestine, 2,184; Zion, 1,635; Ashlar, 1,555; Detroit, 1,537; Union of S.O., 1,107 ; and Friendship, 1,003—a total of 8,861 in six Lodges. From this it will be seen that Bro. Perrett has a right to be heard on this question. He also expresses the opinion that often Lodges are too easily created when membership is so small as to render their existence a constant struggle. The district deputy system as practised in Illinois is highly commended.

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MISSOURI.—The report says the G.M. was "prolific in decisions." One decision discloses a unique provision of law. It requires as pre-requisite to the exercise of the right to vote, hold office or demit, that a newly-made M.M. "shall pass a satisfactory proficiency examination in open Lodge." A complication is suggested. Another law says "all must vote," yet some are required to be examined before they can do so. Failing in the examination they are not allowed to obey the law. Here is a good chance for the work of a harmoniser of laws.

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IN MONTANA the G.M. recommends that an instructor be provided who is "competent to translate the entire cipher." Such a need discloses that even with a cipher-key to the work little progress is made in reaching efficiency and uniformity in the ritual. Why not abolish the cipher and get back to the old Masonic way from "mouth to ear"? One Lodge found a candidate who was "unable to learn the lecture" in the First Degree. The G.M. refused to give permission for his advancement. He said that "the candidate must conform with and meet said requirements or he is not a fit subject for advancement."

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NEBRASKA. The G.M. strenuously recommended that a salary of \$1,000 be fixed for his successors. As this could only apply to the future, he could urge this in justice to those who would come after. The G.L. adopted the suggestion, but the G.M.-elect "declined to be the first G.M. to draw a salary from this G. jurisdiction." This is a rather over-sensitive view to take, as the work of the Craft takes a great part of the G.M.'s time, and it is only fair that he should receive some compensation to cover loss by neglect of his own business. Illinois pays its G.M. \$2,500, and he is worth the money.

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NEW BRUNSWICK held a special session to celebrate the festival of St. John the Baptist. G.L. was formed in procession, and, headed by a band, marched to Trinity Church, where the G. Chaplain preached a suitable sermon. The parading of Masonry by public procession and the blare of trumpets on Sunday is not strictly in accord with the notion of many Craftsmen. They think this does not comport with the quiet dignity of the ancient fraternity. However, our New Brunswick brethren may be right in thinking that it pays to advertise.

The G.L. is mixed up in a "Masonic Hall Company," and is gradually absorbing the stock. It will soon be the sole owner. At the annual, arrangements were made to incorporate both G. and subordinate Lodges under the law of the land.

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NEW YORK.—One of the big things in New York is its Masonic debt. This runs into the millions, and makes its business aspect a matter of very serious import. A State-wide movement is in progress to accumulate a "redemption or endowment fund." The G.M. reports that after the former session of the G.L. \$200,261.00

had been received from all sources to go into a sinking fund to retire a portion of the gigantic debt. At this time he announces the receipt of \$451,416.62. This comes from a systematic effort by the Lodges. The balance-sheet shows 5 per cent. mortgages outstanding against the G.L. of \$1,200,000.00 and 6 per cent. mortgage, gold bonds \$1,050,000.00. The entire liabilities, including a surplus of over \$2,000,000.00, is the gigantic sum of \$5,417,528.19.

Another of the big enterprises carried on by the Empire State G.L. is their great Home at Utica. They are reminded by the G.M. that they "clothe, feed, and house nearly 500 adults and children; that many of our aged ones remain in our care for many years; that we train and educate our children, who also remain with us for long periods—sometimes longer than the old can stay." The membership of the Home consists of 186 men, 124 women, 73 boys, and 61 girls, a total of 444. After full consideration it was decided not to affiliate with the War Relief Association in relieving distress in Europe, but "to collect and disburse their own funds."

The following reference is made to New Zealand :—Bro. John J. Dougall was the only one nominated and was unanimously chosen. He was eulogised by the brother who placed him before the G.L., and the one who seconded did likewise. In most G.Ls., if nominations are made at all, merely names are given without comment as to qualifications.—In suspending a brother indefinitely our New Zealand brethren introduce a new phrase. The order was that he "be suspended sine die."

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NOVA SCOTIA.—Under the law of this jurisdiction an I.G. is elected in addition to the J.D. The station of the I.G. is at the inner door to see that the Lodge is tiled. The question is asked, "What, then, are the functions of the J.D. ?"

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OREGON.—In his report the G.Sec. indulges in comments as to the condition of Lodges. He sets out a rather startling case of ignorance when he says : "In many of the Lodges throughout this jurisdiction there cannot be found at this time a copy of the proceedings of this G. body for the past few years, and in a great many Lodges the officers do not know the whereabouts of a copy of the Constitution or of such a document as by-laws, and much less the fundamental facts of Masonic law."

A record of much significance is shown in this :—"The G. Marshal announced that there was without the G. High Priest of the G. Chapter, R.A. Masons, of Oregon, and the R.E. G. Commander of the G. Commandery, Knights Templar, of Oregon, who desired admission. The G. Marshal admitted the distinguished visitors in the persons of Bro. Clyde Evans and Bro. Dillon B. Grant, who were received and greeted by the G.L., and who on behalf of the branches of Masonry they represented brought the felicitations of those bodies, and spoke a few words of the work of their Orders." The reviewer of the G.L. of Illinois says: Permit a question. When did the order of Knights Templar become a branch of masonry? Templarism is an institution of renown, and the writer himself, as a member, knows and appreciates most highly its impressive ritual and its deep obligations. Yet it is not any part of Masonry. It is a more modern society of lofty aims and purposes. It is, in short, Templarism, and exemplifies in marked degree the fundamentals of the Christian religion. The brethren admitted were, no doubt, worthy Masons, and as such could be received. The grand sire of the Oddfellows and the supreme chancellor of the Knight of Pythias, if Masons in good standing, might with equal propriety have been introduced to the Craft. Templarism, though accepting as members none but Masons, is no more Masonry than Oddfellowship or Pythianism. At one and the same time Illinois had the supreme presiding officer of the general G. Chapter R.A.M., and the G.M. of the G. Encampment, Knights Templar, as active members of the Masonic G.L. Neither of these distinguished men and Masons was ever presented to the Illinois G.L. in consequence of holding high positions in these other excellent and useful organisations.

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WEST VIRGINIA.—Regarding the attitude of G.M. Darrah concerning smoking in Lodge sessions, the reviewer says :—He seems to be dead down on members smoking during Lodge sessions. He is surely right as to this, but I fear he has not the smoke habit ground into his frame, or he would go more "azy" on the subject. He is correct in prohibiting the infernal nuisance; but my, my, it's a big undertaking to sit two or three hours in a Lodge hall without "chawen or smoken." I have tried it, and I speak from sad experience. I have been a smoker of the weed for half a century, and I am free to say that no one with sound sense will indulge such a fool habit.

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NEVADA.—G.Sec. Vanderlieth recommends action leading to "further light in Masonry" by saying :—There

is a growing interest in the study of the history, traditions, and symbolism of Freemasonry. A National Masonic Research Society has been formed, with headquarters at Anamosa, Iowa. Its objects are the propagation and diffusion of the light of Masonic knowledge and understanding, and "The Builder," an excellent journal, is its official organ. A number of our members have joined. There should be many more. The Masonic Lecture Bureau, of Helena, Montana, provides Masonic lectures of merit at a minimum expense. A few of our Lodges are using these lectures at their stated meetings. We have three study clubs doing excellent work. Every Lodge should give over a part of one monthly meeting to study. Our code and proceedings should not be forgotten, for they contain information of the utmost value to our members. Several G.Ms. advocate that each Lodge should set apart evenings for the study of the law of Masonry. Such a knowledge is needed. Every member should have some knowledge along this line, but officers particularly should be eager and earnest to become proficient in the law of Masonry.

THE SECOND TEMPLE.

(A Paper read to the Installed Principals of Wellington).

By G.S.E.

I purpose to-night directing your attention to a consideration of what is known as the Second Temple, the rebuilding of which forms the subject of, and is intimately associated with the E. and R.A. Degrees, and is the only warrant in Freemasonry for the introduction and standing of those illustrious brethren who were presumed to be the original G. Principals of the Holy R.A. Degree.

I may premise my few brief remarks by saying that in the English R.A. Masonry was divided into three epochs, the first being the erection of the Tabernacle in the wilderness, two years after the exodus of the Israelites from their Egyptian bondage. It was called the first, or Holy Lodge, and was erected by Moses, Aholiab, and Bezaleel, at the foot of Mt. Horeb. Bezaleel was the grandson of Hur (not the companion of Moses), and it is stated that he was filled with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding and knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship. Aholiab was not distinguished by such particular mention, but it may be gathered incidentally from Exodus, xxxv., 34, that he was a man of no less ability, and no less divinely instructed.

The ground plan of the Tabernacle was 150 feet by 75 feet, but the actual tent was 45 feet by 15 feet. Here the people of Israel assembled to offer up thanksgiving for their deliverance from bondage. Here were delivered the forms of those mysterious prototypes, the tabernacle and the ark of the covenant. Here were delivered the sacred laws, engraven by the hand of the M.H., and those sublime and comprehensive precepts, of civil and religious polity, which, by separating His favoured people from all other nations, consecrated Israel a chosen vessel to His service. For these reasons this is denominated the First or Holy Lodge.

The Second or Sacred Lodge was figuratively constituted by the building of King Solomon's Temple, which was commenced 1011 B.C., 480 years after the exodus and building of the first Tabernacle. As you are aware, the construction occupied seven and a half years, being finished 1004 B.C. To most Freemasons, the details of this Temple, and its wonderful magnificence, are well known, especially seeing that our traditions—no matter how mythical they may be—founded speculative Freemasonry on this epoch in history. All R.A. Freemasons also know that the Temple was utterly destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, after an existence of 400 years, or in the year 586 B.C.

We now come to the Third, or Grand and Royal Lodge, which lays the scene at Jerusalem after the return of the Jews from Babylonish captivity, from which they were released by Cyrus, King of Persia, who subsequently granted them permission to rebuild a house to the Lord God of Israel, and returned much of the treasure taken from the old Temple.

It is somewhat singular that there is not much reliable information with regard to the Second Temple. One historian says :—"What Josephus tells us has to be measured by the fact that he could not keep out of his mind the Temple with which he was familiar—the Herodian restoration of the Second Temple."—sometimes incorrectly referred to as the Third Temple.

But it seems to be generally agreed that the Second Temple occupied the same site as the old one. The timber was brought as before from Tyre and Lebanon on floats to Joppa. The altar of burnt offering was erected at once, in all probability on the site of the of one, in order that the worship of God should not be neglected.

And it is here that the three Principals, whose prototypes we honour in our R.A. Chapter, appear upon the scene, and who are as household words in R.A. Freemasonry. It is perhaps a little singular that it is only in the E. Degree that some little information is to be found about them. The R.A. is practically silent, but it is to the Red Cross, which we usually regard as only subsidiary, or a side degree, that we obtain most of the information with regard to Zerubbabel, the Prince of the people. He was the grandson of Jehoiachin or Jeconiah, the last King but one of Judah, who was deposed by Nebuchadnezzar. His father's name was Shealtiel, or Salathiel. Mackey identified him with Sheshbazzar, named in the Book of Ezra, which is in accordance with the tradition of our Knights of the Sword.

Haggai was the chief of the prophets who flourished after the captivity, and accompanied Zerubbabel to Jerusalem to rebuild the Second Temple. He reproved the people for their neglect in rebuilding the Temple, and incited them to work by the promise of God's assistance.

Jeshua was the High Priest by lineal descent from the Pontifical family, for he was the son of Josadec, who was the son of Seraih, who was the High Priest when the Temple was destroyed by the Chaldean.

The building of the Temple was naturally a work requiring much deliberation and preparation. Funds were needed and we have the authority of Ezra and Nehemiah that a collection was made. The foundation was laid with great rejoicing, and special reference was made to those among the aged who remembered the First Temple. Then there came a check. The mixed population, whom the returned captives found in the country, whose claim to racial purity was more than doubtful, were anxious to join in the work. But one of the first cares of those who had led the captives back to their native land had been to settle the very important question of pedigree. Already there were those even among the priesthood who had imperilled the purity of the race by marrying outsiders, and they had been vigorously outcasted. The petition of the newcomers was, therefore, certain to be rejected. Ezra says that the Samaritans, as they were even then called, set on foot intrigues which, it is said, eventually induced Cyrus to recall the faculty he had given for the rebuilding, and in any case operations were not resumed until the second year of Darius Hystaspis. The work was recommenced 520 B.C., and finished four years later. "There is no question," says Lawrence, "of the suspension of the work for 17 years, but it is highly improbable that the Samaritans could have influenced Cyrus to the extent indicated, not, on the other hand, that Cyrus would have acted in such an arbitrary way merely on their representation. The greater probability is that the work was stopped because enthusiasm had evaporated, or, to put it quite plainly, for want of funds. The course of events which culminated in the dedication of the Temple is well described in Ezra iii. and iv. Zerubbabel is said to have had one disappointment after another, of which the opposition of declared adversaries, combined with the suspicions of his own people, were not the least, and it was not until after a direct appeal to Darius that it was carried to a conclusion.

Another singularity is that Zerubbabel falls into absolute obscurity, and his name is not even mentioned in connection with the dedication. Lawrence opines that he was probably recalled to Babylon, as, being of blood-royal, his continued presence in Jerusalem might have resulted in a movement for the restoration of the throne of David. His name occurs only on one other occasion, viz., in the genealogy of Jesus Christ, but is there written as Zerababel. In one edition of English ritual, I think the Oxford, The name of 1st Prin. is thus spelt and pronounced throughout. Comparing the Second Temple with the First, the Talmud says that five things were lacking, the Shekinah, the sacred fire, the ark, the Urim and Thummim, and the Holy Spirit. Instead of the ark and the mercy-seat, the Most Holy Place contained the stone of foundation, whereon the priests used to offer incense on the Day of Atonement, otherwise it was empty, and Tacitus graphically describes it as inania arcana. According to Hecateus, a writer who was contemporary with Alexander the Great, the dimensions of the two Temples were virtually the same.

The Temple is not again referred to in Biblical history, otherwise than in the apocrypha. 350 years after its dedication –168 B.C.—Antiochus Epephanes plundered the Temple, and desecrated it by building therein an altar to Jupiter Olympus. He took many of the vessels and distributed them to the Jews of Antioch, his friends, by whom they were placed in a local synagogue. An account of these proceedings will be found in the Books of Maccabaeus. Two years later Judas Maccabaeus recovered Jerusalem, and cleaned and repaired the Temple, built a new altar, and provided fresh vessels. But ill-fate seemed to pursue it. Time after time it was plundered and its walls razed. In 37 B.C., Herod, a descendant of the Maccabees, was made King of the Jews by decree of the Roman Senate, and he proceeded to restore the Temple. It is customary to regard this as the Third Temple in Jerusalem, but it is more correct to consider it as still the Second Temple rebuilt and improved. Masonic interest is not maintained beyond this period, but Herod spared neither time nor money in the completion of his self-imposed task. To allay the fears of those Jews who objected to any part of the

old Temple being pulled down, he engaged that the work of rebuilding should go on *pari passu* with that of demolition. It was built of white marble, and its eastern front was covered with plates of gold, which reflected the rays of the rising sun for miles round. One very significant feature was the Tower of Antonia, the summit of which commanded a view of the several courts. In A.D. 70 there took place a memorable revolt against the Romans, culminating in the terrible events of the siege of Jerusalem, during the course of which the flaming firebrand was thrown into the Temple from the Tower of Antonia, and in spite of the efforts of Titus, the Temple was burnt to the ground in such wise as to fulfil the prophecy that not one stone should be left on another.

When we come to consider the great shrines and buildings devoted to religious purposes, that we know existed in Rome, Athens, Ephesus, Babylon, Susa Memphis, and Thebes, and of which we literally know nothing, it is more than a coincidence that the minutest constructive details of the Temple erected by Icing Solomon have been preserved.

Just as the First Temple is held by the Craft to symbolise the structure of character in this life, its successor is in the highest degree a type of the life in the world to come.

It has already been stated that five things were lacking in the Second Temple that were much in evidence in the first, one of which was the Urim and Thummim, of which there is special reference made in Lev. viii., 7, in connection with an important item in the insignia of the High Priest, and which is now worn by the 3rd Prin. of a R.A. Chapter. The verse to which I refer says :—"And he put the breastplate upon him, also he put in the breast-plate the Urim and Thummim." It is a singular fact that this, or these articles, constituting an important and mysterious part of the High Priest's clothing, should not only have disappeared before the Second Temple was built, but there is practically no trace remaining of what the Urim and Thummim consisted of, or what were its or their purpose. The Hebrew people were essentially a people of records, and even the Talmud, which we are wont to regard as the Jewish Book of the Law, or Holy writings, has been recently stated as a work of Rabbinical records.

Hence the more occasion for wonder that the Urim and Thummim had such a mysterious disappearance and is so shrouded in mystery.

As might be expected, several Masonic writers have endeavoured to fathom the mystery, but not any pretend to actual knowledge. As an example I have selected two, the first from Dr. Mackey, the well-known American writer, and the second from late Rev. Bro. Lawrence, a more modern writer, of great research and excellent judgment.

"URIM and THUMMIM—two Hebrew words, signifying, as they have been translated in the Septuagint, 'Light and Truth.' They were sacred lots worn in the breast-plate of the High Priest, and to be consulted by him alone for the purpose of obtaining a revelation of the will of God in matters of great moment. What they were, authors on Jewish antiquities have not been able to agree. Some suppose that the augury consisted in a more splendid appearance of certain letters of the names of the tribes inscribed upon the stones of the breast-plate; others, that it was received by voice from two small images which were placed beyond the folds of the breast-plate. A variety of other conjectures have been hazarded; but, as Godwyn observes, 'He spoke best who ingeniously confessed that he knew not what Urim and Thummim 'was. But the researches of Egyptian archaeologists have thrown much light upon this intricate subject, and relieved it of many of its difficulties. It is now known that the Egyptian judges wore breast-plates, having inscribed on them two figures, the one of the sun Ra, in a double sense, that of physical and intellectual light, and the other that of the goddess Thme, in her twofold capacity of truth and justice. Now, in Hebrew the double capacity of anything is expressed by the plural form of the noun. But the Egyptian Re, the sun or light, is in Hebrew Aur and Thme, truth is Thme, Aur, in the plural, is Aurim. Thme, in the plural, is Thmim. Now, it seems to me, and I have the high authority of the Egyptian archaeologists with me, that the Aurim and Thumim of the Hebrew breast-plate were borrowed from the breast-plates of the Egyptian judges. Moses, we know, was versed in all the learning of the Egyptians, and these very breast-plates had already been consecrated in the eyes of the Jews by their seeing them worn as tokens of official dignity by the ministers of justice, who were also High Priests in the Egypt which had formerly been the land of their taskmasters."—Mackey.

