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FROM THE EDITOR.

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LODGE BUILDINGS AND MASONIC HISTORY.

THE destruction by fire of the Masonic Hall at Paeroa, with the consequent loss of its very fine and efficient furniture and appointments, is an untoward event which will command the sympathy of the Craft throughout the Dominion with their brethren of the Thames district. But this calamity naturally brings to the forefront two matters of considerable importance. The first is that of Lodge buildings generally, and the second is the urgent question of the early gathering of material for the compilation to date of data which shall serve eventually as the nucleus of a New Zealand Masonic history. As to the former of these, it may be claimed that the custom of erecting Masonic halls of wood is fraught with danger to Lodge property and records, and might with advantage be discontinued. It has been suggested that it would come within the province of the B. of G.P. to circularise all Lodges to the effect that it is highly desirable that brick or stone structures should replace the wooden as soon as possible, and that, in the case of new buildings, brick or stone should be made a *sine qua non*. We are of opinion, however, that such a course, either on the part of the B. of G.P. or of G. L., would be *ultra vires*, and it certainly would in some quarters be resented as an interference with the liberty of the brethren. Still, a strong recommendation in favour of brick material might be made, and would be sure to carry weight with those concerned. A further suggestion is that the B. of G.P. might recommend G.L. to make it compulsory for all Lodges to include in their property return a fire-proof safe, in which books, papers, and records must be stored when not in use. This would seem to meet the case very sufficiently, and such action, seeing the vital interest G.L. has in the safe keeping of Lodge records, books, etc., could not reasonably be termed unwarrantable interference with private Lodge affairs. Naturally, the question of cost of building arises, but it is a generally accepted fact at the present time that, owing to the increased price of timber, building in brick is actually more economical than in wood. There can be no question whatever but that the danger to which New Zealand Masonic Lodge records and books are constantly exposed is very great through the majority of the buildings being erected of wood. If it is argued that fires in Masonic Lodges have been few and far between, the reply is that the loss of the records of even one Lodge of some years' standing would at once mar the completeness of any history of New Zealand Masonry. In the case of Lodges of twenty years' standing and over it would be futile to rely upon the memory of living brethren to supply missing facts and links. In all parts of the Dominion, as year succeeds year, the roll of experienced and old Masons, who have so well assisted to build up and maintain our institution in this Dominion, is getting less and less by the ceaseless, remorseless work of the man with the hour-glass and the scythe. In the unfortunate conflagration at Paeroa there is, happily, an assurance that the Lodge and Chapter books and records, though charred, may still be decipherable; but the R.A. Chapter Charter was destroyed, and it is more than possible the worst has not yet been heard of the matter. Now, some of the Charters of our older Lodges are extremely valuable from every point of view, and are revered accordingly. No newly issued Charter would embody the same veneration and value. This Paeroa fire was communicated to the Masonic Hall from a burning adjacent building. Had the hall been of brick, it may safely be asserted it would have emerged scatheless through the ordeal. Naturally, the importance of an early proceeding with the gathering together of material for a New Zealand Masonic history is bound up with the question of the safety of our Lodge records and the buildings in which they are kept. As so many of these buildings are of wooden structure, they must probably remain subject to the dangers by fire, either from within or without. Thus there is an ever-present menace to the safety of those Masonic papers, books, and records upon which a reliable and complete history of Masonry in New Zealand is dependent. It would be a fitting as well as a progressive move were the B. of G.P. to include in its next report to G.L. a recommendation that steps be at once taken, through Lodge Secs. and such other brethren in the various districts as may have special knowledge, to commence the collection of material necessary for the future compilation of a New Zealand Masonic history.

THE DIGNITY OF THE LODGEROOM.

The reverential and solemn atmosphere of the Masonic Lodge-room is recognised by all Masons. The strict observance of the dignity of the chamber in which our beautiful rites and ceremonies, of a highly devotional

character, are carried out is, indeed, one of the canons of Masonry. One of the A.Cs. admonishes the brethren: "You are not to . . . behave yourself ludicrously or jestingly while the Lodge is engaged in what is serious and solemn." That most complete and perfect of all Cs., delivered to the initiate, which every Mason, new or old, might with advantage memorise and periodically repeat over to himself for his own fortifying and uplifting enjoins "modest and correct demeanour in the Lodge." The fact that in the majority of cases the Lodgeroom is solemnly consecrated by a peculiarly impressive and devout ceremony removes all possibility of doubt as to the view taken with regard to the almost sanctity of the Lodgeroom by those who rule in the Craft, as well as by all earnest Masons. The above remarks apply, of course, to all English and Colonial Lodges. If it is true, as has been stated, that our American brethren go so far as to smoke in their Lodgerooms, even liberally providing cuspidors as part of the recognised Lodge furniture, that is a matter for them to reconcile with their idea of the fitness of things and the ideals of Masonry. We can only regret what seems to us a hideous profanation, and declare ourselves unable to understand their point of view. Such a state of affairs certainly could never obtain in New Zealand Lodges. But undoubtedly even here there is necessity for occasionally reminding the brethren of the "modest and correct demeanour" required of them while in the Lodgeroom. It is by no means an exceptional experience in these days to observe a tendency on the part of some brethren to indulge their sense of, and faculty for, humour, to the detriment of the due decorum of the proceedings. Perhaps it is the incident of a presentation to a brother, or the occasion of laudatory commendation of a brother's services, or it may be some allusion, fraternally meant, to a happy event within his family or domestic circle. Whatever it is, tact and good taste should dominate the chosen verbiage, and if the matter is one best served by recourse to broad humour, then the refectory is the proper place for the remarks, and not the Lodgeroom. These presentations exert a very pleasant and instructive influence on those who witness them, because they are object-lessons, as it were, in that brotherly love, thoughtfulness, and sympathy which are characteristic of our institution. It is therefore much to be deplored if this exemplifying effect is nullified or lessened, and the finer perceptions of the really earnest brethren hurt, by the fact that those making the presentations forget to discriminate between what is fitting for the refectory but lowering to the dignity and solemnity of the Lodgeroom, and that which is suited to the latter but would be more or less out of place in the former. The line is a very fine one which divides the sublime from the ridiculous, and, such is the human temperament, at no time is man more prone to mirth than when his feelings have been kept more or less in a state of tension owing to solemn and impressive surroundings. The slightest thing will stir the risible faculties, and, very probably, irrepressible laughter bubbles to the surface. This shows how punctilious and careful those who have to speak in the Lodgeroom should be in the selection of their remarks. Let us not be misunderstood. There is no harm in the quiet, genial, kindly, and humorous remark which merely draws forth the responsive smile of a fraternal sympathy and understanding; but anything approaching broad humour and its resultant general irrepressible laughter is repugnant to the finest feelings, and a desecration of what should be revered and revered. Brethren at all times will be well advised ever to remember where they are, and never to forget the dignity of the Lodgeroom.

News and Notes.

ON 8th August, W. Bro. W. R. Haselden, P.M. who has recently retired from the Magistracy at Hawera, delivered an interesting address to Freemasons and their wives and daughters at a social evening given by Hawera Lodge, No. 34. Needless to say, the address was greatly appreciated by the Hawera brethren and audience generally.

THE seventeen Masonic Lodges of the Dutch Indies have resolved, with the approval of the Prov.G.M., to subsidise the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, at Neuchatel, at the rate of 0.20 francs per member and per month. Should the Lodges of the United States of North America grant assistance the financial situation of the International Bureau would be definitely secure.

BRO. J. H. Foster has "attained his majority" as Tyler of Lodge Unanimity, No. 106, at Blenheim. He was first invested in 1897, and has continued in the office ever since. His popularity was evidenced by the prolonged "table-rapping" which greeted him on rising to respond to the toast of his health at the after-meeting following the installation ceremony.

THE second W.M. of Lodge Unanimity, No. 106, was the late W. Bro. John Bagge, whose S. W. was Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, now P.G.M. This was in 1872. On 8th August of this year M.W. Bro. Griffiths had the pleasure of installing W. Bro. Bagge's son, Bro. H. R. Bagge, into the chair of K.S. in the same Lodge. A

coincidence is that the late W. Bro. Bagge was initiated in the Lodge of which his father was W.M., and his son has followed in his footsteps, with the addition that he has become W.M. of his mother Lodge.

WANGANUI R.A. CHAPTER will hold its annual installation on Thursday, 5th inst. The ceremony will be conducted by the G. Supt. (R.E. Comp. G. S. Gordon), and the presence of visiting companions will be most heartily welcomed.

WE learnt from the local correspondent that Waikato Chapter is having a record year, due to the energy displayed by V.E. Comp. Glimmer, 1st Prin., and his officers.

LODGE LEINSTER, Wellington, has a Benevolent Fund, the capital of which is rapidly accumulating. The balance now stands at £875 7s. 6d., which is a nice little nest egg.

THE Wellington Committee who were entrusted with all the arrangements for the reception of visitors, etc., at the meeting of G.L. in May last, after paying all charges, were enabled to hand over to the G.L. Hutment Fund a sum of £32 11s. W. Bros. C. W. Neilsen and G. Russell were the general secretaries, and W. Bro. J. Rod was treasurer.

AT the installation meeting of Lodge Hinemoa, No. 122, on the 8th ult., a pleasurable incident was the presentation to the Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, of a large, cosy, and nicely upholstered armchair in which to enjoy his leisure evenings at home. The presentation was made by W. Bro. O. Neilson, P.G.S.D., on behalf of the members of the Lodge, and some genuine amusement was caused by the relation by Bro. Neilson of a certain old time meeting between Bro. Ellison and himself. The Prov.G.M. then and there, by request, seated himself in the chair, by way of a test, and, as he confessed afterwards, it was so comfortable he did not feel like vacating it again. R.W. Bro. Ellison suitably responded, thanking the Hinemoa brethren, and eulogising the high Masonic position of the Lodge.

