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MASONIC MEETINGS IN MARCH, 1918.

AUCKLAND.

MONDAY, 4th
Ara (I.C.)
TUESDAY, 5th
Ponsonby
Abercorn
Tawhiri
WEDNESDAY, 6th
Manakau
Nau Mai
WEDNESDAY, 13th
Ara
THURSDAY, 14th
Albion

MONDAY, 18th
Wairoa

TUESDAY, 19th
St. Andrew

*Sir Walter Scott

THURSDAY, 21st
Maungawhau

MONDAY, 25th
Whangarei

Waikato

Te Marama

TUESDAY, 26th
Papakura

Auckland

Hobson

Kotorua

Maniapoto

WEDNESDAY, 27th
United Service

Mangonui

*Alpha

Tauriri

Odinimuri

*Piako

Plunket

THURSDAY, 28th
Beta-Waikato

*Te Aroha

Tauranga

*Tirau

FRIDAY, 29th
Hokitika

Waiapu

SATURDAY, 30th
Ohaeawai

HAWKES BAY.

TUESDAY, 5th
Victoria

TUESDAY, 12th
Heretaunga

TUESDAY, 19th
Seaside

THURSDAY, 21st
Rawhiti

FRIDAY, 22nd
Ruatahuna

MONDAY, 25th
Abercorn

Lion

TUESDAY, 26th
Ruahine

*Waikaremoana

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Bedford

TARANAKI.

TUESDAY, 5th
Hawera

FRIDAY, 8th
Moa

WEDNESDAY, 13th
Patoka Kil.

TUESDAY, 19th
St. John's

WEDNESDAY, 20th
*Stratford

TUESDAY, 26th
Ikaroa

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Ngamotu

RUAPEHU.

THURSDAY, 7th
*Hula

TUESDAY, 12th
Te Awahou

THURSDAY, 14th
Manawatu Kil.

St. Andrew Kil.

FRIDAY, 22nd
*Pungatara

MONDAY, 25th
Feilding

Waimarino

Manga-te-weka

Ruapehu—Cont.

TUESDAY, 26th
Rangitikei
Otahape
Ngauruhoe
WEDNESDAY, 27th
Otangaki
Rongotea
THURSDAY, 28th
Kimbolton
Ruapehu
Moutoa

WELLINGTON.

MONDAY, 4th
Leinster

WEDNESDAY, 6th
Brooklyn

Waihanga

THURSDAY, 7th
Tutanekai

FRIDAY, 8th
Greytown

SATURDAY, 9th
Whetu Kairanga

MONDAY, 11th
Waterloo

St. John

TUESDAY, 12th
St. Mark

Otari

WEDNESDAY, 13th
Masterton

Waiwhetu

THURSDAY, 14th
Hinemoa

MONDAY, 18th
St. Andrew

WEDNESDAY, 20th
Ulster

SATURDAY, 23rd
Coronation

MONDAY, 25th
N.Z. Pacific

TUESDAY, 26th
Puketoi

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Otaki

THURSDAY, 28th
Tararua

Horoehua

FRIDAY, 29th
Bketahuna

MARLBORO'

& NELSON.

THURSDAY, 14th
Victory

Unanimity

TUESDAY, 19th
Waitohi

WEDNESDAY, 20th
Forest

SATURDAY, 23rd
*Havelock

St. Cuthbert's

TUESDAY, 26th
Wairau

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Motueka

WESTLAND.

SATURDAY, 2nd
Mokihinui

WEDNESDAY, 6th
Aorangi

MONDAY, 11th
Kawatiri

THURSDAY, 14th
Mawhera

SATURDAY, 16th
Torea

THURSDAY, 21st
Robert Burns

TUESDAY, 26th
Kumara

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Westland Kil.

Runanga

THURSDAY, 28th
Advance

CANTERBURY

MONDAY, 4th
Caledonian

* Installation Meetings.

Secretaries are asked to notify the Manager of any errors in the above table and forward correct dates of future meetings.

Canterbury—Contd.

TUESDAY, 5th
Unanimity
Lincoln
Civic

THURSDAY, 7th
Southern Cross

Avon

TUESDAY, 12th
*St. Augustine 4

WEDNESDAY, 13th
St. George

THURSDAY, 14th
*Ashley

Waihora

FRIDAY, 15th
Mairaki

MONDAY, 18th
Timaru

TUESDAY, 19th
Robert Burns

WEDNESDAY, 20th
*Geraldine

Thistle

MONDAY, 25th
Ahurewa

TUESDAY, 26th
Progress

Christchurch

Koranga

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Concord

Methven

St. Augustine 99

THURSDAY, 28th
Mackenzie

OTAGO.

MONDAY, 4th
Maori

WEDNESDAY, 6th
Oamaru Kil.

THURSDAY, 7th
Otogo Kil.

TUESDAY, 12th
Clutha

WEDNESDAY, 13th
Otogo

MONDAY, 18th
Haeremai

WEDNESDAY, 20th
Oceanic

FRIDAY, 22nd
Palmerston

MONDAY, 25th
Napara

TUESDAY, 26th
Dunstan

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Waitaki

Hercules

St. Thomas Kil.

Mount Ida

Cromwell Kil.

THURSDAY, 28th
St. Bathans

Kuroo

*Owaka

*Clutha

FRIDAY, 29th
Manuhirika Kil.

SATURDAY, 30th
*Teviot

SOUTHLAND.

FRIDAY, 1st
Southern Cross

FRIDAY, 8th
Victoria

WEDNESDAY, 13th
Fortitude

THURSDAY, 14th
Orepuki

FRIDAY, 15th
St. John

Wallace

MONDAY, 18th
Waihopai

TUESDAY, 19th
Lake of Opl.

THURSDAY, 21st
Mokoreta

MONDAY, 25th
Arrow Kil.

Taringatura

Waikaka

Mataura

TUESDAY, 26th
Aparima

Winton

WEDNESDAY, 27th
Harvey

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28th March—Thursday.	22nd August—Thursday.
26th April—Friday.	21st September—Saturday.
26th May—Sunday.	20th October—Sunday.
24th June—Monday.	18th November—Monday.
24th July—Wednesday.	18th December—Wednesday.

FROM THE EDITOR.

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THE OFFICE OF GRAND LODGE.

WE regret to find from a perusal of the order paper of G.L. that notice of motion has been given to locate the office of G.L. permanently in Wellington; and such regrets are not intended to imply any opinion as to the desirableness or otherwise of the proposal. It is only a comparatively short time since this was a "burning" question in G.L., and, whether wisely or not, that body negatived the proposal by a very substantial majority, and we do not think the time is opportune for a re-introduction of the question, which will probably come as a surprise to the majority of Wellington brethren. In any case, such a motion as that proposed is not of any practical value. It reads : "That the office of G.L. be permanently located in the City of Wellington, and that the B. of G.P. be empowered to take the "necessary steps to carry this resolution into effect." As a matter of fact, G.L. could not give authority to the Board to give effect to the resolution. There is only one way, and that is by alteration of existing laws, which can only be effected by G.L. after due notice has been given. There is one feature in connection with this matter which hitherto has only received very cursory attention, which was forcibly put forward by this journal many years ago. Precedent to the centralisation of G. office, should such a policy ever be agreed to, would be the necessity of a complete change in the constitution of the several administrative Boards. It would become imperatively necessary that their local character should give place to a representative form. To effect this without setting up a costly administration would require most careful consideration, one point of which would be a reduction of numbers, and probably a reduction of meetings. In the Australian States, where there is only one metropolitan city in each, provision is made for the election of country members to the Boards, and there invariably appears to be great competition. In the G.L. of England, in addition to the *ex officio* members, there are twenty "other" members. Six of these and the President are appointed by the G.M., and eighteen were elected in 1901, when this law came into operation; and it was provided that one-third of this number must then retire annually, but are eligible for re-election. The mode of retirement is also provided for. This continuity is a matter we have always strongly contended for, and will be an essential should a centralised office ever be brought about; but some of the difficulties will be appreciated even from these few comments. New Zealand stands alone in its form of Masonic government, even as it does with regard to geographical configuration; and for this reason alone we do not think it desirable to attempt to force the question of centralisation of office, which, be it understood, has no relation to the peripatetic meetings. We believe that at some time environment will force the position, and make it apparent that a central point will become necessary for executive administration. But until that time comes the question should be allowed to rest. If G.L. desires a "burning" question, there is one of greater importance than a centralised office, and that is the actual constitution of G.L. and its growing cumbrousness. Were it not for the plethoric state of the funds of G.L., the position would demand immediate reform; but while there is full power to pay the piper, G.L. can call the tune, and its members will dance the measure. With regard to the motion which is the text of this article, we think the proposer would be well advised to withdraw it rather than risk a prolonged debate which would achieve no result.

THE SUP. G.R.A. CHAPTER OF NEW ZEALAND.

The annual convocation of this Masonic governing body, held in Nelson last month, was an interesting and pleasing function —interesting by reason of the debates evolved, and pleasant because of the harmonious nature of the gathering and the hospitality tendered by the local companions. The discussional interest centred round two questions, the first being a recommendation of Sup. Committee that the annual convocation of 1919 be not held, and the second arising from a motion moved by the Dep.G.Z. in favour of holding biennial meetings in lieu of annual. On the first question, though there was a consensus of opinion that, in the interest of economy and in the spirit of self-sacrifice, the meeting be not held, there was some diversity of opinion, firstly, as to whether a tax should be levied on Chapters during the two years' interval, and, secondly, as to the after-effect—i.e., whether the experiment of the longer interval between the meetings would act as an incitement to hold less frequent meetings in the future. With regard to the question of tax, it was subsequently decided to impose a tax on Chapters each year, the only difference of opinion being as to

whether it should be ninepence or one shilling. Ultimately the lesser sum prevailed, which means that the same amount will be levied for the expenses of the session of 1920 as was made for 1918, but to make it easier for Chapters it will be collected in two annual instalments of ninepence each-year. To adjust the deficiency in the Representation Fund, Sup. Committee is authorised to transfer such amount as may be possible from the general fund. We offer the suggestion that thereafter the Representation Fund should be made responsible for the whole of the expenses of representatives incurred each year. If this is done, the difficulties of the past will not recur in the future. The motion of the RE. D.G.Z., asking for an expression of opinion of the advisableness or otherwise of biennial convocations, induced a general debate. The arguments in favour were economy and absence of necessity for annual meetings. The contentions against being that the more frequent meetings were resultant of good to Chapters, enabled representatives to exchange ideas, and that the longer interval between meetings would result in loss of interest. One representative made a statement that there was a complaint that so little was seen of G. Chapter officers. With a knowledge, the result of travel which has not fallen to the lot of any other G. officer, the writer emphatically states that he has not heard such a cry for years; and if it were so, the system of the appointment of Superintendents of districts is responsible. One of the arguments in favour of such appointments was that it would relieve G. Prins. from much of the duty of visitation, which would, under the new system, devolve upon the officer in charge and the P.G. officers resident in each of such districts. Though the motion was carried by a small majority, it is quite recognised that it was only an expression of opinion, and has no force in law. But the discussion will be resumed when proposed amendments to the constitution are submitted in 1920. From the fraternal aspect, the gathering was most satisfactory, and general regrets were voiced when the time of parting arrived.

THE " CHEER-O " HUTMENTS.

The above scheme is now before the Masonic Lodges of New Zealand, and funds are being collected in terms of the G.M.'s circular of 1st December last. Presumably these "hutments" will contribute to the comfort of our soldier brethren at the front, and consequently the scheme is worthy of encouragement. In any case it has the approval of the M.W.G.M. and the B. of G.P. While this journal has no desire to throw cold water on the scheme, there is one part in connection therewith to which we voice no inconsiderable objection, and that is the designation. Why it was necessary to select a cognomen of music-hall origin is not at all clear, and the question is frequently and pertinently asked, what is wrong with the "N. Z. Masonic Hutment"? We are sure that those brethren who object have no desire to blatantly advertise Freemasonry, but they can see no necessity to have recourse to the music-hall for a fitting title for one branch of Masonic philanthropy. If not too late, we strongly suggest that the designation be altered in the direction indicated.

News and Notes.

QUITE a large number of reports, correspondence, etc., came to hand after the advertised date of our going to press, which we are compelled to hold over.

THE Silver Baton Committee report that circulars have again been sent to the Secretaries of Lodges who have not yet advised them how far they have been successful, and the Committee express the hope that all tickets will be disposed of within the next two months. There are still a few books on hand which the hon. secretary will be pleased to forward to any Lodge requiring a further supply.

ON the handsome inkstand presented last month to M. W. Bro. Williams is an exquisitely carved figure of a horse. A distinguished brother, on inspecting the gift, innocently asked if the figure was the symbol of an old horse for a hard road." Another interpretation was that the "old horse" was still "going strong."

ON the foot of one side of the circular of Avon Lodge (Christchurch) the following question and admonition appears : "Do you read the CRAFTSMAN? It is worth your study." It can only be added, we endeavour to make it so.

M.W. BRO. MALCOLM NICCOL, G.Sec., was a visitor to the Capital City last month, in connection with the selection of suitable office accommodation, in anticipation of removal in May next. Suites of offices are at a premium in Wellington at the present time.

THE renewal of the evening train service between the cities and suburbs will result in the resumption of fraternal visitation, which almost ceased with the reduction of the train service.

THE business paper for the communication of G.L., to be held in May next, published in another column of this issue, is a somewhat formidable document, due to a number of proposed amendments to the constitution which are being submitted by the B. of G.P.

THE Term, "Free Born."—A Lodge in Grenada enquired whether emancipated slaves could be admitted Masons, and the G..L. replied that, " By the term 'Free-born' is meant a person free at the time of his application into a Lodge, being his own master and capable of governing his own time and action" ; a ruling also adopted by the G.L. of England.

MAJOR J. T. Watson, of the Headquarters Staff of the N.Z.E.F. in London, has recently been honoured in Mark Masonry. Bro. Watson, who is a member of Lodges St. Andrew Kil., No. 79, and Moutoa, No. 195, has, since his arrival in England, taken considerable interest in the Mark Degree, and the collar which he has received is that of P.Prov.G.Sd.B. of Monmouthshire. Bro. Watson is the London representative of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association.

THE R.A. Masonic district which includes Palmerston North, Marton, Wanganui, and Taranaki, and formerly known as the "West Coast, North Island," has now received from Sup. G. Chapter the more euphonious designation of "Ruapehu."

OUR acknowledgments are due to W. Bro. Geo. Logan for card conveying fraternal greetings. Bro. Logan is a P.M. of Unanimity Lodge, Blenheim, and is now on active service somewhere in France.

RUAPEHU R.A. CHAPTER, which has been dormant under the rule for the past three years, was re-opened on the 19th ult. by R.E. Comp. Geo. S. Gordon, G.Supt. of the district, assisted by the G.S.E. and other G. Chapter officers.

THE CRAFTSMAN acknowledges with thanks receipt of "A Short Sketch of the Work of the N.Z. Prisoners of War Department in London," from the High Commissioner.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

Lodge Southern Cross can claim a record for a summer attendance on the occasion of the official visit 'from Lodge Mataura, the Lodgeroom being well filled by members and visitors. W. Bro. MacGibbon, in returning thanks for his welcome, mentioned the difficulties country lodges were labouring under owing to a lack of candidates consequent on war conditions. He cordially invited the W.M. and brethren of Lodge Southern Cross to pay a return visit to Mataura, and suggested that W. Bro. Copeland should bring a candidate with him.

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W. Bro. C. Illingworth, who now occupies the position of Town Clerk at Mataura, was amongst the visitors to his own Lodge. It is gratifying to note that he maintains his interest in Freemasonry, and recently contributed an address at Lodge Mataura on "The Mysteries of Freemasonry."

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W. Bro. Copeland is on a holiday trip to Auckland. As he purposes visiting Lodges as frequently as circumstances will permit, he should return with a good collection of interesting experiences. During his absence W. Bro. Stout, I.P.M., will preside over the affairs of Lodge Southern Cross.

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At the meeting of Lodge Mataura on 28th January greetings were received from Bro. Jas. Stewart, N.Z.E.F., who is now convalescent after being wounded.

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An excellent example-of loyalty to his Lodge was shown recently by a brother who attended and carried out his duties after a strenuous day's fire fighting in his business premises. The brother referred to is W. Bro. Brokenshire, of Lodge Victoria.

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A visit to the seaport of Bluff is evidently an excellent appetiser. For further information ask Bro. Gus. Frederic.

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Much sympathy was expressed for Bro. Walker, of the Club Hotel, when it became known that his four-year-old son had been taken suddenly ill, thus preventing Bro. Walker's attendance at the Lodge. To make matters

worse, the little fellow's mother was away from home, having left on a holiday trip to Dunedin the previous day.

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The road from Invercargill to Bluff is excellent for motoring for sixteen miles of its length, but there are two miles that baffle description. W. Bro. McNeil assured W. Bro. Parker that, if Bluff residents would combine and put the objectionable part in order, he would undertake to see that the attractive port would *be* regularly inundated with visitors.

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Where was Bro. Jack Donaldson when the motor cars left Bluff on the return journey? This is a question that will have to be answered by the elusive one.

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A brother, in replying to a toast, said that an outing with Lodge Victoria, combined with Bluff hospitality, was no aid to speech-making, though it might be conducive to talking, Bro. Ellis wants to know what he meant.

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On the return journey W. Bro. Arthur Geddes interested his fellow-passengers with tales of the early days in Southland, principally reminiscences of trips by football teams. And yet Bro. Geddes has all, the appearance of youth.

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At the March meeting of Lodge Southern Cross W. Bro. Nicholas, of Lodge Orepuki, is to take a part in the ceremonial work. Fraternal visits of this nature should do much towards cementing the bonds of fellowship existing amongst members of sister Lodges. Bro. Nicholas will receive a hearty welcome.

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W. Bro. Parker and W. Bro. Rusden, of Lodge Fortitude, truly deserve all the kind things said about them at the meeting on the 13th. They are both excellent visitors, and undoubtedly do all they can for the good of Freemasonry in general.

SUPREME GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF NEW ZEALAND.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL CONVOCATION, 1918.

The twenty-sixth annual convocation of the G.R.A. Chapter of New Zealand was held in the Masonic Hall, Nelson, on Thursday, 31st January, 1918, at 2 p.m.

ATTENDANCE.—The following G. and Acting-G. officers were present :—M.E. Comp. M. J. Harris, G.Z. ; R.E. Comp. J. H. Harkness, D.G.Z. ; R.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff, G.H. ; R.E. Comp. T. Hobson, G.J. ; M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E. ; V.E. Comp. A. Veitch, G.Treas. ; V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton, Chairman Sup. Com. ; V.E. Comp. C. W. Neilsen, G.Reg. ; V.E. Comp. A. H. Hobbs, as 1st G.Soj. ; V.E. Comp. J. W. Sauter, as 2nd G.Soj. ; V.E. Comp. J. A. Miller, as 3rd G.Soj. ; V.E. Comp. W. Miller, as G.D. of C. ; V.E. Comp. J. W. Raffils, Asst.-G.Reg. Past G.Prins. : M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt ; M.E. Comp. A. Clothier, G.Supts. : M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt, Wellington ; V.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie, Hawkes Bay ; R.E. Comp. C. Flavell, Canterbury ; R.E. Comp. E. Lane, Otago. G. Representatives: V.E. Comp. G. B. Perkins, No. 1 ; V.E. Comp. C. W. Neilsen, No. 2 ; V.E. Comp. G. T. Lumsden, No. 7 ; V.E. Comp. W. Miller, No. B ; V.E. Comp. J. Coe, No. 9 ; V.E. Comp. R. J. Foss, No. 10 ; V.E. Comp. A. W. Oxley, No. 12 ; V.E. Comp. J. McKinley, No. 14 ; V.E. Comp. S. W. Souter, No. 15 ; M.E. Comp. M. J. Harris, No. 17 ; V.E. Comp. R. Colligan, No. 21 ; V.E. Comp. J. C. Williams, No. 22 ; V.E. Comp. D. W. Jack, No. 27 ; V.E. Comp. J. W. Raffils, No. 28 ; V.E. Comp. A. B. King, No. 29 ; V.E. Comp. A. H. Hobbs, No. 31 ; M.E. Comp. A. Clothier, No. 33 ; V.E. Comp. G. H. Harle, No. 35 ; V.E. Comp. D. G. Robertson, No. 36 ; V.E. Comp. J. McAllister, No. 37 ; V.E. Comp. J. A. Miller, No. 38. P.C. Officers: R.E. Comp. E. Deere Dunn, P.G.H. ; V.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop, P.G.D. of C. ; V.E. Comp. B. H. Moller, P.G.D. of C. ; V.E. Comp. J. E. Holmes, P.G.St.B. Visitors : There was a large number of visitors present, including 11 from Kawatiri Chapter, Westport, and several from Trafalgar Chapter, No. 157, S.C.