"There were three ways in which God disclosed His will to the chosen people. These were by dreams and visions, by the lips of the prophets, and by lot, in other words, by Urim and Thummim. As the lots were but two in number, or, in modern language, the ballot admitted but of two issues, 'Yes' or 'No,' being presented at the time, it was necessary to put the question in a form which admitted only of an affirmative or negative answer. But if the nature of a question were such that it would not be answered by a 'yes' or 'no,' an issue

was framed for the presiding officer. A graphic account of the way in which the lot was cast is given in 1 Sam. xiv., where an issue personal to Saul and Jonathan was decided. Another somewhat exciting incident was the detection of Achan, recorded in Josh. vii., 18. Exactly what the Urim and Thummin was is even yet a matter of speculation. They were concealed in or behind the breast-plate of the High Priest. If the former, they were probably carried in a pouch; but if the latter, then they undoubtedly referred to the precious stones which composed the breast-plate, which, according to Josephus ('Ant.' III., viii., 9) became exceptionally brilliant or dim, according to the manifestation or withdrawal of Divine Favour. They are not referred to after the time of David, when the prophetic order was co-ordinated, although in the Acts of the Apostles a lot was cast, by which Matthias was chosen to fill the vacancy in the Apostolic College caused by the defection of Judas Iscariot."—Lawrence.

From the brief reference to these three epochs of Biblical history which are indirectly interwoven with Masonic traditions, and with the known history of the children of Israel, who were designated the chosen people of God, it would appear that they were not immune from any of the trials and tribulations to which all nations of the earth have for ever been subject, but rather that they were tried in the fire of affliction, and in the sufferings they experienced, whereby they were almost humbled to the dust in their Egyptian captivity, and again after their exaltation under Solomon as one of the greatest nations on earth, they were subsequently defeated, and taken captive to Babylon. And once more after the rebuilding and restoration of the Second Temple, it was taken and plundered twice within the next 500 years, and its people put to the sword. And before another century had expired, it was razed to the ground in accordance with prophetic utterance.

May we not hope that they were heirs to a more enduring inheritance. A house not made with hands eternal in the Heavens.

[The writer of this paper acknowledges his indebtedness to Lawrence's "Sidelights of Freemasonry."]

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BELGIAN MASONIC RELIEF FUND.

The G.Sec. informed the B. of G.P. at its January meeting that twenty-three Lodges had forwarded sums aggregating £64 17s. for transmission to London, and expressed the opinion that further contributions would be received during February.

After some discussion it was resolved that a draft for £100 be sent to the G.Sec. of England to be disbursed by him in assisting distressed Belgian Freemasons, the question of the total amount to be contributed from G.L. funds to stand over till next meeting of the Board.

AN ANCIENT MASONIC RELIC.

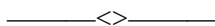
In a house in Barngreen, close to the Arbroath Abbey, there has been found a stone slab, about three feet square, with three outstanding figures—the Master of a Masonic Lodge and his Senior and Junior Wardens. The figures are supported by the pillars, whose significance is well known to the members of the Craft. Around the border of the slab are the words, "In the Lord is all my trust." Over the top are scrolled the Latin words, "Amor, Monestas, Justitia," the root virtues of the Masonic creed, and at the foot, "Let there be light." There is a profusion of symbols interspersed—the holy volume, the sacred altar, the Deity, the sun and stars. The house in which this relic has been found is said to have been at one time a place of public entertainment or hostelry, and it is not improbable that a Masonic Lodge met within its walls. Previous to the discovery of the relic it had been coated with several layers of wallpaper, so that the successive inhabitants of the house were quite ignorant of the existence of this interesting relic.—"Glasgow Weekly,"

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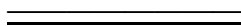
R.W. BRO. JOHN CONOLLY, P.P.G.M., AETAT 59.

The late Bro. John Conolly, who was a notable resident of Marlborough from his boyhood days, passed away at his Springlands home on 22nd January, after a lengthy and patiently borne illness. The deceased, who was a son of the late Judge Conolly, arrived at Picton with his parents when about eight years of age, and lived his boyhood and young manhood days in this town uprightly and without blemish. He was educated at the Picton School, and although his professional duties later in life called him to the centre of population, he has ever been looked upon as Picton's champion. After leaving the Picton School, he was sent to the Rev. T. Porritt, who was then teaching at Kaikoura, to complete his education, and was afterwards admitted to his father's office at Picton. Later on he was placed in charge of the Blenheim branch, and, when his father was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court, and removed to Auckland, Bro. John Conolly took charge of the business, which has been carried on to the present day, the admission of younger men into partnership being the reward of faithful and trusted service. In educational matters he always took a deep interest, and he was for many years an active member of the Marlborough Education Board. The late Bro. Conolly was for very many years a prominent member of Unanimity and Waitoki Lodges, and he had held the office of Prov.G.M. for the district of Nelson and Marlborough. He was also a member of the Marlborough. R.A. Chapter. His genial and kindly disposition made him loved and respected throughout the whole province, and there was probably no man more widely known than he. His great kindness towards the poor and needy was one of the strongest traits of a sterling character, and he will be sadly missed in many ways throughout the district. As head of the firm of Conolly, Burden and Churchward, he was Picton's legal friend and adviser, and no solicitor could have been more implicitly trusted. He leaves a widow, to whom the sympathy of all will go out in her great bereavement. The funeral took place at Picton, and there was a large and representative attendance. The members of the Masonic Order from the Picton and Blenheim Lodges attended in full regalia, and the departed brother was accorded the full and beautiful Masonic rites of burial. The body was first taken to Holy Trinity Church, where a short service, conducted by the Ven. Archdeacon Grace, assisted by the Rev. N. Friberg, was held, at the conclusion of which the Funeral March was played by Miss Philpotts. At the graveside Archdeacon Grace conducted the burial service, after which he spoke a few stirring "in memoriam" words in respect to the grand and noble life of the departed. The Masonic funeral service was then read by Prov.G.M. Bro. W. E. Redman, and the members of the Order paid their last token of earthly respect by placing the emblematic sprig on their brother's coffin.

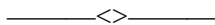
FAREWELL TO BRO. W.H. LAVELLE.



A special meeting of the members was held in the refectory on 26th January for the purpose of farewelling Bro. W. H. Lavelle, who has enlisted and is leaving for the camp about the 3rd February. The chair was occupied by the W.M., W. Bro. W. Snell, with Bro. Lavelle on his right hand, and a large number of P.Ms. were present and the other members were well represented ; also a number of visitors were present from outside Lodges. During the evening the W.M. referred to the fact that Bro. Lavelle was leaving his business and wife and family in order to do his bit for the Empire, and congratulated the Lodge on having a brother who considered the Empire first, and who could not hold back when his country wanted him. Other members referred to Bro. Lavelle as being a thorough good business man and one that will be missed in Dannevirke. He was always ready to assist in any movement in the interest of the town. Bro. Lavelle, in replying, said he felt sorry in leaving, but he considered that it was the duty of every British subject at the present time to assist the Empire, and this cannot be done more effectually than by every man who can possibly see his way to enlist to do so, and he having been able to arrange his business satisfactorily he was only too pleased that he was thus able to get away and do what he considered was the right thing. Bro. Lavelle thanked the W.M. and officers and members of Lodge Rawhiti for their many good wishes expressed, and hoped that they would all be present on his return. Other members referred to the splendid example of Bro. Lavelle, and hoped he would come back safe, and they promised him a right hearty reception. During the evening songs and musical items were rendered by members and visitors.



TRURO'S MAYOR ELECT.



MR. J. TONKIN'S LONG CONNECTION WITH THE CITY.



Mr. John Tonkin, nephew of the late Bro. E. Chegwiddden, of Victoria Lodge (whose obituary notice appeared in the October issue of the CRAFTSMAN) and cousin of W. Bro. E. Chegwiddden, P.M., and at present Treas. of Victoria Lodge, was recently appointed Mayor of Truro. The following notice appeared in a Home paper :-

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Truro City Council on Tuesday, the committee appointed to consider the Mayoralty decided to invite Councillor John Tonkin to fill the position for the next twelve months, and Mr. Tonkin has accepted the honour.

The mayor-elect has resided in the city for the greater portion of his life. Educated at the British school and at Mr. Davis's school near the Green, he entered the post office in 1867, and was principal clerk at Truro for many years. This was at the time when the premises now occupied by Mr. Burton were used as a post office, and people obtained what they required through a small opening in the lobby. The delivery of the letters was then done by two men, and the work at the office was practically all done by the postmaster and Mr. Tonkin, but when the present post office premises were occupied the staff was considerably increased. The postal service was then in a transition stage, and shortly after country people, who had previously only a biweekly delivery, received their letters daily.

Mr. Tonkin was appointed postmaster at Blandford (Dorset) in 1900, and four years Later was promoted to postmaster at Bury (Lancashire). On attaining the age of sixty Mr. Tonkin retired from the postal service, and settled in Truro.

For many years he has been a prominent Freemason ,and is one of the oldest P.Ms. of Lodge Fortitude, 131, Truro, having been W.M. as far back as 1888, and holding Provincial rank of Assist.-Sec. and S.G.D. In the Fortitude Lodge of Mark Masons W. Bro. Tonkin went through the chairs about twenty-five years ago, and holds the rank of P.P.S.G.W. in Cornwall and P.P.G.S.O. in Dorset. On leaving Truro for Blandford in 1900, he was the recipient from the brethren of Fortitude Mark and Craft Lodges of a solid silver tea and coffee service as a mark of their esteem and regard.

Like his predecessor hi office (Mr. J. J. Smith), Mr. J. Tonkin is an active member of the St. George's United Methodist Church, and during a long connection with that place of worship he has filled almost every office open to a layman. He is an overseer, and the representative of Kenwyn Urban on the Truro Board of Guardians, and secretary of the Truro City and Rural District War Relief Fund and Belgian Relief Fund.

Mr. Tonkin joined the City Council three years ago, when he filled the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. H. Tippet, there being no contest.

THE LIGHTS.

A Lodge has three symbolic Lights : one in the East, one in the West, and one in the South, represented by the W.M., S.W., and J.W. There is no light in the North, because King Solomon's Temple, of which every Lodge is a representation, was so far north of the ecliptic that the sun could dart no rays into the northern part there. The north, therefore, we Masonically call a place of darkness.—"Thornburg Monitor."

THE LEGEND OF TUTANEKAI

A ROMANCE OF THE PAST.

[By BRO. A. A. WRITELAW, Lodge Tutanekai, No. 156.]

To many Masonic brethren the picturesque story of the love of the great Maori chieftain, whose name this Lodge bears, and of the brave Maori maiden, Hinemoa, after whom our parent Lodge is named, may not be altogether familiar. It is one of those romantic love stories which have been repeated orally from generation to generation, and one not likely to be soon forgotten. For are there not many now living who claim descent from the illustrious chieftain and chieftainess, and amongst whom the story is still told as in days gone by; and are there not also many who pass with fraternal greetings through the portals of the Lodges which now bear their names, and to whom those names signify good fellowship and brotherly love?

Tutanekai was the foster-son of Whakaue Kaipapa, the great ancestor of the Ngati Whakaue people who now dwell at Ohinemutu, Mokoia Island, and round the shores of Lake Rotorua. Whakaue loved the lad and was very kind to him, treating him as if he were his own son. Their home was on Mokoia Island, in the centre of Lake Rotorua, and here Tutanekai and his brothers grew to manhood. Here they learned the various arts in which the Maoris of olden times were skilled, and here, also, they learned the art of love. Tutanekai, at several of the tribal meetings which were held at Rotorua, had exchanged loving glances with Hinemoa, the daughter of Umukaria, who lived across the lake at Owkata, and had also made avowal of his love to the beautiful girl.

It was at this time that Tutanekai across there in the island of Mokoia had built himself an elevated balcony on the slope of the hill called Kaiweka, and on this he and his friend Tiki used to go and play music together. On the calm summer evenings the delightful notes were wafted by the gentle breeze across the lake to Owkata, where dwelt the lovely maiden to whom this music gave gladness of heart, and in whose breast there was a great



TUTANEKAI PLAYING HIS FLUTE. (BY BRO. J. McDONALD.)

passion for Tutanekai. At one of their meetings at Rotorua, Hinemoa had asked him for a sign that she might know when to go to him to be his wife, and Tutanekai had told her that when she heard the sound of his flute from over the water he would be waiting for her. But difficulties lay in Hinemoa's path. What path of true love ever did run smooth? Her people, suspecting her, had taken care that none of the canoes were left afloat; every one had been hauled well away from the beach, and this had been done for many days and many nights.

Poor Hinemoa reflected sadly in her heart, saying, "How can I contrive to cross the lake to Mokoia?" As she sat upon the ground meditating what course to pursue there came to her the soft sweet notes played by Tutanekai and his friend Tiki, and the young and beautiful maiden felt as though an earthquake shook her to make her go to the beloved of her heart. Alas, there was no canoe she could use, but that difficulty was no obstacle to the girl in whose veins ran the blood of Umukaria, the fighting chief of Owkata. She decided to swim the four to five miles of water that separated her lover from her, and, taking six gourds to serve as floats, three for each side, she went out upon the rock Iri-iri-kapua, which is still to be seen at Owkata, and



THE ROCK IRI-IRI-KAPUA,

thence to the spot called Wairerewai, at the edge of the lake, where she threw off her clothes and cast herself into the water. After swimming for some time she reached a post which had been placed in the lake by her father, and holding on to this, she rested and eased her wearied limbs. After resting she swam on again, and when weary floated on the waters of the lake, supported by the gourds; and when she had eased her weariness swam on again. All the way across there came to her the sweet sound of Tutanekai's music, and guided by it, she at length touched the shore of Mokoia, landing at the hot pool Waikimihia, directly in front of Tutanekai's house at Kaiweka pa.

After her long swim in the cold waters of Rotorua, Hinemoa got into the pool to warm herself, for she was trembling all over, partly from the cold, and partly also from modesty at the thought of meeting her beloved Tutanekai.

While the maiden was thus warming herself, Tutanekai, who felt thirsty after his long performance on the trumpet, asked his friend Tiki to bring him some water. So Uki went to fetch it in a calabash, and drew it from the lake close to the spot where Hinemoa was sitting. The

timorous maiden, feigning a man's voice, gruffly demanded the calabash, and after drinking from it, purposely threw it down and broke it. Tiki returned to Tutanekai, who enquired for the water, and on being told that the calabash had been broken by a man in the bath, he ordered Tiki to take another and bring the water. At the bath the calabash was again asked for by Hinemoa, and broken as at first. After this had been done several times, Tiki went to Tutanekai and told him that his calabashes had all been broken by a stranger in the bath. Tutanekai, enraged at the thought of anyone daring to do such a thing, seized his mere, and, going down to the hot pool, demanded, "Where's the fellow who broke my calabashes?" Hinemoa knew the voice, and coyly concealed herself under the ledge of rock, so that Tutanekai would not find her without some searching. At last, after feeling about and seeking along the edge of the pool, he touched her hand and cried out, "Hello! who's this?" and Hinemoa answered, "It is I, Tutanekai." And he said, "But who are you? Who's I?" Then she spoke louder and said, "It's Hinemoa." And Tutanekai said, "Can such indeed be the case? Then let us go to my house," The maiden answered "Yes," and rose up in the water as beautiful as the wild white hawk, and stepped upon the edge of the bath as graceful as the shy white crane,

" And with his cloak around her thrown,
He led her to his dwelling lone;
By all the law the land supplied,
So wedded, and so made his bride."

The descendants of Tutanekai and Hinemoa are at this very day dwelling on the beautiful island of Mokoia, and at Ohinemutu, Owkata, where the rock, Iri-iri-kapua., on which Hinemoa used to sit, is still to be seen; and at Owkatiura and Ngapuna,. At each of these kaingas the people delight to tell the story of the love of Tutanekai and Hinemoa, and of the great prowess of their fighting ancestor, and the great beauty of their renowned ancestress. The story is one that is not likely to be soon forgotten, for the Ngati Whakaue tribe still have this song and teach it to their offspring :-

" Am I not descended from the great ancestress who swam hither?

From Hinemoa, whom I resemble from having crossed the sea," etc.

And to the brethren of Lodge Tutanekai this song is peculiarly appropriate, for have not we also descended from Hinemoa, our parent Lodge, whom we resemble, and with whom, and all other sister Lodges, we go forward in the bonds of good fellowship and brotherly love. And for all time So Mote it Be.



THE HOT POOL WAIKIMIHIA (HINEMOA'S BATH).

SUPREME GRAND R.A. CHAPTER OP NEW ZEALAND.



The annual convocation of this branch of Freemasonry was held in the St. Kilda Masonic Hall on Thursday, 17th February, M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews, G.Z., presiding, supported by RE. Comp. T. Ross, D.G.Z., R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris, G.H., and M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt, as G.J. The other G. officers present included:—M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E., V.E. Comps. H. H. Seaton, G.Treas., C. W. Neilsen, G.Reg., and V.E. Comp. T. Gilmour, G.St.B. The remaining offices were temporarily filled. The following Past 1st G.Prins. were present :—M.E. Comps. Rev. E. Elliot Chambers, Geo. H. Powley, J. M. Brown, and the Rev. T. Porritt. The G.Supts. of Canterbury (C. Flavell), Otago (E. Lane), Southland (J. J. Hiskins), and Hawkes Bay (T. Hobson) were also in attendance.