THE sympathy of brethren will go out to their brethren of Ohinemuri Lodge, No. 107, Paeroa, in the calamity which lies overtaken them in the destruction by fire of their fine Masonic Hall. The fire originated in an adjoining shop and spread to the Lodge building, with disastrous results, as all furnishings and appointments, besides the building itself, were destroyed. The Paeroa Chapter held in the same building, proudly claimed that its furnishings, etc., were the finest in Australasia, and these have now been lost. The building and land were the property of the Lodge. The R.A. Charter was also destroyed. It is hoped, however, that the Lodge and Chapter books in the safe, though charred, will be decipherable. The CRAFTSMAN desires to express its sympathy.

THE Charter for a Rose Croix Chapter, under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Council of England and Wales, for the district of Hawkes Bay, has arrived in New Zealand, and the new Chapter will be constituted at Hastings, by the G. Inspector-General, Ill. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, 33deg., probably during the month of September.

ARRANGEMENTS were completed prior to our going to press for the opening of a new Lodge at Kaponga, Taranaki, on the 21st August. The officiating G. officer would probably be R.W. Bro. J. Keesing, D.G.M.

LODGE TUTANEKAI added a new article to its regalia and emblems of office when, at the close of a special meeting on 25th July, the Stewards and Assistant Stewards were invested with serviceable white coats, the gift of an anonymous friend, made through W. Bro. Whitelaw. The Acting.-W.M., W. Bro. Sexton, carried out the solemn investiture in merry mood, and the Stewards duly expressed their appreciation of this aid to neat and orderly service.

THE installation of the W.M. and investiture of officers of Lodge Rotorua took place on the 20th ult., and was conducted by M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, P.G.M., Prov.G.M. The following evening our M.W. and very active brother was due at Lodge Whakatane for a similar function, and on Thursday Lodge Tauranga was to be honoured. To those who know the state of the roads in these districts the sacrifice of the Installing Master will be appreciated.

WE have received from W. Bro. A. Naylor, I.P.M. of Lodge Greymouth, No. 1233, E.C., a copy of the programme issued in connection with the jubilee of the Lodge and the installation of Bro. Albert Fairhall as W.M. on the 24th July. It is an artistic production, and is notable as containing a synopsis of the records of the Lodge (the work of W. Bro. Vim. Hindmarsh, P.M) from the date of consecration, 25th May, 1868, to 30th May, 1918. We heartily congratulate Greymouth Lodge on having reached its jubilee year and wish it many years still of prosperity and usefulness.

THE principal feature in "Everybody's Magazine" for March is an article on "Belgium" by Mr. Brand Whitlock, United States Minister, who writes in most interesting fashion on the events which occurred in that country during the early months of the war. Among the numerous excellent photographs illustrating the

article is one showing a group of three German officers posing on the steps of a public building in Brussels, and having at their feet a large placard bearing an inscription which is translated, "With God, for Kaiser and Empire. The War, 1914." As it matter of fact, these scoundrels are all standing in a Masonic posture, and on the poster there appears prominently our well-known symbols, the Square and Compasses and the interlaced Triangles. Can it be wondered at that English-speaking Freemasons have come to regard the Masons of Germany as altogether beyond the pale?

WE received last month what purported to be a report of Lodge Taringatura, Lumsden, but as one sheet was omitted we were unable to deal with it.

THE W.M. and officers of Lodge St. Andrew, Wellington, worked the Third Degree in Lodge Tutanekai on the 29th ult. A report will appear in our next issue.

WE regret to learn that Bro. Walter Dobson—one of the best-known personalities of Dannevirke, and J.W. of Lodge Rawhiti—is at present in the hospital of that town, having had to undergo a serious operation. We wish our brother a very speedy recovery.

THE necessary steps have been taken to erect a temple in Havana, a temple for the G.L. of Cuba and the local Lodges. It will cost about £25,000, and will be one of the most beautiful Masonic buildings in Spanish America.

A RECENT copy of the "Canal Zone Orient," contains many items of interest regarding Masonry in that section. Masonry is firmly established in the Panama Canal Zone, and every branch is represented. It is evident that there are located in that section many earnest and enthusiastic Masons. Their work is showing the results of their labour.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

Good attendances have been experienced at instruction meetings of Lodge St. John, and the utility of these meetings is borne out by the excellent results obtained.

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Tyler W. Bro. Jae. Walker is making good progress towards recovery, and the officers and brethren of Lodge St. John join in wishing him a speedy return to their midst.

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The annual discussion regarding alterations to the social hall in Invercargill is now proceeding. It is hoped that something will eventuate this time, and that before next winter sets in the brethren will have a cosy, comfortable corner in which to enjoy the social hour.

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W. Bro. D. C. Cameron, travelling representative of the CRAFTSMAN, has been in the district a few weeks, and has visited many of the Lodges, as well as getting into personal touch with several brethren. His speeches at the after-meetings have been interesting and instructive. Coming so constantly in close acquaintance with Freemasonry throughout New Zealand, and being possessed of good powers of observation and a retentive memory, Bro. Cameron is an ideal visitor. It is gratifying to know that he had added quite considerably to the list of subscribers to the CRAFTSMAN in Southland.

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Amongst the visitors at the last meeting of Waihopai was W. Bro. D. C. Cameron, the travelling representative of the CRAFTSMAN. At the "Fourth" he gave a fine speech, outlining his experiences while travelling through the North Island. He now intends travelling throughout the South Island, and has made Waihopai his "first port of call." We wish him every success in his endeavours to add to the list of subscribers to the CRAFTSMAN.

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Bro. Brandford, who returned from the front several months back, was presented by R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles with his M.M.'s diploma.

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Visitors to Lodge Waihopai, together with the members present, were loud in their praise of the new system of heating introduced throughout the building. This new feature should make the Gladstone hall even more attractive than in the past.

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The members of Lodge Waihopai are to be congratulated on the way in which they are turning out to the instruction meetings of late.

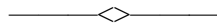
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It is customary for the members of Lodge Waihopai to maintain the P.S. throughout the closing prayer. Is this the correct method to follow, or should the members stand to order with the Sign of Fidelity? This question has caused a good deal of discussion, and the editor's opinion would be appreciated. [The latter is quite a modern innovation.—ED. C.]

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The W.M. of Lodge Southern Cross had every reason to feel proud of the honour conferred on the Lodge in May, which was exemplified last meeting night, when R.W. Bro. A. E. Smith was invested as J.G.W. and W. Bro. E. B. Pilcher as S.G.D., both brethren having fully merited the honour bestowed on them.

A CHURCH PARADE.



At the invitation of the vicar of Bluff (Bro. Rev. W. H. Roberts), the W.M., P.Ms., and brethren of Lodge Fortitude, No. 64, attended divine service in St. Matthew's Church on Sunday, 4th August, 1918 (the fourth anniversary of the declaration of war). There was also a church parade of the local Territorials, Senior Cadets, Boy Scouts, and several returned soldiers. The Bluff Marine Band played on the march to and from church. The church was packed, and the service characterised by much enthusiasm and fervour. The vicar conducted the service, and the special lessons were read by : (1) W. Bro. S. Nichol, sen, P.M., of Lodge Fortitude, and (2) by W. Bro. E. Parker, Sec. of Lodge Fortitude. In the course of a most eloquent and impressive sermon from the 96th Psalm, 6th verse (" Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary "), Bro. Rev. W. H. Roberts alluded to the devotion and energy of H.M. the King in so constantly visiting the High Seas Fleet, the soldiers on the Western Front., the sick and wounded in the hospitals, and the munition workers in the great manufacturing centres of Great Britain—visits full of cheer and encouragement.; but never, he said, had His Majesty given a more valuable lead than when he proclaimed : My hope is in the Everlasting, that He will save us; and-called his vast Empire to join with him in the sanctuary of God to supplicate the strength with which He alone could bring the nation to victory and give it stability in the years to come. IV welcomed amongst others to-day the representatives of the Masonic Order responding to His Majesty's desire. There were none in the community more loyal and patriotic than the Masonic brethren. Their Masonic lore would make them familiar with the fact that King Solomon had set up at the entrance to his magnificent temple two great pillars, emblems of strength and beauty. They were placed there to remind the nation, as they passed to and from Divine worship, that such a conformation were the characteristics of the God they worshipped, and should reflect themselves in His people. Combined, they stood for stability; strength without beauty would not do. Germany was the incarnation of such a strength to-day—its creed, might is right; its emblem, the mailed fist. In its materialism and brutality it trod underfoot all the Christ-like ideals and graces that were the true beauty of human life—its chivalry, tenderness, honour. It was set to-day in bitter conflict against that strength and beauty which alone could give stability to a nation. The true patriot, loving his nation and seeking its highest good, would respond to the King's clear call to "seek the Lord and His strength"—first, for a victorious conclusion to this long-drawn-out conflict, and then for the lasting stability of the Empire. The true beauty of life was to be found in holiness, nobility of character, and those moral excellencies which, when combined with strength, would preserve our Empire to be, under God, a source of blessing and uplift to the whole human race.

The hymns, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past," Oxenham's " Lord, God of Hosts," and " Onward, Christian Soldiers," were heartily joined in by the large congregation, and at the conclusion of the service the National Anthem was sung with much fervour.

Correspondence.

EXTRACTS FROM ANCIENT HISTORY.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—The following extract I quote from " Journals of Two Expeditions of Discovery in North-Western Australia During the Years 1837-38-39," by George Grey, Esq., Governor of South Australia (late Sir George Grey, Governor of New Zealand), Vol. 1, p. 302 : " My new mother expressed almost as much delight at my return to my family as my real mother would have done, had I been unexpectedly restored to her. As soon as she left me, my brothers and father (the old man who had previously been so frightened) came up and embraced me after their manner—that is, they threw their arms round my waist., placed their right knee against my right knee, and their breast against my breast., holding me in this way for several minutes. During the time that the ceremony lasted I, according to the native custom, preserved a grave and mournful expression of countenance."

It is a common belief amongst the Australian blacks that white people are the souls of departed blacks, and in the particular case above quoted the "mother" referred to was a native woman who had lost her son some time previously and looked upon George Grey as her returned son. This is an interesting case in which the belief in reincarnation is accepted.—Yours fraternally,

HENRY M. CHRISTIE,
Lodge St.. Andrew, No.32.

CONDOLENCE.