OPENING.—The companions having been assembled and arranged under their respective banners, were called to order at 2.15 by V.E. Comp. W. Miller, as G.D. of C. to receive the 1st G.Prin., M.E. Comp. M. J. Harris, who was attended by his G.Prins. and a number of G. officers. The M.E.G.Z. having assumed the

chair, G. Chapter was opened with solemn prayer in ample form. The M.E.G.Z. was then saluted with the honours of his exalted rank.

ROLL CALL.—On the roll being called, the following Chapters were found to be represented :—Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38.

APOLOGIES.—Apologies for absence were received on behalf of M.E. Comps. S. C. Bingham, A. C. Andrews, M. W. de Castro, Hon. G. Fowlds, Rev. E. E. Chambers, Colonel J. J. Esson, C. J. W. Griffiths, T. Ross, R. Fletcher, O. Nicholson, G. H. Powles, P.G.Zs. ; R.E. Comp. F. A. Steam, G.Supt. ; R.E. Comps. K. G. V. Parker, F. Kearsly, P.G.Supts. ; V.E. Comps. H. W. S. Hellyer, G. H. Cooper, P. 1st G.Sojs. ; W. T. Waters, 2nd G.Soj. ; A. J. Graham, P. 3rd G.Soj.; N. McKenzie, C. E. R. Rendle, P.G.S.Ns.; D. G. Wallace, G.Chane. ; G. Menzies, H. Priestley, P.G.Supts. of W. ; H. L. Harston, G. Organist ; W. J. Hill, G.St.B. ; C. H. Critchley, P.A.G.D. of C. ; W. Henderson, G.D. of C. ; E. Nordon, P.A.G.Reg. ; V.E. Comps. J. Rod, Stables, McKenzie (Blenheim), Bartlett, Allen, C. H. Mills.

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

CORRESPONDENCE.—Letters were read from Southern Cross Chapter, approving of the suspension of the 1919 annual convocation, and deprecating unnecessary expenditure. Also suggesting the continuation of the representative tax, even though the meeting be not held. From the G. Chapter of New York, nominating Comp. Martin H. Weyranch as G. representative in succession to Comp. Moller. From M.E. Comp. Chambers, suggesting that the interests of R.A. Freemasonry would be better served by holding meetings of G. Chapter in more central places, and a large number of letters of apology.

STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS.—The several statements of accounts were submitted by the G. Treas., V.E. Comp. A. Veitch, who made brief reference to each, and moved their adoption. The motion on being seconded and submitted was agreed to.

REPORT OF SUPREME COMMITTEE.—The report, if not unduly optimistic, was in no sense pessimistic, and indicated that if there was no marked progression, there were still fewer signs of retrogression. To keep the flag flying had been the earnest desire of Chapters, and its folds were still flying to the breeze. The Ruapehu Chapter, which had been dormant under the law for the past few years, had applied for the restoration of its charter, and would no doubt profit by past experiences. Authority was given to print a fourth edition of the ritual, with the amendments adopted by G. Chapter last year, as the result of the labours of the special Ritual Committee. Clause 6 was the one debatable clause in the report. It read as follows:—" An Urgent Matter of Policy.—Prefacing our remarks on this question, we must again point out to G. Chapter that the fees and dues charged to private Chapters have always been computed on the smallest possible basis of needs, the general idea *always* prevailing being that, as we do not disburse charity, only the amount required for actual administration should be levied, and that Chapters, especially small Chapters, should not be taxed beyond their resources. But when it was decided that the constitution of G. Chapter should be on the same lines as that of the G.L. of New Zealand, with the continuance of peripatetic meetings, a great responsibility was assumed, especially as the conditions between the two bodies are not in any sense parallel: G.L. has a strong finance, with the majority of Lodges numerically large. G. Chapter is absolutely the reverse. The meeting held in Auckland last year, though most successful from most points of view, hit our Representative Fund, which was already in debit, very hard—so much so that the proceeds of the tax just collected, instead of defraying the cost of travelling to this meeting, will not restore the credit of the fund, notwithstanding that the levy this year was increased by sixpence: Sup. Com. has a very firm impression that the smaller Chapters could not stand any further increase. To meet the present emergency Sup. Com. strongly suggests that the convocation of 1919 should, by resolution passed at this meeting, be not held. This course would greatly relieve Chapters, as no tax would be levied for next year. The cost of G. officers' expenses and printing reports would be saved, and also any amount that would, if the meeting were held, be a deficiency chargeable to the general fund. The Committee is also of opinion that the constitution of G. Chapter should be amended, either by holding less frequent meetings, or by a modied system of representation. In the event of G. Chapter deciding not to hold a meeting next year, some few details—such as election and installation of G. officers—will have to be arranged, but we know, from the experience of G.L. that these small difficulties may be easily overcome." After very full discussion, the clause was amended by the omission of the following words : "This course would greatly relieve Chapters, as no tax would be levied for next year." "The Committee is also of opinion that the constitution of G. Chapter should be amended, either by holding less frequent meetings, or by a modified system of representation." The report as amended having been adopted, V.W. Bro. Seaton, Chairman Sup. Com., moved the following resolutions, which were unanimously

resolved in the affirmative :—(1) "That this convocation of the Sup.G.R.A. Chapter of New Zealand is of opinion that, owing to the long duration of the war, sacrifices should be made where possible, and that the utmost economy should be practised in connection with the administration of funds of G. Chapter, and hereby orders that the annual convocation, which would in ordinary course be held in 1919, be not so held, but Sup. Com. is hereby empowered to take such action as may be deemed necessary, without incurring any expenditure, for the installation of Principals and the investiture of officers." (2) " That Sup. Com. is authorised to accept the recommendations that may be made by G.Supts. of Districts with respect to the nomination of officers for 1919, always provided that the elevation of G. Principals to higher rank shall be the mode of progression that has hitherto obtained in G. Chapter."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—R.E. Comp. J. H. Harkness, D.G.Z., was unanimously elected to the office of G.Z., and briefly voiced his thanks. Other officers were elected as follows: — D.G.Z., Comp. J. Moncrieff (Wairarapa, Wellington); G.H., Comp. T. Hobson (Rawhiti, Hawkes Bay); G.J., Comp. C. Flavell (Albert Edward, Canterbury); G.S.E., Comp. H. J. Williams (Waterloo, Wellington); G.S.N., Comp. H. W. S. Hellyer (Otago, Otago); G.Treas., Comp. A. Veitch (Waterloo, Wellington); 1st G.Soj., Comp. J. W. Warren (Waikato, Auckland); 2nd G.Soj., Comp. W. T. Waters (Southern Cross, Southland); 3rd G.Soj., Comp. A. J. Graham (Manawatu, West Coast, N.1.); G.Reg., Comp. C. W. Neilsen (Waterloo, Wellington); G.Chanc., Comp. H. O. Searle (Ohinemuri, Auckland); G.Supt. of Works, Comp. J. Robertson (St. Augustine, Canterbury); G.D. of C., Comp. W. Henderson (Iwikatea, Otago); G.D. of C., Comp. R. W. Stiles (Victory, Wellington); G.Sd.B., Comp. J. Rod (Waterloo, Wellington); G.St.B., Comp. J. Phillips (Takahoa, West Coast, N.I.); G. Organist, Comp. Horace Gates (Rose and Thistle, Canterbury); Asst.-G.D. of C., Comp. R. Culligan (Kawatiri, Westland); Asst.-G.D. of C. Comp. C. H. Critchley (Victoria, Hawkes Bay); Asst.-G.Sd.B., Comp. T. W. O'Driscoll (Maori, Otago); Asst.-G.Sd.B., Comp. E. Hosking (Bedford, Hawkes Bay); Asst.-G.Reg., Comp. J. Allen (Gisborne, Auckland). G.Supts. : Auckland, M.E. Comp. M. J. Harris; Wellington, M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt; Ruapehu, R.E. Comp. .G. S. Gordon ; Canterbury, R.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop; Otago, R.E. Comp. E. Lane; Southland, V.E. Comp. F. A. Steans ; Westland, in charge of M.E.G.Z. ; Hawkes Bay, R.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie. Sup. Com. : Chairman, V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton ; members, Comps. Russell, O. Neilson, Burgess, J. Rod, and Parsons.

BIENNIAL CONVOCATION.—R.E. Comp. Harkness said G. Chapter had decided not to hold the next annual convocation, to save expense, and Sup. Com. had allowed two portions of the clause to be cut out without opposition. He thought that representatives should now move for the imposition of the tax. In his opinion meetings should be held less frequently ; they did not want to ape more influential bodies, especially as G. Chapter had a smaller number of Chapters, and less revenue. He could not conceive how Capitular Freemasonry would suffer if we had good representative meetings every two years. It would place finances in sounder position, and we should not have to live from hand to mouth, as we are doing now. He believed in Chapters being represented, and it was a case of the strong helping the weak. He would be sorry to see representation of districts substituted, though he could not understand why G.L. had not adopted such a scheme. If every Chapter sent a representative it would not be unweildy. He believed great good would result if meetings were held biennially, and the officers elected for two years, and the honour of holding office would be more greatly appreciated. If the motion he proposed to move was carried as the opinion of the meeting he would be pleased, but it would not commit G. Chapter to anything. It would, however, enable the necessary amendments to the constitution to be made, and be submitted to the meeting in 1920. If it were found that it did not work, it would be the simplest thing in the world to revert to annual meetings, and he would be prepared to move in that direction. He hated the question of finance continually cropping up, and living from hand to mouth, as we were doing. He moved: " That this convocation is of opinion that the regular meeting of Sup.G. Chapter should in future be held biennially, and that amendments to the constitution necessary to that end should be effected." Comp. Hobson seconded the motion, which he strongly supported. Comp. Lane had no objection to the motion, but objected to Chapters being taxed, without representation. They could have the same meetings without levying any tax. Comp. Jack agreed with Comp. Lane so far as tax was concerned, but meetings should not be cut out, whether there is a tax or not. Comp. Flavell was sorry to oppose the motion, but was satisfied meetings of G. Chapter were of great assistance to Capitular Freemasonry throughout the Dominion. He thought that Chapters would vote against biennial convocations. In any case Chapters should be consulted. Comp. Holmes thought it a very good idea, and if it does not meet with general approval it can be defeated later. It was only courtesy to Comp. Harkness to carry, the motion, and it could be left to the meeting in 1920 to decide. By that time all Chapters would have ample time to consider it. Comp. Miller (Hastings) said he would vote for .annual convocations, if only for the reason that it enables members to exchange ideas. It would not do to let members think that G.

Chapter was run by a chosen few. Convocations should be held every year, even if the expenses are cut out. Comp. Souter opposed the motion. It should be left to 1920, by which time they could see what the effect of a two years' interval had been. Re the expense, it may be necessary to decide that G. Chapter pay two-thirds of the expenses, and Chapters one-third. Comp. Hobbs opposed the motion. He thought it would be better to consult their own Chapters, and two years hence would be in a better position to judge. Comp. Clothier said it was well known that during the present war Capitular Freemasonry had languished, though not as much as was anticipated. It would seem that to withdraw from Chapters the little encouragement they get in sending their representatives would be an unwise step. It was not an infrequent cry, "We see so little of G. Chapter officers," and the proposal was calculated to lessen the interest. He thought the suggestion a good one that the cost should be equally divided between G. Chapter and Chapters. Before the payment of representatives they had just as good meetings. He would oppose the motion. Comp. Foss moved as an amendment :—"That this convocation is of opinion that Sup. Com. should in next report advise on the practicability of biennial meetings." Comp. McKinley supported the motion in its entirety ; indeed, he would have been inclined to move that meetings be triennial. Comp. Williams (Waikato) thought that a two-years' interval was a retrograde step. The more often they were brought together the better. If there was an interval of two years Chapters would lose interest. With regard to cost, many Chapters would vote any deficiency. Comp. Coe would be sorry to see the annual meetings done away with, and would second the amendment. Comp. Lane was of opinion that notice of motion should have been given to discuss the matter at the next meeting. Comp. Flavell moved that the question be now put. Comp. Harkness, in reply, said the amendment was useless, as if the motion was lost the question would be brought forward in 1920. They were reasonable beings, and he had no desire to catch them, but he wanted some kind of a guide as to how they looked at this matter. He could have given notice of motion, but by his present action he had given them two years for consideration instead of twenty-eight days. He held that the tax should be continued, and that Chapters should pay the tax. The amendment was then put, and resulted in 5 voting in favour and 25 against. On the motion being put, 21 voted in favour and 19 against. The chairman therefore declared the motion carried.

REPRESENTATIVE TAX—Comp. Veitch (G.Treas.) moved that the representative tax for the years 1919 and 1920 be 9d. per member per year, and that Sup. Corn. be authorised to transfer such sums from the General Fund as may be deemed desirable. An amendment to make the tax 1s. per member per year was defeated, and the motion was carried.

EVENING SESSION.

There was a very large gathering when the companions assembled at 7 p.m., the local companions making a most creditable showing. The companions were called to order shortly after the hour appointed by V.E. Comp. W. Miller, G.D. of C., and M.E. Comp. M. J. Harris, P.G.Z., attended by his officers, was received and assumed the chair.

The warrant of the election of R.E. Comp. J. H. Harkness as let G.Prin. having been read, he was admitted and received with the usual ceremony and formality, and having taken the obligation *de fidele*, was invested, enthroned, and proclaimed as the 1st G.Prin. of the Sup.G.R.A. Chapter of New Zealand.

R.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff was then presented, and, having been obligated and invested by the G.Z., was installed as the D.G.Prin. for the current year.

R.E. Comp. T. Hobson was next presented, and was invested and installed in usual form as 2nd G.Prin.H.

R.E. Comp. C. Flavell was presented as 3rd G.Prin.-elect, and was invested and installed into that distinguished office.

The G.Prins. were then duly proclaimed by V.E. Comp. W. G.D. of C.

The appointment of the following G.Supts. was announced :M.E. Comp. M. J. Harris (Auckland), R.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie (Ilawkes Bay), M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt (Wellington), R.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop (Canterbury), R.E. Comp. E. Lane (Otago), V.E. Comp. F. A. Steans (Southland). R.E. Comp. Bishop being newly-appointed, was invested with the insignia of his office. The remaining G. officers present were duly invested by the M.E.G.Z. Patents of office were presented to all G.Prins. and officers on their investment.

M.E. Comp. Harkness then addressed the meeting as follows :—" Companions,—I was not consulted in the compilation of the programme ; if I had been, I would have cut out the item, Which custom has decreed, that at this stage the 1st G.Prin., who is new to the work and knows nothing about it, should address the companions, and which address should largely deal with the work of G. Chapter. I am of opinion that an alternative course should be adopted which would allow the address of the let G.Prin. to be delivered at the close of his term of office instead of, as at present, the commencement. I am told this might be sufficient

inducement for the nervous companion to abstain from attending the second meeting. But there is one point, I have a clear duty to perform in the expression of my heartfelt thanks for the honour you have done me. I don't know that I quite realise the importance of the position in which you have placed me, but I have a dim idea that time will bring a full realisation. Though many of my predecessors may be able to give me points in the work accomplished, none can excel me in my appreciation of the high honour conferred upon me by my election as 1st G.Prin. of Sup. Chapter. Some years ago, when the rank of P.D.G.Z. was conferred upon myself and others who had been working for many years in the back-blocks, I esteemed the honour very greatly, but perhaps my greatest pleasure on the occasion was to hear the kindly remarks of M.E. Comps. Esson and Williams, who visited the West Coast Chapters at this particular time. I can only pray that I may be enabled to carry out my present duties honourably to myself and to the satisfaction of G. Chapter. In thinking what I should say to you to-day, my thoughts kept running up against the ghastly war in which we are engaged, fighting for our very existence. As Freemasons the conflict affects us very closely, and but for the war we should not have been called upon to discuss some of the questions we have had before us to-day. But it is consolatory to know that if our progress has not been very marked, we have held our ground and kept the flag flying. If we can only continue to do this there will be a glorious future after the war. Our progress has been satisfactory where Chapters have been augmented from more than one Lodge, but where one Lodge only has to be depended upon for the Chapter's accession of strength, difficulties not infrequently accrue. In places where there is a desire for a Chapter and only one Lodge to draw members from, this aspect of the question should receive due consideration. Recurring again to the war, which is kept constantly before us, we know that much is true, and all is very sad, but are we learning any lessons as compensation? Those who have gone forth in the strength and glory of their manhood, and behind whom the Second Veil has been drawn, have been animated by the principle of brotherly love, relief, and truth. We learn from our Great Light in Freemasonry, "Greater love hath no man than he who lays down his life for his friend." This is the lesson we should learn from those who have done their duty so valiantly and well. Is the sacrifice they have made in vain? Shall we not attempt to rise to the same heights, and do something for King and Country? There are few of us but have some relation to one or other who is gone, and this should have a deep impression on our Freemasonry, teaching us that he is our neighbour, who is in need of our help. The fundamental principles of Freemasonry ought not to be confined to the Lodge or Chapter, but should, as exemplified in our lives, permeate the whole community. We pride ourselves on what we are doing, but are we acting what we teach in our Chapters? If we are, then we are doing something towards the re-making of a real new world. Unless the world at large is the better for our existence, then indeed have we laboured in vain and spent our strength for nought. All societies, all institutions, and all creeds are being put into the melting pot, and we believe that Freemasonry will emerge from the fire purified and refined from the dross. I close my few remarks with the hope that my words may find an echo in your hearts, that we may go back with higher aims, with a more ardent desire to make Freemasonry a greater and more real force in the world when the clouds shall have passed away."

Fraternal greetings having been tendered by representatives of sister G. Chapters, G. Chapter was closed in ample form at 9.45 p.m. The visitors were most hospitably entertained by the Nelson companions, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

GRAND LODGE OF NEW ZEALAND.

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED AT THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION, TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN HALL,
WELLINGTON, ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 8TH AND 9TH MAY, 1918.

G.L. WILL BE OPENED ON WEDNESDAY, 8TH MAY, AT 10 A.M.

1. The Minutes of the annual communication of 1916 will be submitted for confirmation.
2. Election of the M.W.G.M.
3. Election of other G. officers.
4. The annual balance-sheet to 31st March, 1917, will be submitted for adoption, also the balance-sheet to 31st March, 1918.
5. Reports of the Board of Benevolence for the year ending 31st March, 1917, and also for the year ending 31st March, 1918.
6. Reports of the Annuity Board-of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund for the year ending 31st March, 1917, and also for the year ending 31st March, 1918.

7. Reports of the B. of G.P. for the year ending 31st March, 1917, and also for the year ending 31st March, 1918.

8. Election of Auditor.

9. Fixing the Representation Levy for 1919.

G.L. will adjourn at 5 p.m., and re-assemble at 7.30 p.m. for the installation of the G.M.-elect, V.W. Bro. Hon. Alexander Lawrence Herdman.

Appointment and investiture of the R.W.D.G.M.

Appointment and investiture of the R.W. Prov.G.Ms. of districts.

Appointment and investiture of the R.W. S.G.W. and I.G.W.

Investiture of elected G. officers.

Address from the M.W.G.M.

G.L. will be closed.

THURSDAY, 9TH MAY, 1918.

G.L. session will be resumed at 9.30 a.m.

Business on the agenda paper for Wednesday will first be completed.

Notices of motion, as printed below, will be considered. Proposed amendments, as printed below, will be considered. General business by permission of the G.M.

G.L. will be closed.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. W. Bro. N. G. Armstrong, P.M. of Lodge St. Andrew Kil., No. 79, will move :—

" That the office of the G.L. be permanently located in the City of Wellington, and that the B. of GP. be empowered to take the necessary steps to carry this resolution into effect."

2. M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougal], P.G.M., will move:— " That G.L. is of opinion that the application of the G.L. of France for recognition should receive favourable consideration."