REPRESENTATIVES.—The following is the list of representatives :—Comp. T. W. Lee, No. 1; V.E. Comp, A. Veitch, No. 2; V.E. Comp. J. Walker, No. 3; V.E. Comp. T. Hobson, No. 4; M.E. Comp. Rev. E. E. Chambers, No. 6 ; V.E. Comp. H. W. Hillier, No. 7; M.E. Comp. J. M. Brown, No. 8; M.E. Comp. Geo. H. Powley, No. 9; V.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff, No. 10; V.E. Comp. W. Dobson, No. 11; V.E. Comp. A. J. Hoskins, No. 16; R.E. Comp. N. J. Harris, No. 17; V.E. Comp. H. Panckhurst, No. 18; V.E. Comp. P. G. Bowater, No. 21; V.E. Comp. H. E. Tristram, .No. 22; V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton, No. 24; V.E. Comp. J. P. Shand, No. 25; V.E. Comp. A. B. King, No. 29; V.E. Comp. J. Craven, No. 30; V.E. Comp. H. W. Wait, No. 31; V.E. Comp. H. Priestley, No. 32; V.E. Comp. T. Gilmour, No. 33; V.E. Comp. J. Hamilton, No. 34; V.E. Comp. C. B. Russel Rendle, No. 35.

MINUTES.—The minutes the last annual convocation having been printed and circulated, were on motion ordered to be taken as read, and were confirmed.

ROLL OF CHAPTERS.—On the roll being called, twenty-six representatives of chapters answered.

APOLOGIES.—A very large number of apologies were received and ordered to be recorded.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS. —V.E. Comp. H. Seaton, acting as chairman of Sup. Com., moved the adoption of the balance-sheet, and explained several items of the accounts. Comp. W. Dobson commented on the dilatoriness of G.Supts. in rendering their accounts, and suggested that they should be requested to furnish them at stated periods within each year, so as to enable G.S.E. to include them in the list of sundry creditors. R.E. Comp. Lane thought such a suggestion too arbitrary, as some of these officers might not desire to render

accounts at all. The motion for the adoption of the accounts was seconded by V.E. Comp. Veitch, and carried.

REPORT OF SUP. COM.—The two first clauses were adopted without comment.—Clause 3—revision of ritual—provoked free discussion, in the course of which T.E. Comp. C. E. R. Rendle explained that in moving on the question of ritual at the last convocation, he had not in any way intended to reflect on the author or revisers of the book now in use. Ultimately it was resolved on the Motion of G.S.E, that the general committee consist of the four G. Prins. and one member from each of the four principal centres of the Dominion, who shall meet one or two days (as may be necessary) before the next convocation of G, Chapter, and in the event of any companion appointed being unable to attend, his district shall appoint a substitute.

The following companions were nominated from the four centres :—Auckland, R.E. Comp. E. Kearsley ; Wellington, M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt ; Canterbury, R.E. Comp. C. Flavell ; Otago, R.E. Comp. E. Lane, Clause 4 was agreed to. Clause 5 was amended by adding the words, "and Rawhiti Chapter, Dannevirke," after the word "Napier."

Clause 6.—R.E. Comp. E. Lane, G.Supt., explained that steps had already been taken to remove Cromwell Chapter, if it was found impossible to carry on in Alexandra.'

Clause 7.—In accordance with the recommendation of Sup.Com., the chairman moved, "That an amount of £296 be appropriated by this G. Chapter to provide for the payment of what would be considered a permanent annuity to the G.L. of New Zealand." The motion was seconded by T.E. Comp. T. W. Lee and unanimously adopted,

Clause 8 was adopted. The G.Reg. made a full explanation of the advantages to be derived by the adoption by chapters of the suggested amended by-Law relating to trustees of chapters.

On Clause 15 being called, M.E. Comp. Rev. E. E. Chambers made sympathetic reference to the loss sustained by M.E. Comp.. G. J. W. Griffiths in the loss of his youngest son, who had been killed in Egypt, and moved that a letter of sympathy be forwarded to M.E. Comp. Griffiths.

Clause 16.—Election of G. Officers.—The allocation as submitted in this clause was unanimously agreed to with the addition of the name, of Comp. D. Darroch as Asst.-G.Sd.B.

The assessment for the current year was fixed at 1/- per member for general purposes, and 1/- for representative tax. The report as amended was then agreed to.

Resolved on the motion of M.E. Comp. G. H. Powley that in addition to the letter already sent to M.E. Comp. J. J: Essen, a resolution be entered on the records of this meeting expressive of appreciation of the conduct and example of Comp. Esson in offering his services at an early stage of the war, and of the eminent services he has rendered, which have secured the distinction conferred by His Majesty the King, that of Comp. of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

The M.E.G.Z. read an address at this stage, referring to the principal matters of interest which have occurred during his term of office.

On the motion of V.E. Comp. W. Dobson, it was resolved, "That this annual convocation place on record its deep appreciation of the services rendered to Capitular Freemasonry for a long period of years by M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt,"

The past services of M.E. Comp. R. Fletcher were also made the subject of a special vote, and regret was expressed at his retirement,

At the evening session R.E. Comp. T. Ross was installed with the usual ceremonies by M.E. Comp. Andrews. The M.E.G.Z. then installed his deputy—R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris — and M.E. Comp. Clothier performed a like office to the G.J., RE. Comp, J. Mancieff. M.E. Comp. Rev, S. G. Chambers invested the other officers present in his characteristically happy manner.

The following is the list :—G.S.E., M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams; G.S.N., V.E. Comp. C. E. R. Rendle; G.Treas., V.E. Comp. A. Veitch; 1st G.Soj., V.E. Comp. G. Cooper; 2nd G.Soj., V.E. Comp. A. H. Walker ; 3rd G.Soj., V.E. Comp. R. Prentice; G.Reg., V.E. Comp. C. W. Neilsen; G. Chancellor V.E. Comp. W. Dobson; G.Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. H. Priestley ; G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. W. Miller ; G.Sd.B., V.E. Comp. G. T. Bull ; S Gd.B., V.E. Comp. W. Moyes ; G. Organist, V.E. Comp. R. Hawcridge ; Asst.-G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. C. H. Critchley ; Asst. G.Sd.B. V.E. Comp: D. Darrach ; Asst. G St.B. V.E. Clomp. T. E. Hamerton; Asst.-G.Reg., V.E. Comp.. J. Menzies. G.Supts. : Auckland, R.E. Comp. Kearsley ; Wellington, M.E. Comp., T. Porritt ; West Coast, R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer ; Canterbury, .R.E. Comp. C. Flavell; Otago,

R.E. Comp. E. Lane; Southland, V.E. Comp. J. J. Hiskins ; Westland, V.E. Comp. Dr, E. D. Dunn ; Hawkes Bay, R.E. Comp. T. Hobson. Chairman of Sup.Committee V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton. Sup. Committee, V.E. Comps. Dement, Jones, Parsons, Menzies, and Shand.

M.E. Clomp. T. Ross then read the following admirable address :—

COMPANIONS.—For almost a quarter of a 'century our Sup.G. Chapter has assembled once in every year in solemn conclave to select from among their numbers a companion to preside over them. This year the choice has fallen on my humble self, and I deeply appreciate the very great honour conferred on me by the appointment. Let me assure my companions that, the Most High helping me, nothing will be lacking on my part to uphold the best traditions of G. Chapter, and all that Capitular Freemasonry represents, in this far distant outpost of the English-speaking race. I trust that when at the end of my term I shall have laid aside the sceptre, you will be able to say the confidence reposed in me this day has not been misplaced.

During the past history of G. Chapter the office I have now the honour to occupy has been held by companions of esteem and worth, many of whom have filled the highest and most important positions in Craft Masonry and in our G.L. My constant endeavour will be to attain to the high standard of excellence they have already set this G. Chapter. I trust that during the coming year I shall have their assistance and guidance if questions of importance arise. Hitherto my activities in Capitular Freemasonry have been confined to matters concerning the district, and although engaged in a business that still requires personal supervision, I have in the past been able to devote some little of my time to our Chapters in the immediate surrounding's. My horizon is now being extended to embrace the whole territory of New Zealand. Under ordinary circumstances I could have promised a visit to quite a few of our most distant Chapters, but today we live in strenuous times, and if I am unable to visit as I would wish, I trust my companions will take the sincere desire for the deed.

On entering another year (an important one to us, as it completes our semi-jubilee), I look forward with every confidence that our G. Chapter will go on increasing in membership and improving in interest, and that we will more than ever carry out the great principles of Capitular Freemasonry. In this connection I feel certain I speak the feeling of every companion here where I say that so long as we retain the services of our M.E. Clomp. Herbert J. Williams in the triple capacity of officer, guide, and friend we need have no anxiety for our continued prosperity, for the maintenance of our dignity, and for the promotion of all the virtues that R.A. Masonry stands for.

"Lifting the fallen brother up;
Sweetening the draught in the bitter cup;
Heeding the orphans plaintive cry ;
Wiping the tear from Sorrow's eye."

Looking round to-day at our large gathering, we miss many of the familiar faces, who in past years have helped to swell our numbers and give counsel in our deliberations. I refer to those who have responded to the call of Empire, abandoning the ease and comforts of domestic life, and the emoluments of lucrative office, for the hardships of tented field and the rigours of crowded trench. Among the first to answer to the dictates of patriotism, by laying down the sceptre of office and buckling on the sword of defence, was our then M.E. 1stG. Prin. Comp. Essen. So well and worthily has he discharged his duty at the head of our brave New Zealanders that to-day he stands in the presence of kings and receives the reward due to noble and heroic services. We greet our M.E. Comp. at the front as Lieut.-Col. James Jacobs Essen, C.M.G. May the example of his achievements be an inspiration to every companion here to do his part in this great war—each in his own particular sphere—by bodily service, by pecuniary assistance, by encouraging words. Many of our companions even in the humblest ranks have done heroes' work. They were set to accomplish the impossible, and the tales of their deeds of daring have made "all the world wonder." The storming of Gallipoli has been an epic ; the assault at Suvla Bay and Anzac Cove, the dogged pertinacity of sticking to it in Suicides' Gully and Shrapnel Valley, have left an imperishable record of fearless intrepidity and undaunted fortitude. We trust fitting recognition will be apportioned to each and every one who has borne the brunt of battle, and the hardships of campaign. Some will return to us physically or mentally sick ; or scarred and torn with death-dealing destructive missiles bearing all the evidences of deadly combat—to these we shall extend the hand of living and fraternal welcome. Many of our companions and brethren have, alas, made the supreme sacrifice. They now sleep under strange skies on Turkish shores, in Egyptian sand, in Arabian deserts, or in French soil. As their names will be emblazoned on the walls of our temples, may the memory of their gallant deeds, their feats of heroism and their sublime demise, be ever enshrined on our hearts as an imperishable memorial. The noble example of those who left these shores, and who are still leaving us to take the place of

those who have fallen, will assuredly stimulate .us who are left to make conditions easier for our companions or brethren, and our sons, engaged in fighting the enemy at the front; so that when a truce is called to this dreadful carnage, we may be able to say, "We could not all go, but, thank God, those who went and fought so valiantly to uphold our rights—we helped them with our good wishes, our prayers, our substance. We believe we are justified in doing our utmost to attain a victory for our arms. We are engaged in fighting an enemy country whose sole object is to aggrandise itself by the dismemberment of the Empire of which we form an integral part. An Empire that to-day, as yesterday, stands for righteousness, for peace, for justice, for equity, and for freedom. We who live here under the Southern Cross, in this far-flung part of the Empire, have carried out these great virtues of the English-speaking people. Our treatment of the Maori race, some of them honoured legislators in our parliament, many of them esteemed brethren in our Lodges, and companions in our Chapters, bear testimony to our sympathetic humanity. In trade, in commerce, in the professions, New Zealand has welcomed the peoples of every nationality, imposing no conditions, no restrictions, not even of naturalisation, ere the stranger could engage in trade, or practise his profession. Our homes, our Lodges, our Chapters, and only most select corporations were open to all—the one essential being a semblance of moral worth. This magnanimity of treatment, this generosity of sentiment, has been accounted against us by our enemies as a sign of decadence, an evidence of lack of virility, While we were assisting, benefiting, and fraternising with the alien, he was repaying our hospitality by spying upon our weaknesses, and engineering his shoddy goods on our markets, returning our generosity by mapping out our country for future possibilities of invasion, and monopolising the export of our resources, to pile up munitions in his beloved Fatherland for our future subjection. When we are confronted with individual and national principles of so debased and degrading a type—a people possessed of considerations that subserve all the finer instincts of chivalry, courtesy, integrity, and honour, for national aggression—when we read of the sinking of peaceful shipping without warning, and the drowning of helpless infants, feeble men and women, and inoffensive passengers, the burning of churches, the murdering of prisoners, the shooting of nurses, and the indiscriminate bombing of sleeping families—we stand aghast, and ask ourselves what has become of the influence of ten thousand years of civilisation, the teaching of nearly two thousand years of Christianity, and the practice of the principles of our Freemasonry from time immemorial.

To-day, when "The earth is full of anger,
 The seas are dark with wrath"

if all the nations engaged in this great Armageddon had thrown all that civilisation, Christianity, and Freemasonry stand for to the winds, to be scattered to the four cardinal points of the heavens, this world would indeed be in a sorry plight. When, however, we see the chivalrous Latin races and the illustrious English-speaking Empire allied with the fervent and zealous Slavonian peoples to combat these Teutonic devils of blood, lust, and rapine—whose evangel is that of "blood and iron," "might makes right," "frightfulness," and all the foul abominations that have been engendered in the bottomless pit—then it is we may take heart of grace and say,

"God is in his Heaven; All will be well."

We know we are fighting for the right, we believe that right, and liberty, and justice will prevail. We are convinced that our civilisation, which has been permeating the ages with sentiments that go to ennoble and refine humanity will assert itself. That the religion in which we have been nurtured will vindicate its hold on men, and that the teachings of our beloved Masonry will triumph. That

"The time shall come when earth shall be
A garden of joy from sea to sea;
When the slaughterous sword is drawn no more,
And goodness exults from shore to shore."

Companions, I cannot conclude with nobler sentiments than repeating the desire of that great poet and Freemason, Robert Burns :

"Then let us pray that come it may,
As come it will for a' that ;
That man to man the world o'er,
Shall brithers be and a' that."

Fraternal greetings having been tendered by the representatives of a number of G. Chapters, G. Chapter was closed in ample form at 9.30 p.m.

Subsequently refreshments were served in an adjoining room, which was followed by the toasts and harmony usual on such occasions.

INSTALLATION OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER OF CANTERBURY.



The annual communication of the Prov.G.L. of Canterbury, which should have taken place in October, but which had to be postponed owing to the serious illness of the Dep.Prov.G.M., V.W. Bro. Jno. Thornton, P.B.B., was held in the St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on Monday, 31st January. The business portion of the proceedings having been disposed of, R.W. Bro. M. S. Brown, Dist.G.M. of Canterbury, E.C., accompanied by several of his officers, was received in due form. W. Bro. J. N. Du Feu, G.D. of C., announced the presence of the M.W.G.M., M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, who was received and saluted with the honours due to his rank, Other G.L. officers who accompanied him were: — M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. W. Broadley, P.G.W., as S.G.W.; R.W. Bro. J. A. Frostick, P.G.W., as J.G.W.; V.W. Bro. Rev. F. P. Fendall, P.G. Chaplain, as G. Chaplain; V.W. Bro. H. J. Otley, G.Treas.; V.W. Bro. E. D. Mosley, G.Reg.; R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham, P.P.G.M., Pres. B. of G.P.; W. Bro. R. B. B. Willis, P.G.D., as S.G.D.; W. Bro. M. B. Wright, P.G.B.B., as J.G.D. ; W. Bro. J. N. Du Feu, G.D. of C. ; W. Bro. E. Nordon, P.G.Purs., as G.Purs.; W. Bros. J. Mackenzie, W. F. McLean, T. W. Lee, and H. Wyatt, G. Stewards. The M.W.G.M. stated that owing to his election as Prov.G.M., V.W. Bro. Thornton had resigned his office as Pres. of the Board of Benevolence, and he had therefore appointed. W. Bro. W. Brown, P.G.Purs., to fill the vacancy thus caused, and he invested V.W. Bro. Brown with the insignia of his office. The presented V.W. Bro. Mosley, G.Reg., with his commission as representative of the M.W.G.L. of Ohio near the G.L. of New Zealand. After the G.M. had stated the object of the meeting, and the G. Chaplain had engaged in prayer, the G.Sec. read R.W. Bro. Thornton's commission of appointment as Prov.G.M. of Canterbury. Having ascertained that there was no objection to Bro. Thornton being installed, the M.W.G.M. directed the G.D. of C. to retire, with a deputation consisting of four G. Stewards and four Installed Masters, for the purpose of introducing the Prov.G.M.-elect. The G.D. of C. having made the announcement, a procession, as follows, entered:—

G. Director of Ceremonies.

G. Steward with wand.	G. Steward with wand.
Installed Master, carrying cushion with collar and jewel.	Installed Master, carrying cushion with apron.

V.W. BRO. JOHN THORNTON, P.B.B.,
Puov.G,M.-elect.

Installed Master.	Installed Master.
G. Steward with wand.	G. Steward with wand.

