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AUCKLAND.

MONDAY, 2nd
Ara (L.O.)
TUESDAY, 3rd
Ponsonby
Abercorn
WEDNESDAY, 4th
Manakau
Nau Mai
THURSDAY, 5th
Beta Waikato
Tauranga
MONDAY, 9th
Waiwairangi
Te Aroha
TUESDAY, 10th
Te Aroha
Papakura
Hobson
Rotorua
WEDNESDAY, 11th
Ara
Alpha
Olmumuri
*Taupiri
Piako
Plunket
THURSDAY, 12th
Ablon
Hokitika
Mangonui
Tirau
FRIDAY, 13th
*Waipa
SATURDAY, 14th
Ohaeawai
MONDAY, 16th
Wairoa
TUESDAY, 17th
St. Andrew
Sir Walter Scott
Waihi
Tawhiti
Maungahao
TUESDAY, 24th
Auckland
WEDNESDAY, 25th
United Service

Ruapehu—Cont.

TUESDAY, 10th
Rangitikei
Te Awhou
Otahape
THURSDAY, 12th
Manawatu Kil.
St. Andrew Kil.
Kimbolton
Ruapehu
WEDNESDAY, 18th
Hongotea
THURSDAY, 26th
Moutoa

WELLINGTON.

MONDAY, 2nd
Leinster
TUESDAY, 3rd
*Installed Masters
WEDNESDAY, 4th
*Brooklyn
*Wairangi
THURSDAY, 5th
Tutanekai
SATURDAY, 7th
Coronation
MONDAY, 9th
Waterloo
St. John
TUESDAY, 10th
St. Mark
Pukekohe
Otagi
WEDNESDAY, 11th
Masterston
Otagi
*Wairangi
THURSDAY, 12th
Taranaki
Hinemoa
Horowhenua
FRIDAY, 13th
Greytown
*Raketanga
SATURDAY, 14th
*Whitby
MONDAY, 16th
St. Andrew
WEDNESDAY, 18th
*Hilber
Wellington (E.O.)
MONDAY, 23rd
N.Z. Pacific

CANTERBURY.

MONDAY, 2nd
Caledonian
TUESDAY, 3rd
*Unanimity
*Lincoln
THURSDAY, 5th
Southern Cross
FRIDAY, 6th
Olive
MONDAY, 9th
*Ahlbrewa
TUESDAY, 10th
St. Augustine & Progress
WEDNESDAY, 11th
St. George
South Rakata
St. Augustine
THURSDAY, 12th
Ashley
Mackenzie
Waltham
TUESDAY, 17th
Robert Burns
WEDNESDAY, 18th
Geraldine
Thistle
FRIDAY, 20th
Mairaki
TUESDAY, 24th
Christchurch
Koranga
WEDNESDAY, 25th
Concord

OTAGO.

MONDAY, 2nd
Maori
THURSDAY, 5th
Otago Kil.
Kiwai
FRIDAY, 6th
Palmerston
MONDAY, 9th
*Napier
TUESDAY, 10th
Otago
Dunstan
WEDNESDAY, 11th
*Dunstan
Wairaki
Hercules
Mount Ida
Cromwell Kil.
THURSDAY, 12th
St. Bathans
Otago
Clinton
FRIDAY, 13th
Manuhirika Kil.
SATURDAY, 14th
Taitai
MONDAY, 16th
Haeremai
WEDNESDAY, 18th
*Oamaru Kil.
Otago
TUESDAY, 24th
*Hiram
WEDNESDAY, 25th
St. Thomas Kil.

HAWKES BAY.

TUESDAY, 3rd
Victoria
FRIDAY, 6th
*Kaitiaki
MONDAY, 9th
Abercorn
Lion
TUESDAY, 10th
Herebanga
Ruahine
Wairarapa
WEDNESDAY, 11th
Bedford
TUESDAY, 17th
Scinde
THURSDAY, 19th
Rawhiti

TARANAKI.

TUESDAY, 3rd
Hawera
TUESDAY, 10th
Ikaroa
WEDNESDAY, 11th
Tatea Kil.
FRIDAY, 13th
Moa
TUESDAY, 17th
St. John's
WEDNESDAY, 18th
Stratford
WEDNESDAY, 25th
Ngamotu

RUAPEHU.

THURSDAY, 5th
Otangaki
Hula
FRIDAY, 6th
Rangitira
MONDAY, 9th
Feilding
*Waimarino
Manga-to-waka

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THURSDAY, 12th
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WEDNESDAY, 18th
Forest
FRIDAY, 27th
Wairoa
TUESDAY, 31st
Wairoa

WESTLAND.

WEDNESDAY, 4th
Aorangi
SATURDAY, 7th
Mokihini
MONDAY, 9th
Kawaiti
TUESDAY, 10th
Kumara
*Pahia (E.O.)
WEDNESDAY, 11th
Westland Kil.
*Rimanga
THURSDAY, 12th
Advance
Mawhera
THURSDAY, 19th
Robert Burns
SATURDAY, 21st
Torea

SOUTHLAND.

FRIDAY, 6th
Southern Cross
MONDAY, 9th
Arrow Kil.
Taringatura
Wairaka
TUESDAY, 10th
Aparima
Winton
WEDNESDAY, 11th
Harvey
Fortitude
THURSDAY, 12th
Orepuki
FRIDAY, 13th
Victoria
MONDAY, 16th
Wahopai
TUESDAY, 17th
Lake of Opoti
THURSDAY, 19th
Mokoreta
FRIDAY, 20th
St. John
*Wallace

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MASONIC EDUCATION.

THE 'work' of the Lodge ends when the candidate is initiated or rushed through the ritualistic ceremony, and a man is 'made' a Master Mason (master man) in a very short time, whereas the work of the Lodge begins right here. The Lodge is its brother's keeper. It owes a duty to its members, in explaining the meaning of the ritual, in improving the education of brothers, in promoting social intercourse.

Freemasonry is an educational institution. Its purpose is to help man "build manhood, to teach its members to live a life of usefulness. This is cannot do through a ceremony only, which takes but a few minutes. We prate of giving 'light' and 'further light,' when we do nothing of the sort. The candidate comes out at the end of the ceremony as dark as when he began. And if he does succeed in obtaining some light, "surely it cannot be placed to the credit of the institute. "He has obtained it not in the Lodge, but by his own efforts and outside the Lodge."—"Freemasons' Chronicle."

In a general way, this journal is in accord with the foregoing rather scathing strictures, and holds a vary decided opinion that Masonic education is not completed per medium of Masonic ritual. Indeed, in Lodges where there is no higher curriculum, the instructions given to the neophyte are a delusion and a snare. There is no progressive science in continually conferring the same degrees, indeed, there is no science at all. Science may be defined as comprehension or understanding of the truths or facts on any subject ; truth ascertained by observation, experiment, or deduction: statement of, or embodiment of, the laws of mind or matter, in definite terms or formulas. The reiteration of the same language cannot possibly come within the above definitions. Again, the candidate is recommended to study such of the liberal arts and sciences as may lie within the compass of his attainment, and without neglecting the ordinary duties of his station he is to feel himself called upon to make a daily advance in Masonic knowledge. Though this reads rather prettily, it is almost meaningless so far as the initiate is concerned. A study of the liberal arts and sciences to enable a brother to make advancement in Masonic knowledge could only be accomplished under the guidance of an experienced master, and this course of instruction can only be obtained in those Lodges which lay themselves out to provide literary pabulum to their Members, on such subjects as will contribute to the daily advancement in Masonic knowledge. An admirable example is to be found in the Authors' Lodge, London, which steadily pursues its research and literary work equally with the making of Masons, and may heartily be congratulated on the success of both. Now, in ordinary course, all such strictures as those pat forward by the "Freemasons' Chronicle" fall on the shoulders of the unfortunate W.M., though he is not altogether to blame. It is rather a result of the demand for admission into Freemasonry, and in many instances the too ready acquiescence of the Lodge. And even the Lodges are under pressure, owing to those members who pin their faith to numerical progress, and who make propositions on the slightest provocation, which propositions are accepted because there does not appear any tangible reason for turning them down. So by time dictum of the Lodge the W.M. finds himself with a plethora of candidates for initiation, and he has no option but to turn the handle of his Masonic manufactory, month after month, and year by year, no matter how great his inclinations may be to vary the performances by actually making Freemasonry a progressive science. We have no hesitation in saying that the line regulating admissions could be drawn with far greater stringency, but it is the bulk of the proposers who should have clearer perceptions of the desirableness of improving the constitution of the Craft. We are not at all convinced that there is a very general desire to make a daily advancement in Masonic knowledge by new brethren, when they become accustomed to their surroundings, and this helps to prove that the line of demarcation is not sufficiently fine with regard to admissions, and the fact receives further support from the paucity of attendance of the younger brethren at meetings of literary Lodges, which often go far out of their way in them endeavour to extend the benefits of their meetings. And yet our contemporary is quite right, "the Lodge is its brother's keeper." It is responsible for his Masonic education. Freemasonry is "an educational institution," and if by reason of environment or faulty practices it is unable to fulfil the duties of this special function, then it will have to admit failure in its special duty. Again, the "Chronicle" hits the nail fair on the head when it says, "Its purpose is to help man build manhood, to teach its members to live a life of usefulness." It is here that its light could be made

to shine before all the world, and an example could be presented that could not be over-estimated. Freemasons may express their indifference as to the world's opinion. But such indifference is only really assumed. Indeed, there are not wanting brethren who consider that the applause of the profane is the index of Masonic success. Be that as it may, it cannot be denied that Freemasonry has a reputation to maintain, which can best be accomplished by living up to the precepts it inculcates, and by an ever-increasing desire to jealously guard the portals of entry, and ever bearing in mind that numbers do not constitute the strength of the institution, any more than imagining that ritual teaching is the no plus ultra of Masonic education.

ROMAN CATHOLIC HOSTILITY TO FREEMASONRY.

Judging from a perusal of American Masonic journals, there appears to be considerable active hostility manifested by the Catholic Church to Freemasonry in that country. Articles from Catholic papers are profusely quoted, and lengthily replied to in the fraternal press, and it would seem that feeling is very strong. .Either that, or our American brethren are setting up a straw man only to knock it down. We strongly deprecate journalistic controversy on this subject, unless under the greatest provocation, as no good purpose can possibly be served. We quite realise that the two bodies are as oil and water : there can be no assimilation, except under conditions that are never likely to exist, if only from the fact that Freemasonry prohibits its secrets being imparted outside its own members, and the primary Roman Catholic dogma is that there must be no secrets from the Church, and as all the writing in the world will not alter this position, the unwisdom of controversy will be apparent. On one point, we think the action of our brethren in America is unwise. It would almost appear that, if they do not actually encourage the admission of Catholics, they at least welcome them, of course on the principle that there is no creed in Freemasonry. But it must be quite clear that no man can be a good Catholic and an honest Freemason. And all the sophistry imported into journalistic discussion will not prove the contrary. A good Catholic is required to yield unquestionable obedience to the laws of his church, and one of those laws absolutely prohibits Freemasonry, which is placed on the index. Hence, when such a person seeks admission into Freemasonry, it must be with the knowledge and intention of either betraying his church, or the institution he seeks to enter. Consequently any encouragement given to a Roman Catholic, even if it is only given tacitly, is quite sufficient to constitute a casus belli, and which would account for any open hostility displayed to the Craft. It is quite true that a man's religious opinions offer no bar to his becoming a Freemason, but the Catholic faith is on a different footing from every other creed, and Freemasons should avoid the suspicion of flouting it. The actual fact is that every admission of a member of the Roman Catholic faith constitutes a distinct menace to the institution of Freemasonry. This, therefore, should be sufficient to prove the exception to a very good rule. One precept Freemasonry inculcates is the necessity of "studiously avoiding all occasion of giving offence," which is not complied with by throwing down the gauntlet to the Roman Catholic Church. On this question, under all ordinary circumstances, silence is golden.

CHANGE OF HABITATION OFTEN CONSTITUTES A LOSS TO FREEMASONRY.

Great surprise has frequently been expressed when a brother who has been a shining light in Freemasonry, on removing to fresh fields and pastures new, takes no further interest in the Craft. It may be assumed that for a time the change is accompanied by additional domestic and business cares, until the new environment becomes normal, which may to some extent be responsible for a neglect of Freemasonry. But experience too often teaches that the neglect continues, and another case is relegated to the lengthy list of the unattached. But quite recently a clue to the enigma has been furnished. A brother, who, by the way, is a "Ruler" in the Craft, complains than on changing his location he anticipated that the W.M. of the Lodge situated in the town of his (the complainant's) new place of residence would have extended the courtesy of an invitation to visit the said Lodge. But this had not been done, and the stranger somewhat naturally felt considerably hurt, and made no attempt to visit uninvited. At first sight it might appear that the Master had failed in his duty, but, on the other hand, through a little misconception on both sides, the grievance may appear more apparent than real. The W.M. might assume that the .correct position would be for a newly, arrived brother to visit the Lodge on his own initiative, and thus make his presence and his

Masonic status known to his brethren. But we are afraid that it is the halting between these two opinions that is responsible for the shelving process that is unfortunately but too frequent. But there is a very simple remedy that should remove all difficulties and differences, and make the position quite clear. The Master of the Lodge of which the departing brother was a member should address a letter to the Master of the Lodge in the locality where the brother was removing to, giving all the necessary Masonic and other particulars with reference to the departing brother, and solicit the good offices of the W.M. and brethren towards the stranger who was about to reside in their midst. We do not for one moment believe that any Master would ignore such a request, and the ultimate result would inevitably be to lead the stranger brother to resume the Masonic work in his new district that he has been forced to discontinue in the old, and thus many good, worthy and deserving brethren would not only be saved the stigma of becoming unattached, but would probably enter upon their new work, not amongst strangers, but friends, with renewed vigour.

Notes and News

QUITE an original idea in Masonic mementos was introduced by W. Bro. L. B. Hart on the occasion of his recent installation in Lodge Avon. The function was graced by the attendance of M.W. Bro. J. J. Dungan, P.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. Thornton, Prov.G.M., and R.W. Bro. M. E. Brown, E.C. (by his deputy, W. Bro. N. L. Macbeth), and as these officers retired the W.M. produced a souvenir programme for each in the form of an exact replica of an Installed Master's apron of white kid with blue edging, silver tassels, and solid silver levels. The apron was a little less than half the usual size, and in the fold was inserted a copy of the programme and of the toast list, all printed in gold. The apron itself was lined with silk and was duly inscribed for each recipient. The mementos were distinct works of art, were complete in every Masonic detail, and formed souvenirs of a type which travelled Craftsmen declared to be quite unique.

How widespread is ignorance ! A recently appointed Lodge correspondent in the South writes :—"I have been astounded since taking up my duties at the amazing ignorance of brethren as to the very existence and purpose of THE CRAFTSMAN. Believe me, the secretary of our Lodge, by no means an insignificant one, had never till now seen a copy of it. Many other members were in the same position, and some did not even know that such a journal existed. I do not think this is a proper state of affairs. A newly initiated Mason always feels his need of "light," and from what better source could he derive knowledge of ancient and contemporary Masonry than THE CRAFTSMAN? I think Masters would do well to bring under the notice of initiates the wisdom of subscribing to the journal of the Craft. I hope my experience is of an unusual nature."

THE cancellation of a Lodge meeting recently was due to a somewhat unique cause. The meeting had been convened at Westport partly to receive a visit from a distinguished brother from Wellington, but owing to an epidemic of measles the meeting was called off, and the visiting brother omitted Westport and went on to Reefton.

IN our last issue we published a letter signed by Bro. F. Webb, P.M., and Bro. G. Wilson, M.M., of Bulls, Rangitikei, complaining of the non-issue of their certificates. The G.Sec. writes stating that a M.M.'s certificate for Bro. Gavin Wilson, of Lodge Rangitikei, was issued two years ago, and that any default in presenting it lies with the Lodge and not with G.L. office. M.W. Bro. Niccol is naturally very irate, because as a rule he is punctuality exemplified, and it is possible the complaint will be further investigated.

THROUGH the courtesy of the secretary of the Christchurch Freemasons' Hall Company we were enabled to view the new hall during a recent visit. We are satisfied that the building is the most complete and commodious in the Dominion, and reflects the greatest credit on the Christchurch brethren and all concerned in its design and erection. With such a home the meetings in the Cathedral City should be more largely attended than in any other part of the Dominion.

THE leaders of Capitular Freemasonry had the usual busy time last month, when most of the installations are held. The combined installation of the three Wellington City Chapters was held on the 12th, but unfortunately Takahoa, Manawatu, and Marlborough fell on the same night, which prevented the G. officers being present at two. The G.Supt. should try and arrange matters differently in future.

R.W. BRO. T. ROSS, P.D.G.M. of Dunedin, has been nominated to fill the vacancy in the representation of the G.L. of Scotland, near the G.L. of New Zealand, caused by the death of the late Bro. Barron.

THE Editor of this journal had the opportunity of fraternising with R.W. Bro. Dr. L. G. Boor, of Nelson, in August last. Our brother, who is enjoying fairly good health—notwithstanding he is in his 91st year—was resting in bed, and complains that his hearing is so bad that it now prevents him attending Lodge. The venerable Tyler, who is 90 years of age, was attending to his duties in Victory Lodge, and expressed his regret that he was too old to go to the war.

A NUMBER of brethren residing at Mata Mata, on the Rotorua line, have been instituting enquiries as to the best means of constituting a Lodge, and particulars have been supplied by the G. Sec. The war is not making any appreciable difference with regard to Freemasonry in the Auckland district.

WE learn that the B. of G.P. of the G.L. of New Zealand has decided to invest the sum of £1200 in the £8,000,000 War Fund Loan being raised by the New Zealand Government.

A MEETING of the Masters Lodge of Dunedin was held on Tuesday, 29th August, in the Masonic Hall, Moray Place, presided over by R.W. Bro. T. Ross, the attendance numbering over a hundred brethren. Amongst the visitors was M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., of Wellington, who was most cordially received. A lecture on King Solomon's Temple was delivered by W. Bro. R. Hawcridge, illustrated by lantern slides, which were manipulated by W. Bro. Fieldwick. The lecture was very ably delivered, and extended over two hours. Some little comment took place at its conclusion, in which the distinguished visitor took part by request.

THE following is the text of a resolution of congratulation adopted at a meeting of Freemasons now serving with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force in France ;— "That this meeting of members of the Masonic Craft, serving with the New Zealand Division in France, extends most sincere and hearty congratulations to M.W. Bro. Oliver Nicholson, on his appointment to the high and exalted position of G.M. of New Zealand Freemasons, and trusts that during his term of office the Order will enjoy permanent and ever-increasing prosperity."

V.E. AND W. BRO. C. R. HARTON has arrived in Nelson to take over the duties of district accountant at the Nelson Post Office vice the late Bro. W. E. Sims. Bro. Harton may rely on a warm and hearty welcome from Nelson brethren, and has already received evidence of same.