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TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—By direction of Lodge South Rakaia, No. 31, I have to convey to you the following resolution passed at our last meeting, 24th July : "That Rakaia Lodge desires to express its sympathy with the widow and family of the late R.W. Bro. Dr. Withers, P.D.G.M., on their great loss, and its appreciation of the generous, useful life he lived."—Yours fraternally,

W. E. JUDKINS, W.M.,
Acting-Secretary.

TURNING TO THE EAST.

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TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— I have to thank Bro. E. Nordon for his letter in your last issue,' and accept his statements. But, in our Lodges and Chapters we have no ark, nor had they in the Sanhedrin at Jerusalem when Zerubbabel and his companions assembled. Our ritual refers only to "an altar on which they burned incense," and this presumably was in the centre of the building, where we also place it. If there is any reason to turn therefore it should be to the centre, which was, indeed, the old practice in the R.A. If turning to the East is necessary or appropriate for one prayer, then that position should be adopted for all prayers in all degrees, which would be alike impracticable and absurd. I, for one, strongly object to this "High Church" innovation.—Yours fraternally,

PENTALPHA.

TURNING TO THE EAST.

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TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— I desire to agree with your correspondent, E. Nordon, when he says that it the reverence that counts, not the position a brother is facing, and in this connection I desire to express my appreciation of your article on Lodge demeanour. We are taught in our ritual that our ceremonies require a

serious deportment ; yet how frequently we see levity among the brethren on the dais and audible whispering when parts of the ceremony are being performed. This must? have a tendency to discount our teaching, especially with the initiate. The Master certainly has the power to stop this sort of thing, but how many would attempt it? You have done something towards it, and I trust you have not finished with the subject. Another matter : In the Second Degree we are told the sign of F. is used when prayer is offered, etc. ; yet in the majority of Lodges brethren stand to order with the S. of the degree in which the Lodge is working. Why teach one thing and practice another? For the sake of those who are entering the Craft, let us stick to the ritual. In conclusion, I fear you must have omitted "or ought to be" after "all synagogues are," as the synagogue in Christchurch faces Gloucester Street, which I always understood runs east and west ; and therefore the synagogue, if my sense of direction is right, must face north and south. However, this is a mere trifle.—Yours fraternally,

RITUAL.

LOCAL VISITORS.

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TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—As the question of inter-visitations among local Lodges in Wellington is becoming a serious problem, I would crave a small space in your columns to state my views. A few years ago there were fewer Lodges, and consequently a less number of craftsmen. The Master of a Lodge was therefore always pleased to have a fair number of visitors to make his meetings enjoyable. The membership of Lodges of late years, however, has greatly increased, and the Master can now depend on a fairly numerous attendance of his own brethren being present to ensure a good meeting. The presence of a large number of visitors from local Lodges at the festive board becomes a serious tax on the revenue of a Lodge and its accommodation, to say nothing of the inconvenience of members having to make room for local visitors in Lodges which are restricted for room in the refectory. We know that brethren are glad to make room, and always did give way to visitors, which is right and proper; but when this occurs so frequently (as we see it in some Lodges), one naturally asks, is it fair? I think we ought to recognise that it is not. The position seems to be more acute as time goes on. Now, it seems to me that Lodges might with advantage agree to, and adopt a rule—viz., that an official invitation (installation) to a Lodge means that the principal officers (Master and Wardens) are invited. This would, I maintain, help to relieve the congestion—acute in most cases—that is always felt at installations and such-like meetings, and would not offer offence to any brother (from a distance especially) who may wish to make a visit, as he would still be welcome. The difference, however, would be that the Master of a Lodge would not announce his intention to visit such-and-such a Lodge, and request a large number of his brethren to accompany, but, instead, request his Wardens, or the officers perhaps, to be with him on that occasion.—Yours fraternally,

MODERATION.

AN APPEAL.

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TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— The Swiss G.L. "Alpina" and more particularly the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, would appreciate very much your kindly publishing the enclosed articles. The situation of this international office is very critical, and we have been applying in vain these fifteen years past for the co-operation of the Masonic authorities. These latter have never answered any of our letters. We now wish to appeal to the Masonic people, with the hope of being better understood. By doing so we act in accordance with the advice of several brethren of the United States. I thank you, dear brother, very sincerely, and remain,—Yours fraternally,

ED. QUARTIER-LA-TENTE.

INTERNATIONAL MASONRY.

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A BEQUEST.

TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— I do not know if the following is of sufficient interest for a few lines in the CRAFTSMAN. For the past few years there was living in Otaki on a small poultry farm a Mr. J. H. Stocks. He was taken ill and admitted to the hospital, and it came out that he had been a member of the Craft, being initiated in Lodge Victoria, Columbia, holding under the G.C. of British Columbia, some thirty years ago. He seems to have had no relations in the Dominion or elsewhere. At my request the Masonic service was read (after the Church, of England service) at the grave by W. Bro. Quayle, assisted by Bro. Rev. F. G. Petrie. His estate was left to various objects—among others, the W. and O. and A.M. Fund gets one quarter.—Yours fraternally, C. N. SWABEY.

OBITUARY.

W. BRO. J. BARTLETT.

We regret to record the death of W. Bro. J. Bartlett, who died at his residence, "The Wood," Nelson, on 12th August. The late Bro. Bartlett was initiated in Lodge Victory, No. 40, on 29th September, 1903 ; passed on 10th November, 1903; raised on 9th February, 1904 ; and became W.M. of the Lodge in 1910. He was a hard Masonic worker, and of very kindly disposition. A number of brethren, followed his remains to the grave-side, where R.W. Bro. Moyes read the Masonic burial service.

BRO. MAJOR B. S. JORDON.

Bro. Major Jordan met his death at Codford on Friday, 24th May. The Southern Command Sports Meeting was being held, and was attended by many troops, including a large number of New Zealanders, Australians, and Canadians. An aeroplane from a neighbouring aerodrome assisted in the proceedings, and gave an exhibition of aerial manoeuvres. Later on, Major Jordan was taken for a fly, but the machine had only been in the air for a few minutes when something went wrong, and it crashed to earth, killing both passenger and pilot. Major Jordan left with the Main Body of the N.Z.E.F., and served with the Canterbury Regiment on Gallipoli. He was later returned to New Zealand on account of sickness, but returned again with the 9th Reinforcements and rejoined his unit in France. In April, 1917, he was appointed second in command of the New Zealand Command Depot at Codford, and was greatly respected by the men. He hailed from Rangioraa, and was a member of the local Masonic Lodge. Bro. Jordan was an active supporter of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association and took a keen interest in the Codford Branch. The funeral was a most impressive function. Several thousand troops attended; the firing party consisted of 200 men from the Canterbury Regiment. Padre Cruickshank conducted the funeral service, while the Masonic rites were rendered by Colonel Barclay, who came over from Christchurch for the purpose.

SOUND MORAL JUDGMENT.

[A Paper read before the Wellington Installed Masters' Lodge
by W. BRO. J. TAMBLYN, P.M.]

One of the early questions put to the initiate into our honourable Craft is : "Who are fit and proper persons to be made Freemasons ?" and the reply is : " . . . Men of mature age, sound judgment, and strict morals." There seems to be here a great deal more than meets the eye, and in a Lodge of Research it is well that we should delve beneath the surface of our ritual and endeavour to expound the underlying meaning. Let us take for our subject, "Sound Moral Judgment," that qualification which it is desirable every Freemason should possess. And here, in the quiet of our Lodge, let us briefly analyse this qualification, and let us do so from the viewpoint of practicality in order that we may, if we can, assist and instruct our brethren who may need help, and that we may the better play our part in the wider field of life and action, in the affairs of our daily lives among our fellow creatures.

We do not propose to go into the history of the development of sound judgment, but simply to view it in its fully-developed form and to treat it in a simple and practical way. We may safely say that the day comes to every man when he must face his own perplexities and difficulties, so commonplace and yet so unique. He must learn to solve his own problems or confess himself quite unfitted for the demands of his daily life. And it is well that this should be so, for of all human powers there is none that so enriches our lives as a sound moral judgment. Place its possessor in business, and he will, as the years go by, by many wise decisions, develop the merchants' virtues. Among friends he will be kind, considerate, and generous. Even on the slippery foothold of public life he will choose the path that leads to the civic virtues. For sound moral judgment is not only a virtue, but the parent of virtues. With the wisdom of the craftsman, in the great art of living, the man of sound judgment, sometimes after long and anxious deliberation, sometimes taking in end and means at a glance, selects the right action from amid a number of conflicting alternatives. For Burke says: "Prudence is not only the first in rank of the virtues, but she is the director, the regulator, the standard of them all." And it is a comforting thought to know that its possession is enduring. Accomplishments may rust for lack of opportunity to exercise them. Gifts may come to nought through the toils and cares of an arduous life; and fate may rob us of money, position, friends; but once truly acquired practical wisdom finds opportunities for daily exercise, and is a possession that is yielded up only with life itself. We may well point to our great example, H.A., and note how practical wisdom stood to him in the last scene of all, in which he met his end with becoming fortitude.

Now, brethren, we must here ask if this great virtue is beyond the educator's art. At first sight it appears to be as incommunicable as it is invaluable. And this is what many a man of affairs has felt, to his cost, when

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forced to trust some delicate negotiation to a subordinate, whose good sense he could not trust. A Scottish divine once said : " If you want learning, you may get it from books; if you lack grace, you may pray for it ; but if you lack judgment, God help you!" And there is, of course, a very general opinion that what is variously called "mother-wit," "common-sense," "practical wisdom," etc., is, after all, a gift of Heaven and quite beyond the power of the educator. Fortunately, however, this does not seem to be the case, for when we analyse a sound moral judgment we find that it is resolvable into elements. And although the greatest master of moral training could not directly communicate soundness of judgment as a whole, it remains to be seen what he can do with the elements into which it may be resolved. These elements appear to be three in number, viz., character, power to deliberate, and enlightenment.