The Prov.G.M.-elect was presented by the G.D. of C. to the M.W.G.M., who, after the Chaplain had engaged in prayer, enquired if Bro. Thornton was prepared to accept the office to which he had been elected, and, on receiving an answer in the affirmative, obligated, invested, and enthroned him, and he was proclaimed by the G.D. of C. R.W. Bro. Thornton then announced that he appointed W. Bro. Kenneth Mackenzie, P.G.D. of C., Geraldine, as his Deputy, but, unfortunately, Bro. Mackenzie was unable to be present, so could not be invested. The officers having been elected earlier in the evening, those present were invested by M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, P.G.M. The following is the list of officers —Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. Jno. Thornton Dep.Prov.G.M., W. Bro. Ken. Mackenzie; Prov.S.G.W., W. Bro. J. N. Du Feu ; Prov.J.G.W., W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins; Prov. G. Chaplain, Bro. Rev. A. H. Norris; Prov.G.Treas., W. Bro. R. C. McL. Symes; Prov.G.Reg.; W. Bro. W. J. Hunter; Pres. Prov.B. of G.P., R.W. Bro. W. Broadley; Prov.G.Sec., W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop; Pres. Prov. Board of Benevolence, W. Bro. J. Richardson; Prov.S.G.D., W. Bro. C. M. Suckling; Prov.J.G.D., W. Bro. C. J. Talbot; Prov.G.Supt. of W., W. Bro. Fred Lill; Prov.G.D. of C., W. Bros. W. McBride and G. Yemm; Prov.G.B.B., W. Bro. G. H. Patrick; Prov.G.Sd.B., W. Bro. J. J. Heasley ; Prov.G.St.B., W. Bro. A. Murray ; Prov.G. Organist, Bro. Dr. F. C. A'Court ; Prov.G.I.G., W. Bro. R. L. Bush; Prov. G. Stewards, W. Bros. G. Burns, James Carr, E. Haley, R. C. Littlejohn, E. T. Powis, Colin Thompson; Prov. B. of G.P., V.W. Bro. W. Brown, V. Bros. J. Furneaux, A. K. Hadfield, A. H. Hobbs, H. B. Sorensen; Prov. B. of Benevolence, W. Bros. W. G. Cookson, R. W. S. Eastwood, J. H. Parkes, H. F. Penlington, J. W. Roberts. The M.W.G.M. then addressed the meeting, and, in the course of his remarks, gave it as his opinion that Prov.G.L. had proved a success. Although it had only been in existence six years,

he felt there was not a brother who would wish to revert to the old system. At first there had been a doubt, but this had disappeared. He would like to see Prov.G.Ls. formed in the other districts, and he thought the time would come when they would be general throughout the Dominion. The R.W.Prov.G.M. said it was customary for the Prov.G.M. to prepare an address to be read on these occasions, but his state of health had not permitted him to do so. He referred to the loss we had sustained by the death of M.W. Bro. Binns, and stated it was his intention to follow in his steps as far as he could. He also referred to the state of the Craft in the provincial district, thanking several of the W. brethren for the work they had done during the time he was ill, and concluded by a reference to the war, and the special (war) Benevolent Fund which the G.M. had instituted. The M.W. G.M. having congratulated the R.W.Prov.G.M. on the honour which had been conferred upon him, retired. In tendering his congratulations, the R.W.Dist.G.M. of Canterbury, E.C., said reference had been made to the good feeling that had existed between the two Constitutions in Canterbury. How could it have been otherwise with such a leader as the late M.W. Bro. Binns ? He hoped the same good feeling would continue.

GRAND LODGE OF NEW ZEALAND.

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BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED AT THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION, TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN HALL,
AUCKLAND, ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, MAY 10 AND 11, 1916.

G.L. WILL BE OPENED ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, AT 2 P.M.

1. The minutes of the annual communication of 1915 will be submitted for confirmation.
2. Election of the M.W.G.M.
3. Election of other G. officers.
4. The annual balance-sheet to 31st March, 1916, will be submitted for adoption.
5. Report of the Board of Benevolence.
6. Report of the Annuity Board of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

G.L. will adjourn, and will re-assemble at 7.30 p.m. for the Installation of the G.M.—elect, M.W. Bro. Oliver Nicholson. Appointment and Investiture of the R.W.D.G.M. Appointment and investiture of the R.W.Prov.G.Ms. of districts.

Appointment and Investiture of the R.W. the S. and J. G. Ws. Investiture of elected G. officers.

Address from the M.W.G.M.

G.L. will be closed and business adjourned till next day.

G.L. SESSION WILL BE RESUMED ON THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1916. Business on the agenda paper for Wednesday, if not completed, will first be disposed of.

7. Report of the B. of G.P.
8. Election of Aunitor.
9. Appointment, of Trustees.
10. Fixing the Representation Levy for 1917.
11. General Business, by permission of the G.M.

LECTURE OF THE THIRD DEGREE.

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The following lecture is by P.G.M. E. H. Addington of Louisiana, and is taken from "Square and Compasses" .-

My brother, you have now completed the actual ceremony of the Sublime Degree, and it becomes my duty to attempt to tell you something of the meaning sought to be conveyed by these formalities. It is true that this degree is so many-sided and so lends itself to the individual aspiration of the man who, technically, becomes a M.M., that I can lay no claim that what I here say is more than what to me seems the most important and most obvious of its many meanings. And at the outset I confirm what you no doubt already take for granted, that the occurrence represented in the second part of the ceremonies is legendary and purely symbolical. It is, in fact, a crude drama, performed to illustrate the great fundamental need of human beings and to hint what

are the forces that heretofore have prevented the coming of conditions that would meet and supply that need. Since man has had the idea of a Higher Power, there has existed the idea that real knowledge of God, for example, and taking the most common form of the idea, such knowledge as would enable its possessor to speak the actual name by which the Most High is known to himself, would give to the possessor of such knowledge miraculous powers for good; practically would make him able to do the infinite things that are insuperable in the mind from the idea of God.

But man only can work to whatever ends he seeks, by use of the means he has, and always he has attempted the infinite riddle of the universe, has sought to comprehend the infirmities of space and time, and the infinite harmony of creation, the orderly course of events, with which space and time are filled, by use of his finite and very limited powers of observation and reason. He has attacked the problem of the infinitely great, the infinitely sacred Name, with the powers and activities of a very fine intellect and personality, because there has been no other way for him to do, and the aspirations of the ages have aptly been symbolised in the idea of a perfect structure, built on earth, but built for God; approaching completion, but incomplete; built by a Master, but never finished because the Master has been destroyed by some part of the very forces used in the erection of the structure.

Always man has sought to be God. Always his very supreme effort has been only human. Always must these things be in just that relation, regardless of what advance man may make,

Masonry is the frank admission that man is finite; that final knowledge is impossible to him; that his true work and best destiny are in the plane of actualities, rather than in dreams of the impossible.

In this the Mason who understands the meaning of the Third Degree simply faces, with mental courage, the common practical method. In all the affairs of life men are seeking perfection in finite things. In business, in finance, in politics and statecraft, in scholarship, in religion, even in pleasure and dissipation, each strives to accomplish the infinitely perfect, in respect to things and conditions that have no element of stability, no quality of endurance; and each of us, in many ways, is making the effort for perfection. In many things it is merely in the day's work. In others, it is the cry of desperation or the delight of abandon. Usually the idea of the perfection sought is but dimly recognised. But here in the Lodge, in this brotherhood that exists for brotherhood only, we frankly realise that we are seeking to perfect ourselves and definitely acknowledge that the task is infinite, only approximately to be accomplished.

We see in the entire legend of the perfect building, unfinished because of the death of the Master builder, at the hands of some of the very workmen employed up to the actual time when the crime was committed, an allegory of human relations as they should be; as they would be were not Love, the Master builder, constantly slain by elements in human nature itself and abroad in human society. What we seek is perfect relations among men; perfect brotherhood. The plan on our trestle board attempts a condition in which every human being will act toward every other with entire affection. We recognise at least three of the things that constantly interfere. They are Ignorance that unfits man for brotherly relations. Superstition that in its most acute manifestations forbids the free flow of affection, and Greed that actually destroys that love must be the master motive in ideal human relations.

Relegating to the wisdom of future generations the finding of the final basis; the recovery of the true name, we go daily about the task of searching the hills of our own characters and lives, to locate and conquer the ruffians, Ignorance, Superstition, and Greed, striving to bring about a time when in our own persons no lack of knowledge will cause hasty imputation of unworthy motive in judging others, when our religion will be free from superstition that regards an honest difference of opinion as evidence of unworthiness, when no greed for possession will cause us to deviate from the path of rectitude and of humanity.

My brother, this means that you are now enlisted in the cause of humanity. Be, as nearly as constant effort and vigilance can make you, a true brother. Whenever you truthfully can say that you are a brother in act, word and thought, to all things, then, and not until then, will you be in fact a Master Mason. Notwithstanding your official recognition as a Master Mason, and notwithstanding the same official recognition of all who have performed the ceremonies of the degree, whether here or hereafter, whether in this life or that to come, until perfect love becomes the Master Motive, we still have a rugged road to travel, beset with dangers.

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(All 7/6 except those noted,)

DEATH OF SIR SAMUEL WAY, GRAND MASTER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

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The death of Sir Samuel. Way, the M.W.G.M, of Free and Accepted Masons of South, Australia, removes one of the foremost citizens of the Commonwealth of Australia from public life.

The Right Honourable Sir Samuel Way, Bart., P.C., D.C.L., Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Justice of South Australia, was born at Portsmouth, England, on 11th April, 1836, and was therefore in his eightieth year.

He arrived in Adelaide in 1852, and took up law as his profession, being called to the Bar in 1861, taking silk in 1871. Mr. Way was a successful advocate, and enjoyed a very large practice, which he sacrificed to the extent of £5,000 a year when he accepted the office of Chief Justice in 1876. When Lord Rosebery carried his Act for the direct representation of the colonies on the Judicial Bench of the Privy Council, Sir Samuel Way was the first representative of Australia to sit on the Bench of the most illustrious legal Court in the world.

In 1906 he was offered a seat on the Federal High Court Bench, but declined the honour, preferring to end his career in the position which he had filled with so much dignity for thirty years.

He was possessed of oratorical gifts of no ordinary kind. Some of his best efforts have been in connection with Masonic celebrations, and his addresses when being delivered at installations of G.Ms. in the various States have been described as classic utterances,

The late M.W.G.M. of. South Australia began his Masonic ' career in the Lodge Harmony, Adelaide, being initiated on the 13th October, 1862, but as an ordinary M.M. he did not actively participate in the Craft. In 1884 he took the lead in the movement for the establishment of the Sovereign G.L. of South Australia, and was elected the first G.M., which position he held up to the time of his death, with the exception of an interval of five years, when he retired in favour of Lord Kintore, who was then Governor of the State. He was a member and P.M. of the Adelaide Lodge of Mark Master Masons, and Past Prin. of the South Australian R.A. Chapter. He was also G.M. of the G.L. of Mark Master Masons of South Australia, established. in 1906, as well as G. 1st Prin. of tho Sup. R.A. Chapter of South Australia.

In 1897 he was appointed by the Prince of Wales (the late King Edward), the M.W.G.M. of England, to the rank of P.G.W. of England, and amongst those who received a similar honour at that time was Lord



Kitchener.

He also represented the Mother G.L. of the World in his own G.L. from its inception. He was also a member of the Order of Knights Templars, Rose Croix, and 32nd Degree, the latter honour being only shared by two other Australians, namely, Sir James Boucaut (of Adelaide), and R.W. Bro. Alexander Gorrie, Dist. G.M. of Queensland, E.C. He also had the honour of presenting to Queen Victoria the beautiful address forwarded by Freemasons of the Australian G.Ls. on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee.

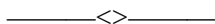
Though it was far from unexpected, the news of the death of Sir Samuel Way was received with the deepest regret throughout the Commonwealth. The fortitude which he showed in facing an affliction which proved to be mortal, and his courage in submitting to the amputation of his left arm in July, 1914—an operation which was performed by a Sydney specialist as a last resort—won him the sympathy and admiration of thousands whom he did not personally know.

A general decline of his health extended over a period of four years. Since his operation, however, he was almost constantly occupied with work, and appeared on the Bench fairly regularly, until the last day of the judicial term, 18th December. He remained conscious to the last hour of his life.

The late Sir Samuel Way was accorded a State funeral, and was interred at West Terrace Cemetery, Adelaide, on Tuesday, 11th January.—[Per favour of the "Queensland Freemason."]

Poetry.

TELL HIM NOW.



If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing,
If you like him, or you love him—tell him now ;
Don't withhold your approbation, till the parson makes oration,
As he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow.

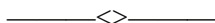
For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it,
He won't know how many teardrops you have shed.
If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to slip it to him,
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

More than fame and more than money is the comment, kind and sunny,
And the hearty warm approval of a friend.
For it gives to life a savour ; and it makes you stronger—braver,
And it gives you heart and spirit to the end.

If he earns your praise, bestow it ; if you like him let him know it,
Let the words of true encouragement be said;
Do not wait till life is over, and he's underneath the clover,
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

—"Brotherhood."

KEEP ON DOING.



There is lots of joy in living if you strike the proper gait ;
if you always come up smiling in the face of every fate.
if you're keeping step and whistling some lively little tune,
You'll be living gay and happy and as a sunny day in June.
Keep a level head, don't worry, help your brothers on the way ;
Let the sunshine of good humour shine upon you ev'ry day ;
Speak a cheerful word at all times, never 'knock" your fellow man,
And you'll surely be rewarded just keep doing all you can.

There is lots of joy in living if you live your life aright ;
Lots of sunshine and of roses, keep your ayes 'turned to the light ;
Look behind the clouds of trouble; there's a silver lining there,
And you'll find it if you're only living life upon the square.
Scatter good cheer like the thistle scatters seed before the wind,
And the petty woes and troubles soon will be left far behind.
Be a "booster" every minute, help along your fellow man,
And you'll surely be rewarded—just keep doing all you can.
—Selected,

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA.

Here's "Hands across the sea !" Here's "Hands across the sea !"
To every isle and continent, where'er our brethren be,
For we are one in sympathy as we are one in name, •
The self-same tools are bright with use and mystic lights aflame ;
The same designs on trestle board by which our tasks are wrought,
The symbol-truths impressed on heart and centred in our thought.
For that which counts for greatest good is through the lives of each,
Who by their acts exemplify the principles 'we teach.
The world's great heart is throbbing with the spirit 'of unrest ;
We hear the cry that wellet up from people long oppressed.
We see the rule of Mammon and the grasping hand of greed,
The travesties of justice and 'the toiler's bitter need !
Striving for the mastery, the ever present- fear,-
With nations watching nations and the war clouds hovering near.
And the question ever riseth as portentous signs we trace.
What will the final outcome be, and what the saving grace?
And Masonry makes answer, with its never-changing plan :
The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man,
Though aeons upon aeons break up the shores of time,
This is the grand fulfilment and the prophecy sublime
This is the work of trestle board for brethren everywhere,
For never was there greater need for level, plumb, and square,
For trowel and clement of love to strengthen and unite
The human race in brotherhood and usher in the light ;
To all who aid this glorious work, wherever they may be,
Here's to the Craft in Homeland, and here's "Hands across the sea !"
—American G.L. Proceedings.

ALIEN ENEMY FREEMASONS.

[By BRO. REV. CANON J. W. HORSLEY, P.G. CHAPLAIN, in the London "Freemason."]

Non omnia possumus omnes—which may be translated as regards myself—as I cannot see all newspapers, and rarely see "The Freemason," a fault or a misfortune, no doubt. But I heard at G.L. that there had been some comments in your columns as to certain proposals with regard to German Masons in England, and as to our present and future relations with the German G.Ls. The matters brought forward and referred to the Board of G.P. cover two points : whether the rights of individual lodges shall be overborne by a decree which deprives them of autonomy, and whether we should treat the G.Ls. of Germany as we were forced to treat the Grand Orient of France.

As to the former I am not now concerned to speak, though I regard the proposal as un-Masonic if applied to reluctant bodies. But the other proposal, i.e. that we should immediately withdraw our recognition of the German G.Ls., seems to me to deserve the harder term of anti-Masonic. France abolished the most vital

landmarks of the order, and sorrowfully we had to excommunicate her, and excommunicated she remains, from a Masonic point of view, in spite of the country being our ally and friend. But by no formal action of which I have heard has German Masonry done anything of the kind. We should distinguish between a nation and the Craft therein.

Utterances were cheered at G.L. which seemed to me the voice of but pseudo-patriotism of a blatant kind, and I murmured to myself the true and inspired and immortal words of Nurse Cavell : "I recognise that patriotism is not enough, but I must put from me all thoughts of anger and bitterness." I recognise that Temperance in speech becomes us, even when the conduct, not of an enemy nation, but of enemies in that nation, is in question. I recognise also that Fortitude is required by those who will not meet a Hymn of Hate by what seems to me its English equivalent in prose, for the epithet "pro-German" will surely be yelled at any who plead for a mind calm; well balanced, and just, or deprecate such indiscriminate and blind hatred as displays itself (for example) in the wrecking and looting of a baker's shop because the owner's name of Strachan was deemed to be German, My son, who was about to be ordained, entered the army with my approbation, was seriously wounded at Ypres, and has just gone out to France, but that will not hinder my being called a pro-German if I plead for sanity and charity and dignity of attitude and utterance ; but as the herculean navvy said when asked why he let his little wife knock him about "'It amuses her, but it doesn't hurt me!"

But I am seriously concerned, in the name of Prudence and Justice, for the spirit and reputation of the Craft. How often have I not heard, and even uttered, panegyrics on the intention and power of it to hasten the day of universal brotherhood ? Was this all humbug, to be exposed as such directly a nation which contained some of our brethren was arrayed against us? I have heard our G.M, tell how, after the bitter Boer War, he received a welcome from Boer as well as from British lodges in South Africa. I have heard Bro. Sir Charles Warren say how, in an earlier day, his claiming entrance to a Boer lodge helped to avert suspicion and a desire for conflict But now we are asked to render it possible that after peace, which we desire to be honourable, and therefore not dishonourable to the vanquished, we shall be found deliberately, and without due cause on the part of those who must remain our brethren (until by some overt and definite breach of the landmarks they have forced upon us non-recognition), to have broken down the bridge on which we might and should met in happier days with open hands instead of mailed fists. Much do I pray for our victory; more for peace; and most for an extended and deeper brotherhood amongst all men, after the fashion which we contend the Craft can teach them.

But if, at the bidding of an indiscriminate hatred, we are to belie our professions and embitter our temporary opponents by excommunicating them, then I am not alone in saying that I shall have little interest in what will have become a mere English club, and have ceased to be the exponent and animator of a fraternity which should play so great a part in the creation and promotion of peace and goodwill, irrespective of nationality and unaffected by transitory variance, when the bluster and the intoxication of warfare have passed away. I trust, therefore, that the careful consideration by the Board of G.P. of the four proposals referred to it will, at the least, result in the entire repudiation of that one numbered 3.

[This resolution reads as follows :-3. The immediate withdrawal of this G.L.'s recognition of the German G.L.—Ed. C.]

R.W. BRO. LIEUT.-COL. GEO. BARCLAY, EGYPT.