THE "Bedford" RA. Chapter, No. 39 on the register of the G. Chapter of New Zealand, was launched on the Capitular Masonic world on the 27th ult. Owing to the inability of the G. Principals to be present, the duty of consecrating officer was undertaken by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E., who was assisted by M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt, P.G.Z., and other G. Chapter officers. The officers of the new Chapter were installed the same evening by R.E. Comp. T. Hobson, G. Supt. of Hawkes Bay, assisted by the G. officers. The following afternoon Comp. Williams and Porritt conferred the Degrees of Ark Mariner and Red Cross on a number of companions of Victoria Chapter, Napier, and assisted at the installation ceremony in the evening.

W. BRO. C. B. BARYON, P.M. of Lodge Waterloo, left Wellington for Nelson last month, on promotion in the postal service. From a Masonic point of view the change is inopportune, as he was only installed as 1st Prin. of Waterloo Chapter on the 12th ult.

M.W. BRO. C. O. L. RILEY, G.M. of Western Australia, and Archbishop of Perth, has gone on active service to the front. He has been connected with volunteers, territorials, and various military bodies for forty-four years, and has held commissions for forty-one years. His present rank is, we believe, Chaplain-General. As might have been anticipated, he received a great send-off from his Masonic brethren in Western Australia.

AT the Jubilee meeting of Lodge Waterloo, a letter was received from the M.W.G.M. expressing his regret that he would be unable to be present at the important function owing to a prior Masonic engagement, but he announced his intention of paying a visit to Wellington City in the near future, and he would arrange that it should be in Lodge Waterloo.

MASTERTON is usually cited as a "dry" district. But two visitors from Wellington, at the last meeting of the Lodge, on the 13th September, found to their cost that it is sometimes excessively wet, as they got thoroughly drenched coming the quarter of a mile from the Lodgeroom to the hotel. The following night was Chapter installation, and promised better weather conditions, which were not realised, as on arriving home they were literally covered with snow. Such are some of the pleasures of official visitations.

A MEMORIAL tablet has been erected in the Nelson Cathedral to the late W. Bro. Major Jas. Houliker, and an annual good-fellowship and merit prize will be awarded at the Boys' College, Nelson. He died on service, on 17th August, 1915.

WE regret to learn of the death of Bro. Capt. W. B. Jolly, who was killed at the front. Bro. Jolly was present at the Masonic meeting, held near the trendies, three days before his death. His father, V.W. Bro. D. A. Jolly, died in Dunedin at the end of August after a long illness, but, we believe, was not informed of his son's demise.

IT will be gratifying to our soldier brethren to know that a form of temporary certificate, for the use of brethren at the front, will shortly be issued by G.L.

M.E. Comp. Rev. G. E. Chambers has been a R.A. Mason for 38 years, and S.E. of Albert Edward Chapter, Lyttelton, since 1885 — 31 years, seven of which were under the E.C., and the remainder under the G. Chapter of New Zealand. A worthy record, hard to beat, and our venerable companion is still going strong.

W. Bros. G. LOGAN and C. A. Eckford, P.M. of Marlborough Unanimity, went into camp at Trentham on the 21st ult. as members of the 21st Expeditionary Force. The following members of the Lodge are already with the colours :—W. Bro. Captain V. L. Powell, Bros. H. E. Avery, A. Prentice, R. H. Cate, W. H. Humphreys, J. H. Knowles, G. P. Robinson.

THE G.L. of Montana kindly remembered the NEW ZEALAND CRAFTSMAN in issuing invitations for the fiftieth anniversary, which was held on 1st September. We regret that distance precludes the enjoyment of Montana's hospitality.

THE regular meeting of Victory Chapter, Nelson, held on the 23rd of August, was largely attended, an acknowledgment and exaltation being worked. A very hearty welcome was extended to the G.S.E. of the Sup.G. Chapter of New Zealand.

THE deepest regret will be felt by those brethren who were personally acquainted with W. Bro. Dr. Arthur Martin, a P.M. of United Manawatu Lodge, E.G. He was held in "the highest esteem by all classes of people, and from a medical point of view his loss will be felt throughout the Dominion.

INFORMATION came to hand as we were going to press that Lieutenant Dougall, son of our esteemed M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, had given his life to his country and the Empire. Widespread sorrow will be felt for M.W. Bro. Dougall and his family in the loss they have sustained.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

No little disappointment was felt at the non-appearance of M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., at the September meeting of Southern Cross Lodge.

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Southern Cross Chapter has invested £100 in the War Loan, and there is talk of doubling the amount.

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At last meeting of Southern Cross Chapter M.E. Comp. Wm. Smith, P.G.Z., was at his best in lecturing on the jewel and pedestal.

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Wallace Lodge worked the Third Degree at the regular meeting of Winton Lodge. In every way the meeting was a pronounced success.

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When the officers of Wallace Lodge set out in a motor lorry to visit Winton Lodge, they did not bargain on being held up in the middle of a flooded stream and having to dismount and pull the vehicle to terra firma. This "mere incident" was amply compensated for by the heartiness of the reception accorded them by the Wintonians.

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At the annual meeting of Aparima, Lodge, W. Bro. A. Ward was re-installed Master.

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As a result of heavy floods, the many wash-outs in the roads made the journey to Riverton somewhat hazardous for motorists on the occasion of the Aparima installation, but, despite all dangers and difficulties, there was a gratifying attendance of visiting brethren. How Freemasonry charms, woos, and wins

CANTERBURY CHIPS.

Avon Lodge is looking forward to continued prosperity under the newly installed W. Bro. L. B. Hart. With an attendance of 250 brethren and visitors at the installation a good start has been made.

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Major Hammond, recently killed in action, was a brother of Bro. E. Hammond, of Avon Lodge, No. 185, with whom a motion of sympathy in his bereavement was passed at the September meeting.

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It is mentioned in the ritual that it is part of the Steward's duty to collect the dues of members. This precept is to be put into practical force in Avon Lodge in future, as the newly installed W.M. intends on fitting occasions to "call the Lodge off" for an interval to permit of this being done.

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Ten members of Avon Lodge have now donned the King's uniform. Of these, two (Bro. C. J. Milne and Bro. Lieut. A. F. Carmody) have been killed in action, while Bro. J. S. Hilson was severely wounded on Gallipoli, and has now returned discharged.

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The latest members of Avon Lodge to go into camp include two W. brethren in the persons of W. Bro. R. D. Vincent, who, entering as a private, has now earned his stripes, and W. Bro. Lieut.-Colonel J. Murphy, who has been in command of the First Canterbury Regiment of Territorials for some time. It has long been his desire to embark on active service, and circumstances have at last made that possible. The other brethren in khaki are Bros. W. E. Mouldey, Sergt.-Major G. E. Billson, C. Joll, E. E. Hartley, and F. J. Hanna.

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In order to give all members who may be anxious to take part in the work an opportunity of doing so, the newly installed W.M. of Avon Lodge has decided that at Lodge of Instruction it shall be open to any one member to repeat, after the member duly appointed, any particular portion of the ritual. By this means it is hoped to stimulate interest in the ritual and encourage floor members (who are the prospective officers) to secure a- goad grounding in the ritual.

ENQUIRIES ON MATTERS OF MASONIC INTEREST.

Q.—Where should the T.Bs. be placed in a Lodgeroom ?

A.—As custom is so amazingly divergent, the CRAFTSMAN is not prepared to assume the office of arbiter.

JUBILEE OF LODGE WATERLOO, No. 13, WELLINGTON.

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Lodge Waterloo took place in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on 7th September, the Lodge having been constituted on that date in 1866. W. Bro. A. Erskine, W.M., presided, and the

attendance of visitors was thoroughly representative. One of the most pleasing features was the presence of W. Bro. C. P. Powles, the first initiate in the Lodge. W. Bro. A. Lindsay, another old member, was absent through illness; and Bro. Puckey, a resident in Auckland, and R.W. Bro. Dr. Boor were prevented by old age from attending. The G.L. of New Zealand was represented by M. W. Bro. H. J. Williams ; R.W. Bro. Peterkin, D.G.M. ; R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Prov.G.M.; R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton, P.C.W.; V.W. Bro. J. Rod, P.G.D., and others.

A letter was received from R.W. Bro, McCulloch, P.G.M., S.C., forwarding the Charter issued by the G.L. of Scotland, No. 463.

The W.M. then said that, on behalf of the members of his Lodge, he desired to express the great pleasure he had on this occasion in tendering G.L. and the visitors Masters, P.Ms., and brethren a hearty welcome to Waterloo, and especially was he gratified by the large attendance, seeing that the elements were so boisterous and inclement. He recognised that the visitors had come to rejoice with the members of the Lodge on the occasion of the completion of the Lodge's fiftieth year of existence. That was a long period to look back to. Their pleasure, however, was tintured with regret because, of the twenty-two members still alive who composed Lodge Waterloo in the first few years of its existence, only two, so far as he knew, were with them on the present occasion. They had all been looking forward with anticipations of joy to a possible visit from the second Master who ruled the Lodge—viz., W. Bro. Puckey—but that worshipful brother found when the time came, notwithstanding his great desire to be with them, that his advancing years and the infirmities connected with and inseparable from old age were too great, and therefore he was not with them. His absence was much regretted. There was another brother present whom he was specially pleased to welcome. He was referring to W. Bro. Powles, who, as they had heard during the evening, was initiated into the Lodge fifty years ago to-night. That brother had been initiated at the very first meeting of the Lodge. He had been designated as the "working man of the Lodge." Bro. Powles had served as Sec., and had been Master for several years. He was an active and profound Freemason, and the Lodge was greatly pleased to have him with them on the historic occasion of their jubilee. Then there was Bro. Raymond, who, he thought, acted as J.D. on the occasion of the first meeting. He was delighted that that honoured brother was present. Fifty years to a young man or to a middle-aged man was a long period to look back to. One could scarcely realise the great gap—the space of time—that fifty years embraced. Brethren would get some idea of the time when it was realised that the present Lodge was founded shortly after the conclusion of the American Civil War ; and when they reflected on the immense growth of the world since then in science, in art, and in literature, they would be the better enabled to form a fuller estimate of that epoch-making period. But how gratifying it was not only to have touched hands with such men, but to have some of them actually present on this occasion. It was indeed unique. The minutes of the present meeting might be read at the centenary of the Lodge, but who present this evening would be there then? His thoughts were necessarily retrospective. Fifty years ago Wellington was but a small town, with a population of something like 5,000 inhabitants. That fact alone gave some idea of what the place was like in those days, and it spoke volumes for those brethren of ancient time who were sufficiently optimistic as to believe that in such a small community there was room for a second Lodge, and its establishment must have been the result of undaunted perseverance on their part; it showed great energy, and, above all, it proved great love for the craft of which they were members. Lodge Pacific had been in existence some twenty-four years prior to 1866, and, as the report of Lodge Waterloo showed, Pacific was very good in assisting those early members to make a success of Waterloo. The Lodge had to struggle; it had its times of prosperity and its times of adversity ; there were lean years and fat years. In a word, the Lodge had its vicissitudes, and he was sure they would hear from Bra. Powles some interesting reminiscences of its doings in the earlier years. The Lodge, however, had successfully passed through all the changes consequent on a period of fifty years, and for some years past it had an assured and sound finance, and it was sufficiently numerically strong. He trusted that the brethren who were managing its affairs to-day, and who were its active members to-day, would continue to worthily fill the places of those brethren of earlier times. He felt that those earlier brethren filled truly and well their positions in the Lodge, and not only in the Lodge, but in the community at large. Many of them were men who took their full share in the civic affairs of the small community of 5,000 souls, whilst others aspired higher and took part in the national Government of the country. He hoped and trusted that those pioneers of Freemasonry in a new and unsubdued country would remain cherished and live long in the memory of present and future Freemasons. He would now request Bro. Powles to address the brethren.

W. Bro. Powles said he was afraid that he felt he could not enlighten members very much in the way of reminiscences, because his memory was not so good as it used to be. He could only say that the early members of

the Lodge were actuated by a spirit of Freemasonry. Those who inaugurated the Lodge fifty years ago endeavoured not only to be punctilious in the Lodge in the matter of their duties, but they also tried to do their best to give effect to the underlying principles of Freemasonry in the world outside of the Craft.. When he first had to take the position of Master of Waterloo he found himself in the position of being left almost entirely on his own. The previous Masters, for various reasons, were not there to assist him ; one had moved already from Wellington, and for other reasons the preceding Masters were not available. Therefore he had nobody to fall back upon, but he strove hard and did his best. He thought, in certain respects, that was a good thing for him, and indirectly so for the Lodge, because when a man took up such a position it was well that he should be put upon his mettle; in such a position a conscientious man would set to work and do all he possibly could to perfect himself in the ritual, and thereby be in a position to carry on the work of the Lodge in a proper manner. He regarded it as a first principle that the Master should prove himself worthy of imitation by all members aspiring to office. As to the Lodge itself, of course it had had its various vicissitudes. The brochure written by W. Bro. McMorran was an excellent memento; it was a brief but telling history of the progress of the Lodge from its inception, and as it was in the hands of members, they were in a position to derive much information from it. Before sitting down he would like to refer to Bro. Dr. Boor, who had sent a letter in which he had referred to him (Bro. Powles). They had been friends for many years. Dr. Boor was a distinguished brother and a most enthusiastic Freemason. Age alone prevented him from being present that evening, the passage across the Straits from Nelson being too much for him. He did not know whether Dr. Boor was actually attending a Lodge at Nelson now, but only a few years ago, when he was eighty years of age, he came specially to Wellington on Masonic business. He had now arrived at the age of ninety-two years, and it was too much to expect him to run the risk of coming from Nelson to Wellington at such an age. M.W. Bro. Williams, P.G.M., knew thoroughly what an enthusiastic Mason Bro. Boor was, and it was a pleasure for him to be able to speak on his behalf and at the same time to congratulate the Lodge on having attained its fiftieth year. He did not know that he could add anything more. He was exceedingly pleased to be present and to join in the celebration. As age went on one could not do all that one wished, but, nevertheless, he hoped to be able to visit the Lodge on some future occasion.

A quartet by W. Bros. Smith and Connel and Bros. Thompson and Scammel was then sung, and was much appreciated by those present.

W. Bro. McMorran said that he was not certain that he could fill the place of W. Bro. Lindsay, who had been a member of the Lodge for forty-four years, and was therefore one of its oldest members, Of course, after the compilation of the little history, his mind was full of the importance of the Lodge looking well after its records. It was very gratifying indeed to think that the records of Waterloo had been well preserved and looked after, and, in fact, as a result of his research and investigation, he had found them practically perfect in every detail. Up to quite lately the Lodge was without that important document—namely, the original Charter, which was now lying on the dais in front of the W.M. That Charter was granted to the Lodge by the G.L. of Scotland in 1867. Fortunately, the Lodge always had in its possession that most important document, the Dispensation, which in some ways was just as valuable as the actual Charter itself, because of its being the document under which the Lodge originally worked. It had been excellently reproduced in his little account of the affairs of Waterloo. The only document that was found to be missing was the petition praying for a Charter, and which was drawn up at the second of those preliminary meetings, already referred to, and held immediately prior to the inception of the Lodge. That document had been signed by all those present at the meeting in question, and forwarded to the headquarters of the G.L. of Scotland at Dunedin. Some months ago he wrote to certain officials in Dunedin enquiring as to the destination of the petition, and asking whether it could be secured, but, after waiting for some time, unfortunately he had not received any reply. On the suggestion of Bro. Williams, however, he wrote to Bro. Clothier in Dunedin, and in response thereto he received a note to the effect that they had not been able to find the petition so far, but that their enquiries and search would be continued. Up to the present nothing further had been heard regarding it. He considered that the petition should have remained in Dunedin, and it should not have been sent to Scotland. With that single exception, every book and document of the Lodge was intact. The account books were in perfect order, and a balance-sheet of the affairs of the Lodge could be constructed from the books in the strong-room in one of the city institutions—that was, a balance-sheet from the very start of Waterloo. Members would pardon him, but his mind was full at the present moment of the necessity of carefully preserving Lodge records, because their value could not be over-estimated. W. Bro. C. P. Powles was able to speak of fifty years to-night, and he could refer to that meeting in Bro. Smith's auction room in Lambton Quay ; Bro. Fowles could go back to those

times, but he (Bro. MacMorran) had not that privilege, and was only able to refer back some thirty years. He was able to say, however, that he had known all the Masters with the exception of the first two—namely, Bro. Parsons, who died soon after completing his term of office, and Bro. Puckey, who was still alive and had long resided in Auckland. The difference of thirty years ago and to-day was not so very great; they were not like fifty years ago. Thirty years ago they thought they were doing well with a membership of fifty, and when he was Sec. they had reached the grand total of sixty. Now ten guineas was charged for admission, whilst thirty years ago and up to more recent times five guineas was the regular charge ; but then their expenses were less and rent was low. The refectory—or, as it was called, " the Fourth Degree "—cost little. It was not then as now; knives and forks were unknown luxuries, brethren being satisfied with biscuits and cheese. He was not sure whether coffee was obtainable. Reference had been made to notable men in connection with the Lodge, and it was right and proper that their memory should be kept fresh, and in that connection he hoped that those who followed would look back upon present brethren with fraternal love. It would be some consolation if they gave them credit for doing all those things as carefully and as thoroughly as he hoped they themselves would do them, and thereby the Lodge would continue to be held in as high estimation in the future as in the past. The day would come when the Lodge would celebrate its .centenary, and so, for the benefit of brethren to come, it was our duty to see that the history and progress of the Lodge was jealously kept for their information and guidance. He would like to give as a kind of legacy to the incoming Master the duty of seeing the whole of the documents properly classified, numbered, labelled, and indexed, and recorded in the minute book. He regretted he did not have previous notice, but had done his best in the emergency that had arisen.

R.W. Bro. Ellison, Prov.G.M., speaking on behalf of G.L. and as a member of Lodge Leinster, congratulated Waterloo on the occasion of its jubilee. He congratulated W. Bro. MacMorran on the splendid little history which he had compiled, of which the Lodge had every reason to be proud. It gave a vivid and concise account of the early years of Waterloo. Although it was to-night distributed to visitors, he had had the privilege of perusing a copy a few days ago, and he was delighted with it because of its clearness and manner of expression. The facts were presented in such a way that they could not be misunderstood. Apart from Waterloo, it was of interest to all Freemasons in the Dominion. There were brethren referred to in that little book who would be remembered and revered long after this generation of Freemason had passed away. Those ancient brethren were Masters, and true Masters, in the Craft. They had left their mark on Freemasonry in this country, and especially in the Wellington District. Lodge Waterloo had ever held a place of prominence in Masonic circles, and it would be pleasing to those who came into the Lodge as E.As. to find that they arrived within the portals of a Lodge with such a favourable record. He had known the Lodge for a good many years. After he came to Wellington he received orders to leave again, and had to tender his resignation. He had seen the Lodge in some of its troublesome times, and he well remembered several of the names mentioned in the history already referred to. His first visit was when Bro. Dr. Johnson was Master of the Lodge. He remembered several of the brethren who were pillars of the Craft then, and who were looked up to with respect and their memory cherished. He was pleased that their good names had been perpetuated in the pamphlet compiled by Bro. MacMorran from the records of the Lodge. From G.L. and from every Lodge in the district he could say that there was a feeling of veneration and respect for those brethren who had gone before, and there was a feeling that Lodge Waterloo had to be congratulated upon the success it had attained. He was aware that the Lodge had had its vicissitudes, but it had surmounted them all and reached a very high state of eminence in the Craft. He congratulated the W.M. on the honourable and venerable record that Waterloo had left on the pages of Masonic history, which could not help but be of value to those who came after them.