3. R.W. Bro. R. H. Richmond, Prov.G.M., will move :— "That as our annuities, owing to the increased cost of living, are now less adequate than in pre-war days, G.L. recommends all Lodges under its jurisdiction to ask their members to contribute 2s. each per annum to the W. and O. and A.M. Fund, in addition to what they are disposed to give at the annual installation meetings. The additional sum thus raised to be spent annually by the Annuity Board in supplementing annuities where necessary, the balance, if any, to be capitalised as are the annual collections."

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE. LAWS OF GRAND LODGE.

The following amendments to the laws of G.L. have been prepared by the G.Reg. under instructions from the B. of G.P., and are now submitted to G.L. for adoption :-

1. Amendments to Rules 10, 11, and 17-

To provide for the rank and designation of D.Prov.G.Ms., and to alter the rank and designation of G.Ds. of C. and P.G.Ds. of C., so that they shall be designated "V. Wor. " and rank in order of precedence immediately after P.G.Lects. and before G.Ds.

(a) That Rule 10 be amended by inserting the words " Deputy Provincial Grand Master " next below the words " Past Grand Wardens," and further by inserting the words " Grand Director of Ceremonies " next below the words " Past Grand Lecturers " and the words "Past Grand Directors of Ceremonies" next below the said words " Grand Director of Ceremonies."

(b) That Rule 10 be further amended by deleting all the figures from " 11 to 50 " inclusive and re-numbering the offices consecutively from " 11 to 51 " inclusive.

(c) That Rule 11 be amended by inserting therein after the words " only by " in the tenth line the words " the present Deputy Provincial Grand Masters," and by also inserting therein after the words " Grand Lodge " in the sixteenth line the words following " Grand Directors of Ceremonies and Past Grand Directors of Ceremonies."

(d) That Rule 17 be amended by deleting the words " the Grand Directors of Ceremonies (two) " as they now , appear therein and re-inserting them between the words " the Grand Lecturers " and " the Grand Deacons (Jour)."

2. Amendment to Rule 42-

Providing for appointment of more than one Deputy where district contains 40 Lodges or over 40.

(a) That Rule 42 be amended to read as follows:-

" The G.M. may empower the Prov.G.M. of any district to appoint for the currency of any year a Deputy having limited authority within a specified area, and in a district containing not less than 40, Lodges two such Deputies may be appointed.

" Such Deputies must be members of G.L. and shall be appointed under Commission defining their duties and powers. Each Commission shall be submitted to and approved by the G.M. before being issued by the Prov. G.M.

" Prov.G.Ms. shall be responsible for all the acts of their Deputies."

3. Amendment to Rule 55-

To provide for increasing the fee payable by G.Ds. of C. from £2 2s. to £3 3s.

That Rule 55 be amended by deleting the figures £2 2s. placed opposite the words " Grand Directors of Ceremonies " and inserting in lieu thereof the figures £3 3s.

4. Addition to Rule 102-

Should a Warden be serving in a Military capacity and thereby be unable to complete a full term of service in his Lodge to qualify him for election as Master, the G.M. may, by special dispensation, provide for his case under this rule.

That Rule 146 be repealed and the following substituted at the beginning of such rule " In case of the election to the office of W.M. of a brother who, by reason of military duties, has been unable to serve the office of Warden for a full year, or "

5. Amendment to Rule 146—

Should emergent circumstances arise after a candidate has been" proposed in any Lodge under Rule 145, the Master may apply to the G.M., or to the Prov.G.M., for a dispensation authorising the Lodge to proceed under Rule 146, and if the G.M. or Prov. GAIL is satisfied that the emergency justifies it, he may grant a dispensation.

That Rule 146 be repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof :—

146. In cases of special emergency the following course may be pursued. If any two M.Ms. of a Lodge shall transmit in writing to the Master the name, age, profession or occupation, and place of abode of any candidate whom they may wish to propose, and the circumstances which cause the special emergency, or if such special emergency shall arise after a candidate has been proposed in a Lddge, and his proposer and seconder shall transmit in writing to the Master the circumstances which cause the special emergency, then, and in either of such cases, if, in his opinion, the emergency be real, the Master shall apply to the G.M. or to the Prov.G.M. for a dispensation, who, being also satisfied that the emergency is real, may grant a dispensation, and in that event the Master shall notify every member of his Lodge, either in the summons for the next regular meeting or in a summons for a Lodge of Emergency to meet at a period of not less than seven days from the issuing of the summons, and the candidate (subject to his being approved on the ballot) may then be initiated. The Master shall, before proceeding with the business stated on the summons, read the proposition and dispensation, and state to the Lodge the cause of the emergency, which shall be recorded in the minutes.

6. Amendment to Rule 158—

Joining Member to make written application.

That Rule 158 be amended by deleting therefrom all the words from the beginning down to and including the word " sent " in the eighth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words following : "a brother desirous of being admitted a joining member of a Lodge shall fill in and sign the following application. His proposer and seconder, who must be Master Masons, shall also fill in and sign the recommendation at the end of such application.

(Application.)

To the Worshipful Master, Officers, and Members of

Lodge....., No

..... of, do hereby apply

to be admitted a member of your Lodge. I am a holder of
Demit from Lodge ' No, or I am
at present a member of the following Lodges
....., and submit proof of my financial stand-
ing in such Lodges.

If admitted a member of your Lodge I will obey the commands of the Worshipful Master and observe
the By-laws of the Lodge.

Signature

Rank

We, the undersigned, having known Bro
for the past....., do recommend and propose
him for membership of Lodge.....

.....Proposer.

.....Seconder.

Dated

The brother must then be proposed and seconded in /open Lodge at a regular meeting, and. his name,
profession, or occupation, and place of abode, as well as the name and number of the Lodge of which
he is or was last a member, together with the names of his proposer and seconder, shall be."

7. Amendment to Rule 168—

During the continuance of the war it shall be permissible for Lodges to issue to brethren going to the front
proofs of their membership, but all such proofs must be verified by Ole signature of the G.Sec. and be
impressed by the seal of G.L.

That the following words be added to Rule 168 :—

" Or in case of a brother on active military service a certificate of his membership, provided, however,
that such last-mentioned certificate shall be verified by the signature of the Grand Secretary and shall
not be issued to the brother until he has surrendered to the Secretary of his Lodge his Grand Lodge
certificate, which shall at any time thereafter be returned to him in exchange for the certificate of
membership above referred to."

8. Amendment to Rule 177—

Right of Appeal from Exclusion by Lodge under

Rule 177.

That Rule No. 177 be amended by adding thereto the following words : "Any brother may appeal to
the P.G. Master or the Board of General Purposes against his exclusion from his Lodge. Such appeal
to be in writing and subject to all the conditions contained in Rule 187. Notice of appeal must be
served upon the Grand Secretary within three months from the date of the brother's exclusion."

9. Amendment to Rule 190—

Should a dispensation be issued by a Prov.G.M. authorising an alteration of the regular day of installation
in a Lodge to meet the convenience of G.L., the B. of G.P. may waive the payment of the usual fee, upon
the application of the Prov.G.M. who issued such dispensation.

That Rule 190 be amended by adding to the words " other dispensations " appearing therein the
following words : "except where the Board of General Purposes has waived the payment of a fee in
respect of a. dispensation issued by the Grand Master or a Provincial Grand Master, authorising an
alteration of the regular day of installation in a Lodge for the convenience of Grand Lodge."

OBITUARY.

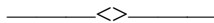
BRO. W. WIDDOWSON.

Deep regret was expressed on 24th January when it became known that Bro. Will Widdowson,
Resident Engineer of the Public Works Department, had died suddenly at his residence in

Richmond Avenue, and this feeling will be general in the various districts where his duties have taken him. It is understood that the cause of death was heart trouble, but the sad event was quite unexpected, for he was well and in his usual good spirits during the day. On 22nd January Bro. Widdowson, in company with Mr. H. Rix-Trott, of the Public Works Office, had a long and strenuous day in the open at the Moutere, in connection with the Mudflats road, but he showed no ill effects after his exertions. He returned to Nelson on Wednesday evening, and duly attended a meeting for which he had an engagement. Bro. Widdowson, who was in his 59th year, was a native of Canterbury. He was trained as an architect, after which he took up civil engineering. He left New Zealand to obtain further experience, and for eleven years he was in the service of the Victorian Government on various public works. Returning to New Zealand, he was for a number of years in charge of the construction of the Catlins-Roxburgh Railway, and in September, 1911, he was transferred to Nelson as Resident Engineer. He was a member of the New Zealand Society of Civil Engineers. The deceased was an earnest member of the Presbyterian body, and as an elder of Trinity Church and superintendent of its Sabbath school he did faithful and sympathetic work, the worth of which will long be remembered. He was an active Freemason, and at the time of his death was S.W. of Victory Lodge, No. 40. He was also P.Z. in the R.A. Chapter. A widow, two sons, and three daughters are left. The sons, Capt. W. Widdowson, M.C., and Gunner Norman Widdowson, are both in France. The daughters are Misses Amy, Florence, and Alice Widdowson. W. Bro. H. Y. Widdowson, S.M., of Dunedin, is a brother of the deceased.

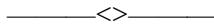
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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENT.



C. SWANSEGAR.—The correspondence you have forwarded is of a private character, and will not be of general interest. Further, publication would only tend to aggravate the matter.

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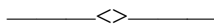


TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— I will be pleased if you will, answer the following question : In the event of a brother speaking of his intention to propose a friend at the next meeting of a Lodge, and subsequently hearing information which causes him to determine not to propose his friend, is it necessary to send out circulars with the friend's name, etc., and summon and hold a meeting of the Lodge to intimate that he, from information received, had decided not to propose the friend? — Yours fraternally, ENQUIRER.

[If the person had not been regularly proposed, his name was not before the Lodge, hence there was no occasion to withdraw the name.—ED. C.]

BURLESQUE.



TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO., — As a young Freemason, I would like your opinion on a matter that occurred at the "Fourth" in one of the Lodges here. A brother was called on for an item, and in response gave what he considered would be a fitting ritual for the after-meeting. For your information I enclose what I remember of the suggestion. Now, the point I wish to make is that during the evening three candidates had been raised, and were undoubtedly thoroughly impressed with the ceremony faithfully carried out according to the ritual. Had they gone home immediately afterwards, that feeling in all probability would have been "indelibly impressed on their minds," but, seeing that they remained and shared the pleasure (?) of the burlesque, I think much good work was lost. The item was undoubtedly humorous, and was capably given by a humorous and well-intentioned brother, but it strikes me that the happening savoured somewhat of encroachment on the landmarks.

What do you think ?—Yours fraternally,
Invercargill, 4th February, 1918.

PUZZLED.

[Such inane humour (?) cannot, be too strongly reprobated, and we are surprised the Master allowed it. The newly-raised brother would have had justification for not again entering the Lodge.—ED. C.]

PRESENTATIONS.

TO M.W. BRO. HERBERT J. WILLIAMS, P.G.M.

At the installation meeting of Lodge Tutanekai, held on 7th February, 1918, opportunity was taken by the Officers and brethren to present the installing officer (M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M.) with a small token of esteem and regard. The occasion was unique, as the M.W. brother had attained the day before the age allotted to man.

In making the presentation, which was done by W. Bro. H. Ivory in a, very happy manner, mention was made of the many services that the M.W. brother had rendered the Lodge since it was founded, on all occasions, when requested, visiting the Lodge, giving advice to the various W.Ms., and assistance whenever required; and this was done in such a way as to make it a pleasure to listen to the advice and feel that the M.W. brother had the prosperity of the Lodge at heart. In handing a very handsome silver inkstand to the recipient, W. Bro. Ivory wished the M.W. brother many years of health and happiness, and that in the future, as in the past, he would not only recommend the Order by his life, but would continue to wield the pen in scattering broadcast the beautiful truths and moral teaching embodied in the ritual of the Craft.

To say that M.W. Bro. Williams was surprised does not nearly express his condition. To use a colloquialism, he was "flabber-gasted." The surprise was complete and excellently engineered. On rising to reply, the recipient said he had not infrequently referred to surprises expressed on the occasion of presentations, which in some cases were a little artificial, but in this instance it was most complete when his own name was mentioned. He could not forget the fact that he was opposed to the formation of the Lodge, but when the foundation was complete he attended fairly frequently, in the old hall at Island Bay, to give it the best of his assistance. When the present hall was erected and opened he was, invited to take a prominent part, and he had since visited the Lodge as often as possible, and had advised W.Ms. when requested. In all cases he had been most pleased to do so, as also in the case of many other Lodges. He thanked Lodge Tutanekai most heartily for their practical expression of esteem and appreciation, and he need hardly say how much he would treasure their handsome gift, which would also be as greatly appreciated by his wife. He would like, further, to acknowledge their kind congratulations on the occasion of his attaining the Biblical age. For nearly forty years he had laboured in the vineyard of Freemasonry, and he hoped to be spared to render further service. While he lived he would not forget the kindly action of Tutanekai Lodge that evening.

The inkstand is a remarkably handsome piece of work, and reflects the greatest credit on the taste of the selectors. It bears the simple inscription of the monogram of the recipient, the name of the Lodge, and date of presentation.

TO E. COMP. WM. SCUTT.

A correspondent, writing from Dunedin, states that at the last meeting of the Otago R.A. Chapter, No. 7, a presentation of a S.E.'s jewel was made to E. Comp. Wm. Scutt, late S.E. to Auckland Prov. R.A. Chapter, No. 9, and now residing in Dunedin. The 1st Prin. (V.E. Comp. A. Stoneham) made the presentation, and, in handing over the jewel on behalf of Auckland companions, expressed the hope that the recipient would have many occasions on which to wear it, and conveyed to him the very best wishes of Auckland Chapter, No. 9. E. Comp. Scutt suitably replied.

JERUSALEM FALLS.

The capture of Jerusalem from the Turks, who have had uninterrupted possession of it for 673 years, revives talk of an independent Jewish Commonwealth after the war, and possibly rebuilding Solomon's Temple. For the good of humanity the world ought to put the Jews in charge of their old country, where they once had a

theocracy, then a kingdom, then a tyranny, and then anarchy. The lessons of the past will make them better rulers than any other people—rulers of themselves. It is interesting to reflect that Jerusalem was once Salem, the capital of the Phoenician Melchizedeks or priest-kings of the mysterious school which first gave Abraham, the founder of the Jewish race, that LIGHT these people have kept burning for centuries amid all kinds of persecution.—" Light."

WHEN I AM GONE.

When I am gone,
And other men are trying where I tried
To stem the billows of life's rushing tide,
If those who knew me best may pause to toss
From memory but a rose upon the moss,
And say, " He strove with earnestness of heart
To do whatever was his given part,"
Then will I not have lived entirely vain,
And, dying, will have left a sweet refrain—
When I am gone !—Exchange.

In a Lodge of 100 members one bad man can raise more trouble than the other 99 can fix in a lifetime. Therefore let every member work together for peace and harmony; get together and be social if you wish to promote harmony. —Exchange.

ELOCUTION AND THE MASONIC RITUAL. (Continued)

[By BRO. COLONEL J. R. PURDY.]

At our last meeting I stated that the principal faults in the delivery of the ritual are due to two main causes First, want of knowledge of the fundamentals of elocution; secondly, in-sufficient practice or rehearsal. The second is perhaps the worst fault of the two. Rehearsing or practice is of the utmost importance. Most of the faults in the delivery of the ritual are not due to grave breaches of fundamental rules, but to insufficient practice. Some of us imagine that if the work to be done is memorised, the main factor in a successful delivery has been accomplished. This is not so. True, it is imperative that the words should be delivered as they are laid down, and that it is a grave fault if words of our own are substituted, but the words should also be given without any consciousness of voluntary effort. To attain this unconsciousness of effort hard and continuous practice is necessary. The ordinary Lodge rehearsal of the ceremony of one of the degrees is not sufficient; daily effort is required. Even for the management of the voice alone, without any Attempt at polishing up a particular delivery, continuous daily practice is necessary. In order to carry out this practice with the necessary advantage, it is essential that certain rules of elocution should be followed. I have already pointed out to you how by the proper use of the pause alone great improvement may be made in the delivery of the various speeches and charges, and I commend to your careful consideration and study the remarks I made in my last paper. Modulation, or the management of the voice, is most important. One should speak well within the compass of one's voice, rising and falling at will. It is always advisable to use one's natural voice in Masonic work ; in fact, in all elocutionary work. It is a mistake to adopt a different voice than the one we regularly use. Some actors (there are not many, because of the great difficulty) pitch their voice in different keys for different characters. They cannot entirely change their voice, but by altering its normal pitch, and sustaining that alteration right through their part, they appear to be speaking entirely differently, and so acquire reputation as great character actors. Mr. Graham Browne, who has been with us lately, is a notable example. In reciting, also, where one has sometimes to portray different characters, it is usual to change the key for each particular one in order to get the desired effect, but in the ordinary delivery of the Masonic ritual this is not necessary, as every effect necessary can be obtained by the cultivation of one's natural voice. Every natural voice has five well-marked keys : Highest, higher, middle, lower, lowest. In reciting, certainly in the delivery of our ritual, the change from one key to another should never be abrupt, but gradual; the various keys should slide into each other, as it were. It is always advisable to recite in the middle key, or the voice tone we employ most frequently in ordinary conversation, then one can readily go

up or down. Let me quote a stanza from a well-known recitation that practically sweeps through all the voice tones. You will notice that the changes are not abrupt, even though I use the low tones of my voice. I may say that the low tones I use in this particular example are seldom used. It is rarely necessary to use more than three tones—the middle, higher, and lower, more especially in rendering our ritual:-

" And then from forth the frowning sky,
From the heavens' topmost height,
I heard a voice, the awful voice
Of the blood avenging sprite;
Thou guilty man, take up thy dead,
And hide it from my sight."

Sometimes great effect is obtained by the use of the monotone, and also what is called the staccato. Of course, there is no real monotone in the speaking voice, but when the words of a clause are equally accented, and the voice sustained from accent to 'accent with level pitch and subdued inflections, the effect is a near approach to, though never a perfect, monotone. When the words of a clause are equally accented, but the voice not sustained from accent to accent, the effect is staccato, an abrupt, pointed, and general emphasis on every word, or even it may be every syllable. An excellent example of the use of the monotone and staccato is embodied in our ritual. Let me quote it to you.

Gesture does not concern us to any great extent. It should never be used as a set art in the rendering of our ritual. The greatest aid in this connection in delivery is to be still. Charles Mathews said it took him 30 years to learn to be still on the stage—and then he wasn't still. You must, of course, be distinct. This does not mean slow in utterance. Some phrases must be taken at a greater speed than others, but you must always be distinct. The great difficulty is to be slow, and not to seem slow. By altering the speed orators and reciters get effect. The conscious management of the voice should become a habit, so organised mentally that after a time conscious effort, is no longer necessary, for every state of consciousness which is habitually repeated leaves an organic impression on the brain, by virtue of which that same state may be reproduced more readily at any future time.

We can therefore readily understand how very difficult it is to cure a bad habit of voice production, or diction, when once it has become mentally organised. Moreover, consciousness of the difficulty causes nervous apprehension, and a mental struggle may ensue between the conscious right method of rendering and the subconscious habitual wrong method which may make itself apparent to the audience by a faltering and imperfect technique, or even a complete breakdown. Not until he has mastered the technique of correct diction and memorising the words is consciousness relieved of its duties as a watchful censor to prevent mistakes, to such a degree that he can devote his attention to the production of all those fine shades of effective tone in the modulation of the voice, which are so essential for correct diction. Thus the art of speaking lies in concealing the art. For a perfect rendering consciousness should only be employed as the censor to watch over and prevent the occurrence of imperfections in the technique of voice management. In other words, by constant practice of right methods the rendering should become automatic. When the technique by constant practice of right methods has become perfect and organised in the subconsciousness as a fixed habit, the orator or reciter can then devote his whole attention to that portion of his art upon which his success will largely depend, viz., the expressions of the emotions and passions by voice, countenance, and gesture. Not only will the reciter be able to interpret the charge or speech correctly, but he may also colour it with his own personality by an individual and feeling tone, which is afterwards associated with his name.

We see, therefore, that continuous practice by right methods is essential for success in oratory or reciting, the chief attributes of which are :—(1) Control of the breath, adequate volume, sustaining power, and capability of producing and modulating the voice. (2) Good quality or timbre, due partly to the construction of the resonator or resonating chambers, but in great measure to its proper use under the control of the will. (3) The power to express the emotions and arouse the feelings of the audience. This may be acquired, but largely depends upon the inborn artistic temperament. Something is lacking in a rendering of a charge or speech, however perfect the voice, if it fails to arouse enthusiasm or stir up the feelings of an audience by the expression of emotion or passion through the mentality of the speaker.