Writing to the W.M. of Lodge Tawhiri, No. 166, R.W. Bro. Barclay gives the following description of a visit paid by him :—

"It will, no doubt, be interesting to yourself and other members of No. 166 to learn that I recently paid a visit to a Lodge in Egypt bearing the same number as Lodge Tawhiri. The Lodge to which I refer is the El Aziz, No. 166 on the Register of the National G.L. of Egypt. This is an Arab Lodge and meets at Alexandria. The membership is confined to Egyptians, and the Lodge is worked in Arabic. There were many points of interest which I noted in connection with my visit. The interior decorations of the Hall were rather pleasing—on the walls were depicted various traditional scenes, and in the East were also displayed a number of handsome banners belonging to different Lodges, R.A. Chapters, etc., as well as transparencies showing the All-Seeing Eye, and the Sun and Moon. Following the Mohammedan custom, the brethren sat with their heads covered, and although a certain number were in European costume, others wore the Arab gown of white or other colour, and the sight of the red fez or tar bousch, with the bright dress and the apron with its red and green

facings, made a very unique spectacle. The ceremony of raising was carried out, and for this a special chamber was used. This room was draped in black, and previous to entering it each member reversed his apron and collar, displaying the black lining on which was shown the E.O.M. The candidate was obligated on the Koran, and the ceremony generally was somewhat similar to our own, I was very warmly welcomed by the W.M. or Venerable as he is called, and on mentioning that I was a member of Lodge No. 166, N.Z.C., the W.M. desired that I should convey the salutations of himself and brethren of the Aziz Lodge to my brethren at Frankton Junction."

A WIDESPREAD MASONIC PUBLIC SALUTE.

The suggestion I submit is that some simple form of salutation by decree shall be used by every Mason upon all occasions, whenever and wherever he meets a brother Mason, whether it be in public or private, the salutation to convey as much as possible not only the act of recognition, but also the expression and spirit of friendliness.

Perhaps the nature and purpose of my suggestion can be better realised when I cite the world-wide and universal military salute, which is in a sense both crude and difficult to perform, but which all military men use on all occasions. The kind of salutation I would suggest should not be of a secret nature or difficult, but should be distinctive, graceful, and easily recognised for the following reasons :—

Masons in this age and time have no reasons for not gladly, willingly, and publicly acknowledging their allegiance and connection to the great and gracious Masonic body.

Although it is contrary to the wise and basic law in Masonry to solicit others to become members, nevertheless it is greatly to be desired that all men who are duly and truly prepared in their hearts should do so.

A proper salutation, if adopted, would soon become as thoroughly identified with the Masonic order as the military salute is identified with the military institution of the world. I firmly believe that it would serve the purpose of keeping our great order and its divine ethical principles constantly before the world and in the attention of all men; thus possibly awakening the impulse in many worthy and qualified individuals to come within its sacred folds, thereby increasing the membership and usefulness of that greatest moral factor in all the world, Masonry.—J. A. Knapp.

LARGE CHRISTMAS GIFT TO WEST VIRGINIA GRAND LODGE.

The G.L. of Masons of West Virginia is the recipient of a Christmas gift amounting to £25,000. This amount of money came to the Masonic order through Henry King, who was a wealthy oil operator, who came from Pennsylvania and settled near Sistersville, W. Va. He was successful in his business ventures, and knew how to take care of his earnings. He was a bachelor with few relatives. He accumulated many hundred thousands of dollars. He was generous to all charitable institutions and to the needy. His will provided most liberally for his nephew and family, some remote relatives, and close acquaintances. There remained about £60,000, which he bequeathed in equal amounts to the Masonic G.L. of Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

The will provided that if either State did not have a Masonic home, then the securities should be used for the education of orphans of Masons and charitable work. T. W. Hennen, G.M. of West Virginia, O. S. McKinney, treas., and T. P. Jacobs, counsel of the G.L., went to Chester, Pa., recently. This sum will be used to brighten the path and lighten the toils of children in West Virginia.

The officers of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic G.L. of West Virginia are :—Judge C. W. Lynch, of Clarksburg, pres. ; E. M. Showalter, of Fairmont, sec. ; O. S. McKinney, Fairmont, treas.—"Register," Wheeling, W. Va.

Reports.

[Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Taringatura, No. 100.—At the meeting on the 14th February the attendance was the usual harvest time array, not so many as usual. The business was the passing of two brethren. The ceremony was performed by the W.M., Bro. D. Walker, assisted by W. Bros. Graham and Johnson and Bro. Beer, S.W., who presented the W.Ts. A parcel of reports of foreign G.Ls. (chiefly in U.S.A.), presented to the Lodge library by the M.W.G.Sec., were received with thanks. The ballot was taken for a joining member, who was unanimously accepted. W. Bro. Sec.'s motion, of which notice had been given, that £70 be added to the deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank, was carried. W. Bro. Johnson, Treas., in seconding the motion, stated that the sum on deposit would now be £200, adding his congratulations to the brethren on the entirely satisfactory financial condition of the Lodge. H.C.W. were received from visiting brethren, and the Lodge was closed at 9.45 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Winton, No. 108.—The regular meeting was held on 18th January, but was only moderately attended. Bro. J. A. Hamilton, W.M., occupied the chair. The ceremonial of the evening was an initiation. This was carried through by the W.M., assisted by W. Bro. T. Walker, who delivered the N.E. Charge; W. Bro. Ritchie explained the M. of P. ; Bro. Broom, J.W., explained the W.Ts., Bro. Tulley, S.W., I. and A.C. A contract was let for repairing and painting the outside of the Hall. £2 10s. was voted towards the special War Fund. The Lodge was closed at 10 p.m. and the usual pleasant time was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Kurow, No. 164. — A good Meeting was held on the 17th February, when the W.M., assisted by his officers, passed to the F.C. Degree one brother, who proved himself to be a very excellent candidate. The W.M., W. Bro. Ayson, obligated, and delivered the Final Charge, W. Bro. Todd the Secrets, W. Bro. Appleby the Prayers, Bro. Winnington S.E. Corner, Bro. Barkley Investiture, W. Bro. Hays, P.M., W.Ts. We are all sorry to part with our esteemed Bro. E. J. Newlands, S.D., who has been a very enthusiastic Freemason in Lodge Kurow. Our brother has accepted the position of head teacher or master of the school in Apia, Samoa. Our brother carries the good wishes of the W.M., officers, and brethren of Lodge Kurow. We trust he may meet with brethren there, and that he will let his light shine in Samoa. At the "Fourth" a toast, to Bro. J. Collins's daughter, one week old, was enthusiastically drunk, and a toast to the brethren of 164 at the front.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

Southern Cross, No. 6.— The monthly meeting was held at Kaiapoi on 3rd February. The W.M. Bro. Thos Hoskin presided over a good attendance of members. After the usual business, a ballot was taken for a candidate. W. Bro. W. A. Dribble gave the explanation of the T.B., which was listened to with interest by the brethren. W. Rm. T. Lang presented a framed photograph of himself to the Lodge, and was duly thanked for his gift. There being no further business, the Lodge was closed at an early hour and the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where an enjoyable hour was spent. On the evening of the 10th February, the W.M. and his officers and a number of brethren journeyed to Rangiora, and at the invitation of W. Bro. McKeown passed a brother to the Second Degree. The W.M. ought to be gratified with the number of his followers, and all who attended thoroughly enjoyed the outing.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly meeting was held in the St. Augustine Hall on the 25th January, W. Bro. W. E. Kiddey (W.M.) in the chair. One brother was raised to the degree of M.M. The candidate was obligated by the W.M., who delivered the Exhort. and communicated the S., S. and W. of a M.M. W. Bro.

Moore (W.M., Thistle Lodge, Ashburton) addressed the candidate on his investiture. The T.H. was related by W. Bro. Yemm, P.M., the T.B. was explained by W. Bro. Hopkinson, the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. J. Buchanan (W.M., Avon Lodge), the Final Charge being delivered by the S.W. The Lodge having been closed, an enjoyable hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tawera, No. 188.—The monthly meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Oxford, on the 1st February, W. Bro. L. Watson presiding over a good attendance. The principal business was the election of officers and the making of arrangements for the installation in March. One candidate was proposed for membership. The W.M. reviewed the work of the year, and expressed his appreciation of the earnest and enthusiastic manner in which all the officers had attended to their duties. The year had been a busy one, and the attendance of both officers and brethren had been uniformly good. He congratulated the Master-elect, Bro. R. F. Henderson, on his election, and bespoke for him the hearty support of the Lodge. A pleasant hour was spent in the refectory. In proposing the toast of the retiring Master, the Master-elect referred to the way in which the dignity of the Lodge had been upheld, and how well the Lodge had been represented by the W.M. in his visitations. The W.M., in reply, referred to the devotion of his officers to their duties, and the band of affection that had been woven by their association with each other. He then, in a pleasing and interesting manner, gave an account of his experiences in the visits he had paid to Lodges during his holidays.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Victoria, No. 21.—After a two months' vacation this Lodge assembled on 1st February, W.M. Bro. W. A. Kirk presiding over a good attendance. The raffle that is being conducted under G.L. supervision was brought under the notice of the brethren by the W.M., who spoke of the very worthy object for which it was being conducted, and concluded by proposing that Victoria Lodge purchase the tickets outright in the name of the Lodge trustees, and that such of the brethren who desired be given the opportunity to recoup the Lodge funds by donating the sum of one shilling for each of the tickets purchased. One ballot was taken. One candidate was initiated, the work being carried out by the following brethren :—Ob., W.M., Bro. Kirk ; S. and S., J.W., W. Bro. W. A. Wilkie ; N.E.C., J.D., Bro. H. Bate ; E. of P., S.G., Bro. Jarvis ; W.Ts., J.W., W. Bro. Wilkie ; F.C., S.W., Bro. R. Hill. At the conclusion of the ceremony the W.M., addressing the candidate, said : 'Although we look forward to conferring further favours upon you at our next regular meeting, everything will depend upon your regular deportment, your behaviour as a Freemason, strict conformity to our laws, and being steadfastly true to the obligation you have just entered into, for though, as you were told by the W. Bro. J.W., there are several degrees in Freemasonry with peculiar secrets restricted to each, these are not communicated indiscriminately, but according to merit and ability. I wish to impress this upon your mind, the better to enable you to retain what you have already received and to be fully prepared for that which is to come.' A paper was read by Bro. F. Maidens, entitled "Impressions of Freemasonry," for which he received many congratulations on this, his maiden attempt. Other brethren are preparing papers and other work which will no doubt be equally interesting. Since the last regular meeting, Victoria and Scinde Lodges combined in erecting a handsome memorial to the late R.W. Bro. H. C. A. Wundram. The final selection of the stone was left in the hands of W.M. Bro. Kirk, and I feel sure brethren will agree that the design is most appropriate and a credit to the two Napier Lodges. The work was carried out by Bro. F. Harris, proprietor of the H.B. Monumental Works, who assisted those responsible in no small manner.—[Lodge Correspondent.]



Bedford, No. 25.—W. Bro. J. P. Thomson, W.M. of Lodge Scinde, No. 5, Napier, paid an official visit to Bedford on the occasion of our last monthly meeting, on the 19th January, and he was accompanied by quite a number of brethren who undertook the journey of about fifty miles, in true fraternal spirit. Arriving by car at about six. p.m., the party partook of refreshments arranged for, and presented themselves at the Lodgeroom right up to time. The W.M. of Lodge Abercorn, No. 30 (W. Bro. Pasco), with a strong contingent of his brethren, was welcomed, and immediately afterwards Lodge Scinde was received in due form. Our Master, in a few well chosen words, welcomed Bro. Thomson on behalf of Bedford, and invited him to assume immediate control and conduct the ceremony of raising two candidates. Bro. Thomson briefly acknowledged the courtesy extended and requested his officers to repair to their stations, the ceremonial work being distributed as follows :—Ob., the W.M., Bro. Thomson; Retro., W. Bro. Critchley; T.H. and R, W. Bro. Thomas; E. and Ss., W. Bro. L. Freedman. S.W. Bro. Bishop invested the candidates and delivered the Charge. The W.Ts. were presented by J.W. Bro. Bowes, and W. Bro. Freedman entrusted the remaining Ss. and T.H. and delivered a final address. The whole ceremony was worked smoothly and effectively and certain variations in procedure were freely discussed at a later stage. In returning the gavel, W. Bro. Thomson expressed his pleasure and appreciation of the privilege, accorded him and tendered the W.M. the best wishes of Scinde. After adjournment to the refectory, where song and story were sung and told, scene of the older brethren, in reminiscent mood, outlined the doings of the olden time, and, needless to say, were listened to with rapt attention throughout. When the time of departure drew near, the wish was expressed on all sides that this gathering might prove but the forerunner of many other happy meetings. On this occasion Bedford also had the pleasure of welcoming W. Bro. D. Milne, just recently returned from England, where he journeyed to offer his services to the Imperial authorities. Bro. Milne detailed his experiences in his characteristic way, and disillusioned his hearers with regard to reported conditions at Home. He accepted his own disappointment with a sense of grim humour.

The regular monthly meeting was held on the 16th February, and there was a good attendance of members to witness an initiation ceremony. The W.M., Bro. Gore, administered the Ob. and entrusted the candidate, and the ceremony was continued by the following brethren :—S.W., Bro. Williams (investiture), W. Bro. Chambers (N.E. Address), W. Bro. Milne (R. for Prep.), W. Bro. Wright (W.Ts.), S.W., Bro. Williams (Final Charge). Officers for the ensuing year were nominated. Accounts amounting to £11 6s. 6d. were passed for payment. The extension of the refectory by the addition of an ante-room 20 x 14 will afford the brethren a good deal more comfort than they have hitherto enjoyed, especially on the occasion of an installation. The thoughtfulness of our W.M. in working out the details and seeing that the work was expeditiously carried out was favourably commented upon. He and his officers have done everything possible that lay in their power during the past year to further the best interests of Bedford. The usual happy gathering was held in the refectory.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Abercorn, No. 30.—The regular monthly meeting was held in Waipawa on the 14th February. W. Bro. Pasco, W.M., presided. The ceremonial work consisted of one initiation. The candidate was obligated by the W.M., W. Bro. Williams entrusted him with the Secrets, W. Bro. Robin delivered the Charge in the N.E., Bro. Bott, R. for Prep., Bro. J.W. the W.Ts., and Bro. S.W. the investiture and Final Charge. The explanation of the 1st T.B. was also delivered by Bro. Bott. Bro. Bott is to be congratulated on his lucid and faithful rendering of this particular work, which was highly appreciated by all who had the pleasure of hearing it. A pleasant hour in the "Fourth" brought the evening to a close at a somewhat early hour for Abercorn, viz., 11 p.m. The W.M. is commencing his term of office with an innovation, viz., tiling to time and closing so that country members may get home at a respectable hour. This is a step in the right direction.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 66.—The monthly meeting was held on the 20th January, when a fairly good attendance of members and a few visitors were present. The only business was a ballot for a candidate for initiation, which was satisfactory. After some routine business was transacted the Lodge closed and the members adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant time was spent, there being some very good talent present, visiting Bro. Taylor being a host in himself. Songs were rendered by Bro. D. N. Wilson in his usual finished style. Other brethren present contributed items, and altogether a very pleasant evening was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

Ruapehu, No. 128.—The installation meeting was held on the 17th February. There was a large attendance of brethren, including numerous visitors from Ohakune, Hunterville, Bulls, and Wellington. Among the latter was the veteran R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, the Prov.G.M. of Wellington, who journeyed from Pongaroa in response to an invitation to be present, and, needless to say, he was accorded a hearty welcome. The Prov. G.M. of Ruapehu was unable to attend, owing to important business necessitating his presence in Wellington, which was much regretted by Ruapehu brethren. The ceremony of installing Bro. H. J. Cameron was performed in a most efficient manner by W. Bro. John Robson. The important duties of D. of C. were most ably carried out by W. Bro. F. G. Hilton, which tended in no small degree to the smooth working of the ceremony. The following brethren assisted the Installing Master :—R.W. Bro. Peterkin (address to the W.M.), W. Bro. Hatherley (address to the Wardens), and W. Bro. Hilton (address to the brethren). The W.M. invested the following officers :—I.P.M., W. Bro. J. Robson ; W.M., W. Bro. H. J. Cameron; S.W., Bro. E. R. Galpin; J.W., Bro. W. W. Thomas; Trees., W. Bro. C. Cummins; Sec., W. Bro. J. Mogridge ; D. of C., W. Bro. F. G. Hilton; Organist, W. Bro. A. E. S. Crozier ; S.D., Bra. A. J. Dixon; J.D., Bro. R. Upchurch ; S.S., Bra. J. S. McDonald; J.S., Bro. C. T. Lound; Tyler, W. Bro. W. A. Watt. After the close of the Lodge the brethren assembled at Gould's cafe and were entertained with light refreshment. The usual toasts were honoured, and musical items, songs, and recitations were rendered, which made the time appear to pass all too quickly. R.W. Bro. Peterkin, in responding to G.L., expressed his regret at the absence of the Prov.G.M. of Ruapehu, and in doing so made some very eulogistic remarks, which if printed would probably make R.W. Bro. McFarlane blush, so I refrain. In responding to the toast of Installing Master and I.P.M., W. Bro. Robson referred to the happy conditions existing under which the newly-installed W.M. assumed control of Lodge Ruapehu. For years past they had been struggling with a debt on the Lodgeroom, which had hampered them considerably when endeavouring to assist benevolent cases. Notwithstanding this handicap, however, they had never allowed one appeal to pass without assisting. The last instalment on the building debt had been paid during the past year. They were now free of all liability on the property, with a credit cash balance of over £60. In future they would be enabled to more liberally assist benevolent calls, He congratulated the W.M. on having a good team of officers to work with, and predicted for them a prosperous year of office. Bro. A. E. S. Crozier presided at the piano, and so rendered valuable assistance to harmony. The gathering dispersed shortly after midnight, after a most enjoyable time.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.—An emergency meeting was held on the 17th of January, for the purpose of conferring the Third Degree upon a military brother, who belongs to the Ambulance Corps at Awapuni Camp, a special request being received from his mother Lodge, Lodge Koranga, Timaru, when, although at such a short notice, the officers and members of this Lodge assembled in good numbers, W. Bro. Smith, I.P.M., presiding, in the absence of the W.M., who is at present in Australia.

The usual meeting was held on the 3rd of February, the work being heavy, including the annual election of W.M. and officers, the choice of W.M.-elect being unanimously decided by the brethren in favour of the present S.W., Bro. W. C. Turner ; the by-laws being read, also the annual balance-sheet which disclosed the position of the Lodge to be in a satisfactory position, beyond our most sanguine anticipations. The ritual work consisted of the raising a brother to the degree of M.M. by the I.P.M. and his officers, with the assistance of a worthy visiting P.M., W. Bro. Neilson, who carried through the work most effectively. H.G.W. being received from visitors, also a message conveyed from the late W.M. of the E.C. United, Manawatu, W. Bro. Dr. Martin, who has gone to the front again, who reminded us of the fraternal relationship existing between the two Lodges, and expressed a sincere desire that our Lodge may continue to flourish, and adding that he would look forward to revisiting us on his return from Berlin, when peace is restored and everything returned to its normal state. The next meeting will be the installation, when we invite all to attend who are able to do so.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Tutaneikai, No. 156.—The annual meeting was held on the 3rd February. The Lodge was opened at six p.m., the W.M., Bro. E. D. Alexander, presiding. The W.M. elect, Bro. A. A. Whitelaw. S.W., was duly installed in the chair of K.S., according to ancient custom, by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., assisted by R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton, P.J.G.W., W. Bro. J. Rod, J.G.D., W. Bro. W. H.