After the close of the Lodge, refreshments were served in the refectory, where some very excellent speeches were made, and a most pleasant evening was spent.

SOME PORTION OF OUR RITUAL, FROM TWO POINTS OF VIEW—Continued.



MASONIC SYMBOLOLOGY.

We will proceed now to just briefly review our Masonic symbols from both the historic and the mystic side, and by Masonic symbols I do not mean those in common use : the compasses, the gavel, and skirret—those symbols

are directly associated with the operative form of Freemasonry, and are comparatively modern in their use—but those older ones, the circle, the triangle, the cube, etc. ; these that rightly belong to the ancient landmarks of Freemasonry. These are the symbols I want to draw your attention to.

You will remember that the Freemason is admitted to the mysteries and privileges of "Ancient" Freemasonry, so that to understand these ancient mysteries and privileges, and to get any help from the symbols, he must turn to the ancient ones, for according to the advice of the ritual, it is they who are going to guide and assist us.

Now, all Masonic writers are agreed that this ancient symbology came originally from the East, that is, India, travelling through great stretches of time, and through many great civilisations, before reaching us. A symbolic system so old that 10,000 years back in the history of the world is probably not nearly far enough to place it. These symbols are Sanskrit, a civilisation that preceded that of India, and India, you will remember, has a history of nearly 10,000 years. However, the available records show that from ancient India came these symbols, and having passed through Persia and the fire worship of that period, they made their appearance in mighty Babylon, and later again Egypt, where they were used as a part of the symbolic system for veiling the inner teachings of those stupendous religions.

Later, thousands of years later (for Egypt had a civilisation that lasted nearly six thousand years), in the time when this great civilisation of Egypt was dying, Greece had come into existence, and had risen to great intellectual heights. Hither to Egypt came the Greek philosophers, including Plato, to learn of the priesthood and of their vast store of sacred records, the deeper knowledge of the hidden sciences and secrets of nature, for at that time knowledge was considered sacred, and was carefully veiled from the outside world by the priesthood. Here the Greeks were given these ancient symbols, and such teachings of the mysteries as belonged to them.

These symbols and teachings the Greeks readily adopted, and in their pagan worship they became the system in which were embodied the seven higher and the seven lower mysteries. Thence they gradually spread westward through Europe, being accepted as the best available means for veiling and -transmitting sacred knowledge by such mystic sects as the "Rosicrucians," "The Knights of St. John," "The Knight Templars," and many others of that period. And to-day we find them embodied in modern Freemasonry.

Now, does it not seem remarkable to you that, though time has wiped away these ancient civilisations, so that only traces of their architecture and of their great cities remain, while their sciences and religions are almost forgotten, the symbols are still with us ? Of what value are they to humanity that makes them so tenacious of existence? What made the ancients so anxious to preserve them to the world so that they cut them deep in temple and monument? What have they to teach that they should be so reverently handed on from people to people, from country to country, and from generation to generation?

To answer these questions, we will examine the following symbols. The dot or point, the dot within the circle, the circle halved, the circle quartered, the triangle apex downward, the triangle apex upward, the square or cube, the cross (composed of squares), the five pointed star, the interlaced triangles or six pointed star, and the seven pointed star.

The first symbol of this system is a dot or sun. This is the symbol that represents Deity or God, the symbol of the Great Architect of the Universe. You see it is alone, without boundary or limitation, alone in all space—there is nothing existing in the immensity but Deity. This is, as a Hindoo book has it, "When time was not, for it lay asleep in the Infinite Bosom of Duration," in other words, the creation had not yet commenced, and there was nothing in existence by which time could be measured.

The next symbol is the same dot or sun, but now it is enclosed in the circle. This represents that Deity has taken on Himself limitation or manifestation. He has created His universe out of the essence of space, which is Himself. But though the circle limits, and the worlds are now in existence, there is still nothing within that circle of eternity but Deity.

As a digression, is not this just the underlying idea of our symbol, "the point within a circle, from which no Mason can err ?" This idea that all that lives in the universe is of God, that all are part of one Divine life ? Would not a Freemason going out into the world imbued with this idea be ready to practise true Masonic brotherhood ? For he would recognise that in spite of race, creed, caste, or colour, all are truly brothers, all are a part of himself.

The next two symbols, as far as I know, we do not use, but I must mention them because they belong to this system, and because they bear on our interpretation of things Masonic. This one, the circle halved, is practically the same symbol as the dot within the circle, but this time the dot has become a dividing line, it has rayed out from the centre, as it were.

It represents the progress in evolution, a development that comes from the centre, from the Deity. It includes the duality and perfect balance in nature, the positive and negative poles, the magnetic attraction and repulsion, light and darkness, male and female, and all the opposites we know so well.

The next, the circle quartered, is but a transformation of the last. The dot has rayed again, forming a cross within the circle. Now the cross has been from the most remote times the symbol of suffering. It was never the exclusive property of Christianity. It is far, far older, and here in this symbolic system, the cross within the circle denotes that all physical existence is connected with suffering; it also denotes that in the scheme of creation, the male and female have commenced the human evolution by generation, which is suffering. And by the awful condition of the world to-day, we can realise that what this symbol stands for is true, "that life embodied in form is subject to suffering."

Next we have the triangle, apex downwards. The triangle is the symbol of spirit, soul, or Divine consciousness, call it what you will. The three sides denote its three qualities or aspects; these are will, intellect, and emotion. These three qualities represent, as it were, the original soul qualities, and the triangle pointing downwards means that this threefold soul or spirit has come down into matter, in other words, it indicates a time in the evolution of humanity when it was ensouled and received intelligence. But this ensouling, according to the mystic schools, takes place when humanity is semi-animal, and in this undeveloped state the soul qualities express themselves very differently to what they were in their original essence. In the savage, will is but pure selfishness, intellect is mostly cunning for selfish ends, and emotion expresses itself as desire, greed, and lust.

You may not think that this sounds much like soul qualities, yet it was by the very use and expression of these lower aspects that humanity managed to exist, his greed, his lust, and his selfishness were the very means that strengthened him to fight his way up through the ages, to gain individuality, and to slowly evolve ever higher, and we will see presently in the brass pillars of the temple where this information is contained.

Next we have the triangle pointing upward. This denotes that this threefold soul is on its upward journey; it is rising to higher things. This symbol teaches that the soul is capable of development, and that when it has evolved greatly, its original will will become power, its intellect will be wisdom, and its emotion pure love.

The next is a well-known symbol, the square, or six-sided cube. This, in the sense we are using it, represents matter, form, or physical conditions. It stands for the body of a man, the body of an animal, or even that of a planet. We use the ashlar in the Lodge in the same sense, as representing the physical Mason. In the symbol of the cross within the circle, we saw that the cross stands for suffering in connection with physical conditions or form, and the six-sided cube unfolded reveals to us again the cross, the cross of the Christians, the symbol of suffering.

These are all the symbols we need for our purpose, though they are not all that belong to this system, but, in addition, I want to make a reference to the five, six, and seven pointed stars, which are a part of our symbology.

These stars were recognised in the mystic sects as symbols of degrees of initiation, but these stars are also applied as symbols of the great root races of this planet, which are said to be seven in number, and in this sense the five pointed star is the symbol that represents, or belongs to, the great Aryan race, of which we ourselves are a part. This great fifth root race, which has evolved to the use of five senses : sight, hearing, taste, touch, and smell (the great fourth root race that preceded us, the Atlantean, had only four senses—they are said to have been without the sense of smell). The sixth root race, which will follow us, symbolised by the six pointed star, will evolve to the use of six senses. The six pointed star is the interlaced triangles, and is known as the Seal of Solomon. The seventh root race will have the seven senses, the fully developed and perfect humanity, the crown and glory of the human evolution, the likeness of God. We see it often typified by the seven pointed star in the midst of the flaming sun, on which is placed the symbol that signifies God.

Now, these two extra senses that are yet to come to humanity are really contained in us now, and always have been, but at present they are rudimentary and undeveloped senses want you to bear that in mind, viz., that we have five senses, and that the two that are to come are as yet undeveloped, because I want to offer you that information

again in the reading of the temple, whereas at present I am only quoting the teachings of the mystics and the theories of modern science.

Now, to prove that we have not followed the advice of the ritual in vain, let us examine the Masonic apron and apply what we have learnt from the symbols.

THE MASONIC APRON.

First, then, we have the shape of the apron, which is a perfect square (the cube). This, as we saw, stands for physical conditions or form, and form represents a body. Though the white lambskin symbolises innocence and purity, the material used as a groundwork for the apron is significant—it is the skin of an animal. From our reading, there is no mistaking what meaning it is intended to convey : it represents a physical or earthy body, the body of a man.

Next, we see the flap, which is in the shape of a triangle, apex downwards. This is the old symbol representing the threefold soul as having come down into earthly conditions, the ensouling of this physical body. So the first thing that the apron teaches a Freemason by symbols is that he is a combination of soul and body.

The Egyptian sphinx is a symbol that well represents this same idea. You will remember how the splendid human head of the sphinx, with its tranquil look of power and knowledge, gazes across space with an inscrutable smile as it welcomes the rising sun (the symbol of God), and how this human head is attached to an animal's body. The head represents the human soul, and it greets the sun with an expression of knowledge and serenity, because it knows its origin, it knows that, it is a part of the Divine. The animal's body, to which it is attached, symbolises the fact that if a soul has to function in a world like ours, it must accept, and use, a body to all intents and purposes made of the same materials as that of an animal. That is the true lesson of the sphinx, whether you apply it to a man or a God. And this is the first lesson contained in the Masonic apron, that an immortal being, the soul, is the tenant of this earthy body.

Now we come to the three rosettes. To a Freemason this is the visible sign that he has progressed in the science. But, if you notice, the three rosettes again indicate a triangle, this time with the apex upward. So the Masonic Degrees have carried out the meaning of the old symbol—the Freemason is now on his upward journey toward perfecting his qualities.

Next we notice the two ribbons. Do not these stand for the same meaning as the circle divided : the duality in nature—the male and female. And it is evident that the application is to humanity, for if you count the pendants you will find them seven in number. You remember how we spoke of perfected humanity being endowed with seven senses. Here we have it foreshadowed, the ultimate destiny of the human being.

Now, was it accident that caused the Masonic apron to be modelled on those old symbols, representing exactly the ancient wisdom, or was it that the designers knew and had profound knowledge of the mystic side of the sacred Craft ? And is not the apron a most fitting symbol on which to display these designs, for an apron is something that represents labour, and a thing that a careful workman always uses, and when a Freemason dons his apron to enter upon his labours in the Lodge, hereon is written for him, if he can but read it correctly, the knowledge of himself, and the goal toward which his labour should tend. It is the first revealing of the sciences necessary for his study. It is the advice that the pagan Greek inscribed on the outer portal of his temples—"Man, know thyself"—for if he would commence to understand nature, he must first understand himself. All that is contained in nature is embodied in man. It is with himself that he is first of all to be concerned in his studies, and his apron represents his purpose and his profession.

(To be continued.)

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OBITUARY.

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JAMES HENRY ESCOTT, P.M., AGED 44.

There passed away in Wellington, on 28th July, W. Bro. J. H. Escott, I.P.M., of Lodge Ruahine, No. 80, Woodville. Our late beloved brother was initiated into Lodge Ruahine on 17th April, 1894; passed, 17th July; and raised, 8th January, 1895; elected to the office of J.D., 1911, and to the higher offices each succeeding year until 1915, when on 22nd June he was installed in the Chair of K.S. by the Prov.G.M. of Hawkes Bay. The late W. brother fully maintained the very high standard to which the Lodge had attained, his parliamentary career giving him judgment in debate and becoming dignity to 'worthily fulfil his high office.

Very feeling reference was made at, the regular meetings, not only of Lodge Ruahine, but by all sister Lodges in the district.

KILLED IN ACTION.

BRO. LIEUT. A. F. CORMODY.

It was a dramatic and sad coincidence that Bro. Lieut. A. F. Cormody, of Avon Lodge, No. 185, Christchurch, should meet his death in action on the Western front on the very day that he had discharged his last Masonic action of posting to the Secretary of his Lodge a copy of a resolution passed at a meeting of brethren held in the trenches in June last. When this fact was mentioned at the last meeting of Lodge Avon, on 7th September, a shock of painful surprise and interest was felt by members. [This resolution will be found in another article in this issue.—ED. C.]

Before posting this slip Bro. Lieut. Cormody had endorsed it in pencil, "H.G.W. and fraternal greetings from A. F. Cormody." The postmark upon the envelope was 8th July, and it, was upon the same day that our brother met his death, being killed at the head of his men.

Bro. Cormody was a man of retiring disposition, but of sterling worth. He was slow to give his friendship, but, once given, he was true as steel to his comrades. His mother Lodge was Ashley, of which Lodge he became Sec., and was bound to have passed through the Master's chair. For business reasons, however, he transferred his residence to Christchurch and joined Lodge Avon, although whenever opportunity permitted he attended his old Lodge. In Avon Lodge, during the two years he was associated with its members he was recognised as pre-eminently a man of character, although he did suffer from a constitutional shyness and reserve. His death will be regretted by all as having terminated a career of much promise.

When the news of his death was announced in Lodge, members stood at the sign of F. A photograph of the departed brother, together with his last communication and the envelope bearing the tragic date of his death, will be framed and hung in the Lodge building.

By a subsequent mail the Sec. of the Lodge, Bro. B. Falck, received the following letter, which is self-explanatory :—

France, 18th July, 1916.

Dear Sir and Bro.,—At a meeting of Masons serving with the New Zealand Forces, held last night, I was instructed to write to you and express our deepest sympathy at the lamented death of that very gallant soldier and brother, A. F. Cormody, lieutenant in the First Battalion of the Canterbury Infantry Regiment; and also to ask you to convey same to Lodge Ashley, No. 28, N.Z.C., as we believe that he was a subscribing member to both your Lodges. Such losses as we have sustained, not only amongst members of the Craft, only nerve us to greater efforts, because the whole Force are good Masons in this respect—that they fear death far less than the stain of dishonour, which remains so long as one German is left beyond his, frontier.—Yours fraternally,

E. E. MALDEN, C.F.,
Second Battalion, Auckland Infantry Regiment,
and Sec. of Masonic meeting.

Poetry.

THE STONE THAT THE BUILDERS REJECTED.

—◇—
Wisely they toiled, the builders, fitting well
The granite blocks of equal shape and size,
Cleft from one quarry, that, to heaven should rise

A matchless temple where their god might dwell,
Worshipped above all gods of heaven or hell.

And as they wrought in that long-vanished day,
Building with even blocks, a curious stone
Came to their hands, for which no use was known;
Not like the ones they used, nor shaped as they,
Uncouth it seemed, and so was flung away.

No instrument had touched it, but from glow
Of earth's primeval fires 'twits flaming cast;
And, cooling into rugged form, at last
'Twas washed by many waters to and fro,
Shaped as the tide swings and the tempests blow.

No human hands its symmetry had wrought;
And they, earth blind, saw not how passing fair
This corner stone unlike all others there!
Saw not that all life's secrets it had caught,
And typified the thing for which they sought.

But when at length the pyramid had grown
In terrace upon terrace, to the sky,
Lo, naught could fill the summit's vacancy
Till there was placed, majestic and alone,
Head of the corner, the rejected stone.

—"New York Sun."

Correspondence.

MASONIC MEETING AT THE FRONT.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—The enclosed speaks for itself. Doubtless many Lodges will be getting it by this mail. It may interest you to know that its actual printing was attended with much danger to Bro. G. Hutchinson, I.P.M., Onewa, some German shells driving him out of the printer's office into a more (comparatively) safe place—namely, the garden—while he was wrestling with the French printer over the setting of the type. We followed it up with another meeting on 3rd July, when R.W. Bro. G. Barclay gave a most instructive and interesting lecture to some sixty brethren on the initiation ceremony, and again the Hun pursued us with shells, only, luckily, not till some time after the "Fourth Degree" had finished and we had all gone home. This time he planted two close alongside the room we met in. One of them made so large a hole that I am told it will be turned into a miniature lake with gold-fish and gondolas, etc., etc. Anyhow, it broke all the windows and brought down the ceiling and gas brackets.

So far we have nearly 150 names on the register, representing nearly as many Lodges, as many brethren represent more than one Lodge, thereby equalling the number of brethren from the same Lodge—if you follow what I mean. Of course, we cannot meet as a Lodge, but it is a great opportunity every now and then to meet brethren of other Lodges and exchange views and listen to lectures on the ritual, which will prevent us from becoming rusty. We have three names on our roll of honour: Lieut. J. Short (Lodge Otago, No. 844, E.C.), Lieut. G. S. Lavie (Lodge St. Albans, Christchurch), and Sapper A. Ingles, Lodge Oatlands, No. 1005, S.C., Glasgow), who have laid down their lives here. We can hardly hope to have no more, but to us death has no terrors as long as we are enabled to do our part in upholding the great cause on which we are all engaged.

So far I might describe ourselves as brethren from the north, south, and east, as we represent Lodges in Scotland, South Africa, and Indian Burmah, but so far none in the Continent of America; so New Zealand will have to stand for the west. "When our register is complete—that is to say, probably, when the war is over—I will send you a complete list of the names and Lodges, should you care to have them for publication ; and as it is possible that some have already left us whose names we have not got, perhaps I may be allowed to use the columns of the CRAFTSMAN to get into touch with them, so as to make our record complete.

I am enclosing the names and Lodges of our committee, so you can see who they are. As future reinforcements come forward, I hope any brethren among them will make themselves known to us, so that we can add their names to the list.—Yours fraternally,

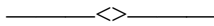
E. E. MALDEN,
Chaplain to the Forces,
2nd Battalion, Auckland Infantry Regiment.
also Chaplain, Te Awamutu, No. 2221, E.C., Parnell, Auckland.

That is to say, I was when I left for the war in August, 1914.