In the preparation of this paper I am greatly indebted to a valuable article on the mechanism of the voice by Dr. F. W-Mott, of London.

UNITED MASTERS' LODGE, No. 167, AUCKLAND.

PRESENTATION TO V.W. BRO. E. R. PIGGOTT, TREAS.

The meeting of the Lodge in November was made the occasion of making a presentation to V.W. Bro. E. R. Piggott on his retiring from the office of Treas., a position he has held since the consecration of the Lodge. As the W.M. was unavoidably absent, the chair was occupied by V.W. Bro. S. Milroy, Pres. B. of G.P., who addressed the brethren as follows :—

"In the absence of the W.M., I have the privilege of performing what to me is a very congenial task—that of making, on behalf of the United Masters' Lodge, a small presentation to V.W. Bro. Piggott.

"As is, no doubt, known to all present, Bro. Piggott has been a prominent active member of his mother Lodge (Ara, No. 348, I.C.) and an officer of the Prov.G.L. of Ireland for many years. He has filled the office of Treas. in a way which commands the admiration of his brethren, and in a very great measure contributed to the welfare and success of that Lodge. At the inauguration of the United Masters' Lodge we were fortunate enough to enlist the sympathies and secure the services of V.W. Bro. Piggott as Treas., and he has held that office up to the present time 'in a manner which has again called forth our admiration, Many difficulties have been faced and overcome by him in that capacity. On all these occasions he has proved himself a born financier, and by his remarkable capability has saved us from disaster. To do this he has many times had to call us to order both individually and collectively, and yet such is his tact and discretion that no brother in the Lodge has more endeared himself to his fellow members or more fully compelled their love and respect. Now, on account of ill-health, which we sincerely trust may only prove temporary, he finds it necessary to relinquish his position as Treas., and it is to mark our high appreciation of his past services that we are now making this presentation.

" I have referred, brethren, very briefly to the work Bro. Piggott has done in the respective offices he has held, but all that is of small importance when compared with his life and actions as a man and a Freemason, altogether apart from his work as a Lodge and Prov.G.L. officer, I should feel very diffident in expressing in his presence even a part of the admiration I have, amid which I know you all have, for his high ideals and the way in which he has acted up to them. I can only assure you that I have many times stood almost ashamed when I have known of the simple and unostentatious performance of what he conceives to be his duty, of his purity of heart, his kindness of disposition, his consideration for those in affliction, and the comfort he has personally brought to those in sickness and distress. Many times I have asked myself whether many of us are entitled to be called Freemasons in the same breath with this genial, kindly gentleman.

" Bro. Piggott, it affords me peculiar pleasure to have the privilege of offering for your acceptance, this small token of the gratitude and esteem of your brethren in the United Masters' Lodge. It is a case of cutlery. We sincerely hope that you will speedily be completely restored to your usual robust health, and that you may live throughout many years to enjoy the use of these knives and forks and the recollection of the goodwill which impels the brethren of this Lodge to offer them for your acceptance."

On rising to accept the presentation, V.W. Bro. Piggott said :—

V.W. Bro. Milroy,—I only wish that I could say 'Thank you,' and resume my seat; but upon an occasion like this that would not do. I desire to express my deep thanks for the honour you have done me this evening. You have, indeed, been too generous, and I fail to see that I should be singled out for such special mark of your favour, for other brethren have done far more for the progress of the Lodge than myself, and tonight, when I hand over your very handsome present to the keeper of our household goods, I am sure she will be proud of not only the gift, but the good-fellowship that prompted it. It will call to mind the real good days I have had as Treas. of this Lodge. To yourself, V.W. Bro. Milroy, I desire to express my thanks for the very kind words you have used in making the presentation, for, as you were speaking in that calm, classical, and yet, forcible manner that is usual with yourself, I was in a sense back in the old land of my boyhood, and in spirit listening to C. H. Spurgeon, Morley Punshion, and Newman Hall, giants of oratory (the world was the poorer for them leaving it). I would that one could honestly lay claim to all the good things that you have said of me; and, as I look upon this presentation you have made me, I am forcibly impressed with the idea that our family is making a fresh start, for I have seen the days in New Zealand, if one had a one-course dinner you were lucky, and if there was duff to follow one was not above turning your plate over for a helping, and one had the feeling at such times that his lines were cast in pleasant places ; and to-night I feel that a great responsibility is placed upon me in using your handsome present. There must be a departure from

the old guest order of things, and fresh menus inaugurated, and for your approval, sir, I suggest this as an opening menu- : Soups—bisque, bouillon; fish—croquettes, fish and tomato ; entrees—Indian curry ; joints—roast beef, Yorkshire pudding ; vegetables—French beans, cauliflower, baked and boiled potatoes ; sauces—bechamel, -parsley sauce ; sweets—plum pudding and brandy sauce, apple fritters. I am sure V.W. Bro. Milroy is of the opinion that the menu will do, though, no doubt, he regrets the absence of the peas pudding. I admit that ; but, as peas pudding is of a very satisfying nature, it requires to be partaken of in the open; and, if a pennyworth was more than nature required, a -plate-glass window could secure the balance, the result being a very fine war map of Germany. I desire to thank you further, V.W. Bro. Milroy, for your fraternal remarks upon my work in connection with my mother Lodge, 348, I.C. I am, indeed, proud of being a member of that old Lodge ; and, as you have fraternally alluded to my late sickness and the operation I have undergone, I am thankful indeed to the members of 348, I. C., for all their very great fraternal kindness and attention to me, for they did, indeed, pour the healing balm of consolation into my trouble. I have known what it is to pass through the shadow-land, and I thank T.G.A.O.T.U. for all His mercies vouchsafed to me, and for the thought that I had not to be brought low myself to be made to think of the suffering of others in the struggle incidental to human life.

"I desire to thank my very old colleague, V.W. Bro. G. A. Gribbin, for his kind remarks made last Lodge night. He did me the honour to say that I had as Treas. been a nuisance to him. I plead guilty not only to him, but to others, and Bro. Gribbin and the others all know that a paying-up of dues to a Treas. is an easy way of getting rid of the nuisance. We have worked together for many years, and had many a hard row to hoe, and we have lived to see splendid results from the work done. As a rule, we have been on the planet Venus, sometimes in Mars, but in all these years we have had not only respect, but also fraternal affection for each other.

"I thank you, V.W. Bro. Milroy, for your remarks upon sick visiting. This is a Masonic duty, and should be counted a privilege. I look upon this work as the Order of the Cross—not an empty order as that of the Iron Cross—for the reward of the Order of the Cross will come from the great Lover of all humanity in his commendation, 'inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, you have done it unto me.'

"Brethren, My thanks to all for your kindness. I know not if the days will be few or many that will be mine, but I hope till the end I may still do some little good for the Craft that has done so much for me."

MASONIC WAR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

[An Address delivered by V.W. BRO. T. W. ROWE, M.A.,
LL.B., P.G.L., P.P.G.R., at the quarterly communication
of the Prov.G.L. of Canterbury, at Christchurch, 21st January, 1918.]

In a quarterly address delivered before this Prov.G.L. at one of its quarterly communications some time ago, I threw out the suggestion that Masonic scholarships should be established to assist in the higher education of the children of Freemasons who might otherwise be unable to obtain the benefits of such education. My suggestion was received, I believe, with sympathy and approval, but has apparently been relegated to the limbo of forgotten things. I wish this evening to propose a more definite scheme than that contained in my former address.

The various nations engaged in the great and tragic struggle which has reduced to comparative insignificance even the greatest of previous wars will, no doubt, establish great and noble national memorials in honour of those who have shed their blood or given their lives in furtherance of the great ideals which they have set, before them as thd objects to be attained in the great contest. And all sections of the nations will set up their own local or particular memorials. Memorial institutions of every kind and serving every purpose will keep for ever green the memory of those who have died that the world might be a better place for those who still live. And, as a great and important section of the community, Freemasons will, no doubt, desire that their well-beloved institution, based on charity and brotherly love, shall set up a fitting memorial in honour of those of its members who have suffered or died in order that brotherly love and charity may still continue upon earth.

No doubt, there will be much difference of opinion as to the form such memorial shall take. There is moth, indeed, for many Masonic memorials. Such a powerful and wealthy body of men as English Freemasonry ranges under its banner could raise sufficient funds to establish and maintain many memorials, while its

associated Prov. and Dist. G.Ls. and Craft Lodges, no doubt, would also in many cases Establish their own local and particular memorials.

But in this country it would probably be found that only one memorial could be established. We are not numerous or rich enough to raise funds for more, except, of course, the small tablets or other memorials that even individual Craft Lodges could easily provide. Whatever funds might be raised should be devoted to making a noble, dignified, and worthy memorial, of which New Zealand Freemasonry need have no reason to feel ashamed.

Now, a noble and dignified Masonic building will at once suggest itself to many brethren as an eminently suitable memorial. In a memorial hall appropriate inscriptions might record the names of those whom Freemasonry would wish ever to hold in remembrance. And such a building would be a centre of Masonic intercourse, and would materially further the social and kindly objects for which Freemasonry exists. There is much, at first sight, to commend this proposal as an appropriate means of honouring the memory of those who deserve the high honour we can pay them. Yet it seems to me there are great and valid objections to such a proposal. The first is provided by the peculiar topographical conditions of this country. Such a building would of necessity be of merely provincial utility. A stormy strait cuts this country into two halves, and each half is divided by mountain ranges and other geographical features into two greater and several lesser centres of population. Our communities seem doomed to be provincial, and any institution set up in any particular city or town could hardly hope to be truly national. There is another reason for hesitation as to the erection of a splendid architectural memorial. Such an institution would require all, or, at any rate, the larger" portion, of the funds in hand for its erection; and its future maintenance would, at any rate, to a large extent, be a charge upon New Zealand Masonry.

Now, a system of scholarships would be free from both of these objections. It would be truly national, and the funds available would supply the annual requirements for all time, though they could be added to from time to time, if this were thought necessary, as New Zealand Freemasonry grew in numbers and wealth.

I suggest, therefore, that a fitting Masonic war memorial would be a series of scholarships, to be known, say, as the "Masonic War Memorial Scholarships." I need hardly point out the importance of education both to the individual and the nation, and it is quite unnecessary for me to labour the point here. No greater kindness can be shown to a young person than to give him a good education, which might otherwise be beyond his power to obtain.

The conditions of such scholarships would be a matter for very serious consideration, but what I have in mind is roughly as follows : The scholarships should be tenable either at a secondary school or at the university—Preferably at the latter. My reason for saying this is that, owing to our generous system of free places and national scholarships, there is little difficulty in obtaining a secondary education; but a parent whose resources are small may find real difficulty in partially or wholly maintaining a child until he takes a degree at the university. Personally, therefore, I favour scholarships tenable at the university.

Then I think the value should be, say, £25 per annum if the holder can live at home, and £50 per annum if he is obliged to live away from home. A University Scholarship should be tenable for three years; so, in order to give one scholarship yearly, an annual income of £75 would be—and one of £150 might be—required. It would, therefore, require a fund of from £3,000 to £4,000 to make certain of giving one scholarship a year. No expenses of administration should be charged against the fund.

Such scholarships should be open to children of Freemasons who had been members of the .Craft for a certain length of time, or of deceased Freemasons. I think some Masonic standing should be required, as it might, though no doubt rarely, happen that the possibility of a child sitting for the particular scholarship might be an inducement for his parent to become a Freemason.

I would further suggest that certain preferences be observed. These preferences should be of two kinds. The first should have reference to the relationship of candidates to those who had suffered in the war. I would therefore make three preferences : (a) In favour of a candidate being a child or remoter descendant of a Freemason who had given his life in the war ; (b) in favour of a candidate whose father, being a Freemason, had been wounded in the war ; (c) in favour of a candidate whose father, being a Freemason, had seen active service in the war. These preferences could most easily be observed by the addition of a varying scale of marks to those obtained in the test examination by the various candidates. In course of time these preferences would cease to exist, except the first. Death on the field of honour would give a lasting preference to the dead hero's descendants. The second kind of preference would be determined by the merits of the candidate's parents. I would not exclude any candidate because his parents were in easy circumstances, but I would suggest that preferences be given in the following order (a) To children of poor widows of Freemasons; (b)

to children of Freemasons whose income is less than, say, £250 per annum. A scale of marks again could be employed to mark these preferences, and provision could easily be made for taking into account the size of the family supported' by the parent.

I think a recommendation made by this Prov.G.L. to G.L. would carry great weight; it would certainly far outweigh any suggestion emanating solely from an individual brother. I should be glad, therefore, if Prov.G.L. would refer this address to its B. of G.P. for early consideration and report. I shall myself be pleased to put my knowledge of matters educational at the command of the Board. I should also be glad if this address could be open for discussion this evening. In the multitude of counsellors there is wisdom. I hope my proposals will have a reception as sympathetic as I know it will be courteous, and so I leave them in your hands.

AN ENJOYABLE OUTING.

When W. Bro. J. Buchanan, Lodge Victoria, No. 147, announced that he intended going to Bluff on 13th February, in order to pay an official visit to Lodge Fortitude, No. 64, there was a ready response from his officers and brethren to accompany him. A start was made, from Invercargill, per medium of motor cars, at 3.15 p.m., and the port was reached three-quarters of an hour later—a good run which bespeaks no mishaps. The party were soon made comfortable by Bro. Walker, mine host at the Club Hotel, and after a brush up, etc., the brethren strolled round to the bowling green and other places of attraction. A sudden change in the weather, however, necessitated a hasty retreat, and the billiard and commercial rooms provided all that was necessary until tea-time. W. Bro. Parker was down bright and early in the evening, and his delight at seeing so many town brethren was visibly expressed.

The visitors were admitted to the Lodge at 7.50 p.m., and when all were in the seating accommodation was well taken up. W. Bro. Parker announced that, as there was no work for the evening, he would close down immediately, and then the brethren would be entertained in the refectory. He trusted all would stay, and his invitation was availed of by every one. He then formally welcomed W. Bro. Buchanan and visiting brethren, and expressed the appreciation of Lodge Fortitude for the number of visitors present. H.G.W. were received from Lodges Victoria, Aparima, Southern Cross, Waihopai, and Port Chalmers Marine, and the Lodge was then closed in P. and H.

The Stewards, assisted by the Deacons and other willing helpers, soon had the tables set, and, the guests being seated, the toast of "The King and the Craft" was duly honoured. Then "Our Brethren at the Front" was proposed in a very pleasing manner by W. Bro. Walker, who, in doing so, read an appropriate message from a brother who was unavoidably absent. Two returned soldier brethren were present, and one of these (Bro. Knowles) acknowledged the toast, giving some interesting news of Masonic work at the front.

The next toast (an unusual one) was that of "THE CRAFTSMAN," coupled with the name of your correspondent. This toast was in the able care of Bro. Skipage, who spoke of the interest and valuable aid to be gained by regularly reading the official Masonic journal. In replying to the toast, Bro. Farrant acknowledged the honour of placing this item so early on the list, and the fact that Lodge Fortitude was the first in his experience (excepting a Lodge of Instruction) that had seen fit to include "THE CRAFTSMAN" amongst the toasts. After referring to the journal generally, your correspondent took advantage of the opportunity to urge his hearers to become subscribers, carefully stressing the point that a regular perusal of the Masonic journal would in many cases serve as a stepping-stone towards study of Masonic literature in general, thereby enabling brethren in a pleasant manner to make a daily advancement in Masonic knowledge.

"The Visitors" was heartily and humorously proposed by W. Bro. Johnson. Other toasts honoured were those of the "W.M. of Lodge Victoria," the "W.M. of Lodge Fortitude," the "Musicians," and the "Tyler's Toast," all of which received due appreciation. In responding on behalf of the musicians, W. Bro. Brokenshire was highly complimentary in his remarks regarding the accompanist, Bro. J. Watson.

During the evening songs and recitations were contributed by visiting Bros. Booth, Ellis, Alf. Geddes, Brokenshire, Wilson, Buchanan, and others. Limited space forbids a full report of the items; suffice to say that all were highly enjoyed, the star item, judging by the appreciation, being that by Bro. Alf. Geddes, with the refrain—

"Help one another, boys, and do it with a will,
And never push a man because he's going down the hill."

After a thanks-rendering all round and a general handshake, the town brethren parted with their hosts, all in the best of spirits. A good run home was made, and Invercargill was reached by midnight. Though adventures and experiences on the trip were varied and numerous, there was no mishap, and every one participating voted the function a most enjoyable outing.

LODGE OF SORROW.

FOR LATE R.W. BRO. JOHN THORNTON.

Members of the Masonic Fraternity gathered on Sunday, 27th January, at the Masonic Hall, Christchurch, in a service of sorrow for the late R.W. Bro. John Thornton, Prov.G.M. of Canterbury, who died on 23rd December. Although the service was held in the Lodge proper, an innovation was made in the admission of ladies.

The service was very impressive and solemn. To the accompaniment of a funeral march the officers of G.L., Dist.G.L. of Canterbury, E.C., and Prov.G.L. entered. The hymn, "O, God, Our Help in Ages Past," was followed by a prayer and the reading of a lesson by Bro. P. Knight, after which Bro. E. T. Lawn sang "Thou'rt Passing Hence." The beautiful rite of placing flowers and wreaths of immortelles and evergreens on the catafalque was performed by R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham, P.Prov.G.M. ; R.W. Bro. M. S. Brown, D.G.M. (E.C.); and M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, I.P.G.M. The hymn, Days and Moinents Quickly Flying," was followed by the second lesson, "Comfort Ye, My People," and a double quartet, "The Long Day Closes." The eulogium was delivered by M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, who said :—

"BRETHREN AND FRIENDS,—Once again the brethren of the mystic tie meet in solemn convocation to pay tribute to the memory of the dead and to mourn the passing of one who was honoured and beloved.