It is profoundly true of our moral as distinguished from our scientific judgments that they are dependent upon the character of the person who forms them. Character does not affect our judgments about matters of fact, but it is otherwise when we come to deal with the affairs of our daily lives. Aristotle says that the cleverest of men will be but a clever scoundrel if cleverness be not allied with virtuous habits ; and vice, while it leaves unaltered our perceptions about lines and triangles, is swift to corrupt our decisions upon matters of life and conduct. The reason is that in these decisions of our daily lives we must not merely know, but must also weigh, the conditions of our actions. For example, if it be a question of giving, a man must not think too much of his own thrift, too little of the needs of others. The task is to weigh this condition against that, so that we may preserve that delicate balance which is the central condition of all wise decision. A stingy man may see quite clearly that his money will give pleasure or do good. But the thought of his five pounds, and what they might procure for himself, rises up before his mind with such vividness, that it ends by chilling his benevolence to zero. This helps to explain why it is at times so difficult to bring our friends to see eye to eye with us in matters of morality. It is a much harder task than the teaching of geometry. For while we may, of course, expect that our friends will, up to a certain limit, understand our words, it would be rash to expect that their weights will be our weights, their emphasis our emphasis. To the type of man in whom there is a natural tendency to pleasure no words can prevent pleasure from tending to bulk too large in every decision of his life. Only by self-discipline will he keep this feeling in its due place. As Burns has it:

"If self the wavering balance shake
'Tis rarely right adjusted."

Hence the difficulties of moral instruction, especially where the issues are concrete. Take such a simple maxim as, "Honour your father and your mother." One man will consider it a sacred duty to carry this out by supporting his parents in their old age, whereas another may look upon such an obligation as a mere tax. And it is here that careful enquiry should be made into goodness of character by our Board of Enquiry when candidates apply for admission to our honourable institution, for without a well-trained character there is no guarantee for soundness of moral judgment.

And now we must pass on to consider the second condition of soundness of judgment, viz., the power of deliberation. The larger ends of our lives are past deliberating about—" Shall we serve our country?" "Shall we pay our debts?" or "Shall we tell the truth?" These are at once accepted; they are thrust upon us by our stations in life. Our deliberations, then, are concerned with the discovery of means to compass our ends. The shortest cut to an end may also be the most moral means towards it. On the other hand, the line of action which one man would welcome as the direct path towards an end may have to be set aside by his more scrupulous neighbour for one that is less direct but more moral. Hence the soundness of the dictum that in moral action the end does not justify the means. The means to a moral end should not be chosen till it satisfies the moral judgment of the chooser. It is this that complicates deliberation in things moral as compared with deliberation in the arts. Suppose we ask how to turn out a certain commodity or how to grow a crop. These are cases to be met by simple calculation qualified only by considerations of material cost. But it is otherwise in matters of conduct. The means has here to be weighed in moral scales, and it at once becomes evident that the first condition of soundness of judgment is closely allied with the second, for a well-trained character helps deliberation. Many a man, firmly resolved to help his friends, or to serve his country, fails when it comes to making a choice as to the means by which his end is to be gained. His failure is not intellectual weakness. It lies in some weakness of character—in some giving way to what is lower or some failure to respond to what is higher. Thus it will be seen that deliberation is not merely a process of intellectual calculation like the working out of a theoretical problem, but is dependent upon the whole previous training of the character.

There remains the third condition. A sound judgment must be an enlightened judgment. Deliberation cannot be at its best until it has gathered a sufficient store of known ways in which ends may be attained. A few men may be resourceful on slender knowledge, but the average man must learn either from his own experience or

from instruction. And here our own beloved institution comes to the assistance of the brother and affords him instruction, which, if he fully understands it, will be helpful to him in making the decisions of his daily life, It follows, further, that there must be knowledge of the ends at which we are aiming, be they near or remote. And our objects of desire must be brought vividly before the mind, otherwise there is a double danger, which may be seen in two different types of men. There is the man who exasperates his friends by his procrastination ; just when he appears to be coming to a decision he finds some reason for putting the matter off, and this goes on interminably. The other type allows irrelevancy to interfere with his promptitude, and just when he appears to be on the point of clinching a matter he switches off on some side-track, and thus action is delayed. The best remedy in both of these cases seems to be to conjure up before the mind such a vivid mental picture of the end in view as will lead to immediate action. It is here that imagination can do so much to make us practical. Imagination is popularly connected with day-dreaming, but this does not seem to be really the truth of the matter. When an end which we have in view has been brought vividly before the mind by the imagination, the object which we covet seems to be within reach, and this serves as the spring of action, and by arousing the passions is the destroyer of indecision. The only danger is that deliberation may be cut short before our moral judgment has fully decided that the means adopted to secure the end is the best course in the circumstances.

It remains to add that if the judgment is to be sound, the end conceived must be morally good. If a man's life be on the downward grade, he may enter upon an undertaking of doubtful morality, but the means he uses to compass his end may be purified by the traditions of his more honourable days.

On the other hand, if a man's life be on the upward slope, his old, mean, selfish estimates may cling to him, even after his aims have been improved and elevated. Such things, of course, must be accepted as part of the inconsistencies of man. But the point is that any imperfection in the end aimed at will always have a tendency to fight against scruples of conscience that may dictate a means better than the end deserves. On the other hand, a morally good end will always tend to improve the means by which it is to be accomplished. Hence the conclusion that if the judgment is to be sound the ends must be good. Such, then, appears to be the chief conditions of a sound judgment. It must be based upon a good character, combined with the faculty of deliberation aided by knowledge and experience.

It may not be out of place to add, in conclusion, that in the world to-day there is undoubtedly a great call to men to see to it that they are seriously and strenuously fitting themselves to exercise this supreme virtue in the great world-moving social questions that are before us for solution. This is the age of change and altering conditions in all the leading nations. Social arrangements are in the melting-pot. Of course, it is not the object of this paper to deal with these questions, but for our own part it behoves us, as a powerful world-wide institution, to use our influence more than ever to endeavour to direct the path of the changes which are even now taking place, and to steadily direct towards the realisation of our noble ideals, that the warring nations and factions in all communities may, by the exercise of sober, sound, moral judgment, be drawn more closely together and the development all progress of the world proceed in peace and harmony under the great ideal of the brotherhood of man.

‘We are building day by day
In a good or evil way,
And the structure as it grows,
Will our inmost selves disclose,
Till in every arch and line
All our faults and virtues shine.
It may build a castle grand,
Or a wreck upon the sand.
Do you ask what building this,
That can show both pain and bliss ?
That can be both dark and fair—
Lo! its name is Character.
Build it well, whate'er you do,
Build it straight, and strong, and true,
Build it clean, and high, and broad,
Build it for the eye of God.”

**ADDRESS BY W. BRO. W. R. HASELDEN, P.M.,
AT HAWERA.**

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If I am not sure that I have undertaken an impossible task, I fully recognise that I have a very difficult undertaking before me. I want to interest you, and at the same time give you some information on a matter about which there has been much misapprehension and error. I do not hope to amuse you—the subject is a serious and not an amusing one—but from many points of view it has interest and attraction. Of course, I could tell you a great deal more than I am going to, because Freemasonry is protected and guarded by its own secrets, which it has known so well how to secure, and which are of vital importance to her. Let me tell you, ladies, that no man is the worse husband or father by being a Mason. On the contrary, if he is a good man, with naturally good and noble and clean ideas, he will become a much better man by being a regular attendant at a Freemasons' Lodge. Freemasonry has a noble tradition and history ; it is founded on the purest principles of piety and virtue. Its watchwords are brotherly love, relief, and truth. The brotherhood of man is its vast conception, and which it has endeavoured to carry out in practice. It has been a dream of mankind from time immemorial, but the real meaning of it has had many interpretations. Nowadays many think that to be a brother to a man entitles one to share his last shilling, but not share your own. While Anarchists, Socialists, and Revolutionists have been raving of social equality, liberty, and fraternity, Freemasonry has devised a practical way of putting the practical portion of those ideas into operation, and now stands spreading its benevolent doctrines and institutions over the whole world.

Freemasonry has existed from time immemorial, but we find the first records of it at the time the Temple of King Solomon was built. In the 5th and 6th chapters of the first book of Kings you will find an account of the building of the Temple, and of the three men who took the chief part therein—Solomon, King of Israel ; Hiram, King of Tyre ; and Hiram, the widow's son, who was the chief architect and director. It is evident that there were Masonic Lodges then; but, in order to induce better organisation and workmanship, the three principal men I have named established a Masonic Lodge, with the three degrees or ranks in it. The new and lesser skilled men were termed "Entered Apprentices." Their duty was to do the rougher work, reduce the huge freshly quarried blocks to a convenient size and shape, fit to receive the attention of the more expert fellow craftsmen, who were the Masons of the second degree or grade. Above the fellow craftsmen were those of the third degree; or Master Masons. They finally measured, tried, and fitted the hewn stones, so that they adjusted themselves exactly in their proper positions, whether in the plainer parts of the wall, the niceties of the beautifully designed windows, the columns or pillars, or in the curves of the magnificent arches. And a strange and very beautiful thing is related in verse 7 of chapter 6: "And the house when it was built was built of stone, made ready before it was brought hither, so that there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house while it was in building." The other day I listened to a laboured explanation of this by the suggestion that the Jews were breaking from the iron age—from Thor and Odin—and wished to show their disapproval of mere iron.' That is not the explanation which satisfies. I think it was a reverent and beautiful feeling that in solemn silence the Temple of God should be built. The jar of hammer and chisel would strike a discordant note, and, like the heavenly bodies, which in solemn silence all move round this dark terrestrial ball, so should the Temple of Jehovah rise in stately silence. I can only refer in veiled language to a dark and gloomy tragedy which occurred while the Temple was building. It had a marked effect upon Masonic Lodges for ever after that, and has tinged our ritual, our creed, and our symbolism with a mournful note, relieved, however, by the brightest hopes and most certain faith. From the Masons of this Temple there is little doubt that the craft of Freemasonry spread over the then known world. Doubtless, in places it became debased. It spread through the lost tribes of Israel, who were driven in desperation to seek the uttermost parts of the earth. The Romans and Greeks knew it and practised it, but, instead of acknowledging Jehovah as T.G.A.O.T.U., they invoked their heathen gods as tutelary deities. In Kipling's story of "The Great Wall " he relates how a Danish warrior was found nearly dead on the British coast by a Roman centurion, who acknowledged the Masonic sign the Dane gave him, and allowed his enemy to depart in safety, and how his magnanimity was rewarded by his reconciled foe. In the story of "The Man who would be King " two adventurers make their way into a Northern Indian State, and, having taken sides in a petty tribal war—with success, are treated as demi-gods by the natives, and they discover the Masonic sign carved into the remains of a Lodgeroom, and they find the natives to have much Masonic legend among them, which they utilise by establishing a regular Lodge, with the three degrees. They prospered for a time, but came to a tragic end — not by Masonry, but by the leader insisting on marrying an Indian girl, which shocked the natives and convinced them that their gods were only ordinary men. And there

is another Kipling Masonic story, "Kim," the story of a waif in India who was captured by the Master of a Masonic Lodge, and, but for the old Llama, would have been educated at Masonic expense. I cannot take you through the mediaeval ages, but there are traces of Masonic activity incidentally cropping up. The Knights of St. John, were Masons, and so were most of the orders of chivalry.