COMMITTEE :—Colonel Begg (Lodge Wellington, No. 1521, E.C.), representing Headquarters; Major Lapraik and Sergt. Harrison (Lodges Corinthian, No. 1654, E.C., and Maori, No. 105, N.Z.C.), representing Artillery ; Major Barclay and Sergt. Craig (Lodges Otago, No. 844, E.G., and Eden, No. 1530, E.C.), representing Engineers; Major Colquhonn and Corporal Shelton (Lodges Hercules, No. 36, N.Z.C., and St. John, No. 94, N.Z.C.), representing 1st Infantry Brigade; Rev. E. Malden and Regimental Sergt.-Major Shearne (Lodges Te Awamutu, No. 2221, E.C., and Thistle, No. 113, N.Z.C.), representing 2nd Infantry Brigade ; Major Digby Smith and Sergt.-Major Rundle (Lodges Otago Kil., No. 417, S.C., and Aldershot Army and Navy, No. 1971, E.C.), representing 3rd Infantry Brigade ; Colonel Murray and Private Laing (Lodges Albert Edward, No. 1560, E.C., and Tawhiri, No. 166), representing N.Z. Medical Corps; Captain Hutchinson and Staff Sergt.-Major Morgan (Lodges Onewa, No. 182, N.Z.C., and ———), representing A.S.C.; Major Buck (Lodges Ara, No. 1, and Ohaeawai, No. 101, N.Z.C.), representing Pioneers.

Somewhere in France, 6th July, 1916.

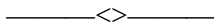
COMMENT APPROVED.



TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—I was very pleased to read your comment in last CRAFTSMAN in reply to the Editor of "American Freemason," as to whether Masonry makes men better. If his view of the question is right, then it is time to get out of Masonry. If "the peculiar system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated. by symbols" is only Dead Sea fruit, and is powerless for. good, then Masonry is only tinkling brass. I should say that Bro. Morecombe is a fatalist, and with him man comes into the world with a pre-ordained destiny. Of course, every brother has a perfect right to his own opinion, but the promulgation of such opinions as are held by Bro. Morecombe are calculated to do incalculable injury to the craft of Masonry. Some brethren may accept his dictum, and the effect will be to harden their hearts against all good things, which only such comments as those in the CRAFTSMAN may counteract.—Yours fraternally, OPTIMIST.

BIOGRAPHICAL.



R.W. BRO. A. W; FLETT, PROV.G.M. OF OTAGO.

Our R.W. brother was initiated into Freemasonry on 10th August, 1899, in Otago Kil. Lodge, No. 417, S.C. ; was passed in September, and raised in October ; was first elected to office in 1900 as I.G., and subsequently served in several of the subordinate offices; was S.W. when a majority of the members of the Lodge decided to transfer allegiance to the G.L. of New Zealand. He was installed as W.M. in 1905; elected G.S., 1908; G.D. of C. in 1912; and was appointed Prov.G.M. in May last by M.W. Bro. Oliver Nicholson, G.M.

Bro. Flett is possessed of a very active and energetic disposition, and whatever his hand findeth to do he doeth with all his might. It may confidently be anticipated that he will fully maintain the high traditions established by his predecessors.



R.W. BRO. A. W. FLETT, PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER OF OTAGO.

A UNIQUE MASONIC GATHERING.

On Wednesday, 21st June, there was held within the locality occupied by the New Zealand Division, British Expeditionary Force, "somewhere in France," a meeting of Freemasons which should certainly find a place amongst the various unique gatherings which have from time to time been recorded in connection with the Craft. This meeting was held within a short distance of the enemy's lines and within range of his guns, and during the transaction of the business there could plainly be heard the boom of the artillery and the rattle of the machine guns.

About ninety Lodges were represented, and a considerable amount of enthusiasm prevailed amongst the brethren at the opportunity of being able to meet together. The convener of the meeting, R.W. Bro. Major G. Barclay, who was voted to the chair, explained that the meeting had been convened as the result of a brief discussion amongst several brethren on the possibility of organising an informal gathering of members of the craft. The notice had been short, and a difficulty had been experienced in getting into touch with a good many members of the order, but, notwithstanding these drawbacks, it was gratifying to observe the large attendance. It was recognised that a large proportion must generally be on duty in the trenches, but they would all agree that it was a very fine thing indeed that the Freemasons from New Zealand should have the opportunity of fraternising together.

The following resolution was carried unanimously :-

" That this meeting of Freemasons, held 'somewhere in France' within a short distance of the enemy lines and within range of his guns, and composed of brethren serving in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, representing many Lodges and the various Constitutions in the Dominion, send greetings to their brethren and best wishes for continued success of the various Lodges."

It was decided that copies be printed and supplied to brethren for the purpose of forwarding to their various Lodges.

It was resolved to compile a roll of Freemasons serving with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, and a vote of sympathy was passed in the case of two brethren recently killed in action—viz., Bro. Lieut. J. Short, of Lodge Otago, No. 844, E.C., and Bro. Lieut. G. S. Lavie, of Lodge St. Albans, E.C., Christchurch, the same to be conveyed to the respective Lodges named.

A representative committee, to make arrangements for the holding of future gatherings, was set up, Bro. Rev. G. Malden being appointed as secretary.

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN—GREETINGS :

The following letter has been sent to the Sup.G.R.A. Chapter of Scotland :—

1st. May, 1916.

Mr. Alfred A. A. Murray, G.S.E.,
Sup. G.R.A. Chapter of Scotland,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

My Dear Companion,—I beg to officially call your attention to the following action of the G.R.A. Chapter of South Carolina :—

At the Annual Grand Convocation of the G.R.A. Chapter of South Carolina, held in the city of Charleston, on the 11th day of April, 1916, the Grand High Priest proposed the following recommendation :-

" That all fraternal relations with the Grand Chapter of Scotland be severed, and recognition of said body be refused, until such time as they recognise the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter of the United States over the territory in question (Philippine Islands), and also take proper steps to rectify the wrong they have done in invading its territory. Further, that our G.Sec. be directed to notify the G.Sec. of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland the action of this Grand Body."

This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, which reported as follows :-

We rejoice to note that this Grand Jurisdiction is in complete harmony with other Grand Jurisdictions, with one notable exception—viz., the Sup. G.R.A. Chapter of Scotland, as outlined in the address of M.E. G. High Priest. The statement of our G. High Priest renders some action on our part necessary. We therefore recommend that all fraternal relations with the Grand Chapter of Scotland be severed, and recognition of said body be refused, until such time as they recognise the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter of the United States over the territory in question (Philippine Islands), -and also take proper steps to rectify the wrong they have done in invading its territory.

This report was adopted by the Grand Chapter, and you will, therefore, take due notice thereof and govern yourself accordingly.—Fraternally yours,

O. FRANK HART, G. Sec.

HOW SECRET OF TEMPERING ANCIENT BRONZE WAS LOST.

[Masonic tradition says the knowledge perished with Hiram Abif, one of the master builders of King Solomon's Temple.]

When King Solomon had reached a certain stage in the building of the Temple of Jerusalem, he wanted the help of metal workers, for his people knew little of that art. Therefore he sent to his neighbour, Hiram, King of Tyre, traditional descendant of Tubal Cain, the pioneer of workers in brass and iron. Brass in those days was not brass as it is understood now, but properly bronze. So King Hiram sent his master of craft, one Hiram Abif.

The Bible relates that "he was a widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali, and his father was a man of Tyre, a worker in brass, and he was filled with wisdom and understanding, and cunning to work all works in brass."

Masonry holds Hiram Abif as its founder, and Masonic tradition has it that this master metal worker never returned to Tyre, but instead was murdered by jealous artisans in Solomon's service.

It seems that Solomon wanted Hiram Abif to teach one of his men how to fashion and to mix that wonderful bronze, so that he, too, should have a master of the craft in his own kingdom. News of this came to the ears of a lesser artisan, who also had aspirations. Therefore when the temple was finished and the night before the man of Tyre was to return to his native city, he was waylaid and murdered after refusing to divulge the secret of his cunning.

From that day on, the tradition is, no more of that wonderful material was made, but existing bronze implements were melted up and worked over from time to time that weapons might be fashioned for the fighting MOIL. The warlike Joshua, who led the Israelites into the land of promise, captured and sacked many cities. His orders were first to take all brass (bronze) that could be found, then to appropriate all women of child-bearing age, and next to garner what gold there was to be had.—"The Master Mason."

A PRESENTATION IN THE "FOURTH" DEGREE AT LODGE TUTANEKAI.

In order to obtain a desk on which to place the library register (Lodge Tutanekai has now a library in full working order), the librarian, Bro. Jones, at the last meeting of the Lodge, adopted the somewhat novel method of presenting the Tools in the "Fourth" to a skilled brother for the purpose. The following is a copy which I hope you will insert in the CRAFTSMAN :— "Bro. Potts—By the WM.'S command I present to you the Working Tools of the Operative Freemason, deputed on the present occasion to fix a desk for the use of the librarian. They are the screwdriver, bracket, and screw. The screwdriver is the first instrument put into the hand of the Operative Freemason to enable him to drive the screws which are destined to hold the bracket supporting the desk, thus enabling the librarian to make level entries. The bracket is an important instrument of support, and highly esteemed by all Craftsmen for its bearing capacity. Though recognised by various workmen under different forms, it is yet admitted by them all that no shelf is safe without its assistance, and the largest scaffolds have been indebted to its aid. The screw is a small instrument, though spiral in its form, and of such exquisite holding power as fully to compensate for the diminutiveness of its size. But, as we are not all Operative, but Free and Accepted or

Speculative Masons, we regard these emblems in this way : That as the screwdriver is used to drive the screws, it reminds us that it is only by constant and sustained efforts that success is achieved. The bracket reminds us that in all our trials a brother to confide in makes our sorrows less. The screw teaches us that we should be content to perform our allotted tasks in life modestly and well. From the whole we come to this conclusion : That persuasive influence, combined with reliable support and holding power, backed by the enthusiasm of the brethren, will alone make Tutaneikai library a success."

A MONUMENT TO PLACE.

PROPOSAL FOR CO-ORDINATION.

An idea of same value and interest was put forward at his installation in Christchurch recently by W.M., Bro. L. B. Hart, of Avon Lodge, whereby the coming of peace, so ardently hoped for by all, might be fittingly solemnised by the Masonic Lodges of the Dominion. In effect, he proposed that the best tribute to a world peace would be an amalgamation of all the Lodges in New Zealand under the one jurisdiction of New Zealand G.L.

In making the suggestion, Bro. Hart, W.M., said that he would refrain from any special reference to what he hoped to accomplish during the incoming year in Avon Lodge. He, of course, felt confident in relying on the support of his officers, and was satisfied that good work would be done. There was, however, a bigger and broader question affecting Masonry to which he would like to make some reference. This was the manner in which this war might be expected to influence Masonry. Recently W. Bro. E. Nordon had given them a lecture in their Lodge in which he referred to the efforts that were being made by Bro. Pitts, of Palestine Lodge, to secure the unity not only of the Masonic Lodges of the United States, but throughout the world. It was generally felt that a big call would be made upon Masonry after this war was over, and special opportunities would occur for promoting unity and co-operation between the Lodges of some nations. Without going into that matter, however, he would confine himself to the opportunity that would be presented to New Zealand when peace was declared. It was earnestly hoped that this would be a consummation of the comparatively near future, and some W.Ms. had stated that if it came in their year they intended to have some special social function by way of commemoration. He fully appreciated and endorsed that idea, but at the same time he felt that something larger and nobler should be done, that would form a permanent monument of so great an occasion. They could now see "the handwriting on the wall" as to the ultimate end of the war, and now was the time that steps should be taken to effect a consolidation of the various constitutions working in the Dominion under the one banner of the New Zealand Constitution. This would effectively promote that unity, the necessity for which had emerged as the one great lesson of the war, and would, he thought, form the very best monument to peace that the Masonic Order could erect.

COMBINED INSTALLATION OF THE THREE WELLINGTON CITY R.A. CHAPTERS.

The ceremony under the above caption, which appears to have developed into an annual Masonic fixture, was held in the Brooklyn Masonic Hall on the 12th September. The Principals of Hinemoa Chapter presided at the opening, V.E. Comp. J. Reid occupying the chair of Z. The attendance of each Chapter was good, and there was a strong representation from Sup.G. Chapter, which included M.E. Comps. Rev. T. Porritt, G. Supt., J. J. Esson, P.G.Z., H. J. Williams, G.S.E., V.E. Comps. E. H. Seaton, Chairman of Sup. Committee, C. N. Nielsen, G. Registrar, C. H. Dement, P.A.G.Sd.B., and others.

V.E. Comp. Surgeon-General Henderson, P.G., Chancellor of the Dist.G. Chapter of Scottish Freemasonry for all India, was also an honoured guest.

The ceremony of installing the Principals and investing the officers was conducted by M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt, G. Supt., ably assisted by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, who installed the Second Principals and gave the final address to companions, M.E. Comp. J. J. Esson, who installed the Third Principals, V.E. Comp. C. H. Dement, who addressed the office-bearers, and V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton, who acted most efficiently as G.D. of C. and

addressed the 1st Prin. At the conclusion of the ceremony refreshments were served, and subsequently the usual R.A. Masonic and other toasts were honoured. In response to the toast of his health V.E. Comp. Henderson gave some most interesting particulars of R.A. Masonic work in India. The following are the names of the officers invested :-

WATERLOO, No. 2.—1st Prin., E. Comp. C. B. Harton ; 2nd Prin., V.E. Comp. C. W. Nielsen; 3rd Prin., E. Comp. J. W. Ellison ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. J. McLachlan ; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. R. J. Shakes ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. S. P. Curtis ; S.E., V.E. Comp. H. B. Bridge ; S.N., E. Camp. W. Berry ; Supt. of Works, V.E. Comp. J. Rod ; Organist, E. Camp. B. W. Blakeley.

BROOKLYN, No. 24.—Z., E. Comp. T. E. Burgess ; H., E. Comp. S. J. Moncrieff ; J., E. Camp. S. M. Arms!. D. of C., V.E. Comp. C. J. Norwood S.E., E. Comp. G. F. Lenzini ; S.N., E. Comp. E. Campbell ; Treas., E. Comp. C. C. Odlin ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. A. Schmidt; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. W. J. Westwood ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. F. J. Armstrong ; Janitor, E. Comp. J. W. Richardson.

HINEMOA, No. 25.—Z., E. Comp. E. Robertson ; H., E. Comp. S. Martin, J. ; J., E. Comp. Rev. Knowles-Smith; Supt. of Works, V.E. Comp. J. Reid, Z. ; S.E., V.E. Comp. H. Ivory, P.Z. ; S.N., E. Comp. C. Pettersson, S.N. ; Treas., V.E. Comp. Shand, P.Z. ; Organist, E. Camp. Blakeley ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. E. Morris ; 2nd Soj., Comp. J. Sexton ; 3rd Soj., Comp. J. Melville ; Janitor, Comp. G. Muir,

R.W. BRO. GEO. BARCLAY, P.G.W., VISITS THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND.

R.W. Bro. G. Barclay, writing from France, says :-"During a recent brief visit which I paid to London, I found time to call at Freemasons' Hall, in Great Queen Street, where I was most cordially received, and found much to interest me. One great pleasure was meeting the veteran G. Sec. of the G.L. of England, Bro. Sir Edward Letchworth. In Dr. Hammond, the Librarian of G.L., I found a brother who was brimming over with enthusiasm for his work. He gave me a considerable amount of his time in showing and explaining the varied collection of old Masonic books, documents, prints, etc. The museum, which is also under the charge of Dr. Hammond, contains a wonderful assortment of Masonic curios, the collections of jewels, medals, old Masonic china, and of aprons and other clothing of all ages and all countries, being particularly fine. My great regret was that the time at my disposal prevented me from getting more than a hurried glance at what was shown to me. I had also the pleasure of meeting W. Bro. W. J. Longhurst, the Secretary of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge. Here, also, I found a Masonic collection of very high merit. As is well known, Bro. Longhurst is an enthusiast, and is never happier than when exhibiting or explaining any part of his interesting and varied collection."

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J. W. Jack, A. H. Coward, Jas. Robertson 10/-, G. Allport, F. Aston 6/8, A. de B. Brandon 17/6, E. B. Blundell 17/6, W. Beck 9/2, C. H. Dement, J. A. Fraser, D. Gilchrist 47/6, J. Godber 17/6, Chas. Hain 27/6, G. E. Hood 10/-, W. Hildreth 17/6, H. Ivory 17/6, J. W. James 10/-, T. Kingston 17/6, R. C. Kirk 17/6, E. Morris, junr., C. J. B. Norwood 45/-, E. Norton, D. S. Patrick 17/6, J. R. Palmer 15/-, G. G. Schwartz, W. P. Sommerville, G. Stafford, R. H. Wilson 15/-, H. W. Preston, J. Moncrieff, W. C. Robinson, T. H. Gill, General Henderson 17/6, J. D. M. Georgeson 37/6 (Wellington), A. Sanford 12/6, H. Pearce 12/6, J. French, C. N. Finer 6/-, T. Trembath (Frankton), A. Moody, Geo. Rogers 17/6 (Hamilton), C. B. Gentil 20/- (Paeroa), Dr. A. A. Martin 20/-, W. A. Browning 17/6, W. F. Cloughton 6/3, D. E. Dustin, W. F. Durward 20/-, J. H. Fletcher 10/-, A. W. Gallichan 20/-, A. J. Graham 20/-, R. Hardie 20/-, T. A. Moodie 17/6, J. Mounsey 31/8, J. A. Nash 17/6, S. W. Oliver 17/6, C. Pike 17/6, K. Ross 34/2, W. C. Turner 20/-, J. Whalley, sear., 5/-, John S. Fletcher 2/6 (Palmerston North), Jas. Manchester, A. Colville, D. A. Fulton, A. J. Hosking, R. Hutt, C. R. Bateman (Waimate), R. Mangin 20/- (Featherston), A. W. Bussey 28/- (Henderson), F. H. Sims 13/4 (Ongarue), F. W. Brown (Mataura), E. Boshier (Makino), J. Teasdale (Greymouth), E. Parker 40/-, A. W. Oxley, S. F. Bolton, Southern Star Lodge, L. Reynolds 10/- (Nelson), H. A. Morris (Petone), J. A. Bailey 42/6 (Kimbolton), A. J. Gibbs 65/-, E. Healey 17/6, J. K. Hornblow 34/2, J. Ross 27/6, J. W. Stevenson, H. Berry (Foxton), T. Brown, J. Bagrie 17/6, F. W. Jones 5/10, J. Malcolm 10/-, J.