Jones, G.D. of C., W. Bro. Veitch, and W. Bro. Rishworth; Trumpeter, Bro. M. Manthell. The W.Ts. in the various degrees were presented by W. Bro. Robinson, W.M. Lodge Hinemoa, W. Bro. Norton, W.M. Lodge N.Z. Pacific, and W. Bro. Simpson, W.M. Lodge St. Andrew. The W., C. and By-laws were presented by W. Bro. Guinness, P.M., Lodge Waiwhetu. W. Bro. Connell, P.M. Lodge N.Z. Pacific, rendered an appropriate solo. R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton invested the following officers :—S.W., Bro. J. W. Sexton; J.W., Bro. G. F. Lenzini ; Sec., Bro. E. Howell; Treas., W. Bro. J. P. Shand, P.M. ; D. of C., W. Bro. Rowell, P.M. ; S.D., Bro. C. W. Martin; J.D., Bro. G. W. Key ; I.G., Bro. F. J. Reid; J.S., Bro. H. Laughton ; Organist, Bro. B. W. Blakely ; Tyler, Bro. A. B. Duff. The Chaplain, Bro. Rev. W. Shirer, and the S.S., Bro. W. T. J. Morton, who were unable to be present, will be invested at the first opportunity. The address to the W.M. was delivered by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., to the Wardens by W. Bro. J. Rod. J.G.D., to the brethren by R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin. After the W.M. had returned thanks to the members of G.L., visiting Lodges, and his own Lodge, a collection was taken up on behalf of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund, which realised £4 6s. 8d., and considering the number of brethren present, was rather small. On behalf of the Lodge R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin presented W. Bro. E. D. Alexander, I.P.M., with a P.M.'s jewel as a token of the esteem of the brethren, for which he expressed his thanks. Hearty congratulations and best wishes were tendered to the W.M. for a successful year of office. The Lodge was then closed, when all partook of refreshments. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and responded to. Several brethren gave songs and recitations, and altogether a most enjoyable evening was spent.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetu, No. 176.—The monthly meeting was held on the 9th February, when again there was a good attendance of brethren of the Lodge and visiting brethren from the camp. The usual correspondence was read, including letters from Bros. Glennie and McClure, both of whom were at the front. Bro. Glennie's letter was very interesting, and described the doings of our boys at Anzad. He went away with the main body, and has been right through the lot, and has up to now been so far fortunate to escape, and in his letter he sends fraternal greetings to the brethren, and hopes to be with them again safe and sound. His description of their life in the trenches up to their middles in snow and water, with the most of them frost-bitten, shows what they had to go through. A letter was also received from Bro. Lieut. McClure, who is at present in the Military Camp of Instruction at Zeitoun, Egypt. The ceremonial business was the passing of three brethren. W. Bro. McLachlan obligated, Bro. Leighton invested, R.W. Bro. Peterkin gave the S.E. Charge, W. Bro. Rishworth presented the W.Ts., and W. Bro. Hobbs explained the 2nd T.B. One brother was balloted for and one proposed.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER

St. Augustine, No. 1.—Regular meeting was held in St. Augustine Hall on 9th February, V.E. Comp. W. Broadley presiding. W. Bro. B. A. McKeown, W.M. of Lodge Ashley, was proposed for membership. The ballot for the admission of W. Bro. Fred Hill proved successful. M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews, G.Z., was received and saluted in due form. Comps. Chittenden, Cookson, Graham, and Suckling were presented with their R.A. diplomas by M.E. Comp. Andrews. The Chapter was adjourned and a Lodge of E.Ms. was opened by E. Comp. C. W. Bingham, W.E.M. ; V.E. Comp. W. F. McLean, S.W. : E. Comp. W. H. Arrow, J.W. ; E. Comp. J. A. Staples, S.D. ; E. Comps. Hollow, Hopkinson, and Richardson, Captains of the Veil. Bro. C. S. Johnston was acknowledged as all E.M.. E. Comp. C. W. Bingham obligated. V.E. Comp. W. F. McLean gave the P.G. and P.W. ; V.E. Comp. W. Broadley delivered the Lecture ; V.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop gave the F.C. A word of praise is due to those who took part in the ceremony. It was rendered in the clearest possible manner your correspondent has had the pleasure to witness. The Lodge was closed and Chapter resumed. After H.G.W. Chapter was closed. [Chapter Correspondent.]

Waterloo, No. 2.—The regular convocation was held on the 26th January, V.E. Comp. J. Rod presiding, and there was a good attendance of members. Official visits were received from Wairarapa, No. 10, Brooklyn, No. 24, and Hinemoa, No. 25. The G.D. of C. announced the attendance of the G.Supt., M.E. Comp. W. H. Porritt, who was received with G. Hollows. The 1st G.Prin., M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews, was then announced and received with G. Chapter officers, and duly saluted. Two ballots were successful. After a representative to attend the G. Chapter convocation had been elected, the Chapter was adjourned and a Lodge of E.Ms. opened by W.E.M. Bro. C. W. Neilsen. Bro. H. K. Robertshaw was admitted and acknowledged by the W.E.M., assisted by W. Bro. J. Rod, who obligated the candidate, and W. Bro. C. H. Dement, who gave

the lecture. The Lodge was then closed and Chapter resumed. S.E. was directed to convey to M.E. Comp. J. J. Esson the Chapter's congratulations on the recent honour of C.M.G.A. being conferred upon him. Three votes of sympathy and condolence were passed to companions recently bereaved. Apologies for absence were received on behalf of M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, on account of illness, M.E. Comp. R. Fletcher, who was detained at another meeting, V.E. Comps. O. Neilson and Geo. Russell, also Comps. Ellison and Colmer, who for various reasons were prevented from attending. After the 1st Call the G.Prin. gave H.G.W. on behalf of G. Chapter and thanked the 1st Prins., officers and companions of the various Chapters for their kind reception. G. Chapter then retired, and the Chapter was closed, an adjournment being made to the refectory, when M.E. Comp. Andrews gave an interesting account of G. Chapter work.— [Chapter Correspondent.]

Waimate No. 16.—The usual meeting was held on 26th January, The Chapter having been duly opened by 1st Prin. V.E. Comp. Fulton and ordinary business having been transacted, it was adjourned for the purpose of working the Mark Degree. W.M.M. Bro. Shackleton presided over a very fair number of M.Ms., and along with his officers ably conferred the degree upon two brethren of Lodge St. Augustine No. 99. The following brethren held the various offices and very creditably supported the W.M.M. : S.W., Bro. Beckett; J.W., Bro. Atwill ; S.D., Bro. C. Buteman; J.D., Bro. C. Manchester ; M.O., Bro. Coventry ; S.O., W. Bro. Hoskins ; J.O., Bro. Thos. Manchester ; and I.G., Bros. Jas. Manchester. The Ob. was given by the W.M.M. ; the Signs, W.Ts., and F.C. by W.P.M.M. Bro. Colville. The proceedings in the "Fourth" were somewhat of a brighter and livelier character than has lately been the case, and the brethren dispersed about 10.30 p.m. This last advancement finishes the list of newly joined members, there being five to take the E. and R.A. Degrees. Unfortunately, Bro. Glanville has moved to Takaka, Nelson, and carries with him the best wishes of his brethren here.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wanganui, No. 23.—The resumption of labour after two months' vacation was marked on 4th ult. by a large attendance. After the transaction of formal business, the officers and companions of the recently established Egmont Chapter (Stratford) were admitted. The visitors then proceeded to work the Mark Degree in a manner that reflected credit, especially so when the scattered nature of their districts, and the difficulties to be overcome in arranging meetings of instruction, are considered. To W.M.M. Young; and Bro. McAlister, S.W., fell the principal parts of the ceremony: A capital musical programme during the following hour in the refectory added to the attractions of the evening. The speeches gave evidence that it is more than probable that an annual interchange of visits between the Egmont and Wanganui Chapters will be the outcome of the relations now established. We trust that such a course will be adopted. Yet another of our companions, E. Comp. A. W. Larsen, 3rd Prin., has seen his way clear to answer the country's call. It is our hope that it may not be long before he is able to return to continue his career with us. —[Chapter Correspondent.]

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Coromandel, No. 17:—Founded (456 I.C.), 1872. Manukau, No. 24:—Founded 1876, meets in Masonic Hall, Princes Street, Onehunga, on first Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. F. Bartlett; S.W., Bro. H. R. Strong; J.W., Bro. D. C. Fraser; Sec., W. Bro. C. M. Page, Quay Street, Auckland.

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Te Aroha, No. 52:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Te Aroha, Tuesday nearest full moon, 30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. S. Hanna; S.W., Bro. A. J. Clarke; J.W., Bro. C. H. Richardson; Sec., Bro. G. E. Lovegrove.

Ponsonby, No. 54:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Jervois Road, Ponsonby, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. A. Kornig; S.W., Bro. T. McNab; J.W., Bro. C. T. Haynes; Sec., Bro. H. R. Arthur, P.M., No. 31, Curran Street, Ponsonby.

Wairoa, No. 55:—Meets third Monday in each month, Lodge Room, Arthur Street, Ellerslie. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. Clark; S.W., Bro. A. Hewson; J.W., Bro. A. J. S. D'Ewes; Sec., W. Bro. H. Nutt, Jubilee Road, Ellerslie.

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Aberdeen, No. 76:—Founded 1886, meets in Aberdeen Hall, Ormond Road, Gisborne, on first Tuesday in each month. Installation September. W.M., Bro. A. B. Gilmour; S.W., vacant; J.W., Bro. C. Blackburn; Sec., R.W. Bro. G. T. Bull, P.G.W.

Mangonui, No. 78:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Mangonui, on Thursday in each month nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. A. Warburton; S.W., Bro. N. J. Ray; J.W., Bro. S. Foster; Sec., Bro. L. J. Mathews, P.M., Lake Ohia, Mangonui.

Alpha, No. 81:—Founded 1881, meets at Masonic Hall, Cambridge, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. E. Roberts; S.W., Bro. A. C. Curtin; J.W., Bro. J. G. Sawers; Sec., Bro. G. H. Ollard, Cambridge.

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Waikuku, No. 90:—Founded 1893.

Ohaweai, No. 101:—Meets in the Masonic Hall at Ohaweai on the Saturday nearest full moon at 7.30 p.m. Installation in November. W.M., Bro. John Mackereith; S.W., Bro. Walter Mountain; J.W. Bro. Herbert Mountain; Sec., Bro. Thos. Read, Kawakawa.

Whangarei, No. 102:—Meets Freemasons' Hall, John Street, Whangarei, Monday nearest full moon in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. Strugnell; S.W., Bro. R. R. McLennan; J.W., Bro. A. M. McLeod, P.M.; Sec., Bro. A. D. Lambly, Kensington Road, Whangarei.

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Waihi, No. 112:—Founded 1898, meets in the Masonic Hall, Waihi, Monday nearest full moon every month. Installation April. W.M., W. Bro. W. Geo. Wohlmann; S.W., Bro. R. Hay; J.W., Bro. A. J. Stapleton; Sec., W. Bro. A. T. Ellis, P.M., Waihi.

Tauranga, No. 118:—Founded 1900, meets in Masonic Hall, Hunnily, on Wednesday nearest full moon in every month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. H. Waring; S.W., Bro. J. Kinson; J.W., Bro. D'Arcy Low; Sec., Bro. W. A. Joll.

Waipa, No. 119:—Founded 26th September, 1901; meets in Masonic Hall, Te Awamutu, first Friday after full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. G. Bishop; S.W., Bro. J. Browning; J.W., Bro. A. E. Bushy; Sec., Bro. W. Jeffery.

Hobson, No. 123:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Aratapu, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation 29th January. W.M., W. Bro. D. Savident; S.W., Bro. S. L. Spink; J.W., Bro. J. H. Bergman; Sec., W. Bro. C. E. Smith, Te Kopuru.

Tauranga, No. 125:—Founded 1902, meets at Lodgeroom, First Avenue, Tauranga, Thursday on or next before full moon, 7.30 p.m. prompt. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. W. R. Philpotts; S.W., Bro. W. H. J. Poole; J.W., Bro. C. H. Adams; Sec., Bro. C. Lowe, Tauranga.

Hikurangi, No. 140.

Rotorua, No. 153:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Fenton Street, Rotorua, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. Geo. Urquhart; S.W., Bro. J. W. Devine; J.W., Bro. J. F. Reeve; Sec., W. Bro. W. Hill, P.M., P.O. Box 27, Rotorua.

Piako, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Morrinsville, on Wednesday on or before full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. M. Gummer; S.W., Bro. A. H. Atkin; J.W., Bro. A. H. Humphreys; Sec., Bro. J. S. Reid, Morrinsville.

Plunket, No. 163:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Te Kuiti, on Wednesday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. G. P. Finlay; S.W., Bro. J. Cochran; J.W., Bro. P. D. Hargreaves; Sec., Bro. B. Wolff, Te Kuiti.

Karioti, No. 165 (Haglan).

Tawhiri, No. 166:—Founded November, 1909, meets at Frankton on Tuesday after full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. T. Cameron; S.W., Bro. J. R. Herbert; J.W., Bro. G. H. Fletcher; Sec., Bro. C. N. Flyger, P.M., Frankton Junction.

United Masters', No. 167 (Auckland).

Maungawhau, No. 168:—Founded 1909, meets in the Lodgeroom, Woodside Road, Mt. Eden, on the third Thursday in each month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. H. T. Surman; S.W., Bro. N. T. Williams; J.W., Bro. P. M. Macfarlane; Sec., Bro. P. H. Mueller, P.M., P.O. Box 796, Auckland.

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Waipua, No. 179.

Onewa, No. 182 (Northcote).

Te Marama, No. 186:—Founded 1911, meets at Ngauruwhia, Monday nearest full moon. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. R. L. Thomas; S.W., Bro. P. P. Bynon; Powell; J.W., Bro. H. J. Sampson; Sec., Bro. Herbert M. Thorpe.

Tirau, No. 193:—Founded 30th March, 1913; meets in Masonic Hall, Tirau, on the Thursday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. H. Allen; S.W., Bro. W. King; J.W., Bro. A. J. Tong; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Anderson, P.M., Box 1, Piarere, via Tirau.

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Irish Constitution.

Ara, No. 348, I.C.:—Founded 6th September, 1842; meets in Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, first Monday each month (January excepted), at 7.30 p.m. Installation 24th June (St. John's Day), high noon. W.M., W. Bro. S. I. Crookes; S.W., Bro. R. J. Lusher; J.W., Bro. W. Wilson; Sec., W. Bro. W. H. Patterson, P.M., care P.O. Box 340.

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Victoria, No. 21:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Munroe Street, Napier, first Tuesday every month (except December and January), 7.45 p.m. Installation first Wednesday in June. W.M., Bro. W. A. Kirk; S.W., Bro. H. Hill; J.W., W. Bro. W. A. Wilkie, P.M.; Sec., Bro. Jas. Redshaw, P.M., P.O. Box 196, Napier.

Bedford, No. 25:—Founded 1878, meets at Masonic Hall, Waipukurau, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. W. Gore; S.W., Bro. W. H. L. Williams; J.W., Bro. D. J. Graham; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Elliott, P.M., Waipukurau.

Abercorn, No. 30:—Founded 1878, meets at Masonic Hall, Waipawa, H.B., on Monday on or nearest full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation second Monday in December. W.M., Bro. W. Pasco; S.W., Bro. A. Parkin; J.W., Bro. G. H. Hunt; Sec., W. Bro. J. M. Watson, Bush Road, Waipawa.

Rawhiti, No. 66:—Founded 1890, meets in Freemasons' Hall, High Street, Dannevirke, third Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. Snell; S.W., Bro. J. C. Davidson; J.W., Bro. C. E. James; Sec., Bro. Thomas Futon, Dannevirke.

Hereford, No. 73:—Founded 1878, meets in Masonic Hall, Hastings, H.B., second Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. L. Colebourne; S.W., Bro. C. H. Martin; J.W., Bro. L. T. Cooper; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, P.M., Box 3, P.O. Hastings.

Ruahine, No. 80:—Founded 1886, meets in Masonic Hall, Woodville, Tuesday before full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. H. Escott; S.W., Bro. G. D. Macfarlane; J.W., Bro. J. A. Frazer; Sec., Bro. F. J. Hutchins, Box 40, Woodville.

Lion, No. 114:—Founded 1899, meets in Masonic Hall, Ormondville, Monday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Wednesday nearest to April full moon. W.M., Bro. D. Wilson; S.W., Bro. C. F. Barker; J.W., Bro. J. Snaddon; Sec., Bro. H. N. Benson, Makotuku.

Waikaremoana, No. 158:—Founded 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Wairoa, H.B., Tuesday nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. J. Green; S.W., Bro. J. A. Nilsson; J.W., Bro. J. O. Scott; Sec., Bro. C. Burridge, P.M.

Ruataniwha, No. 172:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Takapau, Friday on or before full moon every month, 7 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. R. A. Fraser; S.W., Bro. E. F. Stubbs; J.W., Bro. A. Chisholm; Sec., Bro. H. H. Weston, Orua Wharo, Box 30, Takapau.

PROVINCE OF TARANAKI: 7 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. R. W. Sargent, Prov.G.M.)

Patet Kil, No. 18:—Founded 1873, meets second Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. Macfarlane; S.W., Bro. E. R. Wells; J.W., Bro. B. Christensen; Sec., W. Bro. G. H. Stephenson.

Hawera, No. 34:—Founded 1880, meets in the Temple, Union Street, Hawera, on first Tuesday in every month at 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. J. W. J. Harding; S.W., Bro. H. D. Caplen; J.W., Bro. G. J. Sheppard; Sec., Bro. F. G. Kimbell, P.M., High St., Hawera.