"Never in the memory of living man—never, perhaps, in the history of the world—has human life been of less value than it is to-day. Thousands and tens of thousands of our youngest and best have cheerfully laid down their lives in the sacred cause of Right, and still the boundless slaughter goes on, and none can tell how or when it will end. We grieve for them as we grieve for our dead brother. The Most High has decreed that men shall bleed and men shall die that some divine purpose may be fulfilled. What that purpose is, poor weak humanity can form but a faint idea. Yet, though the suffering be of the cruellest, there must be a divine end in view, for the Almighty labours not in vain, and while many are to-day being afflicted with sorrow and tribulation, it may be but the bitter trial leading to a brighter, a happier, and a more devout to-morrow. To think otherwise would be to doubt the infinity of God. The peoples of the earth are being afflicted as they have never been afflicted before. The blight of war is upon them, a war of unparalleled magnitude; but it is a war that is being fought to secure the safety and liberty of the human race, to protect humanity from militant autocracy and unbridled oppression, to ensure sanctuary for the humblest, and to consecrate the moral law as the basis of human existence. The Allies are fighting for principles and ideals that have been propounded and inculcated by Freemasons for centuries. Freemasonry has ever preached the doctrine of right living and the sanctity of the moral law. It has striven to bind men together in the immutable bonds of brotherly love, relief, and truth. It has urged universal recognition of the fact that a man is but a man, whatever his station in life may be, and that if he be in distress his condition should be ameliorated, and if in affluence his heart should be expanded by benevolence. It has fought to teach the lesson that true men should unite for the supremacy of good over evil, should appreciate real merit wherever found, and should foster the development of all that is noble and elevating. Many Masonic leaders have preached these principles, and many men have striven to shape their lives in accord with Masonic precept. Such an one was our late lamented ruler in the Craft, R.W. Bro. John Thornton. He realised and appreciated the beauties of Masonic teaching. He practised its lessons in his daily life. He ever tried to induce others to follow its precepts. He abhorred war, and was appalled by the blighting devastation that is scourging the human race. He longed for the blessing of universal peace and concord, and prayed that the hearts of men might be softened to amity. Naturally of a kind and loving disposition, his association with Masonry deepened his convictions and further disposed his heart towards kindness and tolerance. Every Freemason in Canterbury knew "Brother John," and knew him as a man to be trusted, as one to whom the burdened heart, could pour forth its sorrow, to whom the distressed could prefer their suit. No one in trouble ever appealed to him in vain, and his disposition was such that if he erred, the error was on the side of charity. He felt charitably disposed towards all men, and during the time he acted as Almoner of the Christchurch district many a weary brother was helped on the way, not only pecuniarily, but with the cheery words of fraternal counsel and friendly advice that were so characteristic of the man we

mourn. From the day of his initiation into Freemasonry our dear brother was regarded as a man who would make his influence felt, and who would leave his imprint upon the sands of time. He filled many offices with conspicuous success, and evinced such unflagging energy and keen enthusiasm that when the first P.G.M. of Canterbury went to his eternal rest full of years and honour, the unanimous voice of the brethren called Bro. Thornton to the vacant position, and he was elected the second Prov.G.M. of Canterbury. This was little more than two years ago, but during that short period his work has been of such a character that there is little doubt that had his life been spared he would in due course have been chosen to occupy the supreme position in the Dominion. The task assigned him was no sinecure, and required qualities of the highest character for its successful consummation. From the moment of assuming his high office he gave evidence that he possessed the quality of leadership in a marked degree. He devoted himself almost exclusively to the welfare of the Craft, and spared no personal effort in perfecting the work he had undertaken. He laboured assiduously, but to him it was a labour of love. His figure was the best known in Canterbury Masonry. He developed a faculty of oratory that was delightful: His graceful diction and forceful expression of Masonic ideals thrilled his hearers. With unfailing tact he guided, his brethren in the paths of rectitude and virtue. To him Freemasonry was a living thing, capable of vast expansion, and possessing the elements requisite for the permanent happiness of mankind. Himself a man beyond reproach, he strove to make others equally so. Though never censorious, his admonitions were always timely, and such as rarely failed to achieve the desired object. During his term of office he endeared himself to everyone. Quiet and unostentatious as he was, he yet impressed his personality upon all with whom he came in contact. He possessed a charm of manner and speech that created a genial atmosphere wherever he went. He was indeed a loveable man. And now T.G.A.O.T.U. has taken him into His keeping, and the world is poorer of a good man. The memory of R.W. Bro. John Thornton will long be cherished. His vacant chair will be hard to fill. The Craft he loved so well will ever remember him as a kindly leader, a courteous gentleman, a just administrator, a firm friend, and a man of high integrity and unblemished honour. To his grief-stricken wife and sorrowing children we offer our sincere and heartfelt sympathy. We deeply deplore their irreparable loss. We mourn and grieve with them. Our affliction is great, but theirs is incomparably greater. We humbly pray and hope that T.G.A.O.T.U. will of His tender mercy soften the blow that has fallen upon them, and give them health and strength to bear their burden of sorrow. A devoted husband and loving father has gone to his long home, having fought the good fight manfully and well. He now rests from his labours in Paradise until that great day when the trump of the resurrection shall sound, and the souls of the faithful shall be re-united in the mansions of eternal peace. Until then, dear brother, farewell—a long farewell.

We cherish your memory here ;
 We have committed your body to the dust;
 We commend your spirit unto God who gave it.
 Amen. So mote it be.

The Dead March in "Saul" was followed by the Benediction.

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REVIEW.

"THE OLD GUILDS OF ENGLAND."— By W. Bro. Fred. Armitage, author of many Masonic works, and published by Messrs. Wears and Co., 53 and 54 King William Street, E.C. 4, London. Price 6s. net.

This latest work of Bro. Armitage is one of never-failing interest, and is treated in most comprehensive form. In the general consideration it is customary to assume that a guild is simply a guild, without any differentiation; but the author has classified them under seven heads, which enhances both knowledge and interest. Thus we find that the earliest form of guild originated with the Danes as the "Frith," or Peace Guild, and their rules may be traced as far back as the year 700. Bro. Armitage assumes that the derivation of the word may be claimed from the Danish word "gilde," a religious feast, in honour of the God Odin. The next in order were the Religious Guilds, formed by the Roman Catholic Church, and participating in many of the Church ceremonies; and the religious duty of taking part in the miracle plays of those days extended to the members of the guilds. The detailed reference to these plays is most interesting. The next in order is the Merchant Guilds, formed for mutual protection, and, like their successors of to-day, the benefits of monopoly were not ignored. Trade Guilds follow in regular sequence, and we are told that "the idea of the plebeian workmen gaining power by forming guilds of their own does not seem to have been acceptable to the merchants." In this particular, too, history has repeated itself. In the Trade Guilds there wins a well-defined code of rules concerning the taking of apprentices, and when the apprentice was entered by the master on the rolls of the guild, it gave him the title of "entered" apprentice. This has a familiar sound to our Masonic ears. When the apprentice emerged from his pupilage he became a craftsman and a formal member of the guild. Strikes are not in any sense a modern product, as we are told that in 1396 the barbers of Coventry got up a strike against shaving unless the prices were raised. One of their number, John Wilnhalf, turned blackleg, and dared to shave a scrubby customer in defiance of the rules of the strikers, and was assaulted and injured. The events between an interval of centuries meet on a common platform. The London guilds have had a history all their own, and the vicissitudes of their fortunes were very varied, depending greatly on the peculiar idiosyncrasies of the reigning monarchs, some of whom had a penchant for the confiscation of the property and moneys of religious houses, in which category guilds were sometimes included. In connection with the Building Trade Guilds Bro. Armitage says : "There were strikes, apparently, in those days, but the remedy was a summary one, for the King's Mason had power to arrest those found 'contrariant or rebellious,' and to have them brought to him at the Castle and imprisoned till they found security to stay quietly in the works.

Bro. Armitage appears to hold that our speculative system has been evolved from the Building Trade Guilds, and quotes freely from the Halliwell M.S., known as the Regius M.S. Want of space prevents us from doing more than making reference to the fact, but a perusal of the book will be most illuminating on this much disputed point. We must pass over the Scotch and Irish guilds and the old Continental guilds, the references to both being eminently interesting. As an indication of the desire of the author to give authenticity to his work, he has consulted no less than eighteen authorities of repute, and his deep research is much in evidence. Many Masonic writers have claimed that there is an intimate association between the old guilds and the

Freemasonry of to-day, and the reader of this -excellent work will find much in the old customs to support this theory. In any case, we have no hesitation in recommending it to all our New Zealand brethren, and especially these who are desirous of adding to their libraries thoroughly readable books.

N.Z.E.F. MASONIC ASSOCIATION.

The New Zealand soldier Masons are all loud in their praise of the cordial manner in which they are received by their English brethren. Those on leave from France are cordially welcomed at any meetings which they may happen to strike, while the brethren located at camps, depots, hospitals, etc., in England, have in most cases standing invitations to the local Lodges. The members of the Sling branch of the Association recently entertained the brethren of a Salisbury Lodge at their camp, and endeavoured in a small way to return the hospitality which they had received.

Some time ago the Association took up the question of the investigation of New Zealand candidates seeking admission to the Order in England. It was felt that, before a person was allowed to enter Freemasonry, something should be known of his reputation in civil life, and the Association offered to assist in the prosecution of the necessary enquiries. The G.L. of England has concurred in this proposal, and is directing its Lodges to forward the names of overseas candidates to the G.Sec. before they are submitted to the Lodges for election. The G.L. of Ireland has a clause in its constitution which provides that no non-resident can be admitted until recommended by some Lodge meeting in the neighbourhood of his ordinary residence, and this law is in all cases strictly enforced. The G.L. of Scotland has not yet replied to the representations of the Association.

A visit to the Sling branch of the Association was recently made by R.W. Bro. Major G. Barclay, V.D., the President. He met the brethren and explained the activities of the Executive, afterwards discussing a number of matters of general interest. The Chairman of the Sling branch is Major W. G. Wray, M.C., and the Secretary, Bro.: I. Y. Warren, of the New Zealand A.S.C.

The intimation received from New Zealand that the G.M. of the Dominion had approved of the wearing of a member's jewel by the brethren of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association has caused considerable gratification.

A branch of the Association was recently opened at the camp of the New Zealand Rifle Brigade at Brocton, Staffordshire. The Secretary is Lance-Corporal E. C. Moss (formerly of Dunedin).

A resolution of greeting, passed at a meeting held within the portals of Lodge Tawhiri, No. 166, Frankton Junction, and representative of the Freemasons of the Waikato district, was recently received from New Zealand, and has been much appreciated by one and all.

It is proposed, immediately after the New Year, to hold a conference of delegates from the English branches of the Association, when it is probable that an English executive will be set up. The Association has assumed dimensions and has extended its activities in directions never contemplated at the time of its inception, and the assistance of a committee in Britain will materially help the Executive with the Division in France. The meeting will be held in London.

Reports.

[Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Southern, Cross, No. 9.—The working of the Second Degree on the 1st February was efficiently carried out by the W.M. and officers of Lodge Mataura, No. 174. Two candidates were passed to the F.C. W. Bro. A. N. MacGibbon, W.M., besides obligating the candidates and explaining the Ss., delivered the S.E. Charge; the 2nd T.B. was explained by the J.W., Bro. F. W. Brown; the W.Ts. were presented by the W.M. and Wardens; and the Final Charge by W. Bro. J. J. Griffiths, I.P.M. Other officers assisting were :— S.W., Bro. J. N. West; S.D., Bro. R. W. Coltherd; J.D., Bro. Jno. Taylor ; I.G., Bro. D. M. McDonald. The evening was an interesting and particularly pleasant one. After the ceremony W. Bro. I. Copeland thanked the visitors, and W. Bro. A. N. MacGibbon expressed the pleasure he and his officers had derived from the opportunity of

working the degree in a town Lodge. H.G.W. were received from Lodges Victoria, Waihopai, Fortitude, Mataura, St. John (Timaru), and St. John, No. 417.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Fortitude, No. 64.—The regular meeting, held on 13th February, was principally devoted to the entertainment of Lodge Victoria members and other visitors. There being no ritual work, an early adjournment was made to the refectory, when a toast list was honoured, and a high-class and enjoyable musical programme carried through, a full report of which appears elsewhere. The meeting was presided over by the W.M., W. Bro. E. Parker.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. John, No. 94.—The regular meeting on 18th January was fairly attended, the ceremony of raising being the work of the evening. The W.M., W. Bro. F. Bonifant, gave the Ob., etc., also the Final Charge ; W. Bro. J. W. Aitken, the Ex. ; W. Bro. W. Robison, T.H. ; W. Bro. W. H. E. Fortune, Ex. Of Ss. and Charge after Raising ; Bro. J. Lipscombe (S.W.) the W.Ts. ; and W. Bro. E. H. Whitmore the second part of the Ex. The whole ceremony was accurately performed, and duly impressed all present. The charge by Bro. J. Lipscombe when investing the newly-raised brethren was a special feature. An enjoyable social hour followed. As the CRAFTSMAN goes to press three days early this month, the report of meeting of 15th will need to stand over till next issue.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Winton, No. 108.—The regular monthly meeting was held in: the Masonic Hall, on 22nd January. It was a record meeting in many ways. There was a splendid turn out of members, the largest for many years. This is particularly gratifying, and shows a great revival in affairs Masonic in the district. After the usual routine business had been disposed of; three candidates were elected, and one member was proposed. The ceremonial business was the passing of four brethren and the initiation of one. The passings were carried through by W. Bro. J. A. Broom, W.M., who obligated the candidates and delivered the Ss., assisted by W. Bro. T. Walker, S.E. Corner Charge; Bro. H. Liddell, J.W., presented and explained the W.Ts., and Rev. Bro. C. E. P. Webb, S.W., invested the candidates and delivered the Ancient Charge. The W.M. then invited the P.Ms. of Lodge Winton to conduct the initiation, handing the gavel to W. Bro. Jas. Watson, the oldest P.M. who occupied the chair of H.S. 20 years ago, he being one of Lodge Winton's foundation members. He was assisted by the following brethren:—S.W., W. Bro. Calder, invested candidate and Ancient Charge ; W. Bro. J. R. Hamilton, J.W., presented and explained the W.Ts. ; W. Bro. W. Young, S.D.; W. Bro. T. Ritchie, J.D.; W. Bro. F. Tilley, delivered Charity Charge ; W. Bro. Jas. Findlay explained M. of P. The whole ceremony passed off without a hitch, and reflects every credit upon the P.Ms. After the labours of the day the usual pleasant hour was spent in the refectory in song and story, the usual toasts being duly honoured. £2 5s. was handed in for the Masonic Cheero Hutment Fund, and other sums were promised. Altogether a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent, and W. Bro. J. A. Broom has every reason to be satisfied with the way in which his year's work has opened up. The utmost spirit of goodwill and harmony prevails among the brethren, and with so many candidates of the proper stamp offering, everything points to a record year.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Victoria, No. 147.—Three candidates were obligated by W. Bro. J. Buchanan and duly initiated at the regular meeting on 8th February. W. Bro. N. J. Brokenshire delivered the Charge in the N.E.; W. Bro. A. Wilson the W.Ts. ; Bro. Greig (J.W.) the 1st T.B.; and Bro. P. Macdonald (S.W.) the Final Charge. There was a fair attendance of members and visitors, all of whom must have been pleased and impressed with the thoroughness of the ceremonial work. The brethren afterwards adjourned to the refectory, and spent a happy couple of hours at the social board.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Waihopai, No. 189.—W. Bro. G. A. Gilchrist, I.P.M., presided over the regular meeting on 21st January, when a brother was raised to the degree of M.M. Bro. T. Bird (J.W.) gave the first part of the Ex., whilst the W.M. and Wardens shared the second portion. The Charge after Raising was in the capable care of Bro. W. Mitchell, S.D.; the T.H. and Ex. of Ss., W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt; W.Ts., Bro. H. T. Connor (Chaplain) ; and Final Charge, W. Bro. A. McNeil. A noticeable feature of the evening was the absolute quietness of brethren in the Lodge-room; this is not always so elsewhere, and the demeanour of those present was more than ordinarily pleasing. The work was thorough in every detail, and most impressive. After the ceremony an adjournment was made to supper, song, and story, the usual toast list being honoured.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Clutha, No. 14.—A very successful meeting was held on 8th January, when they were honoured by a visit from Lodge Clinton, No. 183. Bro. McIndoe, W.M., with Bro. Wright, 1.P.M., and his officers were accompanied by a fine turn-out of the members of Lodge Clinton. These having been welcomed, the gavel was placed in the hands of W. Bro. McIndoe, who, with the aid of Bro. R. McIndoe, D. of C., placed the visiting officers in their chairs for the special ceremonial work, the raising of three candidates. The Ob. by W. Bro. McIndoe was very impressive, as were the verses. W. Bro. Wright communicated the Ss., and later presented the candidates with copies of the V.S.L. Bro. Stevens, S.W., gave the T.H. ; Bro. Brown, J.W., the Ex.; Bro. R. Sheppard, S.D., the Light Charge and W.Ts. ; and Bro. R. McIndoe, D. of C., the Final Charge. The time spent in the refectory afterwards served but to strengthen the strong bond of friendship which has always subsisted between the two Lodges.—[Lodge Correspondent.]—[Arrived too late for last issue.—Ed.C.]

CANTERBURY.

Southern Cross, No. 6. — The regular meeting was held at Kaiapoi on 7th February. The W.M., Bro. R. H. Croft, presided over a good attendance. The-degree work consisted of the passing of two brethren. The W.M. gave the Ob. and communicated the Ss., and was further assisted in the work by the S.W., Bro. F. Garnett, Invest., and the J.W., W. Bro. Hoskin (acting), Charge after Invest. W. Bro. C. Johnston, Master of Crown Lodge, gave the S.E. address, and W. Bro. Stanton explained the W.Ts. On the candidate's re-entry, the S.W. gave the Charge after Passing. The W.M. during the evening read from an Australian Freemasons' journal an interesting biographical account of one of the first members of the Southern Cross Lodge (constituted sixty years ago), and, on the motion of W. Bro. R. Moore, it was resolved to send a letter of congratulation to our brother, who, although quite blind, still enjoys good health in his Australian home. W. Bro. Gray, who lately returned from the front, presented to the Lodge, through his brother, a framed enlargement of himself as Master of the Lodge. W. Bro. Croft expressed the thanks of the Lodge to Bro. Gray for the gift. The Standing Committee was authorised to meet and make suitable arrangements to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the Lodge in April. At the conclusion of the meeting the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where an enjoyable time was spent, and 11.30 saw the conclusion of a really sociable evening.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Methven, No. 51.—The usual meeting was well attended on 23rd January, notwithstanding that harvest is in full swing. The Chief business was confirming the new by-laws, which was done unanimously, and now are sent to G.L. for the final sanction. A vote of condolence was proposed, and carried by the brethren standing at fidelity, to W. Bro. Holland, who had lost one near and dear to him. W. Bro. H. H. Pawson, who was presiding, proposed the brethren joining in sending a letter of sympathy to Bro. Angus McKay, an esteemed and aged brother, who had the misfortune to fracture his arm. As there was no further business, the Lodge closed in love and harmony at about 9.30 p.m., when a pleasant and profitable hour was spent in the supper room, when our brethren at the front were honoured. Your correspondent, who is an old Lumsden resident, heard with sorrow of W. Bro. W. H. Clark's death. He was an enthusiastic Freemason, and was in his twenty-first year as Sec. of Lodge Taringatura, No. 100. We, as a Lodge, sympathise with his widow.

An emergency meeting was held on 13th February, by command of the W.M. The gathering, on account of harvest operations being in full swing, was small. The business set down was to propose a candidate, who is at present an officer in Featherston Camp. The reason given for the emergency meeting was to endeavour to initiate the candidate before leaving New Zealand for the front. The Lodge was duly opened, when the Master intimated that he had decided to withdraw his intended proposition, and asked his seconder, Bro. Stanley Smith, to agree. The Lodge was then closed in ancient form.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly meeting was held on 22nd January in the Masonic Hall, W. Bro. D. Sheffield, W.M., presiding. One candidate was initiated, being obligated by the W.M. The Secrets were communicated by W. Bro. J. W. Roberts, P.M. ; the Charge after Investiture was delivered by Bro. Newth, J.W. ; the Charge in the N.E. by W. Bro. G. Yemm, G.W. ; the W.Ts. were explained by W. Bro. Stables (W.M., St. Augustine, No. 4); the Final Charge being delivered by W. Bro. R. Torrance, P.M. After the Lodge had been closed, the members and visitors adjourned to the refectory, where harmony and sociability were indulged in.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Augustine, No. 99.—The opening sentences of these monthly reports are almost invariably of a stereotyped nature, and it is somewhat difficult to vary them. However, it is my duty to report that on 23rd January the regular meeting was held, the W.M., Bro. C. R. Bateman, presiding over an attendance of about thirty members and four visitors. The first business after the minutes was a vote of sympathy from this Lodge to the relatives, to G.L., and to Prov.G.L. of Canterbury, on the recent "passing hence" of R.W. Bro. John Thornton, Prov.G.M. It was proposed by W. Bro. Albert Hoskins, P.M., and seconded by W. Bro. A. C. Colville, P.M., and carried in silence by the brethren. Bros. G. B. Mathieson, of Lodge Aparima, and G. B. Turnbull, of Lodge Harvey, were duly affiliated as members. Two brethren were regularly initiated by W. Bro. Bateman (O.), assisted by W. Bros. Menzies (S.), Albert Hoskins (Apron Charge), Fulton (N.E. Charge), and Coath (Final Charge). The W.Ts. were presented by Bro. E. Beckett, S.W., and the R. for Prep. by Bro. E. J. Atwill. The annual balance-sheet was taken as read and adopted. The most notable figures on the receipts were £50 8s. for initiations and £15 6s. contributions to W. and O. and A.M. Fund, a record for our Lodge so far. On the debit side, relief, £6 6s. ; improvements, etc., £71 17s. This sum includes erection of lavatory, and we have replaced the time-worn old W.Ts. by a silver set, which now places the Lodge more on a par with some neighbouring Lodges. Another improvement effected has been the doing-away with the cumbersome frame containing the T.Bs., which are now placed on the walls of the Lodge in the S.W. and E. The balance-sheet shows the Lodge in a fairly prosperous condition, the outstanding asset being unpaid dues. I have commented on this asset previously. It is a matter for regret that brethren are so lax in this matter of paying their contributions, and I presume ours is not the only Lodge where this carelessness as to monetary responsibility exists. Brethren should make it a point of honour to regularly and frequently pay their Lodge dues. One candidate was proposed for initiation. This reminds me that our W.M. has initiated six brethren since September last, and, there are three waiting for the ceremony. Our total membership now is 133, with eleven at the front. Bro. C. Taaffe asked for and obtained his demit, purposing to join a Hawkes Bay Lodge. Correspondence from Prov.G.L., intimating the death of R.W. Bro. J. Thornton, Prov.G.M., also that mourning would be worn for three months, was received. A letter from Bro. Dr. E. C. Hayes to the Sec. was read to the Lodge, in which the writer described the death of Bro. Capt. Leslie O'Callaghan, who was a fellow-initiate of the writer.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Amuri, No. 184.—The regular meeting was held on 25th January, the W.M., W. Bro. T. G. Thomson, presiding over a good attendance, this being the last meeting probably for some time over which our worthy brother will preside, he being on final leave and due in camp at the end of the month. The ceremony of the evening was the initiation of two candidates. W. Bro. Hunter, I.P.M., obligated ; the Secrets and Signs were given by W. Bro. Goulding ; Bro. C. E. Derrett, S.W., invested the candidates and explained the R. for Prep. ; the Address after Investiture was given by Bro. P. R. Dunbar, Sec. ; W. Bro. T. G. Thomson gave the Address in the N.E. ; the charge on the duties of a Mason was given by W. Bro. Hunter. The lecture on the 1st T.B. was delivered in very able manner by W. Bro. Hunter. Bro. A. McDougall sent Christmas greetings from the trenches. The usual pleasant time was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Bedford, No. 25.—The attendance at the meeting on 30th January was over fifty, and included representatives from twelve Lodges, testifying in an unmistakable manner to the popular esteem in which the W.M. is held. After the routine was disposed of, an old and esteemed P.M. of Bedford, now an active member of a sister Lodge, craved permission to say a few words, in which he briefly reviewed the circumstances which led up to his initiation in Bedford. Living some considerable distance from his mother Lodge, he could not now attend as often as he would wish ; nevertheless, he still retained his original regard for the institution, and asked the W.M. to accept a small memento, in the form of a gong for use in striking the hour of High XII. The W.M., in thanking the donor, on behalf of the Lodge, for his appropriate gift, also expressed his own appreciation of the spirit which prompted it, and spoke in glowing terms of the very fine example of zeal and fidelity set glowing our esteemed brother. The ceremonial work, being two "raisings," was then proceeded with. The W.M. obligated, addressed, and raised the first candidate, the Charge after Raising being delivered by W. Bro. Critchley. On the invitation of the W.M.—W. Bro. J. W. Elliott then assumed the chair and conducted the ceremony till the raising of the second candidate, W. Bro. Critchley giving the Address after Raising and communicating the Secrets. Both candidates were then invested by the S.W., Bro. H. J. Newling. The T.H. was explained by W. Bro. E. Husking, and W. Bro. Hobin communicated the remaining Secrets. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Parkin (W.M. of Abercorn, No.