McIntyre 17/6, J. W. Middlemiss, J. G. Roe 17/6, A. Thorne 61/8, J. Whitaker 17/6, A. L. Williams 17/6, W. E. Axup, A. J. Harding, H. J. Richards 10/- (Levin), Wm. Vickers 61/8 (Shannon), Eli Allen 47/6 (Te Horo), R. F. Polkinghorn 24/2 (Waihi), H. J. Petch (Inglewood), E. G. Brown 5/10, E. G. Wood 2/6 (Granity), T. D. Pearson (Balclutha), A. James 10/- (Taihape), Dr. Ross 20/-, R. Wylie (Petone), E. Worner 8/4 (Auckland), J. Walker (Taumarunui), S. Rogers (Kohukohu), F. Marshall (Miramar), G. Logan 10/-, J. Brown 17/6, D. G. Anderson 1/8, J. H. Fraser 3/4, C. Griffiths 25/10, T. Halligan 3/4, M. Lightfoot. 17/6, C. H. Mills 5/-, M. McKenzie, A. Weaver 24/-, T. H. Andrews (Blenheim), H. E. Burgess 26/8, W. M. Beck 17/6 (Gisborne), F. A. Kemp (Orepuki), W. S. Scott 11/8, P. Rush, W. Catho, A. E. King (Wanganui), J. Bowes, J. Johnstone, J. W. McDougall, H. F. Funke 8/4, L. Freedman, J. W. Bishop, D. H. Davis 11/8, R. Bishop 17/6, H. H. Clegg, H. E. K. Bourgeois 8/4 ((Napier), G. Taylor (Port Ahuriri), H. Match (Lynwood, Lumsden), W. Stewart (Dipton), G. E. Fowler (Balfour), J. R. Thomson (Caroline), G. W. Smith (Wairoa), J. Lipscombe (Invercargill), S. H. Conder, E. T. Costello, H. Crass, D. Hebenton, J. B. Henry, F. G. Holloway, F. J. Hunn 10/-, C. D. King 20/-, S. D. Pearce, O. N. E. Pragnell, R. J. Young, J. L. Hughes, W. E. Chunn, E. H. Morton 17/6 (Masterton), R. J. Foss (Carterton), R. Jamieson, J. S. Douglas, A. Allan, J. R. Rogerson, A. Fieldwick, T. Gallagher, C. L. W. Lischner, P. McCaskill (Dunedin), S. C. Bingham, A. C. Hullett, J. Thornton 10/- (Christchurch), C. P. Spackman (Paterson, New Jersey, U.S.A.), J. Furneaux (Lyttelton).

(All 7/6 except those noted)

Reports.

[Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Taringatura, No. 100.—The monthly meeting on 11th September was particularly well attended, and a very full order paper was submitted. A large budget of correspondence was dealt with, the final accounts for the financial year passed for payment, and a deserving appeal from a Southland Lodge favourably considered. The consideration of the latest War Benevolent Fund circular was deferred till next meeting, but it was resolved that, in aid of the Annuity Fund, the widows' mite levy of one shilling per member annually be again resorted to, with an additional subsidy from the Lodge funds. One candidate was proposed, and two were balloted for and accepted. Nominations for office were then received. For the position of W.M., there were two names proposed—those of the present W.M. and the S.W. For each of the other offices only one name was submitted. The special business was the raising of one brother. The ceremony was carefully performed by the W.M., Bro. D. Walker, assisted by W. Bros. Campbell (Retro.), Graham (Exhort.), Johnson. (T.H. and Secrets), Clark (Ancient Charge and presentation of V.S.L.), while Bro. S. E. Griffiths, J.W., presented the W.Ts. There was passed a motion of sympathy with a brother who has for some months been ill, and has had to undergo a severe surgical operation. M.M. certificates were presented to three brethren, and it was resolved that Lodge circulars be hereafter posted to the brethren in carefully sealed envelopes. W. Bro. Sec. presented to the Lodge library a beautifully bound copy of Waite's "Secret Tradition in Freemasonry," in two volumes. This gift was suitably acknowledged. After a strenuous evening's work the Lodge closed at 11.20 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Otago, No. 7.— The last regular meeting of our current term was held in the Masonic Hall, King Street, Dunedin, on 13th September. W. Bro. E. T. Moller, W.M. was honoured with a large attendance of visiting brethren. There were some forty P.Ms. on the dais, amongst whom were three P.Prov.G.Ms. The work was to raise two F.Cs. The ceremony was conducted by the W.M., who also obligated the candidate; W. Bro. R. Macadam gave the first part of the Exhortation, and W. Bro. C. H. Pinel rendered the second part; R.W. Bro. A. Fieldwick gave the Light Charge; W. Bro. D. C. Cameron communicated the Secrets and Signs; R.W. Bro. J. Quaille recited the T.H. ; V.W. Bro. Rev. H. C. Fenton explained the G. or R. Signs; W. BM. J. C. Easton presented the W.Ts. ; and W. Bro. J. R.

Rodgers, I.P.M., delivered the Final Charge. The election of officers for ensuing year was then held, Bro. J. W. Hardy, S.W. being unanimously elected as W.M. In conveying H.G.W. the visitors all referred to the large attendance of visitors as being an expression of their appreciation of the able manner Bro. Moller, the W.M., had carried out his duties, especially in fraternally visiting sister Lodges of all constitutions.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Kurow, No. 164.—On 31st August an emergency meeting was held, when one brother was raised to the high and sublime degree by dispensation. There was a very good attendance, and W. Bro. Ayson, assisted by his officers and P.Ms., carried out the ceremony in a fitting manner. The meeting closed at 9.30.

On 7th September the Masonic Hall was crowded to its holding capacity, the occasion being the installation of Bro. Hugh Barkley, S.W. There were over thirty visitors present, and we were honoured by R.W. Bro. Flett, P.G.M., from Dunedin. The installation ceremony was carried out by W. Bro. H. M. Roxby, P.M., of Lodge Waitaki, No. 11. W. Bro. H. G. Deal, P.M., invested the officers, while the duties of D. of C. were carried out by R.W. Bro. D. Millen, P.M. ; and Bro. R. J. Meldrum, of Lodge Waitaki, No. 11, presided at the organ with his usual ability. There was, for a country Lodge, a record number of P.Ms. present, something like twenty, exclusive of G.L. officers. W. Bro. H. Barkley, with his complete staff of officers (five being P.Ms.), we all feel sure, will have a happy and prosperous year of office. The banquet was held in Munro's Hall, and seventy-two brethren were present. Lodge Waitaki, No. 11; Lodge Oamaru, No. 82; Lodge Ngapara, No. 68; Lodge St. Augustine, No. 99 ; Lodge Waimate, and Lodge Mackenzie, Fairlie, were all well represented. H.G.W. from Lodge Concord were conveyed by one of its members ; also letters of good wishes and fraternal greetings were received from W. Bro. J. J. Gouldy, W.M., and W. Bro. W. B. Munn, P.M. (both of Lodge Amuri, No. 184) ; also from Lodge Otenaki, Ashhurst. During the evening the brethren at the front were duly honoured. Thus ended a record meeting for Lodge Kurow, about eight crowded motor cars leaving at 12.30 a.m. for Oamaru, Ngapara, and Waimate.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

Southern Cross, No. 6.—The regular meeting was held at Kaiapoi on 7th September. The W.M., Bro. T. Hoskin, presided over a good attendance of members. After the business of the Lodge had been disposed of, visitors representing Lodges from all quarters of the South Island were admitted. The W.M., officers and brethren of Lodge Ashley paid an official visit. The work was the raising of a brother. The W.M. obligated the candidate ; W. Bro. Gribble delivered the Exhortation; and R.W. Bro. Broadley (brother of the candidate) continued the work to the raising on the F.P. of F. The W.M. then resumed the work, and communicated the Secrets. After the investiture by the S.W., W. Bro. Stanton continued the T.H., and also explained the further signs; the S.D., Bro. Garnett, presented the W.Ts. ; and the S.W. gave the Charge after Initiation; W. Bro. Gribble delivered the Final Charge; after which the W.M. presented the candidate with the V.S.L. on which he had taken his O.S. The work all through was carried out in a very efficient manner, as was testified by the visitors. After the Lodge was closed the brethren retired to the refectory, where an enjoyable and social hour was spent, and the W.M. and P.Ms. of Lodge Southern Cross expressed their pleasure at the attendance of the number of visitors. Still another member of Southern Cross, Lieut. Stark, is about to leave for the front, and the brethren all wish him Godspeed and a safe return.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Concord, No. 39.—The regular monthly meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Pananui, on 23rd August, 1916. Bro. North, W.M., presided, there being a good attendance of members and visitors from sister Lodges. It was decided to revert to the prewar custom of having liquor at our "Fourth," on the motion of Bro. Snoad, seconded by Bro. Webley. Three propositions for membership were received. The degree work for the evening was the passing of a brother. The W.M. obligated our brother, and communicated the S. T. and W. ; Bro. Francis, S.W., invested the brother with the F.C. badge; the Charge after Investiture was rendered by W. Bro. Cederman, W.M. Canterbury Kil., No. 23 ; the S.E. Charge was given by Bro. Nicholas, J.W. ; the W.Ts. were explained by W. Bro. Wilson, I.P.M. ; and the Final Charge was rendered by Bro. Francis, S.W. We were pleased to have one of our late P.Ms. (who recently removed to the North Island) with us on this occasion, viz., W. Bro. Laurie, who was down on his annual holiday. After the Lodge had been closed in due form a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly meeting was held on 22nd August, W. Bro. W. E. Kiddey, W.M., presiding. A brother was raised to the degree of a M.M. The candidate was obligated by the W.M., who also related the Exhortation and first portion of the T.H. ; the Charge on Investiture was given by W. Bro. Parks, P.M. ; the T.H. was resumed by:W. Bro. Hopkinson, P.M. ; the T.B. was explained by W. Bro. J. W. Roberts, P.M. ; and the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Kirker, W.M., Robert Burns Lodge. Nominations were taken for Prov.G.L., and after the Lodge had been closed in due form a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Robert Burns, No. 139.—There was a large attendance at the Masonic Hall, Christchurch, on 15th August, when Bro. Thos. Kirker was installed in the chair of K.S. W. Bro. R. H. Taylor, W.M., presided, and after the transaction of formal business R.W. Bro. John Thornton, Prov.G.M., accompanied by officers of P.G.L., were received. R.W. Bro. Bingham, D.G.M., was then received, together with G.L. officers. W. Bro. Taylor presented the Master-elect, who took the usual obligation. A B. of I.M. being opened, Bro. T. Kirker was installed in the chair of K.S. by R.W. Bro. John Thornton, while Bro. A. H. Hobbs, G.Supt. of Works, presented the W.Ts. A duet, " Watchman, What of the Night?" was very acceptably rendered by Bros. C. H. Taylor and A. L. Cropp. After the M.Ms. were re-admitted, W. Bro. Kennett, W.M. Canterbury Lodge, presented the W.Ts. of the Third Degree; W. Bro. R F. Henderson, W.M. Tawera Lodge, those of the Second Degree ; and W. Bro. Bottrell, W.M. Civic Lodge, those of the First Degree. The Prov.G.M. then presented the Warrant, Constitution and By-laws, and addressed the newly-installed W.M. The S.W., Bro. T. W. N. Wilson, and J.W., Bro. A. Hunter, were then invested by R.W. Bro. W. Broad-ley, P.G.W., President Prov.B.G.P., and they were addressed-by W. Bro. R. Baldwin, P.Prov.G.W. The remainder of the officers, viz., D.M., W. Bro. J. C. Watson ; Chaplain, W. Bro. H. Wyatt; Tress., Bro. John Robinson ; J.D., Bro. G. A. Blacknore ; D. of C., W. Bro. R. W. Brighting; I.G., Bro. W. E. Rogers ; Ss., Bros. D. H. Waugh, L. W. Ormandy, R. Maclachlan, and L. A. Shand; Tyler, R.W. Bro. H. F. Arnold—were then invested by W. Bro. J. N. Du Feu, P.G.D.C., Prov.S.G.W. Bro. T. Macrae, S.D. (being absent on active service), and W. Bro. T. Newburgh (who was absent through illness), were not invested. The brethren were then addressed by W. Bro. J. C. Watson, P.D., Prov.G.M. A collection taken up among the brethren in aid of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund realised the sum of £10. A handsome P.M.'s jewel was presented to W. Bro. R. H. Taylor, I.P.M. on behalf of the members of Robert Burns Lodge, by R.W. Prov. G.M., in a happy little speech, and W. Bro. Taylor suitably responded. After the Lodge was closed, an adjournment was made to the refectory, where the usual pleasant time was spent, several of the musical brethren contributing. The Robert Burns Lodge has reason to be proud of its brethren's response to the Empire's call, six members to date having proceeded to the front, one of whom (Bro. J. Douds) has paid the supreme sacrifice, whilst one brother has returned wounded.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

The regular meeting was held on 19th September, W. Bro. T. Kirker, W.M., in the chair. The report of the auditors was received and adopted, and showed the Lodge to be in a very healthy state. Several nominations were received for offices in Prov.G.L. After the routine business, two brethren were passed, the W.M. being assisted during the course of the ceremony by W. Bro. R. M. Eastwood (Charge after Investiture); W. Bro. Bottrell, W.M. Civic Lodge (W.Ts.); Bro. A. Hunter. J.W. (Charge in S.E. Corner) and Bro. T. W. N. Wilson, S.W. (Charge after Prep.). This concluded the work of the evening, and after H.G.W. had been received, the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where the time was passed in the usual hearty Robert Burns manner.—(Lodge Correspondent.)

Avon, No. 185.—With an attendance of nearly 250 brethren and visitors, the installation of Bro. L. B. Hart, W.M., on 7th September, set a main which shows that the new Temple and refectory are by no means too big for the Craft of Christchurch. The Temple was a picture with every seat occupied. M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, P.G.M., and officers of G.L., R.W. Bro. John Thornton, Prov.G.M., and officers of Prov.G.L., and W. Bro. N. L. Macbeth (in the unavoidable absence of R.W. Bro. M. E. Brown, Dist.G.M.), and officers of Dist.G.L. of Canterbury, E.C., all attended, and made an imposing array on the dais. The Lodge was tyled at 6.30, with W. Bro. J. R. Buchanan in the chair, and after visitors from all the city and many of the country Lodges had been received, the Lodge adjourned to the Second Degree. Bro. L. B. Hart was presented and installed in the E. The obligation having been given, a double quartette by Lodge members was given with fine effect, after which a B. of I.M. was opened by R.W. Bro. J. Thornton, Prov.G.M. The presentation of W.Ts. of an I.M. was given by W. Bro. G. R. Hadfield, P.Prov.P.B.B. Brethren having been re-admitted, the W.Ts. in the three. Degrees were presented by W. Bro. Dr.

W. Patterson, I.P.M. (Lodge Winchetser), W. Bro. F. J. Lemon (W.M. Lodge Waihora), and W. Bro. T. H. North (W.M. Concord Lodge). The Constitution, Warrant, etc., were presented by M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, P.P.M. and the address to the Master was given by R.W. Bro. W. Giskins (Mt. Somers). The investiture of Wardens and officers was carried out by W. Bro. E. Nordon, P.G.P., and the address to the Wardens was given by W. Bro. J. N. Du Feu, P.G.D.C., Prov.S.G.W. The brethren were addressed by W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs, G.Supt. of Works, after which the sum of £16 25. 6d. was collected for the W. and O. and A.M. Fund, the appeal for which was made by R.W. Bro. W. Giskins. The celebration in the "Fourth" will long be memorable in local annals. Tables laden for 190 simply melted under the assault of 250, but still there was enough for all, and it was not hunger which caused the last gallant band of forty to disperse slightly before 2 a.m. A complete and artistic toast list was provided and accorded full justice, but space limitations forbid an attempt to do literary justice to it. In proposing the toast of the W.M.-elect, R.W. Bro. J. Thornton mentioned that he had known W. Bro. Hart's father, one of the early pioneers, intimately, and he knew that the son would be a worthy successor to a worthy parent. The Master-elect, in replying, was in happy vein, and scored many facetious hits, not the least being a very successful play upon words. Recently, Civic Lodge, he said, had had the honour of raising and passing a "mare" (the Mayor of the City), but their I.P.M. had initiated, and he hoped to have the honour of raising and passing a "whale" (Bro. C. K. Whale). Brethren rocked for five minutes over this sally. In serious vein, W. Bro. Hart specially thanked the large number of visitors for their attendance, particularly those who had come from so far afield as Pleasant Point, Timaru, Geraldine, Mt. Somers, Hastings, Temuka, Lincoln, Leeston, and Oxford. Reference was made to the death of W. Bros. Farrell and Walker and the departure for camp of W. Bros. Vincent and Murphy, and hope expressed that by reason of these losses the remaining members would stick still more closely to their Lodge. A splendid musical programme was provided from the Lodge members, who are, as was stated in Lodge by M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, "famed for their harmony."

NELSON AND MARLBOROUGH.

Victory, No. 40.—There was a large gathering of brethren at the regular meeting on the 14th inst., W. Bro. J. L. Ching being in the chair. The Second Degree was conferred on R.W. Bro. W. Moyes, and W. Bros. E. J. Thomas and R. A. Scott assisted in the work. Support was given to the recent general circular appeal. It was decided to forward some Christmas cheer to three brethren on active service. Ballots were taken on behalf of two candidates, who were re-elected. There was one proposition for membership, and three for affiliation, viz., W. Bro. A. W. Oxley, P.M. Lodge Dunedin, No. 931, E.C. ; Bro. W. C. Hyde, Lodge Moutoa, No. 195; and Bro. Geo. Stratford, Lodge Manawatu Kil., No. 47. The Lodge has been kept extremely busy of late, and is finding a difficulty in coping with the work. The present position is : Two candidates are awaiting ballots, three are seeking admission by affiliation, three are to take the First Degree this month, one awaits his Second Degree, and three the Third, a total of twelve. This brings the roll to 106. The vocal and instrumental strength is above the ordinary standard, so that the "Fourth" is well catered for. Bros. P. C. McLaren, 53. Nelson, and V. J. Blake-Huffam are on service. W. Bro. A. E. Hedges, I.P.M., is in camp at Trentham, and Bro. A. J. Pellew has registered for service.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Unanimity, No. 106.—The annual festival recurred on 10th August, and the W.M., Bro. C. A. Eckford, presided at the opening. The attendance as usual was good. The Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills, attended by a number of present and past G. officers, was received with the usual honours, and conducted the ceremony of installation. The W.M.-elect, Bro. A. Weaver, was presented by W. Bro. Geo. Logan, G.D. of C., and after assenting to the Ancient Charge, was obligated, and brethren below the rank of I.M. retired. A B. of I.M. having been formed, Bro. Weaver was duly installed by the Prov.G.M. according to ancient custom. On the readmission of brethren the usual proclamations and salutes were given, and the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. Aubrey, Scott and Reid. The Charter, Constitution and By-laws were presented by W. Bro. W. J. Girling, and the address to the Master was given by W. Bro. J. Brown. W. Bro. R. P. Furness invested Bro. T. F. Bull as S.W., and Bro. H. R. Bagge as J.W., and W. Bro. Boyce charged them as to their duties. The following officers were invested by W. Bros. Nosworthy and McKinley :—Treas. W. Bro. J. M. Lightfoot, P.G.St.B. ; Sec., W. Bro. F. W. Smith ; S.D., BIN). W. M. Lamhie ; J.D., Bro. E. Middlemiss ; D. of C. W. Bro. W. T. Girling, G. Supt. of W. Chaplain, Bro. B. F. Bothwell ; I.G., Bro. A. Adams ; Ss., Bros. G. W. Harvey and C. A. Rabbits ; Tyler, Bro. J. H. Foster. R.W. Bro. Mills gave

the concluding address to the Master. On the adjournment of the Lodge refreshments were served in the refectory, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

HAWKES BAY.