Just two hundred years ago there was a great revival of Masonry in England. The G.L. was founded in 1717. Its tenets were defined and amplified. It is built on loyalty to the State, help, honour. No politics or religion can be introduced. It rests upon God. T.G.A.O.T.U., the V.S.L., and, ancillary to these, the landmarks of the Craft. It does not go beyond God. You will readily understand that, in a society so diffused over the four quarters of the globe, Christianity as a doctrine cannot be part of its creed. Mahommedans, Hindoos, Chinese, Jews, can all be Masons if they bow before the Most High. They can all be Masons, as well as Christians, or followers of Vishnu, Buddha, or Confucius. It has been the prototype of countless kindred societies ; Oddfellows, Foresters, Druids, etc., borrow front its rituals and ceremonies.

No doubt, some secret political societies on the Continent, have endeavoured to conceal their real purpose under the guise of Masonry, but this does not occur in the English speaking Masonic world, and when a spurious form of Masonry, under the name of the Grand Orient, endeavoured to establish Lodges which denied God, they were suppressed, and their members expelled from true Masonry.

At one time some ridicule was cast on Masons by the charges of feasting and drinking; but in the former generation feasting and drinking accompanied every gathering, and it was found that banquets were pleasant and convenient ways of collecting funds; and the funds gathered in by the Craft are enormous, and are well applied — orphanages, schools, assistance to indigent brethren or their widows and orphans are all provided. Princes have been G.Ms.; Edward VII. was G.M. of England, and presided at the annual meetings. After a sumptuous banquet; and when the loving cup had passed, some splendid speeches would be made, and then a list quietly circulated; the figures put down by those who felt happy, well fed, and comfortable sometimes caused a sigh the next day, when the cheques had to be sent to the treasurer.

But you ladies may say, what good does it do? In the first place, no man should seek to be a Mason from mercenary or selfish motives, but from a desire of knowledge and a wish to render himself more extensively useful to his fellow men. But they do reap a great benefit. It is an introduction wherever they may go—just an introduction ; and it depends on their own merit how far they make it of service. Many a man of merit has failed simply from want of the introduction. It tends to elevate the character and manners. It exercises the faculty of memory, self-control, courtesy, and ease of address. In a true Lodge the members are, indeed, brethren, supporting and defending each other on all lawful occasions. There is something in a man who steadily rises in a Lodge to the position of W.M. It opens the mind and enables it to see many beauties in things in which the meaning is not apparent to the uninitiated.

Every part of this Lodge has its symbolic meaning — the tessellated pavement, the square and compass, the pillars, the rough and smooth ashlar, the level, and plumb rule. The V.S.L. is ever open while the Lodge lasts. It begins and ends with prayer. It pursues its quiet career respected and honoured even by its opponents. It has covered the land with stately buildings, but it does not rest upon them. Its foundations are in the hearts of its members, in their lives and their loyalty to the Craft.

I hope I have interested and not wearied you. I cannot lift the veil and tell you what I dare say you most desire to know. Our secrets are but the key opening the door of knowledge, and they are locked in the safe and sacred repository of our hearts, and there are no traitors.

I now commend you to the keeping of T.G.A.O.T.U. May you live long and honourable lives; and when time with you shall be no more, may you arise from the tomb of transgression to shine as the stars for ever and ever.— So mote it be.

VISITS TO INTERESTING CEREMONIALS.

R.W. Bro. Colonel G. Barclay, V.D., N.Z.E., writes as follows : "I recently had the pleasure of being present at two interesting meetings. One was the regular meeting of the Hengist Lodge, No. 195, Bournemouth, when a special feature of the evening was the presence by special invitation of a large party of American soldiers. The British and American flags were displayed in the Lodgeroom, and the supper room was very handsomely arranged and decorated. Some fine speeches were delivered, and the American brethren were evidently impressed by the warmth of their welcome. The singing of "The Star Spangled Banner " was a feature of the entertainment. Another meeting which interested me very much was that of the Amity Chapter,

No. 137, Poole. This Chapter dates its origin back to 1780, and retains a good deal of its old working, so that its ceremonial differs a good deal from that met with in more modern Royal Arch Chapters in England. What the local companions pride themselves in, however, is the possession of a set of famous old collar jewels. There is said to be only one other such set in existence, and they have been on exhibition on different occasions of importance. They are quite distinct from what are usually seen, and the members may well be proud of their treasures.

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Campbell, — Palmer, J. Foot 2:6 (Hastings), A. T. McGregor 20/-, C. M. Wheelan 15/10 (Nelson), R. Daniel. (Puponga), G. Litchfield (Kyogle, N.S.W.), W. Clarkson 17/6, — Brown, J. A. Davie (Dunedin), G. W. Bain 39/2 (Milton), J. Lang 35/- (Palmerston South), A. M. Cameron, Geo. Gould, D. Thomson (Hampden). J. Ogilvie 20/-, J. Henderson 27/6, — Findlater (Pareta), A. Goodley (Roslyn), F. S. Gordon (Milton), C. W. Manderson (Shag Point), J. Purvis (Stoneburn), J. W. Smith (Clyde).

(All 7/6 except those otherwise noted.)

ENQUIRIES ON MATTERS OF MASONIC INTEREST.

Q.— A man fined £10 for selling milk adulterated with water was proposed for membership in a Lodge (in which my friend, a P.M. of that Lodge, is a member). He strongly objects to such a man being admitted to the Craft. He is to be balloted for. Should such a man be admitted to the Craft?

A.— A person who knowingly breaks the laws of the land is not a fit candidate for Freemasonry.

MEETING OF NEW ZEALAND FREEMASONS IN ENGLAND.

The members of the New Zealand Engineers' Branch (Christchurch, Hants) of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association held a most successful meeting at the Masonic Hall, Boscombe, on the 5th June. It had been decided to entertain the local brethren to a rendering of the Third Degree as laid down in the Alternative Scotch working. The visitors were in attendance in full force, the brethren of the following Lodges being present in specially large numbers: — Hengist, No. 195; Horsa, No. 2208; St. Michael's, No. 3521 (Bournemouth); Boscombe, No. 2158; Rowena, No. 3180 (Boscombe); Unity, No. 132 (Ringwood); Amity, No. 137 (Poole); St. Aldhelms, No. 2559 (Branksome); St. Cuthberga, No. 622 (Wimborne), while quite a number of more distant Lodges were represented. The members of the Brockenhurst Branch of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association also sent a good representation. The working was excellently carried out and made a deep impression on the visitors. The following is a list of the brethren who took part in the ceremony :—

OFFICERS : R. W. Bro. G. Barclay, P.S.G.W. (N.Z.), W.M. (Otago, No. 844, E.C.); Ara, No. 1, N.Z.; Tawhiri, No. 166, N.Z.); Bro. T. A. Edwards, S.W. (Concord, No. 39, N.Z.); Bro. G. Macfarlane, J.W. (Ruahine, No. 80, N.Z.); W. Bro. A. Mitchell, Chaplain (Southern Cross No. 6, N.Z.); Bro. D. L. R. Gordon, Treas. (Star of the North, No. 1647, E.C.) ; Bro. C. Purchas, Sec. (Prince of Wales, No. 1338, E.C.); W. Bro. G. Logan, P.G.S., D. of C. (Marlborough Lodge of Unanimity, No. 106, N.Z.); Bro. A. W. Larsen, S.D. (St. Andrew Kil., No. 69); Bro. A. Anderson, J.D. (Otaihape, No. 42); Bro. C. Parnell, Organist, St. Andrew, No. 7, N.S.W.); Bro. J. Stanwell, I.G. (Onewa, No. 182, N.Z.); Bro. W. M. Murdock, Steward (St. James, No. 125); Bro. J. Duncan, Steward (Otago, No. 844, E.C.); Bro. C. E. Stevens, Tyler (Abercorn, No. 76, N.Z.); Bro. H. Foote, Candidate (Boscombe, No. 2158, E.C.).

MEMBERS : Bro. W. O. Ennis (Otago, No. 844, E.C.); Bro. J. F. Fraser (Alpha, No. 61, N.Z.); Bro. C. B. Woodward (Boscombe, No. 2158, E.C.); Bro. W. H. Learmouth (Mowbray, No. 2993, E.C., S.A.); Bro. A. Hanton; Bro. A. E. Wilkins (Onewa, No. 182, N.Z.); Bro. J. T. Tucker (Beta Waikato, No. 12, N.Z.); Bro. J. R. Henderson (Lake of Ophir, No. 85, N.Z.) ; Bro. N. Cole (Waitemata, No. 689, E.C.) ; Bro. H. Brooker (Boscombe, No. 2158, E.C.); Bro. R. A. W. Calvert (Boscombe, No. 2158, E.C.).

V.W. Bro. Rev. A. Mitchell, C.F., P.G. Chaplain, New Zealand, on behalf of the Association, presented R.W. Bro. Colonel G. Barclay, P.G.W., with a handsome jewel, and in doing so referred to his services as founder and president of the Association. The following resolution was carried unanimously : " That this meeting of the Christchurch Branch of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association, held on the occasion of the second anniversary of the first gathering of the New Zealand Freemasons on active service, sends greetings to the other branches of the Association, and to the brethren and Lodges in the 'Land of the Long White Cloud.' "

The New Zealand brethren afterwards entertained the visitors to supper, and a pleasant hour was spent.