30), and Bro. Newling, S.W., delivered the Final Charge. A very pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

Maniapoto, No. 206.—The regular meeting was held in the Lodgeroom, Otorohanga, on 29th January, the W.M. (W. Bro. H. Benner) presiding. There was a good attendance of members. The order paper showed a heavy night's work, including a First and a Second. One candidate was elected, and one new member proposed. The ceremonies of initiating and passing were most ably performed by the W.M., who was assisted in the First by Bros. Miller (Secrets), Heerdegen (N.E. Corner), Miller (Exp. of Prep.), Heerdegen (W.Ts.). The candidate was obligated by the W.M., who also delivered the Final Charge. In the Second the W.M. was assisted by Bros. Miller (Secrets), Hocking (S.E. Corner), Miller and Stuart (W.Ts.), the Final Charge being delivered by the W.M. A levy of 5s. per annum was struck over the members of the Lodge for the Masonic "Cheer-O " Hut Fund. Considerable discussion took place *re* building a Masonic Temple, and a committee of seven was appointed to submit a report to the Lodge at an early date as to the advisability or otherwise of acquiring the building lately used by Lodge Alexandra, No. 1188, E.C. After the ceremony an adjournment was made to Bro. Heerdegen's for supper, when the usual toasts were honoured.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

Kimbolton, No. 123.—The monthly meeting was held in the Lodgeroom on 24th January, when the principal business was the election of W.M. and officers for the ensuing year. In the refectory the W.M. took occasion to thank his officers for their support during the past year and to propose the toast of their health. During the evening the usual toasts were honoured, including that of brethren at the front, and arrangements were made for the forthcoming installation ceremony to take place on 20th February.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.—The monthly meeting took place on 7th February. One brother affiliated, and one rejoining member was elected. The election of the W.M. for the ensuing year was proceeded with. There being no other ballots necessary for the other positions, all were declared elected. The ceremonial work consisted of the initiation of a candidate from the military camp. A great number of his comrades attended to witness the event.

The work was allotted as follows : Ob., by the W. Bro. Gallichan; S. and S., by W. Bro. Graham ; N.E. Corner, W. Bro. Spooner ; Prep. Charge, the J.W., Bro. Stubbs; W.Ts., Bro. Brougham ; Final Charge, the W.M.; presentation of diplomas, W. Bro. C. B. Warden (United Manawatu Lodge, E.C.); T.B. Lecture, the S.W., Bro. Manning; at the conclusion of which all were invited to attend in the refreshment room, where a pleasant hour terminated the proceedings. Our installation will be held on 7th March, when we anticipate a large attendance. Readers, kindly take note and come along, when we will gladly welcome one and all on such an auspicious event.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Tutanekai, No. 156.—An emergency meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Berhampore, on 23rd January, for the purpose of raising a brother who was about to leave the Dominion, the work being undertaken by the P.Ms. W. Bro. Ivory occupied the chair and obligated the candidate, and was assisted by W. Bro. Watt, S.W. (Raising); W. Bro. Alexander, J.W. (Exhort.); W. Bro. Shand, S.D. (T.B.); W. Bro. Whitelaw, J.D.; W. Bro. Sexton, J.S. (W.Ts.); W. Bro. O. Neilson, Lodge Hinemoa (Investiture). The Final Charge was given by W. Bro. Alexander. No "Fourth" was held, and the Lodge closed at 9.30 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

The installation meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Berhampore, on 7th February, the W.M., Bro. J. Sexton, presiding. The Lodge was tyled at 5 p.m. The usual routine business having been disposed of, visitors, who attended in great numbers, were admitted. M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams conducted the ceremony of installation, assisted by R.W. Bro. Ellison, Prov.G.M., who presented the Charter, B. of C., and By-laws; V.W. Bro. H. B. Bridge, P.G. Lect. (address to brethren); R.W. Bro. Seaton, P.G.W. (address to the W.M.); W. Bro. Rod, P.G.D. (address to the Wardens); W. Bro. Rishworth, G.D. of C. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. Connell (N.Z. Pacific, No. 2), Parton (Brooklyn, No. 132), and Riddell (St. Andrew, No. 32). W. Bro. Ivory invested the following officers : W.M., Bro. G. F. L. Lenzini; S.W., Bro. C. W. Martin; J.W., Bro. G. W. Key; Sec., Bro. Edwin Howell; Treas., W. Bro. E. D. Alexander, P.M. ; D. of C. W. Bro. J. P. Shand,

P.M.; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. W. Shirer ; S.D., Bro. F. J. Reid; J.D., Bro. W. T. J. Morton; L.G., Bro. H. P. Donald; S.S., Bro. S. C. Kelly; J.S., Bro. T. Jones; Organist, Bro. B. W. Blakeley; Tyler, Bro. A. M. Mollinson; Auditors—appointed by W.M., Bro. J. McIntosh; elected, Bro. J. E. Hull. The Prov.G.M., in a happy speech, presented the retiring W.M. with a P.M.'s jewel, which the Lodge had provided as a mark of appreciation of W. Bro. Sexton's efforts during the year. W. Bro. Ivory, on behalf of the brethren of Lodge Tutanekai, presented M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams with a silver inkstand (referred to in another column). After H.G.W. from the visitors the Lodge closed in ancient form at 8.45, when an adjournment was made to enable the tables to be laid in the Lodgeroom, which, with the aid of many willing bands, was soon accomplished, and the brethren sat down to an ample repast. The usual toasts were proposed and honoured, sandwiched between which were a number of excellent recitations and musical items. A most successful and enjoyable gathering was brought to a close at 10.45.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Otari, No. 190.—The regular meeting was held in the Lodgeroom, Ngaio, on 12th February, the W.M., Bro. R. A. Nicol, presiding over a very fair attendance of members and visitors: W. Bro. Curtis acting as S.W., in the absence of Bro. Ferguson through illness. The particular business was to initiate a resident of Ngaio, the ceremony being performed by the W.M.; assisted by the P.Ms, and Bros. Craig, Sutherland, and Patrick. After a few items of other business had been disposed of, an adjournment was made to the refectory at 9 p.m., where during a pleasant hour the Sec. made hay for the silver baton, every brother who declined giving an item being fined to the extent of one ticket. The Sec., as an item, read a chatty and pleasant letter from a brother of the Lodge who is at present stationer in South Australia, where the thermometer reads three figures being fined with the rest. [Hard luck.—ED. C.]—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

Southern Cross, No. 3.—The monthly meeting was held .am 25th January, V.E. Comp. J. M. Aitken presiding. One brother was duly elected to membership. The 1st Prin. reported that the Chapter would not be represented at the G. Chapter meeting to be held in Nelson on 31st January. M.E. Comp. W. Smith said he thought it would be for the good of Capitular Free masonry if no meetings of the G. Chapter were held during war time. He felt sure the companions had sufficient confidence in the G. Chapter Executive to leave all matters requiring attention in their hands. He therefore moved that a letter be sent to the G. Chapter to that effect. The motion was seconded by R.E Comp. T. Rankin, and carried unanimously. The R.A. Degree was conferred on two brethren by the 1st Prin., assisted by V.E. Comp. Haggitt (W.Ts.), R.E. Comp. Rankin (S. further illustrated), and R.E. Comp. Steams (Final Charge). The S.E. (E. Comp. G. Gilchrist) reported that during the year ended 31st December four brethren were advanced, eight acknowledged; and six elected. Four members were admitted by affiliation, five withdrew by demit, four were struck off, and one died, leaving 112 on the roll of membership, including nine companions on active service. E. Comp. Hewlett submitted a plan for a new arch, so that it might be more in keeping with the other furniture belonging to the degree, and a motion was passed referring the matter to the Standing Committee. — [Chapter Correspondent.]

Waimate, No. 16.—The Chapter held its regular meeting on 30th January, V.E. Comp. Jas. Manchester presiding. Preliminary business having been disposed of, the Chapter was adjourned for the purpose of giving the degree of E.M. to Bro. H. Anderson. W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins occupied the chair as E.M. and conducted the ceremony in his usual excellent style. The offices were distributed as follows : Conductor, Bro. C. R. Bateman; Capt. 1st Veil, W. Bro. Shackleton; Capt. of 2nd Veil, Bro. J. W. Manchester; Capt. of 3rd Veil, Bro. C. Coventry. W. Bro. D. A. Fulton read the connecting passages, and W. Bro. J. Menzies concluded the ceremony by giving the Lecture, and Final Signs. On resumption of the Chapter, V.E. Comp. A. Colville presented diplomas of the chair degrees of Ark Mariner and Red Cross of Babylon to V.E. Comps. A. J. Hoskins, J. Menzies, and T. W. Manchester; also, to the V.E. 1st Prin., Comp. J. Manchester, his diploma as Z. H.G.W. were tendered on behalf of Otago Kil No. 116, S.C. The adjournment to the refectory afforded the companions an hour of enjoyment and goodwill. In responding to the toast of the visitors, Comp. Ralston, who, whenever opportunity offered, has been a frequent visitor to both Chapter and Lodge, stated it would probably be some time before he again visited us, as he was under orders of transfer. Comp. A. J. Manchester, who has been absent from the Dominion for some considerable time, was welcomed back, and promised to give some account of English Masonry at a future period.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waikato, No. 22.—The regular convocation was held in the Chapter-room, Hamilton East, on 27th January. The business was the exaltation of six brethren. Twenty-six companions signed the attendance-book, including two visitors. V.E. Comp. C. M. Grimmer conducted the ceremony, assisted by V.E. Comps. J. C. Williams and C. Speight and E. Comps. English and Webster ; and V.E. Comp. J. J. Ashwood, a member of Hinemoa Chapter, No. 25, gave a lecture, which was most instructive and appreciated by all the companions. One brother was balloted for. After the Chapter was closed, a pleasant time was spent at the festive board. We are particularly fortunate in having some particularly good talent.

A meeting was held in the Lodgeroom on 5th February, there being a large attendance. The work consisted of the advancement of a brother, and six brethren from Rotorua were proposed for initiation. The Chapter intend journeying to that township to confer the degrees towards the end of March. The members of the Chapter are looking forward to the trip, which will probably be made by motor. A pleasant hour spent in the refectory brought the evening to a close.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

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Ara, No. 1:—Founded 1842, meets Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, second Wednesday in month (except January), 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. G. Graham; S.W., Bro. W. A. Fairclough; J.W., Bro. C. M. Luke; Sec., W. Bro. A. I. Farmer, P.M., P.O. Box 151.

St. Andrew, No. 8:—Founded 1861, meets Freemasons' Hall, Auckland, third Tuesday in month, 7.45 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. C. A. Coppins; S.W., Bro. W. Perry; J.W., Bro. J. J. Knight; Sec., Bro. J. P. McPhail, 43 Phoenix Chambers, Queen St., Auckland.

United Service, No. 10:—Founded 1864, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, last Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., W. Bro. J. W. Swales, P.G.D.; S.W., W. Bro. A. W. Morris, P.M.; J.W., Bro. M. Berry; Sec., W. Bro. William Talbot, P.M., 62 Wellesley St. W., Auckland.

Beta-Waikato, No. 12:—Founded 1865, meets Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Waikato, Thursday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Thursday on or after 24th June. W.M., Bro. C. L. MacDiarmid; S.W., Bro. H. N. Forsythe; J.W., Bro. R. English; Sec., W. Bro. W. Dey, Nixon St., Hamilton E.

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

Coromandel, No. 17:—Founded (456, I.C.) 1872. Manukau, No. 24:—Founded 1876, meets in Masonic Hall, Princes St., Onehunga, first Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. Simpson; S.W., Bro. J. E. Cowell; J.W., Bro. R. H. Gibbons; Sec., W. Bro. C. M. Page, Quay St., Auckland.

Albion, No. 45:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Devonport, second Thursday in month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. M. G. King; S.W., Bro. P. W. McCallum; J.W., Bro. J. E. Hammond; Sec., W. Bro. F. H. Hounsell, P.M., 68 Calliope Rd., Devonport.

Te Aroha, No. 52:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Te Aroha, Thursday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. H. Hawken; S.W., Bro. W. Greening; J.W., Bro. G. T. Simpson; Sec., W. Bro. R. S. Hanna.

Ponsonby, No. 54:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Jervois Rd., Ponsonby, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation first Tuesday in July. W.M., Bro. C. T. Haynes; S.W., Bro. C. E. Dutton; J.W., Bro. W. J. Standcombe; Sec., W. Bro. F. A. Koenig, Masonic Hall, Princes St., Auckland.

Wairoa, No. 55:—Meets in Lodgeroom, Arthur St., Ellerslie, third Monday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. A. J. S. D'Ewes; S.W., Bro. E. Pilkington; J.W., Bro. G. V. Westbrooke; Sec., W. Bro. H. Nutt, Jubilee Rd., Ellerslie.

Papakura, No. 56:—Founded 1855, meets in Masonic Hall, Papakura, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. D. W. Jones; S.W., Bro. T. D. Campbell; J.W., Bro. T. H. Shove; Sec., Bro. H. Willis, P.M., Papakura.

Franklin, No. 58. Hokiang, No. 69:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Kohukohu, first Friday on or after full moon. Installation November. W.M., W. Bro. G. Downs; S.W., Bro. S. H. Airey; J.W., Bro. W. H. Kirkpatrick; Sec., W. Bro. H. A. Williams, P.G.S., P.O. Box 18, Kohukohu.

Abercorn, No. 76:—Founded 1886, meets Abercorn Hall, Ormond Rd., Gisborne, first Tuesday in month. Installation September. W.M., W. Bro. C. Blackburn; S.W., Bro. C. Matthews; J.W., Bro. G. R. Grant; Sec., R.W. Bro. G. T. Bull, P.G.W., P.O. Box 208, Gisborne.

Mangonui, No. 78:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Kaitia, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. W. Sefton; S.W., Bro. H. A. Munn; J.W., Bro. A. Logan; Sec., Bro. L. J. Matthews, P.M., Lake Ohia, Mangonui.

Alpha, No. 81:—Founded 1881, meets at Masonic Hall, Cambridge, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. H. H. Speight; S.W., Bro. H. Lewis; J.W., Bro. J. T. Douce; Sec., W. Bro. A. Curtin, Cambridge.

Auckland, No. 87:—Founded 1893, meets Masonic Hall, Eden Ter., fourth Tuesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. Mason; S.W., Bro. E. H. Taylor; J.W., Bro. A. N. McKelvey; Sec., W. Bro. W. S. Williams, 12 Wynyard Rd., Mount Eden.

Waiuku, No. 90:—Founded 1893.

Ohacawai, No. 101:—Meets Masonic Hall, Ohacawai, Saturday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. Mackereth; S.W., Bro. R. Cleave; J.W., Bro. J. Cook; Sec., W. Bro. H. Chessman, Keri Keri, Bay of Islands.

Whangarei, No. 102:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, John St., Whangarei, Monday nearest full moon in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. R. R. McLennan; S.W., Bro. R. H. Allen; J.W., Bro. W. H. Gillespie; Sec., Bro. A. D. Lambly, Kensington Rd., Whangarei.

Ohinemuri, No. 107:—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Paeroa, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation November. W.M., Bro. G. E. Allen; S.W., Bro. J. G. McDougall; J.W., Bro. B. Gwilliam; Sec., Bro. C. B. Gentil, P.M., Paeroa.

Waihi, No. 112:—Founded 1898, meets in Masonic Hall, Waihi, Monday nearest full moon in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. H. de Berdt Fleming; S.W., Bro. J. Say; J.W., Bro. D. Smeaton; Sec., W. Bro. A. T. Ellis, P.O. Box 31, Waihi.

Taupiri, No. 118:—Founded 1900, meets in Masonic Hall, Huntly, Wednesday nearest full moon every month. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. Thos. McMillan (Huntly); S.W., Bro. Alex. Shand; J.W., Bro. Fred Harris; Sec., W. Bro. W. A. Joll, Taupiri.

Waipa, No. 119:—Founded 25th Sept., 1901; meets Masonic Hall, Te Awamutu, every Friday of full moon (or nearest Friday after), 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. W. Jeffery; S.W., Bro. J. Morgan; J.W., Bro. A. Young; Sec., Bro. L. G. Armstrong, P.O., Te Awamutu.

Hobson, No. 120:—Founded 1901, meets Masonic Hall, Aratapu, 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 before full moon, 7.30 p.m. prompt. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. L. Foxcroft; S.W., Bro. W. E. Crump; J.W., Bro. B. P. Andrews; Sec., Bro. W. H. Gifford, Tauranga.

Hikurangi, No. 140.

Rotorua, No. 153:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Fenton St., Rotorua, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. J. W. Webber; S.W., Bro. S. J. Hale, P.M.; J.W., Bro. W. T. Pakes; Sec., Bro. W. Montgomery, Whakarewarewa.

Plako, No. 160:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Morrinsville, Wednesday on or before full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. Parlour; S.W., Bro. N. D. Clifford; J.W., Bro. F. Pickett; Sec., Bro. C. M. Gummer, P.M., Box 1, Morrinsville.

Plunket, No. 163:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Te Kuiti, Wednesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. P. D. Hargreaves; S.W., Bro. A. F. Howarth; J.W., Bro. A. Pettigrew; Sec., Bro. H. L. Tempest, P.O. Box 109, Te Kuiti.

Karori, No. 165 (Raglan).

Tawhiri, No. 166:—Founded November, 1909, meets at Frankton Tuesday after full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. A. G. Sandford; S.W., Bro. W. Hyde; J.W., Bro. F. Truman; Sec., Bro. C. N. Flyer, P.M., Box 6, Mail Room, Frankton Junction.