Ngamotu, No. 48:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Robe Street, New Plymouth, on fourth Wednesday in each month (except December, second Thursday) at 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. E. W. Garner; S.W., Bro. W. P. Nicoll; J.W., Bro. Alex. Forbes; Sec., Bro. W. H. Haddrell, P.M., Westown, New Plymouth.

Stratford, No. 75:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Stratford, on Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. T. E. Coleman; S.W., Bro. C. H. Speck; J.W., Bro. W. Besley; Sec., W. Bro. Geo. Smart, P.M.

St. John's No. 95:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Eltham, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. H. Bleakley; S.W., Bro. J. L. Weir; J.W., Bro. A. N. Rogers; Sec., Bro. A. A. Stewart.

Moia, No. 110:—Founded 1896, meets Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, Taranaki, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. J. Allen; S.W., Bro. J. Roberts; J.W., Bro. — Bowman; Sec., Bro. A. E. Surrey, P.M., Inglewood.

Ikaroa, No. 115:—Founded 1896, meets at Lodge room, Opunake, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. K. L. Cannell; S.W., Bro. W. J. Todd; J.W., Bro. O. A. Mullon; Sec., Bro. G. W. Rogers, P.M.

RUAPEHU DISTRICT: 15 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. D. McFarlane, Prov.G.M.)

Hangitikei, No. 38:—Founded 1880, meets at Masonic Hall, Bulls, Tuesday before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. George Williams; S.W., Bro. B. Chisholm; J.W., Bro. G. H. Hathaway; Sec., Bro. Thomas King, P.M., Box 5 Bulls.

Feilding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Temple, Feilding, Monday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. N. G. Bray; S.W., Bro. E. H. Fisher; J.W., Bro. D. S. Thomson; Sec., Bro. B. E. Murphy, P.O. Box 11, Feilding.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Church Street, Palmerston N., second Thursday in each 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.

Otagaki, No. 70:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Ashhurst, on Thursday before full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. G. R. Lovelock; S.W., Bro. H. Smart; J.W., Bro. C. Simms; Sec., Bro. J. T. Robson, Ashhurst.

Rangitira, No. 71:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Hunterville, Rangitikei, Friday on or before full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. Haydon Maclean; S.W., Bro. A. S. Jonson; J.W., Bro. F. C. Berry; Sec., Bro. R. A. Campbell, P.M.

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79:—Founded 1868, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday each month (excepting December, first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. L. Craig; S.W., Bro. A. R. King; J.W., Bro. R. W. Green; Sec., Bro. N. G. Armstrong, P.O. Box 296, Wanganui.

Kimbolton, No. 123:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Kimbolton, on Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. F. A. C. Bagdeley; S.W., Bro. J. M. Turnbull; J.W., Bro. W. McKay; Sec., Bro. R. P. Edwards; J.W., Bro. W. (formerly No. 2317, E.C.): —Founded 1885, meets in Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. H. J. Cameron; S.W., Bro. E. R. Galpin; J.W., Bro. W. W. Thomas; Sec., Bro. J. Mogridge, P.M.

Te Awahou, No. 133:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Liddle Street, Foxton, second Tuesday in each month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. G. O. Barber; S.W., Bro. H. J. Berry; J.W., Bro. J. W. Stevenson; Sec., Bro. J. K. Hornblow.

Otaupae, No. 142:—Founded 13th December, 1905, meets in the Masonic Hall, Taihape, on Tuesday on or before full moon, at 7.45 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. J. T. Jagard, G.S.; S.W., Bro. G. Wrightson; J.W., Bro. F. W. Somerville; Sec., Bro. T. A. Garratt, P.M.

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1905, meets in Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday after full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. McMin; S.W., Bro. E. T. Glover; J.W., Bro. R. M. Matheson; Sec., Bro. T. McGee.

Huia, No. 171:—Founded 1910, meets at Masonic Hall, Church Street E., Palmerston N., on first Thursday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. F. Spooner; S.W., Bro. W. C. Turner; J.W., Bro. A. W. Galichan; Sec., Bro. C. J. Hewlett, Courthouse, Palmerston N.

Waimarino, No. 175:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Ward Street, Racthi, on Monday nearest full moon at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. W. H. Tustin; S.W., Bro. A. Mabbott; J.W., Bro. P. Hansen; Sec., Bro. J. C. Goodger.

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. R. B. Turnbull; S.W., Bro. G. Kreger; J.W., Bro. J. D. Munro; Sec., Bro. D. Galloway, P.M., Mangaweka.

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

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON: 23 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. E. Norton; S.W., Bro. A. Scott; J.W., Bro. J. Tamblin; Sec., Bro. J. A. Worboys, P.M., Kibbirnie.

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1898, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, on second Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., W. Bro. Erskine; S.W., Bro. W. C. Robinson; J.W., Bro. W. A. Parton; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., Box 811, G.P.O.

Masterion, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets in Masonic Hall, Bannister Street, Masterion, second Wednesday every month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. R. J. Young; S.W., Bro. J. L. Hughes; J.W., Bro. H. Dixon; Sec., Bro. F. J. Hunn, Box 31, Masterion.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1870, 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. W. Simpson; S.W., Bro. A. Schmidt; J.W., Bro. J. C. Riddell; Sec., Bro. A. T. Wells, P.M., P.O. Box 256, 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 October. W.M., Bro. F. Henry; S.W., Bro. G. T. Baker; J.W., Bro. W. Tinney; Sec., Bro. F. E. Merlet, Featherston.

Leinster, No. 44:—Founded 1882, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, first Monday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. F. G. Cooper; S.W., Bro. A. Longmore; J.W., Bro. A. McLaren; Sec., Bro. W. A. Haudinet, P.M., 17 Caroline Street. "Copper" collection each meeting for W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

St. Mark, No. 63:—Founded 1884, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, second Tuesday every month, 8 p.m. Installation April (St. Mark's Day). W.M., Bro. D. G. Sustens; S.W., Bro. R. Stout; J.W., Bro. G. S. Phillips; Sec., Bro. Arthur Phillips, P.M.

Ulster, No. 62:—Founded 1888, meets in the Masonic Hall, Petone, third Wednesday every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. H. Richards; S.W., Bro. T. A. Strong; J.W., Bro. T. Mather; Sec., Bro. W. C. Burd.

Taranui, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets at Masonic Hall, Pahiata, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation November. W.M., Bro. T. Bacon; S.W., Bro. T. Riddell; J.W., Bro. R. V. King; Sec., Bro. G. Moore, P.M.

Otaki, No. 72:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Otaki, on Tuesday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. G. Hartill; S.W., Bro. E. Allen; J.W., Bro. W. McKegg; Sec., W. Bro. Swaby, 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. S. Polson; S.W., Bro. J. B. Brickell; J.W., Bro. H. Morrison; Sec., Bro. Edgar Larkin, P.M., Box 32, Greytown.

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. A. Rowden; S.W., Bro. J. Renment; J.W., Bro. T. Knight; Sec., Bro. G. S. J. Blackmore.

Hinemoa, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington South, on second Thursday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. F. Robinson; S.W., Bro. A. A. George; J.W., Bro. Rev. G. Knowles Smith; Sec., Bro. C. Foster.

Coronation, No. 127:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Johnsonville, Saturday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. H. E. Harrap; S.W., Bro. R. Turner; J.W., Bro. A. H. Mildenhall; Sec., Bro. W. S. Radcliffe, P.O. Box 4, Johnsonville.

Brooklyn, No. 132:—Founded October, 1903; meets in Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, on first Wednesday in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. V. Putter; S.W., Bro. W. J. Westwood; J.W., Bro. H. Parkin; Sec., Bro. W. P. Carter, 6 Crosby Terrace, Wellington.

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

Puketot, No. 143:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Pongaroa, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. C. Liverton; S.W., Bro. T. A. Yeoman; J.W., Bro. S. Gibson; Sec., W. Bro. W. Soumea, P.M.

Waibenga, No. 150:—Founded October, 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Martinborough, on first Wednesday in each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. W. McKay; S.W., Bro. J. W. Kershaw; J.W., Bro. J. E. Tyler; Sec., Bro. Geo. W. Cobb, Box 6, Martinborough.

Tutakakai, No. 156:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Adelaide Road, Berhampore, first Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. A. A. Whitlaw; S.W., Bro. J. W. Sexton; J.W., Bro. G. F. Lenzen; Sec., Bro. Edwin Howell, 77 Rintoul Street, Wellington South.

Waioheta, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Huia Street, Lower Hutt, on second Wednesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. McLachlan; S.W., Bro. H. E. Leighton; J.W., Bro. H. F. Ayson; Sec., Bro. H. Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.

Osari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Ngaio, second Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. J. H. Jerram; S.W., Bro. D. J. Watson; J.W., Bro. E. Meek; Sec., Bro. J. T. Mair, Khandallah.

Installed Masters Lodge, No. 194:—Founded 5th October, 1912; meets in Freemasons' Hall on first Tuesday in November, *February, *April, *June, *August, *October. Installation in October. W.M., Bro. P. Levi; S.W., Bro. A. Erskine; J.W., Bro. W. H. Jones; Sec., Bro. G. Mensies, 90 Abel Smith Street, Wellington. (*Open to visiting M.M.s.)

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201:—Founded 1914, meets at Methodist Church, Worsley Bay, on second Saturday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. T. Boon; S.W., Bro. C. Silvester; J.W., Bro. F. Aston; Sec., Bro. J. A. Fraser.

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. A. E. Hedges; S.W., Bro. J. L. Ching; J.W., Bro. H. P. Stephenson; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, Box 165, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42:—Founded 1881 (formerly 663, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890); meets in Masonic Hall, Andrew Street, Blenheim, Tuesday before full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. N. Paton; S.W., Bro. J. McKinley; J.W., Bro. J. Reid; Sec., Bro. W. C. Lucas, P.M., Redwood Street.

Havelock, No. 104:—Founded 1896; meets in Masonic Hall, Havelock, Friday before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. A. Russell; S.W., Bro. A. H. Scott; J.W., Bro. A. Reade; Sec., Bro. — Buckman, P.M.

Marlborough Unanimity, No. 106:—Founded 1899 (formerly 1220, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1896, meets in the Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, second Thursday in each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. C. A. Eckford; S.W., Bro. A. Weaver; J.W., Bro. F. Bull; Sec., Bro. S. A. Edinger, Blenheim.

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

Forest, No. 116:—Meets at Wakefield on second Monday in month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. Fawcett; S.W., Bro. H. Franklin; J.W., Bro. A. D. Syder; Sec., W. Bro. F. B. Peart.

Motueka, No. 117:—Founded 1900, meets in Lodgeroom, Motueka, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation October. 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. Outhbert's, No. 144:—Founded 1905, meets in Masonic Hall, Collingwood, on Saturday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Phillips; S.W., Bro. R. C. Cartner; J.W., Bro. Job Hughes; Sec., W. Bro. P. McCaffrey, P.M., Puponga, Collingwood.

PROVINCE OF WESTLAND: 12 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. R. H. Richmond, Prov.G.M.)

Robert Burns, No. 50:—Founded 1883, meets in Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly Street, Reefton, third Thursday each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 25th January. W.M., Bro. W. R. Hopcroft; S.W., Bro. F. W. Robinson; J.W., Bro. W. H. Thompson; Sec., Bro. R. A. Stewart, P.M.

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

Kumara, No. 65:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon Street, Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. S. T. Peters; S.W., Bro. J. Steel; J.W., Bro. A. B. Glen; 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. A. Thompson; S.W., Bro. J. Cameron; J.W., Bro. R. M. King; 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. W. Henderson; S.W., Bro. W. Cooper; J.W., Bro. R. Fox; Sec., Bro. T. Peacock, P.M.

Mokihinu, No. 96:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddonville, first Saturday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. J. Mumm; S.W., Bro. W. McIndoe; J.W., Bro. — Skilton; Sec., Bro. Chas. M. Johnston, P.M.

Torea, No. 121:—Founded 1900, meets at Masonic Hall, Granity, third Saturday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. H. G. Webster; S.W., Bro. J. Taggart; J.W., Bro. W. S. McEwan; Sec., Bro. Dr. Short.

Mawhera, No. 136:—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Talnui Street, Greytown, second Thursday each month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. T. F. Guinness; S.W., Bro. E. F. Peters; J.W., Bro. J. C. Duncan; Sec., Bro. W. J. Watson.

Kawitiri-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. W. Panckhurst; S.W., Bro. S. Paul; J.W., Bro. D. T. Gibbard; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, P.M.

Rumanga, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddon Street, Rumanga, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. T. H. Latimer; S.W., Bro. W. Mantach; J.W., Bro. J. Hadercroft; Sec., Bro. A. G. Hildebrand, State Collieries.

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

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 35 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. John Thornton, Prov.G.M.)

Unanimity, No. 3:—Founded October, 1851, meets at Masonic Hall, Sumner Road, Lyttelton, first Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. A. Borthwick; S.W., Bro. A. G. Pearson; J.W., Bro. D. E. L. Collett; 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., W. Bro. T. H. Ker, jun.; S.W., Bro. H. H. Wauchop; J.W., Bro. J. A. Stables; Sec., W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Box 872, Christchurch.

Southern Cross, No. 6:—Founded 1858, meets in Masonic Hall, Kaiapoi, on first Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. T. Hoskin; S.W., Bro. C. E. Baynos; J.W., Bro. R. H. Croft; Sec., Bro. C. F. Sneyd, 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. R. McAnergney; S.W., Bro. A. Kennedy; J.W., Bro. W. Cranston; Sec., Bro. James Simpson, 136 North Street, Timaru.

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., R.W. Bro. R. B. Willis, P.G.D.; S.W., Bro. J. S. Inwood, P.M.; J.W., W. Bro. C. H. Piper; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. A. Walker, District High School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil, No. 23.

Geraldine, No. 27:—Founded 1860, meets in Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. T. Borrell; S.W., Bro. A. Wilkinson; J.W., Bro. A. A. Readie; 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. H. A. McKeown; S.W., Bro. T. J. Withers; J.W., Bro. N. W. Pavitt; Sec., Bro. Theo. Hills, P.O. Box 12, Rangiora.

St. George, No. 29:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Wilkin Street, Temuka, on second Wednesday in each month. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. Trigane; S.W., Bro. F. A. Joynt; J.W., Bro. Geo. Tate; Sec., Bro. A. Calder.

South Rakai, No. 31.

Lincoln, No. 33:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, first Tuesday in each month. No meeting in January. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. C. J. Morland; S.W., Bro. W. T. Street; J.W., Bro. C. P. Agar; Sec., W. Bro. Jno. Graham, P.O., Lincoln.

Concord, No. 39:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Hall, Papanui, fourth Wednesday every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. S. Wilson; S.W., Bro. L. H. North; J.W., Bro. H. M. Gilkes; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, P.M., 72 Ackman's Road, Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa).

Methven, No. 61.

Kaikoura, No. 60.

Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1883, meets in St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, on fourth Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. W. Kidley; S.W., Bro. J. Mitchell; J.W., Bro. D. Sheffield; Sec., Bro. H. Hopkinson, P.M., 33, Clifton Street, Addington, Christchurch.

Mackenzie, No. 93:—Founded 1894, meets in Masonic Hall, Fairlie, on Thursday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation third Thursday in October. W.M., Bro. E. Saunders; S.W., Bro. C. Askey; J.W., Bro. W. J. Smith; Sec., Bro. J. H. Southwick, Fairlie.

St. Augustine, No. 99:—Established 1875, Meets Lodgeroom, Leonard Street, Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation August. W.M., W. Bro. T. W. Manchester; S.W., Bro. J. Manchester; J.W., Bro. C. R. Bateman; Sec., Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.M.

Thistle, No. 113:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Havecock Street West, Ashburton, on third Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 30th November. W.M., W. Bro. Saml. Crooks; S.W., Bro. A. L. Moore; J.W., Bro. T. J. Kennedy; 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, Cux, third Friday in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. H. Early; S.W., Bro. D. Arnold; J.W., Bro. H. Garrett; Sec., Bro. E. W. Cooper, P.M.

Pineora, 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 August. W.M., Bro. R. H. Taylor; S.W., Bro. T. Kirker; J.W., Bro. A. Hunter.

Waihora, No. 141:—Founded 1905, meets Oddfellows' Hall, Leeston, second Thursday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. B. C. Jacobs; S.W., Bro. F. J. Lemon; J.W., Bro. G. W. R. Osborne; Sec., Bro. J. E. Carter, P.M.

Civic, No. 157:—Meets at St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, first Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. J. Hunter; S.W., Bro. W. T. V. I. Bottrell; J.W., Bro. L. D. S. Maffey; Sec., Bro. T. H. Williams.

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

Ahurewa, No. 181:—Founded 1911, meets in Schoolroom, Dunandel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. D. T. Wright; S.W., Bro. J. D. Cameron; J.W., Bro. W. K. Cameron; Sec., Bro. F. Lal, P.M., Box 1, Dunandel.

Amuri, No. 184:—Founded October, 1911; meets Masonic Hall, Rotherham, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. J. Goulding; S.W., Bro. D. W. Hunter; J.W., Bro. F. G. Thomson; Sec., Bro. Fred. R. Franco, Culverden.

Avon, No. 185 (Christchurch).

Tawera, No. 188 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 196 (Timaru).

Koranga, No. 197:—Founded 1913, meets in Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, fourth Tuesday every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., W. Bro. D. McCaskill; S.W., Bro. J. W. Souter; J.W., Bro. A. McKenzie; Sec., Bro. W. Gibb, Rhodes St.

Erewhon, No. 200:—Opened 20th August, 1914, Mount Somers.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO: 27 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark, Prov.G.M.)

Otago, No. 7:—Founded 1860, meets at the Freemasons' Hall, King Street (opp. Museum), Dunedin, on second Wednesday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. E. T. Moller; S.W., Bro. J. W. Hardie; J.W., Bro. A. Griffiths; Sec., Bro. D. C. Cameron, P.M., 27 Manor Place, Dunedin.

Waitaki, No. 11:—Founded 1869, meets in Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, Wednesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. M. Roxby; S.W., Bro. F. W. Kibbiewhite; J.W., Bro. A. W. Woodward; Sec., 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. Angus Macdonald; S.W., Bro. J. H. Guest; J.W., Bro. T. D. Pearson; Sec., Bro. B. Whitting, P.M., Box 18, P.O., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 26:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston South, Friday on or before full moon every month, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. H. Hopkins; S.W., Bro. D. Guffie; J.W., Bro. T. Sneathon; Sec., Bro. Wm. McGregor.