Reports.

[Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Southern Cross, No. 9.—The regular meeting on 2nd August was fairly well attended. One candidate was initiated, W. Bro. W. F. Irvine, W.M., being assisted in the ceremony by M.W. Bro. M. Thompson (N.E. Charge), W. Bro. J. Critchfield (W.Ts.), and R.W. Bro. W. Smith (Final Charge). R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles, Prov.G.M., paid an official visit, and invested R.W. Bro. A. E. Smith as J.G.W., and W. Bro. E. B. Pilcher as S.G.D. The work of initiation and the duties of the Prov. G.M. were carried through impressively and faithfully, and a profitable evening was the result. A social enjoyable hour was spent in the refectory afterwards.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Fortitude, No. 64.—The regular meeting was held on 14th August, and several matters dealing with the Lodge were dealt with. One demit was granted, and our S.W. left on Monday for Trentham to do his duty at the front.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

St. John, No. 94.—The monthly meeting was held on 16th August. The visitors were the W.Ms. of Lodges Southern Cross and Waihopai, together with W. brethren and brethren, also brethren of Lodges Victoria, Taringatura, and Unanimity. Three brethren were passed to the F.C. Degree. The candidates were obligated by the W.M. (W. Bro. J. S. Lipscombe), S.E. Charge by W. Bro. J. Aitken, the W.Ts. by the W.M. and Wardens, and the Final Charge by W. Bro. F. Bonifant, I.P.M. H.G.W. were received from Lodges Southern Cross, Victoria, Waihopai, Taringatura, and Unanimity. The usual adjournment was made to the refectory.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Taringatura, No. 100.—Time monthly meeting was held on 19th August. In the absence of Bro. S. E. Griffiths, W.M. (which was caused through his daughter, a child of four years, falling into a copper half filled with almost boiling water and being seriously scalded from her armpits downwards), W. Bro. H. Beer, I.P.M., presided. One brother applied for his demit, which was granted. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. W. V. Robb in the sad loss of her husband, an old P.M. of Lodge Taringatura and a highly respected brother. A vote of sympathy was also passed to our W.M. (W. Bro. S. E. Griffiths), Mrs. Griffiths, and family, in their sad distress, the brethren expressing a hope that their little daughter would be spared to them and make a speedy recovery. Bro. Griffiths has been having a run of very bad luck. In February last all his stock of drapery, etc., was lost by fire, and now, just as the new buildings are completed and waiting to be stocked up and opened for business, this accident has happened to his baby girl. The brethren sincerely hope that his luck will turn. One candidate was elected. The ceremonial work was the raising of one brother by Bro. H. Beer, I.P.M., assisted by Bros. Roxburgh, P.M. (Exhort.); Graham, P.M. (Charge); Johnson (15 F.C. and Secrets); D. Walker (Ancient Charge); and P. Findlay (W.Ts.). The Lodge was closed at 10 p.m.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Orepuki, No. 137.—The monthly meeting was held on 8th August. After the business portion of the meeting four brethren were passed to the F.C. Degree, the W.M. (W. Bro. W. D. Clark) receiving assistance from P.Ms., Bros. Fortune, Nicholas, and Charlton. The 2nd T.B. Lecture was impressively rendered by the J.W. (Bro. J. J. Hinchcliff). The brethren were honoured by a visit from W. Bro. D. C. Cameron, the CRAFTSMAN representative, who, in addition to increasing the circulation of that journal, gave an instructive and advisory address. The W. Bro. expressed surprise to find that the Lodge did not possess a home of its own. Will brethren please note? A notice of motion was given by one P.M., in reference to the Lodge according its sanction to the movement in favour of opening a Lodge at Tuatapere. The Lodge closed after receiving H.G.W. from visitors, and brethren spent a pleasant hour round the supper tables before proceeding homewards.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Victoria, No. 147.—A splendid rendering of the Third Degree was given on 9th August, before a goodly gathering of members and visitors. W. Bro. Buchanan. I.P.M., occupied the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the W.M. One brother was raised, the Ob. and Ss. being given by the W.M., the Ex. by W. Bros. N. J. Brokenshire and G. J. Yule, the W.Ts. by W. Bro. S. Craig, the Charge by W. Bro. Geddes, and the Final Charge by W. Bro. J. Petrie. The brethren afterwards adjourned to refreshment, and spent a very happy time.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waihopai, No. 189.—The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Gladstone, on 15th July, when W. Bro. A. B. Edmonds presided over a fair attendance of members and visitors. After the preliminary business had been disposed of, the Lodge proceeded with the ceremonial of initiating the candidate. The W.M. gave the Ob., and was assisted by the following brethren: W. Bro. Todd (Secrets), W. Bro. Stout (N.E. Corner), W. Bro. Timpany (R. for Prep.), Bro. Bird, S.W., and Bro. Connor, J.W. (W.Ts.), and W Bro. Reed (Final Charge). After H.O.W. had been extended, the Lodge closed in peace and harmony. The members then adjourned to the social room, where a pleasant hour was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Palmerston, No. 26.—The installation took place in the Masonic Hall, Palmerston, on 16th August. The weather was ideal and moonlight. The ceremony was conducted by the Prov.G.M. (R.W. Bro. R. Hawcridge), who was supported by a strong team of GI, officers, including two P.P.G.Ms. and R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark. P.D.G.M. The hall was well filled with visitors, and W Bro. Jenkins, P.G.O., presided at the organ. W. Bro. Steel acted as D. of C. The following officers were invested: W.M., Bro. D. Munro; I.P.M, W. Bro. W. McGregor; S.W., Bro. R. W. Wheeler ; J.W., Bro. J. Moodie; Sec., W. Bro. G. B. Smith, jun. ; Treas., Bro. A. A. McWilliam ; Chaplain, Bro. J. A. Russell ; D. of C., W. Bro. E. Lefevre; S.D.; Bro. W. C. Arkle ; J.D., Bro. R. Cameron ; I.G.. Bro. W. H. Brunton ; Tyler, Bro. J. Philip ; Ss., Bros. C. H. Chapman, D. Thomson, and A. McGregor. The address to the W.M. was given by R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark, P.D.G.M. ; to the Warden; by W. Bro. O. Pinel, P.G.D. ; and to the brethren by R.W. Bro. S. W. Watts, P.P.G.M. After the Lodge closed, about 9.30 p.m., members of Lodge Palmerston entertained their visitors and numerous guests to a dance in the Town Hall. The superb supper and smooth floor amply made up for any defects. During the evening " Carmencita " was sung with great success and marked temperament by Mrs. G. B. Smith. Dancing was kept up till shortly after 2 a.m., when everybody departed thoroughly satisfied.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

St. Augustine, No. 4.—The regular monthly meeting was held in the Christchurch Masonic Hall on Tuesday, 13th August. In the absence of the W.M. (W. Bro. Redpath), W. Bro. H. H Wauchop occupied the chair, with V.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop as I.P.M. The ceremony of initiation was ably conducted, the W.M. being assisted by W. Bro. J. Hurley (W.M., Lodge Civic) Charge after Investiture; W. Bro. J. R. Morrison. P.M., N.E Charge; W. Bro. D. Sheffield (W.M., Lodge Christchurch) W.Ts. ; and R.W. Bro. C. J. Ronaldson, P.G. Supt., Chrg, after Initiation. A number of brethren holidaying in Christ church were welcomed among the visitors. The usual pleasant harmony prevailed in the refectory. The St. Augustine brethren have come to look on W. Bro. J. R. Morrison's semi-annual visits to his mother Lodge as a special treat, and were not disappointed on this occasion, his comments being listened to and appreciated as they deserved. In proposing what has, unfortunately, become in some instances a formal toast, "Our Brethren on Active Service," he asked the brethren to exercise charity (not of the pocket) in transforming our returning brethren back into civilians.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Methven, No. 51.—The Masonic Hall was well filled on 24th July (our regular meeting), and, as there was no ceremonial work, we were entertained and instructed by a paper read by W. Bro. J. Carr. His subject was "The Grand Lodges of France." The paper was well got up, and delivered in a manner which kept the brethren at attention from start to finish.

Bro. Carr at the outset intimated that he had gleaned his information from sources of high standing. He invited questions afterwards, which the W.M. (W. Bro. Stone), the I.P.M. (W. Bro. Pawson), Bro. S. Smith, Sec., and Bro. Maginniss, S.W., all asked and received answers to queries which proved an eye-opener to