United Masters', No. 167 (Auckland). Maungawhau, No. 168:—Founded 1909, meets Lodgeroom, Woodside Rd., Mt. Eden, third Thursday in month. Installation November. W.M., W. Bro. N. T. Williams; S.W., Bro. D. Smith; J.W., Bro. F. R. Trevithick; Sec., W. Bro. C. Hudson, Safe Deposit Buildings, High St., Auckland.

Nau Mai, No. 177:—Founded 1910, meets Lodgeroom, Hakiaha St., Taumarunui, first Wednesday in month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. F. Strang; S.W., Bro. J. I. Monfries; J.W., Bro. R. Beeche; Sec., Bro. C. L. Pettit, Taumarunui.

Marsden, No. 169 (Maungaturoto).

Waitakere, No. 170 (Henderson).

Waipua, No. 179.

Onewa, No. 182 (Northcote).

Te Marama, No. 186:—Founded 1911, meets Masonic Temple, Ngauruawahia, Monday nearest full moon. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. H. J. Sampson; S.W., Bro. P. C. Gould; J.W., Bro. H. M. Thorpe; Sec., Bro. E. H. Todd, Ngauruawahia.

Tirau, No. 193:—Founded 20th March, 1913, meets in Masonic Hall, Tirau, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. King; S.W., Bro. E. O. Amore; J.W., Bro. A. K. Weeks; Sec., Bro. W. F. Bell, Tirau.

Whakatane, No. 198.

Takapuna, No. 202.

Pono, No. 203 (Dargaville).

Titirangi, No. 204 (Avondale).

Maniapoto, No. 206:—Founded 1916, meets Lodgeroom, Otorohanga, Tuesday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. H. Benner; S.W., Bro. C. J. N. Miller; J.W., Bro. J. Heerdegen; Sec., Bro. T. G. Hosking, P.O. Box 33, Otorohanga.

Raumai, No. 207 (Raumai).

Irish Constitution.

Ara, No. 348, I.C.:—Founded 6th September, 1842, meets Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, first Monday in month (January excepted), 7.30 p.m. Installation 24th June (St. John's Day), high noon. W.M., Bro. W. Wilson; S.W., Bro. A. J. Vercoe; J.W., Bro. W. G. Fletcher; 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 Masonic Hall, Tennyson St., Napier, third Tuesday in month. Installation Wednesday following third Tuesday in June. W.M., Bro. J. Bowes; S.W., Bro. A. E. Currie; J.W., Bro. A. J. Turville; Sec., W. Bro. L. Freedman, P.G.D., P.O. Box 109, Napier.

Victoria, No. 21:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Munroe St., Napier, first Tuesday in month (except January), 7.30 p.m. Installation first Wednesday in June. W.M., Bro. W. A. Wilkie; S.W., Bro. W. G. Jarvis; J.W., Bro. H. Bate; Sec., W. Bro. Jas. Redshaw, P.G.S., P.O. Box 196, Napier.

Bedford, No. 25:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Waipukurau, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation first Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. W. A. Chambers; S.W., Bro. H. J. Newling; J.W., Bro. H. Hobson; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Elliott, P.M., Waipukurau.

Abercorn, No. 30:—Founded 1878, meets at Masonic Hall, Waipawa, Monday on or nearest full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Monday in March. W.M., Bro. A. Parkin; S.W., Bro. S. Williams; J.W., Bro. J. Milburn; Sec., W. Bro. J. N. Watson, Johnson St., Waipawa.

Rawhiti, No. 66:—Founded 1890, meets Freemasons' Hall, High St., Dannevirke, third Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. C. R. James; S.W., Bro. C. L. Thomson; J.W., Bro. D. N. Wilson; Sec., Bro. C. T. Brown, P.O. Box 77, Dannevirke.

Heretaunga, No. 73:—Founded 1878, meets in Masonic Hall, Hastings, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. L. T. Cooper; S.W., Bro. R. W. Jones; J.W., Bro. J. E. Jones; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, P.M., P.O. Box 5, Hastings.

Ruahine, No. 80:—Founded 1886, meets Masonic Hall, Woodville, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. A. Fraser; S.W., Bro. R. E. Toogood; J.W., Bro. J. Elder; Sec., W. Bro. A. Stevenson, School, Woodville.

Lion, No. 114:—Founded 1899, meets in Masonic Hall, Ormondville, Monday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Wednesday nearest to April full moon. W.M., W. Bro. J. Snaddon; S.W., Bro. H. N. Benson; J.W., Bro. L. Meeking; Sec., W. Bro. D. Wilson, Box 12, Ormondville.

Waikaremoana, No. 158:—Founded 1909, meets Masonic Hall, Wairoa, H.B., Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. W. B. Macdonald; S.W., Bro. W. Taylor; J.W., Bro. J. P. Moore; Sec., Bro. E. L. Thomson, P.O. Box 1, Wairoa.

Ruataniwha, No. 172:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Takapau, Friday on or before full moon, 7 p.m. Installation August. W.M., W. Bro. A. Chisholm; S.W., Bro. J. W. Watkins; J.W., Bro. W. Hobson; 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 month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. E. Christensen; S.W., Bro. E. C. Wood; J.W., Bro. J. R. Patterson; Sec., Bro. E. E. Jones.

Hawera, No. 34:—Founded 1880, meets in Temple, Union St., Hawera, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. A. R. Thompson; S.W., Bro. E. C. Hayton; J.W., Bro. C. Brown; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. J. Harding, P.M., P.O. Box 111, Hawera.

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

Stratford, No. 75:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Stratford, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. H. Besley; S.W., Bro. J. H. Ashton; J.W., Bro. A. M. Spilman; Sec., Bro. T. Richardson.

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

Moa, No. 110:—Founded 1896, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, second Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Roberts; S.W., Bro. G. H. Taylor; J.W., Bro. J. Johnston; Sec., W. Bro. R. Branch, P.M., P.O. Box 34, Inglewood.

Ikaroa, No. 115:—Founded 1896, meets Lodge-room, Opunake, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. O. A. Mullen; S.W., Bro. G. Hammond; J.W., Bro. D. Penny; Sec., Bro. G. W. Rogers, P.M., P.O. Box 19.

RUAPEHU DISTRICT: 16 LODGES.

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

Rangitikei, No. 38:—Founded 1880, meets Masonic Hall, Bulls, Tuesday before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. A. Fagan; S.W., Bro. L. R. McKelvie; J.W., Bro. A. K. Drew; Sec., Bro. T. King, P.M., P.O. Box 5, Bulls.

Feilding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets Masonic Temple, Feilding, second Monday in month. Installation July. W.M., Bro. E. H. Fisher, P.M.; S.W., Bro. W. A. Bell; J.W., Bro. W. W. Andrews; Sec., Bro. A. H. Maguire, P.M., Feilding.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Church St., Palmerston N., second Thursday in month. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. W. Mundy; S.W., Bro. D. E. Lustin; J.W., —; Sec., Bro. C. S. Rush, P.M., P.O. Box 92, Palmerston N.

Otagaki, No. 70:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Ashhurst, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. J. T. Robson; S.W., Bro. S. H. Snell; J.W., Bro. A. O. F. Maul; Sec., Bro. H. C. Simms, P.M.

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

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79:—Founded 1896, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday in month (excepting December, first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. R. W. Green; S.W., Bro. J. E. M. Rose; J.W., Bro. J. McFarlane; Sec., Bro. N. G. Armstrong, P.O. Box 236, Wanganui.

Kimbolton, No. 123:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Kimbolton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. W. McKay; S.W., Bro. C. G. Hansen; J.W., Bro. L. J. Verry; Sec., Bro. E. S. Davies, P.O. Box 3, Kimbolton.

Ruapehu, No. 123 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, meets in Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. E. R. Galpin; S.W., Bro. W. W. Thomas; J.W., Bro. A. J. Dixon; Sec., Bro. J. Mogridge, P.M.

Te Awahou, No. 133:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Little St., Foxton, second Tuesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. J. W. Stevenson; S.W., Bro. J. G. Splers; J.W., Bro. E. Cowley; Sec., Bro. A. E. Wainwright, Box 34, Foxton.

Otaihape, No. 142:—Founded 13th December, 1903, meets in Masonic Hotel, Taihape, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.45 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. W. Somerville; S.W., Bro. F. Varnam; J.W., Bro. N. E. Drayton; Sec., Bro. A. James, P.M., Box 5, Taihape.

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday before full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. R. M. Matheson; S.W., Bro. J. S. West; J.W., Bro. W. Amon; Sec., Bro. E. A. Campbell.

Huia, No. 171:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Church St. E., Palmerston N., first Thursday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. W. Galliehan; S.W., Bro. J. F. Manning; J.W., —; Sec., Bro. H. C. Le Grange, Box 214, P.O., Palmerston N.

Waimarino, No. 175:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Ward St., Raetihi, Monday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Mabbott; S.W., Bro. J. C. Goodger; J.W., Bro. A. C. Drury; Sec., Bro. A. W. Ashwell, P.O. Box 82, Raetihi.

Manga-te-Weka, No. 178:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Mangaweka, Monday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. Kreger; S.W., Bro. J. D. Munro; J.W., Bro. J. W. Tompkins; Sec., Bro. D. Galloway, P.M., Mangaweka.

Moutoa, No. 195:—Constituted 24th April, 1913, meets Masonic Hall, Gonville, fourth Thursday in month (excepting December, third Thursday). Installation fourth Thursday in April. W.M., Bro. G. L. McLean; S.W., Bro. F. Symes; J.W., Bro. F. Bourne; Sec., W. Bro. Nell P. Svenson, P.M., 139 Victoria Avenue, Wanganui.

Ngauruhoe, No. 205:—Constituted 26th May, 1916, meets Masonic Hall, Mire St., Ohakune, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. T. P. Firman; S.W., Bro. A. C. Yelland; J.W., Bro. M. Vance; Sec., —, Ohakune Junction.

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, fourth Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. No meeting December. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Tamblin; S.W., Bro. R. H. Webb; J.W., Bro. J. H. Hutchings; Sec., W. Bro. J. H. Worboys, P.M., Kilbirnie.

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1866, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, second Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. J. Gordon; S.W., Bro. W. A. Parton; J.W., Bro. F. E. Godber; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., P.O. Box 811, Wellington.

Masterton, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets Masonic Hall, Bannister St., Masterton, second Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. T. A. H. Dixon; S.W., Bro. O. N. C. Pragnell; J.W., Bro. W. E. Chunn; Sec., Bro. R. J. Young, P.M., Masterton.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1879, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, third Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. J. C. Riddell; S.W., Bro. R. Hutchison; J.W., Bro. R. Greening; Sec., W. Bro. A. T. Wells, P.M., P.O. Box 661, Wellington.

St. John, No. 37:—Founded 1880, meets Masonic Hall, Wakefield St., Featherston, second Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. M. H. Kendall; S.W., Bro. G. Campbell; J.W., Bro. E. A. Merlet; Sec., W. Bro. F. C. Everton, P.M.

Leinster, No. 44:—Founded 1882, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. A. McLaren; S.W., Bro. R. J. Shakes; J.W., Bro. W. J. Garrett; Sec., W. Bro. W. A. Baudinet, P.M., P.O. Box 228. "Copper" collection each meeting for W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

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

Ulster, No. 62:—Founded 1888, meets Masonic Hall, Petone, third Wednesday in month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. T. Mather; S.W., Bro. A. G. Steffensen; J.W., Bro. Y. G. Carver; Sec., W. Bro. R. Wylie, 49 Victoria St., Petone.

Tararua, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Pahiatua, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation November. W.M., Bro. R. V. King; S.W., Bro. A. A. Vaughan; J.W., Bro. F. Burrell; Sec., Bro. G. Moore, P.M.

Otaki, No. 72:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Otaki, Wednesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. (September meeting Tuesday). Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. Quayle; S.W., Bro. Windley; J.W., Bro. A. G. Williams; Sec., Bro. C. N. Swaby, P.M., Otaki Railway.

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

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

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

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

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

Horowhenua, No. 135:—Founded 1906, meets Druids' Hall, Levin, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Wednesday nearest in September. W.M., Bro. J. W. Middlemiss; S.W., Bro. A. J. Harding; J.W., Bro. R. Wall; Sec., W. Bro. J. McIntyre, D.H. School, Levin.

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

Waihenga, No. 150:—Founded October, 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Martinborough, first Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. W. F. Gundry; S.W., Bro. J. G. Chapman; J.W., Bro. J. T. Tilson; Sec., Bro. A. Macgregor, P.M.

Tutanekai, No. 156:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Adelaide Rd., Berhampore, first Thursday in month (except January, when Lodge meets second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. G. F. L. Lenzini; S.W., Bro. C. W. Martin; J.W., Bro. G. W. Key; Sec., Bro. E. Howell, 55 Glen Rd., Kelburn.

Waiwhetu, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Huia St., Lower Hutt, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. G. Teagle; S.W., Bro. H. J. Harman; J.W., Bro. A. Carver; Sec., W. Bro. H. Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.

Otari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets Freemasons' Hall, Ngaio, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. A. Nicol; S.W., Bro. A. Ferguson; J.W., Bro. W. A. Tanner; Sec., W. Bro. J. R. Scrimgeour, P.M., Main Rd., Ngaio.

Installed Masters' Lodge, No. 194:—Founded 5th October, 1912, meets Freemasons' Hall first Tuesday in November, *February, *April, *June, *August, *October. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. J. Esson; S.W., Bro. W. H. Jones; J.W., Bro. H. H. Seaton; Sec., Bro. —, Wellington. (*Open to visiting M.Ms.)

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201:—Founded 1914, meets at Masonic Hall, Seatoun, second Saturday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. T. O. Fox; S.W., Bro. E. Morris, jun.; J.W., Bro. J. A. Fraser; Sec., Bro. T. S. Robertson.

SOUTH ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON: 8 LODGES.

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

Victory, No. 40:—Founded 1881, meets Freemasons' Hall, Collingwood St., Nelson, second Thursday in month (except May, fourth Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. P. Stephenson; S.W., Bro. W. Widdowson; J.W., Bro. C. M. Whelan; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, P.O. Box 105, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42:—Founded 1881 (formerly 668, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890), meets Masonic Hall, Andrew St., Blenheim, last Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. Gibson; S.W., Bro. W. W. Taylor; J.W., Bro. T. E. Cleator; Sec., W. Bro. W. C. Lucas, Redwood St., Blenheim.

Havelock, No. 104:—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Havelock, Saturday before full moon, 7.15 p.m. Installation March. W.M., W. Bro. W. A. Russell, P.M.; S.W., Bro. A. B. Reade; J.W., Bro. W. H. Marriott; Sec., Bro. A. E. Barrowclough.

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

Waihoi, No. 111:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Picton, third Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation third Tuesday in April. W.M., W. Bro. H. Aubry; S.W., Bro. E. R. Lane; J.W., Bro. T. Allport; Sec., Bro. T. W. Bragge, P.M.

Forest, No. 116:—Meets in Lodgeroom, Wakefield, third Wednesday in month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. R. Gaukrodger; S.W., Bro. L. O. Baigent; J.W., Bro. V. N. Granville; Sec., Bro. H. Franklyn, P.M.

Motueka, No. 117:—Founded 1900, meets Lodgeroom, Motueka, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. F. Pidgeon; S.W., Bro. G. Heath; J.W., Bro. W. Nicholson; Sec., Bro. W. McInnes, P.M., Box 6, Motueka.

St. Cuthbert's, No. 144:—Founded 1905, meets Masonic Hall, Collingwood, Saturday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. R. Daniel; S.W., Bro. J. W. McKinnis; J.W., Bro. E. J. Walker; Sec., Bro. R. H. Lash, P.M., Rockville, Collingwood.

PROVINCE OF WESTLAND: 12 LODGES.

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

Robert Burns, No. 50:—Founded 1883, meets Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly St., Reefton, third Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation 25th January. W.M., Bro. J. B. Auld; S.W., Bro. W. H. Nicholas; J.W., Bro. D. Panckhurst; P.M.; Sec., Bro. R. A. Stewart, P.M., Reefton.

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

Kumara, No. 65:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon St., Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. A. B. Glen; S.W., Bro. J. E. Wade; J.W., Bro. R. J. Burrell; Sec., Bro. W. H. Evenden, P.M.

Westland Kil., No. 88:—Founded 1867, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Hokitika, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. J. Cameron; S.W., Bro. R. M. King; J.W., Bro. G. H. Chapman; Sec., Bro. H. M. Coulson, P.M.

Aorangi, No. 89:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Dennistown, first Wednesday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. M. S. Montford; S.W., Bro. W. Smart; J.W., Bro. J. T. Murphy; Sec., Bro. T. Peacock, P.M.

Mokihinui, No. 96:—Founded 1896, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddonville, first Saturday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. J. Mumm; S.W., Bro. W. McIndoe; J.W., Bro. — Skilton; Sec., Bro. C. M. Johnston, P.M.

Torea, No. 121:—Founded 1900, meets Masonic Hall, Granity, third Saturday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. S. McEwan; S.W., Bro. T. Worthington; J.W., Bro. J. Kerr; Sec., Bro. W. H. Turner.

Mawhera, No. 136:—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, Tainui St., Greymouth, second Thursday in month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. H. G. F. Clear; S.W., Bro. G. G. A. Heiriz; J.W., Bro. W. J. T. Watson; Sec., Bro. J. McIndoe, P.O. Box 29, Greymouth.

Kawati Westport, No. 152:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Russell St., Westport, second Monday in month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. D. T. Gibbard; S.W., Bro. H. Greenwood; J.W., Bro. E. L. S. H. Skelton; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, P.M., 137 Queen St., Westport.

Runanga, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Seddon St., Runanga, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. A. Shannon; S.W., Bro. I. Powell; J.W., Bro. W. Curran; Sec., Bro. J. Rowse, P.M., Walker St., Runanga.

Waro, No. 173 (Blackball).

Connaught, No. 187 (Karama).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 35 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. —, Prov.G.M.)

Unanimité, No. 3:—Founded October, 1851, meets in Masonic Hall, Sumner Rd., Lyttelton, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. D. E. L. Collett; S.W., Bro. R. J. Connal; J.W., Bro. C. H. Smith; Sec., W. Bro. T. C. Hutton, P.M., Box 34, Lyttelton.

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

Southern Cross, No. 6:—Founded 1858, meets Masonic Hall, Kaiapoi, first Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. R. H. Croft; S.W., Bro. F. J. Garnett; J.W., Bro. J. E. Monk; Sec., Bro. P. G. Hunt, Kaiapoi.

Caledonian, No. 16:—Founded 1871, meets in Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. Cranston; S.W., Bro. G. Glue; J.W., Bro. J. T. Collins; Sec., Bro. J. Simpson, 138 North St., Timaru.

Progress, No. 22:—Founded 1876, meets at Masonic Hall, Southbridge, Tuesday on or before full moon each month, 8 p.m. Installation regular night in December. W.M., Bro. C. H. Piper; S.W., Bro. J. H. McMillan; J.W., Bro. J. S. McClelland; Sec., Bro. J. W. A. Walker, District High School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil., No. 23. Geraldine, No. 27:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. F. R. Flatman; S.W., Bro. J. M. Sutherland; J.W., Bro. A. A. Readdie; Sec., Bro. W. A. Sherratt, Geraldine.

Ashley, No. 28:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Rangiora, second Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. T. Withers; S.W., Bro. G. Harlow; J.W., Bro. J. Angus; Sec., Bro. T. Hills, P.O. Box 12, Rangiora.

St. George, No. 29:—Meets Masonic Hall, Wilkin St., Temuka, second Wednesday in month. Installation December. W.M., Bro. M. Cameron; S.W., Bro. H. J. Smith; J.W., Bro. W. J. Keys; Sec., Bro. A. Calder.

South Rakala, No. 31:—Founded 1879. Lincoln, No. 33:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, first Tuesday in month. No meeting in January. Installation October. W.M., Bro. C. P. Agar; S.W., Bro. W. L. Morgan; J.W., Bro. J. G. Scott; Sec., Bro. A. Cookson, P.M., Box 24, Lincoln.

Concord, No. 39:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Hall, Papanui, fourth Wednesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. W. H. Francis; S.W., Bro. A. J. Nicholas; J.W., Bro. J. W. Beanland; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, P.M., 72 Altman's Rd., Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa). Methven, No. 51:—Meets Masonic Hall, Methven, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. H. Pawson; S.W., Bro. T. H. Hitchcock; J.W., Bro. J. F. Stone; Sec., Bro. S. Smith, P.O. Box 27, Methven.