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. D. D. Cleghorn; S.W., Bro. J. A. Gillies; S.W., Bro. J. W. Nicholson; Sec., Bro. A. H. Hawkins, Tapanui.

Hiram, No. 46:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Cargill Road, South Dunedin, on fourth Tuesday in month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. R. V. Parker; S.W., Bro. George H. West; J.W., Bro. G. T. Lumsden; Sec., Bro. J. A. P. Frederic, 19 Leckhampton Court, Caversham Rise, 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. Albert Robble; S.W., Bro. Saml. Wilson; J.W., Bro. Wm. Simpson; Sec., Bro. R. McGilivray, P.M.

Oamaru K.L., No. 82:—Founded 1872, meets in Masonic Hall, Oamaru, on first Wednesday after full moon in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. D. Herron; S.W., Bro. J. C. Dickson; J.W., Bro. J. Crombie; 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 1898 (originally No. 1262, E.C.), meets in the Masonic Hall, Naseby, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation February. W.M., Bro. D. Hankin; S.W., Bro. Geo. W. Bell; J.W., Bro. A. E. Brown; 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 February. W.M., Bro. R. M. Ray; S.W., Bro. W. Campbell; J.W., Bro. D. S. Middleton; Sec., W. Bro. W. J. Kitchie, Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 103 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1899, 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 November. W.M., Bro. W. R. McKean; S.W., Bro. J. E. Menzies; J.W., Bro. R. Holden; Sec., Bro. H. E. Stevens.

Maori. No. 195.—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. S. C. Hanlon; S.W., Bro. A. H. Crawley; J.W., Bro. Robt. Page; Sec., Bro. E. Tomkinson, Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Manukerika Kil., No. 109.—Founded 1896, meets in the Masonic Hall, Alexandra South, on Friday or on nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. R. D. Cox; S.W., Bro. G. Asquith; J.W., Bro. G. Smith; Sec., Bro. J. B. Arnold.

St. Bathans, No. 126.—Founded 11th Nov., 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Becks, on Thursday nearest full moon every month, at 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. Thos. Sheppard; S.W., Bro. Robt. Mee; J.W., Bro. R. L. Smith; Sec., Bro. E. 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 December. W.M., Bro. W. G. Hay; S.W., Bro. G. G. Adess; J.W., Bro. J. Sinton; Sec., Bro. G. Watts, P.M., 53 Clyde Street, Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 145.—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. Kilda Masonic Hall, Dunedin, third Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. McKenna; S.W., Bro. J.W., Bro. A. Walker; Sec., W. Bro. Jacobsen.

Haeremai, No. 155.—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Great King St. (opp. Museum), Dunedin, third Monday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. C. F. J. Bell; S.W., Bro. D. E. Booth; J.W., Bro. J. M. Rodgers; Sec., Bro. A. W. Fleit, 149 Queen Street, Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161.—Kurów, No. 164.—Founded May 13th, 1909; meets in Masonic Hall, Kurów, on Thursday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. O. L. Ayson; S.W., Bro. H. Barclay; J.W., Bro. E. Wainwright; Sec., Bro. R. H. Appleby, P.M., Kurów.

Owaka, No. 180.—Founded 1911, meets in Masonic Hall, Owaka, on Thursday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. Alex. Williams; S.W., Bro. Chas. Latta; J.W., Bro. A. T. Heydon; Sec., Bro. Geo. W. Geddes.

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. A. H. Charlton; S.W., Bro. J. Wright; J.W., Bro. W. McIndoe; Sec., Bro. J. C. Borthwick, P.O. Box 26.

Ionic, No. 191 (Green Island).
Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington).
Strath-Taieri, No. 199.—Middlemarch, Otago Central.

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

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

Southern Cross, No. 9.—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, North Street, Invercargill, first Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. Geo. Kelly; S.W., Bro. W. A. Stout; J.W., Bro. I. Copeland; Sec., Bro. R. Clark, Box 62.

Harvey, No. 40.—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., W. Bro. E. C. Smith; S.W., W. Bro. J. Byrne; J.W., W. Bro. J. C. Ray; Sec., Bro. D. D. Steadman, East 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. W. C. Hislop; S.W., Bro. S. Rice; J.W., Bro. J. T. Kirker; Sec., Bro. W. D. Palmer, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64.—Founded 1888, meets at Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. E. Johnson; S.W., Bro. C. W. Bradshaw; J.W., Bro. G. Hast; Sec., Bro. E. Parker, P.M., Hazelwood, Bluff.

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. A. E. Ward; S.W., Bro. W. J. Robinson; J.W., Bro. E. K. J. Stevens; Sec., Bro. J. E. Robins, Riverton.

Lake Lodge of Ophir, No. 85.—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 Monday on or before full moon at Masonic Hall, Arrowtown. Installation February. W.M., Bro. E. H. Graham; S.W., Bro. A. J. Campbell; J.W., Bro. F. F. Dunlop; Sec., Bro. J. S. Jenkins, P.M., Box 16, Arrowtown.

St. John, No. 94.—Meets at Masonic Hall, Invercargill, third Friday every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. Robert Smith; S.W., Bro. Wm. Robison; J.W., Bro. Frank Bonifant; Sec., Bro. Chas. H. Poole, 109 Teviot Street.

Taringatura, No. 100.—Founded 1887, meets at Masonic Hall, Lumden, on Monday on or before full moon in each month. Installation third Wednesday in November. W.M., Bro. D. Walker; S.W., Bro. H. Bell; J.W., Bro. N. E. Griffiths; Sec., W. Bro. W. H. Clark.

Winton, No. 108.—Founded 1896, meets at Masonic Hall, Park Street, Winton, on Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. R. Hamilton; S.W., Bro. F. Tilley; J.W., Bro. J. A. Broom; Sec., Bro. T. Walker, P.M., Chemist, Winton.

Wallace, No. 129.—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Otautau, on third Friday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Instruction meetings every Friday. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Anderson Stewart; S.W., Bro. J. T. Brooker; J.W., Bro. E. C. Glen; Sec., Bro. R. Matheson, Box 10, Otautau.

Orepuki, No. 137.—Founded 1905, meets at Masonic Hall, Orepuki, second Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. W. H. E. Fortune; S.W., Bro. F. D. Fortune; J.W., Bro. C. C. Nicholas; Sec., Bro. L. F. Clapp.

Wairaki, No. 145 (Nightcaps).
Victoria, No. 147.—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Hall, North Street, Invercargill, second Friday every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. John Kersey; S.W., Bro. A. Wilson; J.W., Bro. J. Buchanan; Sec., W. Bro. N. J. Broken-shire.

Waikaka, No. 151.—Founded 1907, meets in Lodgeroom, Waikaka, Monday nearest full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. S. Rees; S.W., Bro. D. Cameron; J.W., Bro. R. H. Newman; Sec., Bro. A. G. Thomas, P.M., Maitara, No. 174.

Waihapa, No. 159.—Founded 1912, meets in Masonic Hall, Grey Street, Gladstone, Invercargill, on the third Monday in each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. R. N. Todd; S.W., Bro. C. W. Tonkinson; J.W., Bro. G. A. Gilchrist; Sec., Bro. A. B. Edmonds, Box 188, Invercargill.

ENGLISH CRAFT LODGES.

Pacific Lodge, No. 1453, E.C., Reefton.—Founded 1873, meets in the Masonic Hall, Reefton, on the Tuesday nearest full moon in every month. Installation in July. W.M., Bro. T. J. M. Perens; 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 January, February, and March. Installation June. W.M., Bro. F. J. Courtney; S.W., Bro. S. P. Andrew; J.W., Bro. T. Sprott; Sec., Bro. E. E. Coghlan, Box 819, Wellington.

BOARDS OF ENQUIRY.

MARLBOROUGH.—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, first Thursday in each month. Pres., W. Bro. C. H. Mills; Sec., W. Bro. F. W. Smith, Market Street, Blenheim.

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Meets on first Wednesday in each month. Pres. and Sec., R.W. Bro. W. F. Brooking, Robe Street, New Plymouth.

WELLINGTON.—Meets in Masonic Hall, Boulcott Street, on third Tuesday in each month, except December. Pres., W. Bro. J. T. King; Sec. and Treas., W. Bro. Henry Hobbs, Huttana Square, Lower Hutt.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE.

GRAND LODGE OF FRANCE.

Veritas, No. 384.—Founded 1907, meets at the Freemasons' Hall, Mission Street, Papete, on fourth Saturday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. J. Randall; S.W., Bro. Ch. J. Brown; J.W., Bro. A. C. Rowland; Sec., Bro. Vi Gooding. (This Lodge, working in English, cordially invites brethren from New Zealand.)

L'Océan Française, No. 350.—Dormant.

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

(With jurisdiction over 34 active R.A. Chapters and 1 Mark Lodge.)

Annual convocation January or February. I.P.G.Z., M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews (No. 1); G.Z., M.E. Comp. T. Ross (No. 25); D.G.Z., R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris (No. 17); Q.H., R.E. Comp. Dr. E. D. Dunn (No. 21); G.J., R.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff (No. 16); G.S.E., M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams (No. 2); G.S.N., V.E. Comp. C. E. R. Rendle (No. 35); G.Treas., V.E. Comp. A. Veitch (No. 2); 1st G.Soj., V.E. Comp. G. H. Cooper (No. 31); 2nd G.Soj., V.E. Comp. A. H. Walker (No. 9); 3rd G.Soj., V.E. Comp. R. Prentice (No. 3); G.Reg., V.E. Comp. C. W. Neilson (No. 2); G.Chanc., V.E. Comp. W. Dobson (No. 20); G.Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. H. Pricatley (No. 32); G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. W. Miller (No. 8); G.Sd.B., V.E. Comp. G. T. Bull (No. 30); G.S.L.B., V.E. Comp. W. Moyes (No. 12); G. Organist, V.E. Comp. R. Haweridge (No. 28); Asst.-G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. C. H. Critchley (No. 4); Asst.-G.Sd.B., V.E. Comp. D. Darrah (No. 21); Asst.-G. St.B., V.R. Comp. T. E. Hamerton (No. 37); Asst.-G.Reg., V.E. Comp. J. Menzies (No. 16).

Supreme G. Committee.

Chairman, V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton; V.E. Comps. Dement, Jones, Parsons, Menzies, Shand; the G.Prins., P.G.Zs., G.Supts., G. Treas., and G. Recorder (ex officio).

G. Superintendents.

Auckland—R.E. Comp. Kearsey.
Wellington—M.E. Comp. T. Porritt.
West Coast—R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer.
Canterbury—R.E. Comp. C. Flavell.
Otago—R.E. Comp. E. Lane.
Southland—R.E. Comp. J. J. Hiskins.
Westland—R.E. Comp. Dr. E. D. Dunn.
Hawkes Bay—R.E. Comp. T. Hobson.

NEW ZEALAND CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.—Founded November, 1869; meets in the St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on second Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. Z., Comp. W. Broadley; H., Comp. R. McFarlane; J., Comp. C. W. Bingham; S.E., Comp. J. W. Piper, 587, Hereford Street, Linwood.

Waterloo, No. 2.—Founded 1875, meets in Masonic Hall, Boulcott Street, Wellington, fourth Wednesday in each month. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. Rod; H., Comp. C. P. Harton; J., Comp. C. W. Neilson; S.E., Comp. G. Menzies, 90 Abel Smith Street.

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

Victoria, No. 4.—Founded 1879, meets in Masonic Hall, Munroe Street, Napier, last Thursday in the months of November, January, March, May, July, and September. Installation September. Z., Comp. H. L. Harston; H., Comp. H. W. Whitten; J., Comp. R. Bishop; S.E., Comp. J. Redshaw, P.Z., Box 196.

Albert Edward, No. 6 (Lyttelton).—Meets third Monday in September, November, January, March, May, and July. Installation September. Z., Comp. G. Hill; H., Comp. A. H. Thorpe, P.Z.; J., Comp. L. A. H. Gogoli; S.E., Comp. E. Elliot Chambers.

Otago, No. 7.—Meets in Oceanic Masonic Hall, St. Kilda, Dunedin, first Wednesday every month except December and January. Instruction meeting Friday before each meeting. Installation November. Z., Comp. R. V. Parker; H., Comp. G. T. Lumden; J., Comp. A. Stoneham; S.E., Comp. M. J. Pierce, 29 Dowling Street, Dunedin.

Waitaki Kil., No. 8 (being Otago Chapter, No. 8, and Waitaki Chapter, No. 13, which were amalgamated 8th October, 1901).—Meets in Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, every second Wednesday after full moon. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. A. Peebles; H., Comp. D. Miller; J., Comp. G. M. Whale; 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. R. White; H., Comp. A. I. Farmer; J., Comp. J. Coe; S.E., Comp. A. E. Bagnall.

Wairarapa, No. 10.—Founded 1892, meets in the Masonic Hall, Masterton, on third Friday in January, March, May, July, September, and November. Installation 23rd September. Z., Comp. W. N. Dempsey, P.Z.; H., Comp. C. W. Perrin; J., Comp. C. D. King; S.E., Comp. Jns. Milne.

Manawatu, No. 11.—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Palmerston North, third Thursday each month. Z. Comp. E. Hosking, P.Z. H. Comp. J. Stone, J. Comp. A. W. Gallachan, S.E. Comp. W. P. Durward, Palmerston North.

Victory, No. 12.—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Nelson, on fourth Thursday in month as required (except in December and January). Installation October. Z. B. Comp. J. L. Ching, H. E. Comp. A. E. Hedger, J. Comp. W. Widdowson, S.E. V.I. Comp. R. W. Selles, Nelson.

Marlborough, No. 14.—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, on Thursday nearest new moon in October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation 23rd September. Z. E. Comp. M. McKean, H. E. Comp. C. A. Eckford, J. Comp. C. H. Mills, S.E. Comp. F. W. Smith, P.Z. Timaru, No. 15.

Waimate, No. 16.—Founded 1891, meets in St. Augustine's Masonic Hall, Waimate, on first Wednesday after full moon in the months of September, November, January, March, May, and July. Z. Comp. D. A. Fulton, H. Comp. T. W. Manchester, J. Comp. J. Manchester, S.E. Comp. J. W. Manchester.

Ohinemuri, No. 17.—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Paerua, first Wednesday after full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation September. Z. E. Comp. S. S. Allen, H. E. Comp. H. O. Beale, J. Comp. W. O. Wohlmann, S.E. Comp. V. E. Allen.

Manangatahi, No. 18.—Founded 1892, meets in Burns Masonic Hall, Kelly Street, Reefton, on second Tuesday in each month. Installation September. Z. V.I. Comp. R. A. Stewart, H. E. Comp. R. Lodgepole, J. E. Comp. W. H. Nicholas, S.E. Comp. W. H. Thompson.

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

Waverley, No. 21 (Westport).—Founded 1903, meets in Masonic Hall, Westport, on the third Wednesday in each month. Installation September. Z. E. Comp. D. Darach, H. E. Comp. A. T. Peterson, J. Comp. R. Colligan, S.E. R.E. Comp. J. H. Harkness, P.D.G.Z.

Wairoa, No. 22.—Founded 30th January, 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Tuesday on or before full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation September. Z. Comp. H. E. Tristram, H. Comp. Chas. Spilght, J. Comp. C. M. Gummer, S.E. Comp. S. B. Sims, Town Hall, Hamilton.

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. G. G. Bullock, H. Comp. R. Runner, J. Comp. A. W. Larsen, S.E. Comp. K. 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. J. B. Hopkins, H. Comp. T. F. K. Burgess, J. Comp. S. J. Moncrieff, S.E. Comp. G. F. I. Lenzi.

Hinemoa, No. 25.—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Daniel Street, third Thursday every month. Installation September. Z. Comp. J. Reid, H. Comp. E. G. Robertson, J. Comp. S. Martin, S.E. Comp. H. Ivory, Box 828, D.T.O., Wellington.

Whangarei, No. 27.—Founded September, 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, John Street, Whangarei, fourth Thursday in February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, and November. Installation September. Z. Comp. A. M. McLeod, H. Comp. R. Warner, J. Comp. J. Eccles, P.Z. S.E. Comp. C. McKinnon, Box 17, P.O., Whangarei.

Maori, No. 28.—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, on fourth Wednesday in every month. Installation November. Z. Comp. J. W. Raffles, H. Comp. T. W. O'Driscoll, J. Comp. J. G. Ross, S.E. Comp. T. Ross, P.Z., Ravensbourne.

Westland Kil, No. 29 (Hokitika).

Rawhiti, No. 30.—Founded 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Dannevirke, on first Monday each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation September. Z. Comp. J. Craven, H. Comp. F. Craven, J. Comp. D. J. Gardiner, S.E. Comp. W. Dobson, P.Z.

Prince of Wales, No. 31 (Christchurch). Takahoe, No. 32.—Founded 1912, meets on the third Thursday in each month at Patea, Elitiam, and Hawera alternately. Installation September. Z. V.I. Comp. Jas. Phillips, H. E. Comp. F. G. Kimbell, J. T. Comp. A. B. Christensen, S.E. V.E. Comp. Horace Priest, P.Z., P.O. Box 9, Kaponga.

Twikatea, No. 33 (Balclutha).—Founded October, 1912. Z. Comp. W. Henderson, H. Comp. B. Whiting, J. Comp. W. G. Finn, S.E. Comp. T. D. Pearson, P.O. Box 34, Balclutha.

Wallace, No. 34 (Otautau). Rose and Thistle, No. 35 (Ashburton).

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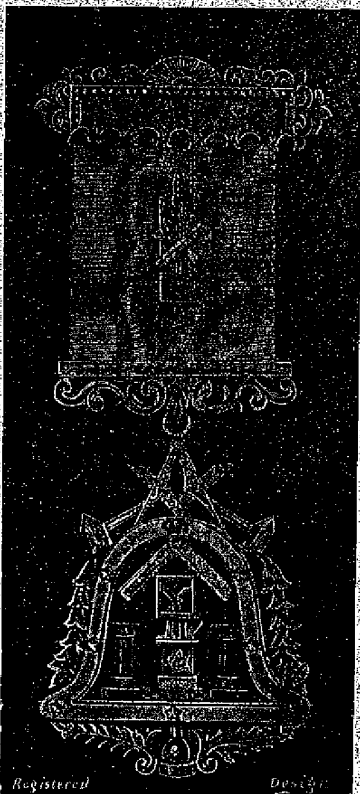
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