most of the brethren. A pleasant half-hour was spent in the ante-room, where many of the brethren expressed pleasure and profit by the lecture. W. Bro. H. H. Pawson will deliver a lecture on the duties of a P.M. at the August meeting, as there will be no ritual work.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly communication was held on 23rd July in the Masonic Hall, W. Bro. D. Sheffield, W.M., presiding over a good attendance of members. The evening being the one appointed for P.Ms.' night, the W.M. asked R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham to take charge of the Lodge for the purpose of passing two brethren to the Second Degree. The acting-W.M. was assisted by the following officers : I.P.M., V.W. Bro. H. Hopkinson; D.M., W. Bro. J. W. Roberts; Chaplain, W. Bro. G. Yemm; S.W., W. Bro. G. Mazey ; J.W., W. Bro. G. Fergusson; S.D., W. Bro. R. Torrance; J.D., W. Bro. W. Kiddey; D. of C., W. Bro. A. C. Andrews; I.G., W. Bro. J. Robertson; Tyler, W. Bro. Arnold. The R. for Prep. were explained by W.. Bro. Roberts, the Charge in the S.E. by W. Bro. Mitchell, the Charge after Investiture by W. Bro. Robertson ; the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Yemm, the Final Charge being delivered by W. Bro. Fergusson. After routine business had been dealt with, the Lodge was closed in due form. The Avon Masonic Orchestra, which rendered the music in the Lodgeroom, also assisted in the refectory, and the W.M. expressed his gratitude for the services rendered.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Civic, No. 157.—The annual installation took place at the Masonic Hall, Christchurch, on 6th August, when Bro. John Hurley was installed in the Chair of K.S. by R.W. Bro. S. Clifton Bingham, P.Prov.G.M., assisted by officers of G.L. A large number of visitors was present, including V.W. Bro. D. Manson, G.D.C., accompanied by officers of G.L. (representing in absence of M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, P.G.M.), R.W. Bro. Macbeth. D.G.M., E.C., and officers of D.G.L. The various Lodges in the city were well represented, and there were also present a number of brethren from other parts of the Dominion. The ceremony was beautifully worked, and the following officers were installed : I.P.M.. W. Bro. L. D. S. Maffey; S.W., Bro. R. J. Thompson, B.A.; J.W., Bro. T. H. Williams; Chaplain, V.W. Bro. Rev. Mackenzie Gibson, P.G.C., P.D.Prov.G.M. ; Treas., W. Bro. F. Marrie Sec., Bro. H. W. Garrick ; D. of C., W. Bro. R. English, F.C.S., P.D.G.W., E.C.; S.D., Bro. Dr. F. C. A'Court, D.D.I.; J.D., Bro. E. T. Lawn: Organist, Bro. A. M. Owen ; assist.-Sec.. Bro. J. S. Neville; assist.-D. of C., Bro. D. Crozier ; LG., Bro. W. Sherris : Ss., Bros. F. C. Otley, E. J. Steeds, and H. T. Francis ; Tyler, R.W. Bro. H. F. Arnold. During the ceremony Bro. E. T. Lawn gave a very pleasant rendering of "The Holy Temple," and the orchestra of Lodge Avon also assisted greatly in the proceedings. W. Bro. Jolly, who made the appeal for the W. and O. and A.M. Fund, did so in a very effective, pleasant, and persuasive manner. He stated that Lodge Civic was well known as a liberal supporter of this fund, having occupied the leading position in the Dominion for many years past, but was now being run very closely by other Lodges. After the investiture of the officers, Bro. F. C. Otley, S.S., was presented with a Steward's jewel in recognition of his services during the past year. In making the presentation, W. Bro. Maffey dwelt upon the able manner in which Bro. Otley had discharged his duties, and remarked that if our Lodge officers now at the front returned to us, as we all hoped, it would probably be some time yet before Bro. Otley could expect to hold office on the floor of the Lodge, and they appreciated the spirit in which he had agreed to continue his post in the meantime. R.W. Bro. S. Clifton Bingham also presented to W. Bro. Maffey, on behalf of the Lodge, a handsome P.M.'s jewel, at the same time congratulating him on his successful year of office, especially in such trying times. After Bro. Otley and W. Bro. Maffey had suitably responded, and H.G.W. had been rendered by the visitors and brethren, the Lodge was closed at 10.15 p.m. The refectory was tastefully decorated with flowers and pot palms, and the thanks of the Lodge are due to a few energetic and willing ladies. The proceedings were opened with the usual loyal toast of "The King and the Craft," after which a number of pleasant, and enjoyable items were given, the performances of the members of the Avon orchestra, Bros. A. L. Cropp, C. H. Taylor, S. Williamson. M. Orchard, E. T. Lawn, and Dr. A'Court. being specially enjoyed. The toast of the W.M. was proposed by R.W. Bro. S. Clifton Bingham who mentioned that the special qualities the W.M. possessed augured a successful year for his Lodge. The W.M. responded feelingly with a declaration that " I will do my best ; no man can do more." Various other toasts were honoured, and the brethren spent a most successful and enjoyable evening.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON.

Victory, No. 40.—The regular meeting was held on 8th August, when, in spite of storm and flood, a goodly number braved the elements to help in the ceremony of passing five candidates. W. Bro. C. M. Whelan

presided, and was assisted by W. Bros. Stiles, Stephenson, and Milne. There were two favourable ballots for initiation and two joining brethren. At the festive board Bro. H. H. Edwards, who enters the matrimonial state early in September, was presented with an oak tray. Bro. Edwards has rendered much service in the musical line. It was a "keep-it-dark " presentation, and when Bro. Edwards was called upon to face the W.M., he wondered what the crime could be. He tendered hearty thanks for the thoughtfulness of the brethren. Bro. A. Neil, city gas engineer, has left for camp, and was the recipient of a token of goodwill from a number of brethren, who assembled after an instruction meeting to give him his surprise packet. Bro. Neil was profuse in his praise of Victory brethren and the good work they were doing.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Havelock, No. 104.—The regular meeting was held on 22nd June, the business being the passing of three brethren to the F.C. Degree. There was a good muster of members. A feature of the evening was the presentation of a P.M.'s jewel to W. Bro. Russell, I.P.M. In making the presentation on behalf of the Lodge, W. Bro. Thomas, D. of C., expressed the opinion that the recipient, who had twice been chosen by his brethren to fill the chair of K.S., was well worthy of the gift. Though at a disadvantage in living far from the place of meeting, W. Bro. Russell was very regular in attendance, and particularly attentive to his duties. He was popular among the brethren, and under his guidance the Lodge had prospered.

A fortnight later an emergency meeting was held in order to raise two brethren. Bro. Dolamore is a volunteer, and has proceeded to Trentham with the 44th Reinforcements. He carries with him the good wishes of his brethren of Lodge Havelock.—[Lodge Correspondent.] [Came too late for insertion in the August issue.—ED. C.]

Unanimity, No. 106.—The installation meeting was held on 8th August in miserable weather. Over sixty brethren braved the elements. The meeting was a distinct success from every point of view. R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills, Prov.G.M., was the presiding officer, and M.W. Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, P.G.M., carried out the work of installing Bro. H. R. Bagge, S.W. W. Bro. W. J. Girling, P.G. Supt. of W., acted as G.D. of C., and Bro. J. M. Hardin conducted the orchestra. The address to the W.M. was given by W. Bro. Girling, and that to the Wardens by W. Bro. M. McKenzie, J.G.D.; W. Bro. R. P. Furness, P.G.B.B., presented the Warrant; and the W.T.s. were presented by W. Bros. J. M. Lightfoot, P.G.St.B. (I.M.) ; W. W. Tyler (M.M.) ; J. F. Nosworthy (F.C.), and G. S. Hardy (E.A.). The address to the brethren was very impressively given by R.W. Bro. Mills. The following officers were invested by the W.M., assisted by the I.P.M. and W. Bros. R. P. Furness and J. Brown, P.G.D. :—I.P.M., W. Bro. T. F. Bull; S.W., Bro. W. M. Lambie; J.W., Bro. A. L. B. Ross; Chaplain, Bro. H. B. White; Treas., M.W. Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, P.G.M. ; Sec., W. Bro. F. W. Smith, P.G. St.B. S.D., Bro. C. A. Rabbits; J.D., Bro. F. H. Andrews; D. of C., W. Bro. W. J. Girling, P.G. Supt. of W. ; Organist, Bro. J. M. Hardin; I.G., Bro. T. Halligan; Ss., Bros. J. Calcraft. and H. Leslie ; Tyler, Bro. J. H. Foster. The collection in aid of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund amounted to £4 10s. A very enjoyable time was spent in the refectory, the following contributing to the programme :—W. Bros. T. F. Bull and A. R. Thomson and Bros. Croft, Ross, and Hardin.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Scinde, No. 5.—The monthly meeting was held on 16th July, the W.M. (W. Bro. A. E. Currie) presiding. A joining member was elected. The report and balance-sheet, showing the Lodge finances to be in a satisfactory and sound condition, was adopted. There being no ritual work, W. Bro. L. Freedman then read extracts from an address on "The History of Freemasonry," read at the fiftieth anniversary of the G.L. of Canada, which engaged the closest attention of the brethren. It was resolved, on the motion of the W.M., that the sum of £5 be expended in collecting and framing photographs of distinguished brethren of Scinde Lodge, the work of collecting, etc., being placed in the hands of W. Bro. R. Bishop. As W. Bro. Currie expressed it as his opinion that these photographs would be of historical value to the Lodge, no doubt W. Bro. Bishop will be glad to have the co-operation of the brethren in this work, so that the collection may be as complete as possible. The Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant hour was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 66.—The monthly meeting , was held on 15th August, the W.M. (W. Bro. C. L. Thomsen) presiding, and W. Bro. W. Snell acting as J.W. The ceremonial business consisted of passing a brother on behalf of Lodge Waikaremoana, which was performed by W. Bro. Thomsen (Ob.), W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie (S.E. Address), W. Bro. I. C. Davidson (W.Ts.), and W. Bro. R. S. Chadwick (Final Charge). A vote of

sympathy with Bro. W. Dobson, J.W., owing to his being an inmate of the local hospital, suffering from an internal complaint necessitating an operation, was passed, and wishes for a speedy recovery expressed, Bro. Dobson is expected to be laid aside for a month, and is not being allowed to lack visitors as far as members of the Craft are concerned. At next monthly meeting W. Bro. Thomsen intends introducing something of an innovation, as far as this Lodge is concerned. The First Degree will be worked by P.Ms. who, although members of the Lodge, have not occupied the Chair of K.S. in Rawhiti Lodge. W. Bro. H. Gilmore Smith will occupy the chair, and among his officers will be W. Bros. R. A. Gillespie, R. S. Chadwick, T. Paton, and J. Craven.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

United Waiuku, No. 90.—At our last monthly meeting on 26th July we received a visit from a number of commercial brethren, who attended to do honour to our esteemed W.M. (W. Bro. Benton), who was until recently one of their number. By invitation of our W. M., W. Bro. Fitzpatrick, of Lodge Onewa, assumed the chair of K.S. for the purpose of raising Bro. Armitage. The following commercial brethren assisted in the ceremony : S.W., Bro. Van Veen (Lodge Onewa); J.W., Bro. Martin (Lodge Waitemata); J.D., Bro. Hodgson (Lodge Corinthian); S.D., Bro. Lindsay (Lodge Corinthian); Tyler, Bro. Williamson (Lodge Alpha). W. Bro. Browning (Lodge Waipa) assisted the acting-W.M. On returning the gavel, W. Bro. Fitzpatrick thanked the W.M. for the privilege granted to him and his officers to work this degree. The social side of Freemasonry was enhanced by the presence of so many visitors. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

Maniapoto, No. 206.—The regular meeting was held on 23rd July, and in the absence of the W.M. (W. Bro. H. Benner), W. Bro. Cook occupied the chair. The ceremonial consisted of the initiation of a candidate, who was obligated by the W.M., who was further assisted by Bro. J. A. Ormsby (N.E. Corner): S. and T. by W. Bro. Cook, W.Ts. by W. Bro. Woodhead (Lodge Takapuna), Ex. of Prep. by Bro. Heerdegen, and Final Charge by the W.M. The work was excellently done and the music added much to the solemnity of the proceedings. The Lodge has lost a zealous Mason in Bro. W. J. Benner, who has answered his country's call and joined the colours, and our one wish is that he may have God-speed and a safe return. In the-refectory, which was comfortably filled, the usual toasts were honoured.