Kaikoura, No. 60. Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1893, meets St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, fourth Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. D. Sheffield; S.W., Bro. W. T. Doig; J.W., Bro. W. L. Newth; Sec., Bro. H. Hopkinson, P.M., 33 Clifton St., Addington, Christchurch.

Mackenzie, No. 93:—Founded 1894, meets Masonic Hall, Fairlie, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation third Thursday in October. W.M., Bro. W. J. Smith; S.W., Bro. S. Harper; J.W., Bro. A. Cooper; Sec., Bro. J. H. Southwick, Fairlie.

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

Thistle, No. 113:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Havelock St., Ashburton, third Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation 30th November. W.M., Bro. T. J. Kennedy; S.W., Bro. J. Smith, jun.; J.W., Bro. W. E. Hetrick; Sec., W. Bro. C. Campbell, P.M., P.O. Box 6, Ashburton.

Cheviot, No. 124.

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

Mairaki, No. 131:—Founded 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Cust, third Friday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. H. Early; S.W., Bro. D. Arnott; J.W., Bro. H. Garrett; Sec., Bro. E. W. Cooper, P.M.

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

Crown, No. 138 (Christchurch).

Robert Burns, No. 139:—Meets St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, third Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. W. N. Wilson; S.W., Bro. A. Hunter; J.W., Bro. G. A. Blackmore; Sec., Bro. T. Newburgh.

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

Civic, No. 157:—Meets Masonic Hall, Gloucester St. W., Christchurch, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. L. D. S. Maffey; S.W., Bro. J. Hurley; J.W., Bro. R. J. Thompson; Sec., Bro. W. Sherris, P.O. Box 957, Christchurch.

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

Ahurewa, No. 181:—Founded 1911, meets Schoolroom, Dunsandel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. D. Cameron; S.W., Bro. F. Smith; J.W., Bro. C. H. Chapman; Sec., W. Bro. F. Lill, P.M., P.O. Box 1, Dunsandel.

Amuri, No. 184 (Culverden).

Avon, No. 185:—Meets Masonic Hall, Christchurch, first Thursday in month. Installation September. W.M., Bro. W. E. Scott; S.W., Bro. S. K. Bassett; J.W., Bro. B. Falck; Sec., O. W. B. Anderson, Manchester Street, Christchurch.

Tawera, No. 188 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 196:—Founded 1913, meets Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, third Monday in month (except December and January). Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. A. Johnstone; S.W., Bro. T. Emmerson; J.W., Bro. G. McKitterick; Sec., Bro. L. B. Pearson, P.O. Box 137, Timaru.

Koranga, No. 197:—Founded 1913, meets Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, fourth Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. A. McKenzie; S.W., Bro. R. Hyman; J.W., Bro. J. Moyes; Sec., Bro. G. J. Wallace, P.O. Box 83, Timaru.

Brewhon, 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 Freemasons' Hall, King St. (opp. Museum), Dunedin, second Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Wood, P.M.; S.W., Bro. J. E. Atkin; J.W., Bro. H. Ross; Sec., Bro. F. W. C. Clayton, 698 George St., Dunedin.

Waitaki, No. 11:—Founded 1869, meets Masonic Hall Wansbeck St., Oamaru, Wednesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. W. Woodward; S.W., Bro. A. N. Glass; J.W., Bro. J. G. Wallace; Sec., Bro. C. A. La Roche.

Clutha, No. 14:—Founded 1866, meets Masonic Hall, Douglas St., Balclutha, second Tuesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. A. Stenhouse; S.W., Bro. G. S. Dent; J.W., Bro. G. Henderson; Sec., W. Bro. W. G. Finn, P.M., Renfrew St., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 20:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston S., Friday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. McGregor; S.W., Bro. D. Munro; J.W., Bro. R. W. Wheeler; Bro. G. B. Smith, jun., P.O. Box 24, Palmerston, Otago.

Hercules, No. 36:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Tapanui, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. Nicholson; S.W., Bro. H. S. Jackways; J.W., Bro. W. C. Dale; Sec., Bro. A. H. Hawkins, Tapanui.

Hiram, No. 46:—Founded 1883.

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

Oamaru Kil., No. 82:—Founded 1872, meets in Masonic Hall, Oamaru, first Wednesday after full moon each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Crombie; S.W., Bro. D. A. Bee; J.W., Bro. W. Brown; Sec., Bro. J. M. Brown, P.M., Thames Street, Oamaru.

St. Thomas Kil., No. 83 (originally No. 659, S.C.):—Meets in Masonic Hall, Kaitangata, every fourth Wednesday. Installation February. W.M., Bro. T. Sharp; S.W., Bro. A. Ferguson; J.W., Bro. W. D. Wilson; Sec., Bro. W. D. Paterson, P.M.

St. John, No. 84 (Mosgiel).

Mount Ida, No. 97:—Founded 1868 (originally No. 1262, E.C.), meets in Masonic Hall, Naseby, Wednesday nearest full moon each month. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. G. W. Bell; S.W., Bro. A. E. Brown; J.W., Bro. Alex. Brown; Acting-Sec., Bro. A. E. Brown.

Cromwell Kil., No. 98 (originally No. 535, S.C.):—Meets Lodgeroom, Melmore Ter., Cromwell, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. D. S. Middleton; S.W., Bro. J. P. Parcell; J.W., Bro. J. J. Halliday; Sec., W. Bro. W. Campbell, P.O. Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 103 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1869, joined N.Z.C. 1895; meets in Town Hall, Clyde, Tuesday on or nearest full moon in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. R. Holden; S.W., Bro. J. L. Davidson; J.W., Bro. R. Bringans; Sec., Bro. H. E. Stevens.

Maori, No. 105:—Meets Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. R. Dreaver; S.W., Bro. A. Jordan; J.W., Bro. T. Harridge; Sec., W. Bro. E. Tomkinson, P.M., Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Manuherikia Kil., No. 109:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Alexandra, 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, Thursday nearest full moon in month, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. R. L. Smith; S.W., Bro. Rev. A. V. G. Chandler; J.W., Bro. O. Moen; Sec., W. Bro. J. Sheppard, Becks.

Otago Kil., No. 143:—Meets Masonic Hall, Moray Place, Dunedin, first Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. A. F. Browne; S.W., Bro. A. McLachlan; J.W., Bro. E. Gallie; Sec., Bro. E. W. G. H. Watts, P.M., 53 Clyde St., Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 148:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Roxburgh, Saturday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. F. Ridd; S.W., Bro. E. F. Allen; J.W., Bro. J. George; Sec., W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Gilmore, P.M., Box 18, Roxburgh.

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

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

Masters, No. 161.

Kurov, No. 164:—Founded 13th May, 1909; meets in Masonic Hall, Kurov, Thursday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. R. H. Appleby; S.W., Bro. J. Pringle; J.W., Bro. W. H. Smart; Sec., Bro. W. W. Mercer.

Owaka, No. 180:—Founded 1911, meets in Masonic Hall, Owaka, Thursday nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. T. Heydon; S.W., Bro. J. Logan; J.W., Bro. R. Lavery; Sec., Bro. G. W. Geddes, Owaka.

Clinton, No. 183:—Founded 1911, meets Odd-fellows' Hall, Clinton, Thursday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. McIndoe; S.W., Bro. J. Stevens; J.W., Bro. W. Brown; Sec., Bro. J. C. Borthwick, P.O. Box 26, Clinton.

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Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington).
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PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

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Southern Cross, No. 9:—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth St., Invercargill, first Friday in month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. I. Copeland; S.W., Bro. W. F. Irvine; J.W., Bro. W. H. Johnson; Sec., Bro. C. H. Roberts, P.O. Box 214, Invercargill.

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., W. Bro. D. D. St-adman; S.W., W. Bro. A. G. Clarke; J.W., Bro. T. J. Sherwin, jun.; Sec., Bro. D. Gee, P.M.

Mokoreta, No. 63:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Temple, Wyndham, third Thursday every month, 8 p.m. Installation fourth Wednesday in September. W.M., Bro. R. Winning; S.W., Bro. H. N. Parker; J.W., Bro. Jas. Duncan; Act.-Sec., Bro. A. Crossie, Box 28, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. E. Parker; S.W., W. Bro. J. Walker; J.W., Bro. R. C. Skipage; Sec., W. Bro. J. C. Imlay, Bluff.

Aparima, No. 77:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Riverton, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. J. Robinson; S.W., Bro. T. J. Price; J.W., Bro. S. L. McNeil; Sec., Bro. E. B. Gee, jun., Riverton.

Lake Lodge of Ophir, No. 85:—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Queenstown, third Tuesday in month. Installation February. 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. F. E. Dunlop; S.W., Bro. T. Pope; J.W., —; Sec., Bro. J. S. Jenkins, P.M., Box 16, Arrowtown.

St. John, No. 94:—Meets at Masonic Hall, Invercargill, third Friday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. Bonifant; S.W., Bro. J. S. Lipcombe; J.W., Bro. J. Manson; Sec., Bro. E. Lyon, Box 235.

Taringatura, No. 100:—Founded 1887, meets Masonic Hall, Lumsden, Monday on or before full moon. Installation third Wednesday in November. W.M., Bro. S. E. Griffiths; S.W., Bro. W. Roxburgh; J.W., Bro. G. Findlay; Sec., W. Bro. —.

Winton, No. 108:—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Park St., Winton, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. A. Broom; S.W., Bro. C. E. P. Webb; J.W., Bro. H. Liddell; Sec., Bro. T. Walker, P.M., Chemist, Winton.

Wallace, No. 129:—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, Otautau, third Friday in month, 7.30 p.m. Instruction meetings every Friday. Installation October. W.M., Bro. C. H. Tonkinson; S.W., Bro. J. Thomson; J.W., Bro. H. MacChesney; Sec., Bro. E. Matheson, P.O. Box 10, Otautau.

Orepuki, No. 137:—Founded 1905, meets Masonic Hall, Orepuki, second Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. C. C. Nicholas; S.W., Bro. W. Clark; J.W., Bro. F. A. Kemp; Sec., W. Bro. L. F. Clapp, P.M., P.O. Box 7, Orepuki.

Wairaki, No. 145 (Nightcaps).

Victoria, No. 147:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth St., Invercargill, second Friday in month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. Buchanan; S.W., Bro. P. B. Macdonald; J.W., Bro. A. Greig; Sec., W. Bro. N. J. Brokenshire.

Waikaka, No. 151:—Founded 1907, meets in Lodgeroom, Waikaka, Monday nearest full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. T. Keating; S.W., Bro. D. Cameron; J.W., Bro. A. P. Burton; Sec., Bro. A. G. Thomson, P.M.

Mataura, No. 174:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Short St., Mataura, Monday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in July. W.M., W. Bro. A. N. MacGibbon; S.W., Bro. J. N. West; J.W., Bro. F. W. Brown; Sec., W. Bro. J. J. Griffiths, P.M., Dover St., Mataura.

Waihopai, No. 189:—Founded 1912, meets in Masonic Hall, Grey St., Gladstone, Invercargill, third Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. V. C. Smith; S.W., Bro. A. B. Edmonds; J.W., Bro. T. Bird; Sec., Bro. G. Gilchrist.

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Pacific Lodge, No. 1453, E.C.:—Founded 1873, meets Masonic Hall, Reefton, Tuesday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. Burley; S.W., W. Bro. S. Austin; J.W., Bro. A. Bloxham; Sec., Bro. A. A. Rouse, P.O. Box 41, Reefton.

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Southern Cross, No. 3:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Invercargill, fourth Friday in month, excluding December. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. M. Aitken; H., Comp. A. B. Haggitt; J., Comp. W. Irvine; S.E., Comp. G. Gilchrist, Invercargill.

Victoria, No. 4:—Founded 1879, meets Masonic Hall, Munroe St., Napier, last Thursday in the months of October, November, January, February, March, April, May, July, August, and September. Installation September. Z., Comp. R. Bishop; H., Comp. J. Bowes; J., Comp. A. J. Turville; S.E., Comp. J. Redshaw, P.Z., P.O. Box 196, Napier.

Albert Edward, No. 6 (Lyttelton):—Meets third Monday in September, November, January, March, May, and July. Installation September. Z., Comp. A. H. Thorpe, P.Z.; H., Comp. J. Ferneaux; J., Comp. W. T. Lester; S.E., Comp. E. Eliot Chambers.

Otago, No. 7:—Meets Oceanic Masonic Hall, St. Kilda, Dunedin, first Saturday in month, except December and January. Installation November. Z., Comp. A. Stoneham; H., Comp. A. McKenzie; J., Comp. J. Pringle; S.E., Comp. M. J. Pierce, 233 King Edward St., Dunedin.

Waitaki Kil., No. 8 (being Otago Chapter, No. 8, and Waitaki Chapter, No. 13, which were amalgamated 9th October, 1901):—Meets Masonic Hall, Wansbeck St., Oamaru, second Wednesday after full moon. Installation September. Z., Comp. G. M. Whale; H., Comp. C. A. La Roche; J., Comp. J. Crombie; S.E., M.E. Comp. J. M. Brown, P.G.Z.

Auckland Prov., No. 9:—Founded 1892, meets third Wednesday in month, except December and January. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. Coe; H., Comp. M. Copeland; J., Comp. A. E. Bagnall; S.E., Comp. W. Probert, corner Park and Carlton Gore Roads.

Wairarapa, No. 10:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Masterton, third Friday in January, March, May, July, September, November. Installation 23rd September. Z., V.E. Comp. C. D. King; H., E. Comp. R. J. Foss; J., E. Comp. O. N. C. Pragnell; S.E., E. Comp. C. W. Perrin.

Manawatu, No. 11:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston N., third Thursday in month. Z., Comp. J. Stone; H., Comp. A. W. Gallichan; J., Comp. J. W. Sinclair; S.E., Comp. V.

Victory, No. 12:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Nelson, fourth Tuesday in month as required (except in December and January). Installation October. Z., Comp. A. M. Oxley; H., Comp. S. F. Bolton; J., Comp. L. Reynolds; S.E., Comp. R. W. Stiles.

Marlborough, No. 14:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Charles St., Blenheim, Thursday nearest new moon in October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation 23rd September. Z., Comp. C. H. Mills; H., Comp. J. McKinley; J., Comp. A. Weaver; S.E., Comp. F. W. Smith, Box 161, P.O., Blenheim.

Timaru, No. 15.
Waimate, No. 16:—Founded 1891, meets St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Waimate, first Wednesday after full moon in months of September (Installation), November, January, March, May, and July. Z., Comp. J. Manchester; H., Comp. C. R. Bateman; J., Comp. — Beckett; S.E., Comp. J. W. Manchester.

Ohinemuri, No. 17:—Founded 1901, meets Masonic Hall, Paeroa, first Wednesday after full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, August. Installation September. Z., V.E. Comp. C. B. Gentil, P.Z.; H., E. Comp. R. S. Hanna; J., E. Comp. A. J. Stapleton; S.E., E. Comp. G. E. Allen, Paeroa.

Inangahua, No. 18:—Founded 1892, meets in Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly St., Reefton, second Tuesday each month. Installation September. Z., Comp. M. N. Rivers; H., Comp. R. Tudehope; J., Comp. W. H. Nicholas; S.E., Comp. W. H. Thompson.

Cromwell Coronation, No. 20: Founded 36th November, 1903; meets Masonic Hall, Alexandra South, third Thursday in January, March, May, July, September, November. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. D. Thomson; H., Comp. W. J. Alexander; J., Comp. J. McKnight; S.E., Comp. D. McDonald.

Kawatiri, No. 21:—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, Westport, third Wednesday in month. Installation September. Z., Comp. R. Colligan; H., Comp. S. Paul; J., Comp. G. A. Simpson; S.E., Comp. J. H. Harkness, P.D.G.Z.

Waikato, No. 22:—Founded 36th January, 1905; meets Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Tuesday on or before full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, August. Installation September. Z., Comp. C. M. Gummer; H., Comp. W. J. Andrews; J., Comp. S. B. Sims; S.E., Comp. J. W. Hodd, c/o Hannah's, Hamilton.

Wanganui, No. 23:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Wanganui, first Thursday in month, except December and January. Installation September. Z., Comp. C. C. Moutray; H., Comp. F. Symes; J., Comp. C. P. Bates; S.E., Comp. F. Stevens, Wanganui.

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Hinemoa, No. 25:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Daniel St., third Thursday in month. Installation September. Z., Comp. S. Martin; H., Comp. Rev. Knowles Smith; J., Comp. O. Neilson, P.Z.; S.E., Comp. J. Melville.

Whangarei, No. 27:—Founded September, 1907, meets Masonic Hall, John St., Whangarei, fourth Thursday in February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, and November. Installation September. Z., Comp. D. W. Jack; H., Comp. E. Meyer; J., Comp. A. McPhee; S.E., Comp. W. A. Parker.

Maori, No. 28:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, fourth Wednesday in month. Installation November. Z., Comp. R. Hawcridge; H., Comp. C. F. I. Bell; J., Comp. A. T. Watson; S.E., Comp. T. Ross, P.Z., Ravensbourne.

Westland Kil., No. 29 (Hokitika).

Rawhiti, No. 30:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Dannevirke, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. Z., Comp. D. J. Gardiner; H., Comp. C. L. Thomsen; J., Comp. J. C. Davidson; S.E., Comp. W. Dobson, P.Z.

Prince of Wales, No. 31 (Christchurch).

Takahoa, No. 32:—Founded 1912, meets third Thursday in month (December and January excepted) at Patea, Eltham, and Hawera alternately. Installation September. Z., Comp. A. B. Christensen; H., Comp. J. L. Weir; J., Comp. R. W. Sargent; S.E., Comp. H. Priestley, P.Z., P.O. Box 9, Kaponga.

Iwikatea, No. 33:—Founded 1912, meets in Masonic Hall, Douglas Street, Balclutha, Friday nearest full moon every month. Installation November. Z., Comp. B. Whiting; H., Comp. W. G. Finn; J., Comp. A. R. Lattimore; S.E., E. Comp. J. McK. Miller, Balclutha.

Wallace, No. 34 (Otatau).

Rose and Thistle, No. 35 (Ashburton).

Gisborne, No. 36:—Meets in Abercorn Hall fourth Tuesday in the months of February, April, June, August, September, October, and December. Installation September. Z., V.E. Comp. D. S. Jamison; H., E. Comp. D. G. Robertson; J., E. Comp. A. T. Hooker; S.E., Comp. G. T. Bull, P.Z.

Egmont, No. 37:—Founded 25th March, 1916, meets in Masonic Hall at Stratford and Inglewood alternately, 7.30 p.m., second Monday in month, except December and January. Z., Comp. J. McAllister; H., Comp. F. Copestake; J., Comp. W. H. Besley; S.E., Comp. G. H. Hutton, P.O. Box 3, Inglewood.

Heretaunga, No. 38:—Founded May, 1911, meets in Masonic Hall, Hastings, first Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation April. Z., Comp. J. A. Miller; H., Comp. T. Ritobie; J., Comp. S. B. Dodge; S.E., Comp. E. Murray, Queen St., Hastings.

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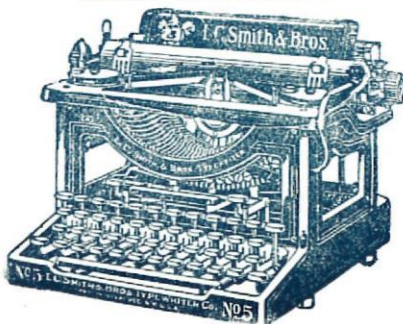
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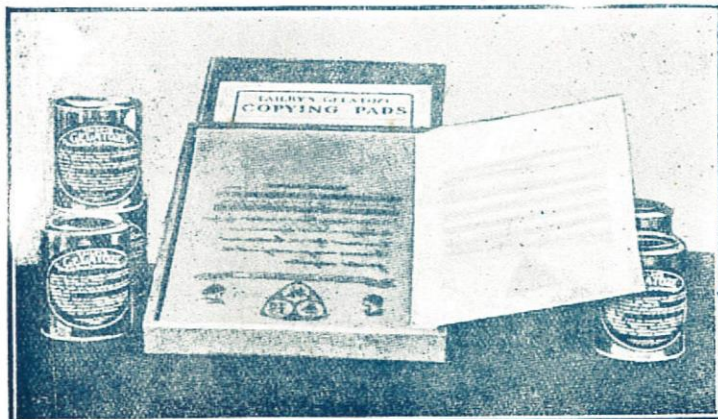
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