Bedford, No. 25.—There was a fair attendance of brethren at the meeting held on the 16th August, to witness the ceremony of initiation. The W.M. (Bro. W. M. L. Williams) administered the Obligation, and W. Bro. Gore Entrusted the candidate; Investiture, W. Bro. Booth; Charity Charge, W. Bro. Storah; R. for Prep., Bro. Gay, I.G.; the W.Ts. were presented by Bro. H. S. Newling, J.W., and the Final Charge was delivered by W. Bro. Booth. A circular general appeal was supported by the usual donation. During the evening a pleasant surprise was sprung on the Lodge by Bro. S.D. in the presentation of six handsome volumes of "The History of Freemasonry," by R. F. Gould, on behalf of R.W. Bro. Thos. Hobson, one of Bedford's P.Ms., and a P.P.G.M. of Hawkes Bay. The gift will make a fine addition to the Lodge library, and was much appreciated. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the donor, and Bro. Secretary was requested to have the donor's name inscribed in each volume with date of presentation. This will serve to remind the brethren of the very able services rendered to Freemasonry in this district by R.W. Bro. Hobson, whose experiences date back to the time when there were few, if any, bridges across the neighbouring streams, and he and his associates had oftentimes to ride fourteen or fifteen miles and ford flooded creeks and rivers in order to keep the flag flying—and they did it, and counted it an honour to be thus privileged. The very fine example set should prove an inspiration to the younger generation, who in comparison to those strenuous days appear to have struck a "soft patch." Two W. brethren were elected to the Central United Board of Enquiry as Bedford's representatives, and it is hoped that this Board will receive the sympathy and confidence it deserves. In the "Fourth" the brethren were entertained with songs and recitations, and departed for their homes well pleased.— [Chapter Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

Abercorn, No. 76.— The annual installation was held on 5th September, and proved to be one of the most successful functions in the history of the Lodge. A large number of distinguished brethren, including M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, G.M., and R.W. Bro. Murdock McLean, Prov.G.M., came from Auckland to take part in the proceedings, and the Lodgeroom was taxed to its utmost capacity. The ceremony of installing R.W. Bro. G. L. Bull as W.M. was performed by R.W. Bro. M. McLean, Prov.G.M., assisted by W. Bro. W. R. Leighton, G.D. of C. ; R.W. Bro. T. Ellery, S.C., and W. Bro. Primrose, E.C., presented the W.M.-elect, and W. Bro. J. J. Uridge, W.M. Turanganui Lodge, and W. Bro. Fraser, W.M. Montrose Lodge, made the rest of the presentation. The W.Ts. in the various degrees were presented by W. Bro. W. Fraser, R.W. Bro. T. Ellery. and W. Bro. Uridge. The Address to the W.M. was given by R.W. Bro. M. McLean; to the Wardens by R.W. Bro. M. J. Harris, S.G.W., and to the brethren by M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, G.M. The W.M. invested W. Bro. A. B. Gilmour as I.P.M., and W. Bro. W. F. J. Anderson invested the other officers as follows :—S.W., Bro. C. Blackburn; J.W., Bro. W. Ross; Chaplain, V.W. Rev. H. Packe; Treas., W. Bro. Woodward; Sec., W. Bro. D. G. Robertson; D. of C., W. Bro. J. S. Allan; Organist, W. Bro. A. T. Hookey; S.D., Bro. C. Matthews; J.D., Bro. Ralph Grant; I.G., Bro. Muir; S.S., Bro. H. E. Burgess; Asst.Ss., Bros. F. Foote, C. H. Cornish, and L. J. Carmine. After giving his address to the brethren, the G.M. unveiled a Roll of Honour, which had been erected in the Lodgeroom, on which were inscribed the names of the brethren who had gone to the front. The names are as follows :—Chaplain. Major Grant (killed at Gallipoli, 213th August, 1915), C. E. Stevens, Allan Watkins, F. S. Spilman, C. H. D. Evans, W. R. Oxenham, J. B. Cuthbert, K. O. Debent, G. T. Williams, W. G. Saxby. The G.M. also on behalf of the brethren presented W. Bro. W. F. J. Anderson, who was leaving the following day to take up the position of manager of Messrs. Murray Roberts and Co.'s Napier house, with a P.M.'s jewel as a mark of esteem and affection. The G.M. also requested W. Bro. Anderson to take charge of a silver card case for Mrs. Anderson as an appreciation of the kindness and hospitality received at her hands from time to time by the brethren. As the result of a special appeal, made by W. Bro. Woodward to mark the fact of R.W. Bro. G. L. Bull taking the chair again after twenty-three years services as secretary, the substantial sum of £62 16s. was subscribed by the brethren present on behalf of the G.L. Annuity Fund. A Roll of Honour to the brethren's sons who are at the Front was also unveiled by the G.M. in the ante-room.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

TARANAKI.

Patea Kil., No. 18.—The Lodge was honoured by a visit from the Prov.G.M. and Lodge Hawera at an emergency meeting held in Patea on 23rd August. The gavel was handed to W. Bro. Harding, who, with his officers, assumed control of the Lodge. The ceremony of raising a brother proved that Lodge Hawera had every reason to be proud of their W.M. and officers. After closing, the usual toasts were honoured, and a very pleasant time spent together. Appropriate music was rendered by members of Lodge Hawera and by a quartette party, and also by W. Bro. Holtham, of Lodge Patea. The P.G.M. congratulated Lodge Patea upon the improved appearance of the Lodgeroom, mentioning the pleasure it gave him to note the enthusiasm displayed by the members. At the conclusion every one felt that a most profitable and instructive evening had been spent together.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Moa, No. 110.—The meeting on 8th September was a particularly interesting one, as Lodge Ngamotu motored from New Plymouth, some twenty-two strong, to work a Third Degree. W. Bro. Garner and his officers gave a good example of well studied work, and deserved congratulation for their conduct of the ceremonial. W. Bro. Garner was assisted in the various addresses by W. Bros. Brookes', Rockel, Johns, Perry and Ewing, and his Wardens, Bros. Nichol and Forbes. The supplementary Final Charge delivered by W. Bro. Ewing, as well as his address when handing to the candidate the V.S.L. on which he had been obligated, was a treat to the brethren, and deserves special mention. Our venerable brother, who, by the way, was the instigator of the visit, puts his soul into his addresses, and his emotion bore witness to the hold our beautiful tenets and principles can have, or should have, over us all. These fraternal visits in force should be encouraged, as they really bring neighbouring Lodges into a closer touch than do the formal visits at installation times. About fifty brethren sat down at the "Fourth," and again did Ngamotu hold the floor by providing the whole of the programme, items being contributed by Bros. Johns, Forbes, Ellis, Perry, and Goss. In the "Taranaki Trifles" of last month allusion was made to our send-off to Bros. Olsen and Hogg, and it may be placed on record that Lodge Moa is represented by Bros. H. Kennedy and Stratford on active service, Bros. Olsen and Hogg in camp, and that Bro. Thomas, our first member to volunteer, gave up his life at Gallipoli for his King and Country. Let us hope that our other brethren may have a speedy return to their homes, and that peace, perfect peace, will soon reign throughout the world instead of war with all its horrors.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

Huia, No. 171.—The monthly meeting was held on the 7th of September. The work, consisting of an initiation, was distributed as follows :—Obligation, the W.M. ; S. and T., -W. Bro. Spooner, I.P.M.; N.E. Corner, W. Bro. Smith; Prep. Charge, Bro. Manning, J.W.; W.Ts., Bro. Stubbs, S.D.; Final Charge, W. Bro. Turner; Lecture on the 1st T.B., Bro. Manning, J.W. We were honoured by an official visit from the W.M., officers and members of the United Manawatu Lodge, E.C., who were duly entertained in the "Fourth" at the conclusion of the ceremonial work. A pleasant feature consisted of the eulogistic references to the excellent work the visitors had witnessed, especially the Lecture on the T.B. One old esteemed P.M. observed that thirty years ago he had first delivered it, and he doubted whether it could be excelled after what he had heard that night. Hula returned the visit on the following evening, when our sister Lodge gave us a most cordial reception, a pleasant time being spent at the conclusion in social intercourse, which is one of the many privileges Masons of all constitutions should avail themselves of.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Waterloo, No. 13.—The annual meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, Boulcott Street, on the evening of Monday, 7th inst., when the installation of Bro. W. C. Robinson as W.M., and the investiture of his officers, were carried out with marked success. The meeting was especially notable for the unusually large attendance of W.Ms. and P.Ms. The ceremony of installation was conducted, in his usual inimitable manner, by M.W: Bro. H. Williams, who was accompanied by a strong force of past and present G.L. officers, conspicuous amongst whom were our

respected D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Peterkin, our Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. Ellison, and W. Bro. Porritt. The duties of G.D. of C. were ably carried out by R.W. Bro. H. Seaton: The W.M.-elect was presented by the D. of C. and W. Bro. Harton, and was obligated in the Second Degree by R.W. Bro. Ellison. The W.Ts. of the three Degrees were presented by W. Bro. Godber (Third), W. Bro. Palmer (Second), and W. Bro. Lindsay (First), the latter being the oldest active P.M. of the Lodge, having been admitted in 1872 and installed in 1876. The address to the W.M. was delivered by R.W. Bro. Seaton in the absence of W. Bro. G. Allport through illness. W. Bro. G. E. Smith addressed the Wardens, while the address to the brethren was rendered in a most impressive manner by R.W. Bro. Peterkin. The following officers were invested by W. Bro. Godber, another very old, but still very active, P.M. of Waterloo :—S.W., W. Bro. Barton, P.M. ; J.W. Bro. J. Gordon; Sec., W. Bro. G. Smith ; Treas., Bro. A. W. Press; Chaplain, W. Bro. J. Mowatt, P.M. S.D., Bro. F. E. Godber; J.D., Bro. F. H. Mather; I.G., Bro. W. Berry ; S.S., Bro. E. B. Atwood; J.S., Bro. T. R. Wallace; Asst.Ss., Bros. Gannaway, Dawson and Holloway; Tyler, Bro. A. E. Colorer. After the newly-installed W.M. had addressed the brethren, a collection was taken up in aid of the G.L. Annuity Fund, a sum of £5 16s. 9d. being subscribed. At this stage M.W. Bro. Williams presented the retiring W.M. with a handsome P.M.'s apron on behalf of the brethren of his Lodge. Bro. Erskine, in thanking the members for their kindness, paid a high tribute to the ungrudging support he had experienced at the hands of the P.Ms. and officers of the Lodge, and to the earnestness and esprit-de-corps displayed by the brethren throughout the year. The social part of the evening was somewhat marred by the early departure of suburban brethren, who were compelled to catch tram, train, or steamer. Although members have on various occasions expressed their objection to part of the installation ceremony being held in the afternoon, yet the experience of Monday evening warrants a careful reconsideration of the matter, and it is to be hoped that more satisfactory arrangements will be made for the next annual meeting. The usual toasts were honoured, and the hearty thanks of the Lodge are due to the musical brethren, W. Bros. Smith and Connell, and Bros. Thompson and Scammel.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Masterton, No. 19.—The regular meeting was held on 13th September, and the attendance was remarkably good, especially considering the execrable weather. W. Bro. J. L. Hughes, W.M., presided. The visitors included M.W. Bro. Herbert J. Williams and W. Bro. Rev. T. Porritt, P.G. Chaplain. Two ballots were taken and proved successful. A diploma was presented to Bro. Gill of Ruataniwha Lodge, after a wait of two years. M.W. Bro. Williams delivered an address to the Lodge on "Light," and received a very hearty vote of thanks and many encomiums from the brethren, both in the Lodge and at the festive proceedings. During the evening the Masonic orchestra of the Lodge rendered some musical items most creditably. The refectory proceedings were characterised by some excellent speeches, and it is worthy of note that not one of them was of the stereotyped order.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Andrew, No. 52.—The regular meeting was held on 18th September, the W.M., Bro. W. Simpson, occupying the chair, and the attendance of members being very satisfactory. A number of visitors were received, including the Masters, officers, and brethren of Lodges Hinemoa and Otari. The W.M. reported the bereavement suffered by the Secretary, W. Bro. A. T. Wells, and his family, in the loss of a son, who was recently killed whilst engaged in farming work, and sympathy was expressed and a motion of condolence recorded. Sundry items of correspondence were attended to, a letter from W. Bro. J. H. Hankins (Palmerston North) anent a tobacco fund for our soldiers at the front being spoken to by a member who had just visited Palmerston, and being supported by a - contributor. Two ballots of joining brethren were taken and proved clear, one candidate being subsequently demitted. A motion had been tabled to slightly increase annual dues for a particular purpose, which, after discussion, was agreed to. The ceremonial business was the initiation of three candidates, and therein the W.M. was assisted by officers, mostly junior, and brethren on the floor, in a most creditable manner. W. Bro. O. Neilsen rendered the Address after Investiture ; W. Bro. A. W. Rowlands the Signs ; Bro. L. A. George the N.E. Address ; Bro. G. Laurence, L.G., the R. for Prep. ; Bra. H. McCormish, the W.Ts. ; Bro. A. Schmidt, S.W., the Final Charge. The close attention given by the juniors in the past to Lodge work was plainly reflected in the precise and confident manner in which they bore themselves on this occasion. Nominations of officers for the ensuing year were received, only one office being contested, and auditors were elected and appointed. Intimation was made that the next meeting would be handed over to the mercies of the P.Ms., who will be called upon to work the Third Degree. Lodge was duly closed, and brethren then retired to brief refreshments. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ulster, No. 62.—The regular meeting was held at Petone on 20th September, when there was a very large attendance, H.G.W. being tendered on behalf of twenty-two Lodges. One candidate for initiation passed the ballot, and also one brother as a joining member. W. Bro. W. Cox gave the 2nd T.B. lecture to a military brother, who was subsequently raised to the Third. The ceremony was performed by W. Bro. R. Jenkins, W.M., who was assisted by W. Bro. J. Macgregor and W. Bro. J. C. Davis. The T.H. was explained by W. Bro. R. Colquitt, the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. J. Castle, and the Final Charge was given by W. Bro. McEwen. A sum was voted in response to circular appeal issued by G.L. Amongst the visitors present there were a good number of our military brethren from Trentham Camp, and also W. Bro. A. W. Stephens, an old P.M. of the Lodge. The meetings closed at 10.30 p.m., and the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where the visitors were entertained for an hour.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tutanekai, No. 156.—The regular meeting was held on 7th September. The W.M., Bro. A. A. Whitelaw, presided over a good attendance of members and visitors. After routine business, two brethren were raised to the Third Degree, the ceremony being performed by the W.M., assisted by W. Bros. Shand and Watt, who gave the Fifteen Fellowcrafts and Raising ; W. Bro. E. D. Alexander, Signs and Apron Charge ; W. Bro. Harrap, T.H.; Bro. Sexton, S.W., W.Ts. and Charge. A ballot for affiliation which was taken for a well-known military brother proved clear and he was cordially welcomed by the W.M. An interesting letter was received and read by the Secretary from Bro. Burgess, who is doing his duty on H.M.S. Doris somewhere on the ocean. The Lodge being closed, a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, during which the W.M. was toasted and wished many happy returns, as since the August meeting he passed his fiftieth birthday. [Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetn, No. 176;—The regular meeting was held on 13th September, when although it was the night for the election of officers, there was not the usual good attendance as is usual on such an occasion, but nevertheless it was a good meeting, there being a number of brethren from the Camp under the wing of W. Bro. Williams, G.L. representative at Trentham Camp. After the usual formal business had been gone through and accounts passed, two candidates offered themselves for initiation. W. Bro. McLachlan obligated ; W. Bro. Williams communicated the S., T. and W. ; W. Bro. Rishworth gave the N.E. Charge ; W. Bro. Hobbs explained the R. for Prep. ; Bro. Leighton invested ; and W. Bro. Guineas gave the Charge after Initiation. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and Bro. Leighton, S.W., was duly elected W.M. for the ensuing year. A levy was also struck for installation expenses, and it was suggested to hold the banquet in one of the local halls if one could be found convenient, and to carry it out in the same manner as last year. After H.G.W. from the visitors, the Lodge was closed at 10.15 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

Albert Edward, No. 6.—The annual meeting was held at the Unanimity Masonic Hall, Lyttelton, on 18th September, V.E. Comp. E. Hill presiding. G. Chapter was represented by M.E. Comps. A. C. Andrews, Rev. E. E. Chambers, and S. C. Bingham, P.G.Zs., R.E. Comp. C. Flavell, G. Supt., V.E. Comps. Cooper, G. Soj., Arnold, P.G. Soj., McLean, P.G. Supt. of W., and others. R.E. Comp. Flavell conducted the ceremony and installed V.E. Comp. A. H. Thorpe as 1st Prin., V.E. Comp. McLean installed V.E. Comp. Gogoll as 2nd Prin., and V.E. Comp. Robertson installed E. Comp. J. Furneaux as 3rd Prin. The following officers were invested by M.E. Comp. Rev. E. E. Chambers, P.G.Z. :—S.N., Comp. D. E. L. Collett; Prin. Soj., Comp. W. T. Lester ; 2nd Soj., Comp. C. H. Smith ; 3rd Soj., Comp. C. E. Owen ; Treas., Comp. C. Flavell, G. Supt. ; Janitor, Comp. G. A. C. Whitford. The address to the 1st Prin. was given by M.E. Comp. S. C. Bingham, that to the officers by V.E. Comp. Robertson, and V.E. Comp. Arnold addressed the companions. V.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop acted as D. of C. There were about forty companions present. The 1st Prin. addressed the companions as follows :—"Before closing the Chapter this evening, and knowing that several of the companions may not be in a position to stay late, I take this opportunity of bringing before you a matter that I feel sure is of deep interest to us all. I thought it only right that we should in some way make mention of our companions, brethren, and their sons, who are at present either fighting for their country or are proceeding on the same high errand, It is well known that our I.P. 1st G. Prin.,

M.E. Comp. Essen, has given us a noble example of devotion and duty in this direction, and that his services have been such that our Most Gracious Majesty the King has bestowed the Order of D.S.O. upon him. We know, too, that there are many others of our Chapter actuated by the same high principles, who have performed their part well in this great cataclysm of humanity. Bearing this in mind, I now ask you to let your thoughts dwell for a moment in brotherly love and affection on our companions, one and all, who are away. Many of them have paid the supreme sacrifice, and perhaps in this supreme moment, though removed from this sublunary abode, are permitted a glimpse of their companions in their respective Chapters, as we are met this eve.

So, my companions, though they are not with us, still we have them in remembrance, knowing that we shall meet again in that G. Chapter above, where the great Jehovah always reigns—where there shall be no war, no parting, or no adjournment, but where each companion shall shine as the sun. May our True and Living God Most High be with our companions on the field of battle to comfort and strengthen and bring them safely home again.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wairarapa, No. 10.—The installation of Principals and investiture of officers was held at Masterton on the 14th ult., V.E. Comp. W. N. Dempsey presiding. In spite of the abominable meteorological conditions, there was an excellent attendance of members and not a few visitors, and the latter included M.E. Comps. Rev. T. Porritt, G. Supt., and H. J. Williams, R.E. Comps. J. Moncrieff, G.J., C. H. Dement, P.A.G.S.B., and V.E. Comp. E. Robertson, Z., Hinemoa Chapter. The G. Supt. officiated as I.G.P., being assisted by M.E. Comp. Williams, R.E. Comp. Moncrieff, and V.E. Comp. Dement, who made an able D. of C. The conclave of Installed Principals having been held in the afternoon, the evening's proceedings were considerably shortened, to the great relief of other companions, thus leaving plenty of time for the festive board. V.E. Comp. Foss invested the following officers :— 1st Prin., E. Comp. C. W. Perrin; 2nd Prin., E. Comp. C. D. King; 3rd Prin., E. Comp. F. J. Hunn; S.E., E. Comp. Jas. Milne; S.N., V.E. Comp. J. B. Bairstow; Treas., R.E. Comp. J. Moneriff; 1st Soj. E. Comp. O. N. C. Pragnell; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. R. J. King; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. S. H. Conder; Janitor, E. Comp. F. J. Robbins. The ceremony was very impressively rendered by G.L. officers, and their attendance was greatly appreciated by No. 10. A very enjoyable time was spent in the refectory, where M.E. Comp. Williams gave a very excellent and instructive address. The usual toasts were honoured, and a forecast of the work for the year was given, showing a full year's work, and fully justifying moving the Chapter to Masterton. We feel sure the 1st Prin. will infuse the brethren with his own enthusiasm. He particularly appreciated the companions' attendance who lived at a distance. A very enjoyable evening was brought to a close about eleven o'clock, and those who lived nearest the Chapter were best off, as a heavy snowstorm was raging. We hope it will not cool the ardour of the companions from Carterton.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victory, No. 12.—The regular convocation was held on the 27th August, V.E. Comp. J. L. Ching presiding, and there was a good attendance of companions, including a distinguished and welcome visitor, M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E. The work was the acknowledging and exalting of three brethren of Victory Lodge, the First Degree being conducted by Bro. B. H. Moller, and the Exaltation by the 1st Prin., V.E. Comp. Ching. During the evening consideration was given to the question of new regalia which it is proposed to purchase. Authority was given to acquire certain portions of it. Waterloo Chapter has kindly consented to come to the aid of Victory at its installation next month by loaning its outfit, an action much appreciated. Officers were nominated for the ensuing term, and their names will appear in the installation report. One brother of Victory Lodge has been accepted for companionship, and four brethren of Lodge Motueka were nominated. There has been quite an influx of members lately, and the Chapter has made rapid growth. A very pleasant hour was spent at the festive board, and the company of M.E. Comp. Williams and his general comments on Chapter work were much enjoyed. The installation takes place on the 26th October.— [Chapter Correspondent.]

Waikato, No. 22.—The annual convocation was held on the 13th September in the Chapter-room, Hamilton East, the chief business being the installation of the officers elected for the year 1916-17. The ceremony of installing E. Comp. Chas. Speight as 1st Prin. Z., E. Comp. C. M. Gummer as 2nd Prin. H., and E. Comp. W. J. Andrews as 3rd Prin. J., was conducted by R.E. Comp. M. Harris. D.G.Z., assisted by R.E. Comp. Kearsley, G.S., and V.E. Comp.

J. W. Warren, P.Z. On re-admission of the companions, V.E. Comp. Speight invested his officers, the address to the office-bearers being delivered by R.E. Comp. Kearsley. Regret was expressed at the absence of M.E. Comp. O. Nicholson, P.G.Z., and S.E. was requested to convey to him the sympathy of the Chapter in the severe illness of Mrs. Nicholson. After closing, the visitors and companions adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant hour was spent, Comp. Webster's musical ability adding to the enjoyment of the evening. The Chapter has recently taken a new lease of life, several new members having joined during the past year, and it is hoped by diligent instruction to greatly improve the ceremonial work. Despite the fact that the Chapter has entered its thirteenth year of activity, there is every indication that the Chapter will have a successful and prosperous year.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 30.—The annual convocation was held on 4th September. R.E. Comp. T. Hobson, G. Supt. of Hawkes Bay District, officiated as installing officer, and was assisted by V.E. Comp. E. Hocking as G.H., V.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie as G.J., and V.E. Comp. W. Dobson as G. D. of C. E. Comp. Fred Craven was duly invested and enthroned as 1st Prin. Z. by R.E. Comp. T. Hobson, G. Supt. The address to the 1st Prin. was delivered by V.E. Comp. W. Dobson, G. Chancellor. E Comp. David J. Gardiner was invested and enthroned as H. by V.E. Comp. E. Hosking, P.G.S.B., who also delivered the address. E. Comp. Carl Thomsen, who has been elected to the office of J., is at present absent from the Dominion on a health-recruiting tour, and will be invested and installed on his return, probably at next monthly convocation of the Chapter. The following are the office bearers for the ensuing year : S.E., V.E. Comp. W. Dobson, P.Z. ; S.N., E. Comp. A. H. Ross ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. W. Snell; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. J J. K. Gilmour ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. George Harris ; Treas., V.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie, P.Z.; Janitor, E. Comp. A. B. Mollgaard. The investiture of the office bearers was ably carried out by V.E. Comp. E. Hashing, and the address was delivered by V.E. Comp. A. Ramsey, 1st Prin. of Heretaunga Chapter, No. 38, Hastings. The companions were addressed by R.E. Comp. T. Hobson, G. Supt. At the conclusion of the ceremony the usual function was held, at which the customary toasts were honoured. In responding to the toast of his health, V.E. Comp: F. Craven referred to the cordial fraternal feeling which was a feature of Rawhiti Chapter, and had resulted in the steady progress of the Chapter in the past, and, no doubt, would be as marked in the future. There were, he stated, three candidates awaiting advancement, so that ample work awaited the officers, but he felt sure that with the loyal assistance always given by the P.Zs. no difficulty would be experienced in disposing of all the degree work in a satisfactory manner. R.E. Comp. Thos. Hobson, G. Supt., impressed on all the P.Zs. the necessity for making themselves conversant with the ceremony of installation, and complimented the Chapter on the fact that the ceremony had been so well carried out. This was particularly gratifying, as all those assisting, with one exception, were P.Zs. of Rawhiti Chapter. V.E. Comp. J. Brown, P.Z., was unable to attend the convocation owing to serious indisposition, and a motion of sympathy, expressing wishes for his speedy recovery, was ordered to be recorded. V.E. Comp. A. Ramsey, 1st Prin. of Heretaunga Chapter, Hastings, is at present resident at Dannevirke in the discharge of the duties of his ordinary avocation, and was heartily welcomed on his first visit to a gathering of the Craft in Dannevirke.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Gisborne, No. 36.—The annual convocation took place on 4th September in Abercorn Hall. The installation ceremony was conducted by M.E. Comp. Oliver Nicholson, P.G.Z., assisted by R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris, D.G.Z., R.E. Comp. F. Kearsley, G. Supt., and E. Comp. M. McLean. V.E. Comp. A. J. Fyson was installed as 1st Print-Z., E. Comp. D. S. Jamison, as 2nd Prin. H., and E. Comp. D. G. Robertson as 3rd Prin. J. The other officers were invested as follows : S.E., V.E. Comp. O. T. Bull; S.N., E. Comp. T. Corson; Treas., E. Comp. F. J. Rowley ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. J. J. Pickett; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. W. Ross; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. W H. Cross; Organist, H. Comp. A. T. Hookey ; Janitor, E. Comp. A. B. Gilmour. The address to the Principals was given by M.E. Comp. O. Nicholson, to the officers by R.E. Comp. F. Kearsley, to the companions by R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris. Visitors from Zealandia Chapter, No. 1970, and Auckland Prov. Chapter, No. 9, extended hearty good wishes.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

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M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol	...	...	1892-94
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St. Andrew, No. 8:—Founded 1861, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Auckland, on third Tuesday in every month, 7.45 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. C. A. Coppins; S.W., Bro. F. L. Connolly; J.W., Bro. P. H. Cole. Sec., Bro. J. P. McPhail, 48 Phoenix Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland.

United Service, No. 10:—Founded 1864, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Princes Street, Auckland, on last Wednesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., W. Bro. William Talbot; S.W., W. Bro. John W. Swales, P.M.; J.W., W. Bro. Arthur W. Morris, P.M.; Sec., W. Bro. Thos. W. Allen, P.M., "Bryn Awel," Henderson.

Beta-Walkato, No. 12:—Founded 1865, meets in Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Waikato, Thursday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Thursday on or after 24th June. W.M., Bro. C. R. B. Speight; S.W., Bro. G. P. Rogers; J.W., Bro. R. A. Grigg; Sec., W. Bro. J. E. Hammond, Hamilton.

Sir Walter Scott, No. 15:—Founded 1870, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Thames, third Tuesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. L. Read; S.W., Bro. W. E. Hale; J.W., Bro. J. E. Johnstone; Sec., Bro. A. Burns, P.M.

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. D. C. Fraser; S.W., Bro. C. Simpson; J.W., Bro. J. E. Cowell; Sec., W. Bro. C. M. Page, Quay Street, Auckland.

Albion, No. 45:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Devonport, on second Thursday in each month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. G. Allen; S.W., Bro. V. R. Anderson; J.W., Bro. M. G. King; Sec., W. Bro. F. H. Hounsell, P.M., 68 Calliope Road, Devonport.

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. L. C. E. Hamann; S.W., Bro. C. T. Haynes; J.W., Bro. C. E. Dutton; Sec., Bro. H. R. Arthur, P.M., No. 31, Curran Street, Ponsonby.

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

Papakura, No. 56:—Founded 1855, meets in Masonic Hall, Papakura, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. R. W. Meares; S.W., Bro. R. G. Mack; J.W., Bro. G. T. Bond; Sec., Bro. H. Willis, P.M.

Franklin, No. 58:

Hokianga, No. 69:—Founded 1891, meets at the Masonic Hall, Kohukohu, on first Thursday after full moon. Installation November. W.M., Bro. A. C. Wallace; S.W., Bro. A. A. Potter; J.W., Bro. G. Downs; Sec., Bro. H. A. Williams, P.O. Box 18, Kohukohu.

Abercorn, No. 76:—Founded 1886, meets in Abercorn Hall, Ormond Road, Gisborne, first Tuesday each month. Installation September. W.M., Bro. G. T. Bull; S.W., Bro. C. Blackburn; J.W., Bro. W. Ross; Sec., R.W. Bro. D. G. Robertson.

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, on Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. C. Sowers; S.W., Bro. H. H. Speight; J.W., Bro. H. Lewis; Sec., Bro. G. H. Ollard, Cambridge.

Auckland, No. 87:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Eden Terrace, fourth Tuesday each month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. G. Mason; S.W., Bro. Fred Mason; J.W., Bro. E. H. Taylor; Sec., W. Bro. W. S. Williams, P.M., 12 Wynyard Road, Mount Eden.

Waiuku, No. 90:—Founded 1893.

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

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

Ohinemuri, No. 107:—Founded 1897, meets in Masonic Hall, Paeroa, on Wednesday on or before full moon each month. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. Chas. B. Gentil; S.W., Bro. F. A. B. Cameron; J.W., Bro. L. F. Ott; Sec., Bro. G. E. Allen.

Waihi, No. 112:—Founded 1898, meets in Masonic Hall, Waihi, third Tuesday each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. R. Hay; S.W., Bro. H. Fleming; J.W., Bro. J. Say; Sec., W. Bro. A. T. Ellis.

Taupiri, No. 118:—Founded 1900, meets in Masonic Hall, Huntly, 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 25th 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. K. Bushy; Sec., Bro. W. Jeffery.

Hobson, No. 120:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Araratapu, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation 29th January. W.M., W. Bro. D. Savident; S.W., Bro. S. L. Spanhake; 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. Webber; J.W., Bro. G. French; Sec., W. Bro. W. Montgomery, Rotorua.

Piako, No. 160:—Founded 1908, meets in the Masonic Hall, Morrinsville, on Wednesday on or before full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. H. Aitkin; S.W., Bro. S. B. Sims; J.W., Bro. K. J. McCausland; Sec., Bro. J. S. Reid, Morrinsville.

Plunket, No. 163:—Founded 1910, meets in the Masonic Hall, Te Kuiti, on Wednesday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. W. Cochrane; S.W., Bro. P. D. Hargreaves; J.W., Bro. A. F. Howarth; Sec., Bro. B. Wolff, Te Kuiti.

Karioi, No. 165 (Raglan).

Tawhiri, No. 166:—Founded November, 1909, meets at Frankton on Tuesday after full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. E. Herbert; S.W., Bro. F. W. Luxford; J.W., Bro. A. G. Sanford; Sec., Bro. C. N. Flyger, P.M., Box 6, Mail Room, 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. F. H. Mueller, P.M., P.O. Box 796, Auckland.

Marsden, No. 169 (Maungaturoto).

Waitakerei, No. 170 (Henderson).

Nau Mai, No. 177:—Founded 1910, meets in Lodgeroom, Hakiha Street, Taumarunui, first Wednesday every month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. E. T. Hughes; S.W., Bro. F. Fanthorpe; J.W., Bro. J. F. Strang; Sec., Bro. F. E. Grinlinton.

Waipua, No. 179.

Onewa, No. 182 (Northcote).

Te Marama, No. 186:—Founded 1911, meets at Ngaurawahia, 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 20th March, 1913, meets in the Masonic Hall, Tirau, on Thursday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. H. Head; S.W., Bro. A. J. Tong; J.W., Bro. E. O. Amore; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Anderson, P.M., Box 1, Piarere, via Tirau.

Whakatane, No. 198:—

Takapuna, No. 202.

Pono, No. 203 (Dargaville).

Titirangi, No. 204 (Avondale).

Irish Constitution.

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

PROVINCE OF HAWKES BAY: 10 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M.)

Scinde, No. 5:—Founded 1858, meets in the Masonic Hall, Tennyson Street, Napier, on third Tuesday in each month. Installation Wednesday following the third Tuesday in June. W.M., Bro. B. Bishop; S.W., Bro. J. Bowes; J.W., Bro. A. E. Currie; Sec., W. Bro. L. Freedman, P.G.D., Emerson St., Napier.

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

Bedford, No. 25:—Founded 1878, meets at Masonic Hall, Waipukurau, on Wednesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. H. L. Williams; S.W., Bro. A. D. Gibson; J.W., Bro. H. J. Newling; 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 the Freemasons' Hall, High Street, Dannevirke, on third Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. John Cattnach Davidson; S.W., Bro. C. R. James; J.W., Bro. C. T. Brown; Sec., Bro. T. Paton, Albert St., Dannevirke.

Heretaunga, No. 73:—Founded 1878, meets in the Masonic Hall, Hastings, H.B., on second Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. A. Miller; S.W., Bro. L. T. Cooper; J.W., Bro. R. H. Jones; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, P.M., Box 3, P.O., Hastings.

Ruahine, No. 80:—Founded 1886, meets in the Masonic Hall, Woodville, on Tuesday before full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. D. Macfarlane; S.W., Bro. J. A. Fraser; J.W., Bro. R. E. Toogood; Sec., Bro. E. R. Bean, P.O., Woodville.

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

Waikaremoana, No. 158:—Founded 1909, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wairoa, H.B., on Tuesday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., W. Bro. E. J. Green; S.W., Bro. J. W. Sargisson; J.W., Bro. J. W. B. Macdonald; Sec., Bro. Rev. W. J. Simkin, P.O. Box 63, Wairoa.

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., W. Bro. E. F. Stubbs; S.W., Bro. A. Chisholm; J.W., Bro. J. W. Watkins; Sec., Bro. E. Johnson, P.M., Takapau.

PROVINCE OF TARANAKI: 7 LODGES.

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

Patea Kil., No. 18:—Founded 1873, meets second Wednesday in each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. E. Wells; S.W., Bro. A. B. Christensen; J.W., Bro. E. C. Woods; Sec., Bro. F. G. Davies.

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. Harding; S.W., Bro. H. D. Caplen; J.W., Bro. G. J. Shepperd; Sec., Bro. F. G. Kimbell, P.M., High St., Hawera.

Ngahotu, No. 48:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Robe St., New Plymouth, fourth Wednesday each month (except December, second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. W. P. Nicoll; S.W., Bro. A. Forbes; J.W., Bro. W. S. Gilbert; Sec., Bro. W. H. Haddrell, P.M., Westown, New Plymouth.

Stratford, No. 75:—Founded 1892, meets in the Masonic Hall, Stratford, on third Wednesday in every month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. H. Speck; S.W., Bro. W. H. Besley; J.W., Bro. J. H. Ashton; Sec., Bro. J. W. McMillan.

St. John's, No. 95:—Founded 1892, meet in Masonic Hall, Eltham, third Tuesday in each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. L. Weir; S.W., Bro. A. N. Rogers; J.W., Bro. C. H. Buckridge; Sec., Bro. R. C. D. Lightbourne, P.M.

Moa, No. 110:—Founded 1896, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, Taranaki, on second Friday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Roberts; S.W., Bro. L. de Launay, P.M.; J.W., Bro. G. H. Taylor; Sec., Bro. A. E. Surrey, P.M., Inglewood.

Ikarua, 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. Mullen; Sec., Bro. G. W. Rogers, P.M.

RUAPEHU DISTRICT: 15 LODGES.

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

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

Feilding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets in the Masonic Temple, Feilding, on Monday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., Bro. E. H. Fisher; S.W., Bro. D. S. Thomson; J.W., Bro. W. A. Bell; Sec., Bro. A. H. Maguire, P.M.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Church Street, Palmerston North, second Thursday in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. A. Hopwood; S.W., Bro. W. Mundy; J.W., Bro. D. Dustin.

Otagaki, No. 70:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Ashhurst, Thursday before full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. H. C. Simms; S.W., Bro. J. T. Robson; J.W., Bro. S. H. Snell; Act.-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. A. S. Jonson; S.W., Bro. F. H. Powell; J.W., Bro. F. C. Berry; Sec., Bro. R. A. Campbell, P.M.

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79:—Founded 1868, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, on second Thursday in each month (excepting December, first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. A. E. King; S.W., Bro. R. W. Green; J.W., Bro. J. E. M. Rose; Sec., Bro. N. G. Armstrong, P.O. Box 236, Wanganui.

Kimboiton, No. 123:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Kimboiton, on Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. M. Turnbull; S.W., Bro. W. McKay; J.W., Bro. C. G. Hansen; Sec., Bro. H. F. W. Hansen, P.M., P.O. Box 11, Kimboiton.

Ruapehu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, meets in Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. H. Y. 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 the Masonic Hall, Liddle Street, Foxton, on second Tuesday in each month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. J. Berry; S.W., Bro. J. W. Stevenson; J.W., Bro. Jno. Speirs; Sec., Bro. J. M. Barr.

Otaihape, 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. Geo. Wrightson; S.W., Bro. F. W. Somerville; J.W., Bro. F. Varnam; Sec., Bro. A. James, P.M., Box 5, Taihape.

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday after full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. McMinn; 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 North, on first Thursday in each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. C. Turner; S.W., Bro. A. W. Gallichan; J.W., Bro. J. F. Manning; Sec., Bro. C. J. Hewlett, Courthouse, Palmerston North.

Waimarino, No. 175:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Ward Street, Raetihi, 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 in Masonic Hall, Gonville, on fourth Thursday in each month (excepting December, third Thursday). Installation fourth Thursday in April. W.M., Bro. J. Fowler; S.W., Bro. G. L. McLean; J.W., Bro. F. Symes; Sec., Bro. Neil P. Svenson, P.M., 49 Ridgway Street, Wanganui.

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON: 23 LODGES.

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

N.Z. Pacific, No. 2:—Founded 1842, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, on fourth Monday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. No meeting December. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. Scott; S.W., Bro. J. Tamblin; J.W., Bro. R. H. Webb; Sec., Bro. J. H. Worboys, P.M., Kilbirnie.

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1866, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, second Wednesday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. W. C. Robinson; S.W., Bro. C. B. Harton, P.M.; J.W., Bro. J. Gordon; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., Box 811, G.P.O.

Masterston, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets in the Masonic Hall, Bannister Street, Masterton, on second Wednesday in every month, at 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. L. Hughes; S.W., Bro. H. Dixon; J.W., Bro. O. Pragnell; Sec., Bro. F. J. Hunn, Box 31, Masterton.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1879, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the third Monday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. W. Simpson; S.W., Bro. A. Schmidt; J.W., Bro. J. C. Riddell; Sec., Bro. A. T. Wells, P.M., P.O. Box 236, Wellington.

St. John, No. 37:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Wakefield Street, Featherston, on second Monday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. F. Henry; S.W., Bro. G. T. Baker; J.W., Bro. F. 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. A. Longmore; S.W., Bro. A. McLaren; J.W., Bro. R. J. Shakes; Sec., Bro. W. Bro. W. A. Baudinet, P.M., 17 Caroline Street. "Copper" collection each meeting for W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

St. Mark, No. 53:—Founded 1884, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, on second Tuesday in every month, at 8 p.m. Installation April (St. Mark's Day). W.M., Bro. R. Stout; S.W., Bro. G. S. Philpotts; J.W., Bro. A. J. Rayne; Sec., Bro. Arthur Philpotts, P.M.

Ulster, No. 62:—Founded 1888, meets in the Masonic Hall, Petone, on third Wednesday in every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. R. Jenkins, P.M.; S.W., Bro. T. Mather; J.W., Bro. A. G. Steffensen; Sec., Bro. R. Wylie, 49 Victoria Street, Petone.

Tararua, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets at Masonic Hall, Pahiatua, 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 the Masonic Hall, Otaki, on Wednesday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. (September meeting Tuesday). Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. G. Hartgill; S.W., Bro. E. Allen; J.W., Bro. W. McKegg; Sec., Bro. W. Swabey, P.M.

Greytown, No. 74:—Founded 1877, meets at the Masonic Hall, Greytown, on second Friday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation St. John's Day (June). W.M., Bro. H. Morison, P.M.; S.W., Bro. J. B. Bricknell; J.W., Bro. D. P. Loasby; Sec., Bro. Edgar Larkin, P.M., Box 32, Greytown.

Eketahuna, No. 92:—Founded 1893, meets in the Masonic Hall, Bengston Street, Eketahuna, on Friday nearest full moon in each month (except May, Installation, on Thursday nearest full moon), at 7.30 p.m. W.M., Bro. J. Renment; S.W., Bro. T. Knight; J.W., Bro. J. Kerr; Sec., Bro. R. Dickson.

Hinemoa, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington South, second Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. A. A. George; S.W., Bro. Rev. G. Knowles Smith; J.W., Bro. S. R. Shannon; Sec., Bro. W. Bro. S. Martin, 11 Millward Street, Newtown.

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, 29 Abbot Road, Ngao.

Brooklyn, No. 132:—Founded October, 1903; meets in Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, on first Wednesday in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. V. Futter; S.W., Bro. W. J. Westwood; J.W., Bro. H. Parkin; Sec., Bro. M. W. Thew, 12 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn.

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., Bro. W. Bro. James McIntyre, D.H. School, Levin.

Puketoi, No. 149:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Pongaroa, Tuesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. T. A. Yeoman; S.W., Bro. S. Gibson; J.W., Bro. J. H. Thomas; Sec., Bro. W. Souness, P.M., Pongaroa.

Waihenga, 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.

Tutanekai, 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. Whitelaw; S.W., Bro. J. W. Sexton; J.W., Bro. G. F. Lenzini; Sec., Bro. Edwin Howell, 55 Glen Road, Kelburn.

Waiwhetu, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Huia Street, Lower Hutt, on second Wednesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 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.

Otari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Ngaio, second Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., 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. Menzies, 90 Abel Smith Street, Wellington. (*Open to visiting M.M.s.)

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201:—Founded 1914, meets at Methodist Church, Worser Bay, on second Saturday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. T. Boon; S.W., Bro. C. Silvester; J.W., Bro. F. Aston; Sec., Bro. J. A. Fraser, Box 756, G.P.O.

SOUTH ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON: 8 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills, Prov.G.M.)

Victory, No. 40:—Founded 1881, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Collingwood Street, Nelson, on second Thursday in every month (except May—fourth Thursday), at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. L. Ching; S.W., Bro. H. P. Stephenson; J.W., Bro. W. Widdowson; Sec., Bro. W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, Box 105, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42:—Founded 1881 (formerly 663, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890); meets in the Masonic Hall, Andrew Street, Blenheim, last Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. Reid; S.W., Bro. A. Gibson; J.W., Bro. W. W. Taylor; Sec., Bro. W. Bro. W. C. Lucas, Redwood Street, Blenheim.

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

Marlborough Unanimity, No. 106:—Founded 1869 (formerly 1236, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1896, meets in Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, second Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. A. Weaver; S.W., Bro. T. F. Bull; J.W., Bro. R. H. Bagge; Sec., Bro. F. W. Smith, Blenheim.

Waitohi, No. 111:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Picton, last Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation last Friday in April. W.M., Bro. H. Aubrey; S.W., Bro. J. Young; J.W., Bro. E. E. Lane; Sec., Bro. T. W. Bragge.

Forest, No. 113:—Meets at Wakefield on third Wednesday in each month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. H. Franklin; S.W., Bro. A. D. Syder; J.W., Bro. J. R. Gaik-rodger; Sec., Bro. H. C. Fitzsimmons, P.M.

Motueka, No. 117:—Founded 1900, meets in the Lodgeroom, Motueka, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. R. Shaw Thompson; S.W., Bro. C. L. Harvey; J.W., Bro. Geo. Heath; Sec., Bro. L. E. Rhodes.

St. Cutbert's, No. 144:—Founded 1905, meets in the 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. Carter; 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 26th January. W.M., Bro. W. R. Hopperoff; S.W., Bro. E. W. Robinson; J.W., Bro. W. H. Thompson; Sec., Bro. R. A. Stewart, P.M.

Advance, No. 61:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Taylorville, Brunner, on Thursday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation last Thursday in January. W.M., Bro. John S. Georgegan; S.W., Bro. C. Angel; J.W., Bro. D. Swallow; Sec., Bro. John Watson.

Kumara, No. 65:—Meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Seddon Street, Kumara, on Tuesday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. James Steel; S.W., Bro. Archie Glen; J.W., Bro. J. E. Wade; Sec., Bro. W. H. Eviden, P.M.

Westland Kil, No. 68:—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 the Masonic Hall, Denniston, on first Wednesday in every month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. R. A. Fox; S.W., Bro. M. S. Montford; J.W., Bro. W. Smart; Sec., Bro. T. Peacock, P.M.

Mokihinui, No. 96:—Founded 1896, 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, Tainui Street, Greyouth, second Thursday each month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. T. F. Guinness; S.W., Bro. E. P. Peters; J.W., Bro. J. C. Duncan; Sec., Bro. W. J. Watson.

Kawadiri-Westport, No. 152:—Founded 1907, meets in the Masonic Hall, Russell Street, Westport, on second Monday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. S. Paul; S.W., Bro. D. T. Gibbard; J.W., Bro. H. Greenwood; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, P.M., 187 Queen Street, Westport.

Runanga, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddon Street, Runanga, 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. Haderoff; Sec., Bro. A. G. Hildebrand, State Collieries.

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

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. A. G. W. Pearson; S.W., Bro. D. E. L. Collett; J.W., Bro. R. J. Connal; Sec., Bro. W. H. Brown, Box 84, Lyttelton.

St. Augustine, No. 4:—Founded 1852, meets in St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Christchurch, on second Tuesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., W. Bro. H. H. Wauchop; S.W., Bro. J. A. Stables; J.W., Bro. D. Redpath; Sec., W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Box 372, Christchurch.

Southern Cross, No. 6:—Founded 1858, meets in Masonic Hall, Kaiapoi, on first Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. T. Hoskin; S.W., Bro. C. E. Baynon; J.W., Bro. R. H. Croft; Sec., Bro. C. F. Sneyd, Kaiapoi.

Caledonian, No. 16:—Founded 1871, meets in the Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia Street, Timaru, on first Monday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. Kennedy; S.W., Bro. W. Cranston; J.W., Bro. George Glue; Sec., Bro. James Simpson, 138 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. E. 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 1890, meets in the Masonic Hall, Geraldine, on third Wednesday in each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. D. Wilkinson; S.W., Bro. F. R. Flatman; J.W., Bro. J. M. Sutherland; Sec., Bro. W. A. Sherratt, Geraldine.

Ashley, No. 28:—Founded 1873, meets in the Masonic Hall, Rangiora, on second Thursday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. B. A. McKeown; S.W., Bro. T. J. Withers; J.W., Bro. N. W. Pavitt; Sec., Bro. Thos. 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 Rakala, No. 31:—Founded 1879, meets in the Masonic Hall, Rakala, on Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. C. May; S.W., Bro. G. B. Edwards; J.W., Bro. W. E. Jenkins; Sec., Bro. C. B. Featherstone, Rakala.

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 the Masonic Hall, Paparua, on fourth Wednesday in every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. L. H. North; S.W., Bro. J. W. H. Francis; J.W., Bro. A. J. Nicholas; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, P.M., 72 Aikman's Road, Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa):

Methven, No. 51:

Kaikoura, No. 60:

Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1893, meets in St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, on fourth Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. 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 1876, Meets Lodgeroom, Leonard Street, Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation August. W.M., Bro. Jas. Manchester; S.W., Bro. C. Bateman; J.W., Bro. E. R. Beckett; Sec., Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.M.

Thistle, No. 113:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Havelock Street West, Ashburton, on third Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 30th November. W.M., Bro. A. L. Moore; S.W., Bro. T. J. Kennedy; J.W., Bro. Jas. Smith, Junr.; Sec., Bro. C. Campbell, P.M., Box 6, P.O., Ashburton.

Cheviot, No. 124:

M. and P.M., No. 180 (Christchurch):

Maikaki, No. 181:—Founded 1903, meets at Masonic Hall, Cust, third Friday in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. H. Early; S.W., Bro. D. Arnot; J.W., Bro. H. Garrett; Sec., Bro. E. W. Cooper, P.M.

Paroona, No. 184 (St. Andrew's).

Crown, No. 188 (Christchurch):

Robert Burns, No. 189:—Meets at St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, third Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. Kiker; S.W., Bro. T. W. N. Wilson; J.W., Bro. A. Hunter.

Waharoa, No. 141:—Founded 1905, meets in the Oddfellows' Hall, Leeston, on second Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. J. Lemon; S.W., Bro. G. W. R. Osborne; J.W., Bro. W. J. Lemon; Sec., Bro. J. E. Carter, P.M.

Civic, No. 157:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Gloucester Street West, Christchurch, first Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. T. V. I. Bottrell; S.W., Bro. L. D. S. Maffey; J.W., Bro. A. M. Wright; Sec., Bro. W. Sherris.

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

Ahurewa, No. 161:—Founded 1911, meets in Schoolroom, Dunsandel, 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. Lill, P.M., Box 1, Dunsandel.

Amuri, No. 184 (Culverden).

Avon, No. 185:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Christchurch, first Thursday each month. Installation September. W.M., Bro. L. B. Hart; S.W., Bro. W. E. Scott; J.W., Bro. S. K. Barrett; Sec., Bro. B. Falck, 138 Cashel Street, Christchurch.

Tawera, No. 186 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 193 (Timaru).

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

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

PROVINCE OF OTAGO: 27 LODGES.

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

Otago, No. 7:—Founded 1860, meets in 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. Hardy; J.W., Bro. A. Griffiths; Sec., Bro. D. C. Cameron, P.M., 48 Duke Street, Dunedin.

Waitaki, No. 11:—Founded 1869, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, on Wednesday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. W. Kibblewhite; S.W., Bro. A. W. Woodward; J.W., Bro. A. N. Glass; 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. Whiting, P.M., Box 18, P.O., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 26:—Founded 1876, meets in Masonic Hall, Palmerston South, Friday on or before full moon every month, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. David Guffie; S.W., Bro. Wm. McGregor; J.W., Bro. Donald Munroe; Sec., Bro. Wm. C. Arkle, Box 22, Palmerston, Otago.

Hercules, No. 36:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Tapanui, on Wednesday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. A. Gillies; S.W., Bro. J. W. Nicholson; J.W., Bro. H. S. Jackway; Sec., Bro. A. H. Hawkins, Tapanui.

Hiram, No. 44:—Founded 1883, meets in the Masonic Hall, Cargill Road, South Dunedin, on fourth Tuesday in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. G. R. West; S.W., Bro. G. T. Lumsden; J.W., —; Sec., Bro. J. A. P. Frederic, No. 4 Union Street, Dunedin.

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

Oamaru Kil, 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 (originally No. 659, S.O.):—Meets in Masonic Hall, Kaitangata, every fourth Wednesday. Installation February. W.M., Bro. S. Newburn, P.M.; S.W., Bro. T. Sharp; J.W., Bro. A. Fergusson; Sec., Bro. W. D. Paterson, P.M.

St. John, No. 84, Mongiel.

Mount Ida, No. 97:—Founded 1899 (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. Rankin; 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. William Campbell; S.W., Bro. D. S. Middleton; J.W., Bro. J. P. Parcell; Treas., W. Bro. C. Philip; Sec., W. Bro. W. J. Ritchie, Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 108 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1869, joined N.Z.C. 1895; meets in Town Hall, Clyde, on Tuesday on or nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. R. McKean; S.W., Bro. H. E. Menzies; J.W., Bro. R. Holden; Sec., Bro. J. E. Stevens.

Maori, No. 105:—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. Page; S.W., Bro. J. R. L. Javer; J.W., Bro. A. Jordan; Sec., Bro. E. Tomkinson, Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Manukerikia Kil., No. 109:—Founded 1896, meets in the Masonic Hall, Alexandra South, on Friday on or 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. Arnott.

St. Bathans, No. 126:—Founded 11th November, 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Becks, on Thursday nearest full moon every month, at 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. K. Mee; S.W., Bro. R. L. Smith; J.W., Bro. T. McMash; Sec., Bro. Jas. Sheppard, 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. G. A. Adess, S.W., Bro. James Sinton; J.W., Bro. A. F. Browne; Sec., Bro. E. W. G. H. Watts, P.M., 53 Clyde Street, Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 148:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Roxburgh, on the Saturday on or nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. Chas. S. G. Nicholson; S.W., Bro. Alex. F. Ridd; J.W., Bro. E. Frank Allen; Sec., W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Gilmour, P.M., Box 18, Roxburgh.

Oceanic, No. 154:—Meets in St. Kilda Masonic Hall, Dunedin, on third Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. McKenzie; S.W., Bro. A. Cannon; J.W., Bro. A. Walker; Sec., Bro. W. Jacobsen, P.M., Musselburgh.

Haeremai, No. 155:—Founded 1907, meets in the Masonic Hall, Great King Street (opp. Museum), Dunedin, on third Monday in each month, at 7.45 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. D. E. Booth; S.W., Bro. J. M. Rodger; J.W., Bro. R. Bennett; Sec., W. Bro. A. Allan, P.M., 325 King Street, Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161:—Founded May 13th, 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Kurov, Thursday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. H. Barclay; S.W., Bro. R. H. Appleby; J.W., Bro. W. Todd; Sec., Bro. W. W. Mercer.

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

Clinton, No. 183:—Founded 1911, meets in the Oddfellows' Hall, Clinton, on Thursday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Wright; S.W., Bro. W. McIndoe; J.W., Bro. J. Steven; Sec., Bro. J. C. Borthwick, P.M., P.O. Box 26, Clinton.

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Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington).
Strath-Tairi, No. 199:—Middlemarch, Otago Central.

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Southern Cross, No. 9:—Founded 1864, meets in the Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, on first Friday in each month, at 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. Wm. A. Stout; S.W., Bro. Isaac Copeland; J.W., Bro. W. F. Irvine; Sec., Bro. S. Clark, Box 62.

Harvey, No. 49:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. E. C. Smith; S.W., Bro. J. Boyne; J.W., Bro. J. C. Ray; Sec., Bro. D. D. Stedman, 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 in the Masonic Hall, Bluff, on second Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. Chas. W. Bradshaw; S.W., Bro. J. C. Inlay; J.W., Bro. J. W. Jas. Walker; 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. R. J. Stevens; Sec., Bro. J. E. Robins, Riverton.

Lake Lodge of Ophi. No. 85:—Founded 1864, meets in 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. A. J. Campbell; S.W., Bro. F. Dunlop; J.W., Bro. Thos. Pope; 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. Wm. Robison; S.W., Bro. F. Bonfant; J.W., Bro. J. S. Lipscombe; Sec., Bro. E. Lyon, Box 235.

Taringatura, No. 100:—Founded 1887, meets at Masonic Hall, Lumsden, on Monday on or before full moon in each month. Installation third Wednesday in November. W.M., Bro. D. Walker; S.W., Bro. H. Beir; J.W., Bro. N. F. 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. A. B. Brown; 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. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Anderson Stewart; S.W., Bro. J. T. Brooker; J.W., Bro. E. C. Glen; Sec., Bro. E. Matheson, Box 10, Otautau.

Orepuki, No. 137:—Founded 1905, meets at the Masonic Hall, Orepuki, on second Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. F. D. Fortune; S.W., Bro. C. C. Nicholas; J.W., Bro. W. Clark; Sec., W. Bro. L. F. Clapp, P.M.

Wairaki, No. 145:—Founded 1883, meets in the Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, second Friday every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. John Kerse; 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. Kees; S.W., Bro. D. Cameron; J.W., Bro. R. H. Newman; Sec., Bro. A. G. Thomas, P.M.

Mataura, No. 174:—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.

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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. Lumsden; J., Comp. A. Stoneham; S.E., Comp. M. J. Pierce, 39 Dowling Street, Dunedin.

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

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