The regular monthly meeting was held on 20th August, and was well attended. The ceremonial work consisted of the initiation of one candidate and the passing of another. In the First Degree W. Bro. Cook took the chair and duly obligated the candidate, being assisted by Bro. Willis (Ex. of Prep.), W. Bro. Benner (Secrets), Bro. Miller (Investiture), Bro. Bell (N.E. Corner), Bro. Heerdegen (W.Ts.), and the Final Charge was delivered by W. Bro. Cook. In the Second Degree the-ceremonial work was carried out by W. Bro. Benner, assisted by W. Bro. Cook (Ob.), Bro. Miller (Investiture), Bro. J. A. Ruddy (S.E. Corner), Bro. Bell (W.Ts.), and the Charge after Passing by Bro. Heerdegen. The Sec. reported that the Maori Land Board had recommended the transfer for the freehold of the Lodge's section for His Excellency the Governor's consent. The nomination of officers for the ensuing year was made. Three new candidates were proposed for initiation. Lodge closed at 10 p.m., after which a joyous hour was spent at the festive, board.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

TARANAKI.

Hawera, No. 34.—The usual monthly meeting of this Lodge was held on 6th August, when W. Bro. E. C. Hayton, our newly installed W.M., occupied the chair. The work of the evening was passing. The W.M. obligated and communicated the Secrets, and was ably assisted by W. Bro. Cunnabell (S.E. Corner), W. Bro. Harding (W.T.s.), and W. Bro. Till (Final Charge). The annual balance-sheet was read and confirmed. A vote of sympathy was tendered W. Bro. Tait for the loss of his business by fire. A pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.

On Thursday evening, 8th August, a social evening was spent-by Masons and their wives. The social was prefaced by a very able address delivered by W. Bro. Haselden, interspersed by prayer and music suitable for the occasion. Before retiring to the refectory, presentations were made on behalf of the Lodge-to Bros. Sgt.-Major Hill, Gregson, amid Carrol, who are going into camp on 14th August. These brethren will be greatly missed, as they were very keen members of our Lodge. We wish them a safe journey and a speedy return to their loved ones. W. Bro. Harding was presented, on behalf of the Lodge, with the Sec.'s Emblem as a small token of appreciation for the, excellent work done in the past.—{Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47.—At the meeting on 17th July the principal business consisted of the passing of four candidates, the ceremony being most capably conducted by the W.M., Bro. Dustin, assisted by W. Bros. Mundy, Clarke, and W. H. Smith, Bro. E. West delivering the T.B. lecture. Diligent rehearsal had also enabled the officers to show their real ability with great success. Two candidates were proposed for membership. It is intended that at next regular meeting the Third will be worked by the P.M. of the Lodge.

The regular meeting in July was in charge of the P.Ms., who raised one candidate. Those who took part were: Bro. J. A. Nash, W.M.; W. Bro. D. Dustin, acting-I.P.M.; R.W. Bro. W. H. Smith, S.W.; W. Bro. W. Mundy, J.W.; W. Bro. A. Clark, S.D.; W. Bro. E. Grove, J.D.; W. Bro. A. Hopwood, I.G. The Exhort was given by W. Bro. Francis, I.P.M. of Lodge Concord, No. 39, who had journeyed to Palmerston to take part in the raising of his friend; the Charge after Raising and the Secrets by W. Bro. A. J. Graham; the first part of the T.H. by W. Bro. Hopwood; the second part and further explanation by R.W. Bro. J. A. Nash; the prayers by W. Bro. Clarke; the W.Ts. by W. Bro. J. Vernon; ., T.B. by R. W. Bro. W. H. Smith, in the old Scottish form, in which every emblem thereon is fully explained; and the Final Charge by W. Bro. H. Ashworth. There was an exceptionally large attendance, in spite of inclement weather, visitors being present from Dannevirke and many other parts. The after proceedings were made thoroughly enjoyable by appropriate and interesting speeches, song, and story.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79.—To receive the Third Degree is one of the greatest moments in a Freemason's life. When the recipient is the son of one of the oldest and most respected of the P.Ms. it becomes one of the happiest events in the Lodge. In this spirit the brethren attended an emergency meeting on 20th July, and, although a bitter night, the large attendance marked the respect in which the candidate and his father were held. The ceremony was rendered by the W.M. and his new officers, assisted by W. Bros. J. Richardson, G. G. Bullock, L. Craig, R. Green, and N. Meuli (father of the candidate). W. Bro. N. Meuli gave the T.H. in a manner that was so natural and so sincere that it impressed not only the candidate, but brought home once again to all present the beauty and dignity of our ritual. One other incident is worthy of note, and that when the father stepped from the dais and welcomed his son into the ranks of Freemasonry. . In the refectory the usual toasts were honoured, and after a short programme a pleasant gathering was brought to a close.—[Too late for August issue.—ED. C.]

The regular meeting, held on 14th August, was attended by about thirty-five members and visitors. The principal business was the initiation of two candidates. The ceremony was conducted by the W.M. (W. Bro. J. E. M. Rose) and his officers, assisted by W. Bros. Richardson, Green, and Bullock. Two candidates were elected. The annual balance-sheet and the auditors' report were presented, and the finances of the Lodge were reviewed. W. Bro. R. W. Green's motion to raise the Lodge subscription was again withdrawn, and a sub-committee was appointed to report on the general finances. Letters from brethren at the front, acknowledging gifts, etc., were received. . The motion to change the Lodge night during winter months from Thursday to Saturday was defeated by a large majority. In the refectory a pleasant hour was spent, musical items of a high artistic order being given. R.W. Bro. J. H. Keesing, D.G.M., was present, and, to commemorate the fourth anniversary of the war, proposed the toast, "Peace on earth, good-will towards men." .He spoke in terms of broad and lofty Freemasonry, and his remarks were deeply appreciated by all.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Kimbolton, No. 123.—The monthly meeting was held on 25th July. The night was fine, and the brethren took advantage of the welcome change in the weather to attend in unusually strong force. The work was the initiation of one candidate. The ceremony was conducted by the W.M., who gave the Ss., assisted by W. Bro. W. McKay, I.P.M. (Ob.), W. Bro. E. Nix (N.E.), Bro. E. S. Davies. I.G. (Ex. of P.) The Lodge having been closed, the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant hour was spent, the usual toasts, interspersed with musical items, being honoured.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Te Awahou, No. 133.—The regular meeting was held on 13th August. The business was to raise two brethren. The degree was worked by a team of P.Ms. from Palmerston North Lodges. W. Bro. Stevenson handed the gavel to R.W. Bro. J. A. Nash, P.S.G.W., who was assisted by the following officers : S.W., W. Bro. A. Hopwood, P.M. ; J.W., W. Bro. A. J. Graham, P.M.; S.D., W. Bro. A. Tortenson, P.M.; J.D., W. BA. Grove, P.M. ; I.G., W. Bro. Spooner, P.M. ; Organist, W. Bro. Porteous, P.M. ; Soloist, Bro. J. M. Barr. Lodge Te Awahou was specially favoured with such an able team. The very fine exhibition of the working

was most instructive, and will long be remembered by the members of this Lodge. Special mention might be made of the very able manner in which W. Bro. Tortenson, P.M., carried out the work of S.D. Lodge Te Awahou is greatly indebted to R.W. Bro. J. A. Nash, P.G.S.W., and his officers for travelling such a distance and having to battle against not only most inclement weather, but also the inconsistencies of motor cars. After the ceremony the visitors were entertained at W. Bro. M. Perreau's rooms, where they delighted their Foxton brethren with some very interesting items.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.—The monthl, meeting took place- on 1st August. The ceremonial work consisted of the passing of two to the F.C. Degree, the work being distributed as follows : Ob. by W. Bro. Maiming ; Signs and Tokens by W. Bro. Graham, P.M. ; W.Ts. conjointly by the W.M., and J.W. respectively ; Final Charge by W. Bro. Gallichan, A ballot was taken for a joining member, also for two initiates, all of which were duly approved ; also three propositions were announced. Owing to the ever-increasing amount of work in hand it has been decided by the W.M. to hold emergency meetings in order to overtake the work on the order paper. A great impetus to Masonry in the various Lodges is evidenced by the number of ballots taken recently; and as a last general reminder the present writer would impress upon members of this Lodge the necessity to put forth a special effort to attend so as to make the proceedings interesting, also encouraging to the officers of the Lodge.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Moutoa, No. 195.—The monthly meeting was held on 25th July. M.W. Bro. F. Symes presided over a good attendance of brethren. The ceremony was initiating one candidate, the W.M. being ably assisted by W. Bro. R. W. Green and P.Ms. of our own Lodge. The Lodge closed, and an adjournment was made to the refectory, where, after the usual toasts had been honoured, Bro. E. Runnerstrum, S.D., read a most interesting paper entitled "Thoughts of Freemasonry, particularly those appertaining to the First Degree."—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Ulster, No. 62.—The regular meeting was held at Freemasons' Hall, Petone, on 17th July, when there was a large attendance of members and visitors, The W.M. (Bro. A. G. Steffensen) occupied the chair and conducted the ceremony of initiation of two candidates, assisted by W. Bro. F. L. Matthews, and W. Bro. Parkin (W.M. of Lodge Brooklyn). The Address in N.E. was given by Bro. Y. G. Carver, S.W.; the M. of Prep. was explained by Bro. N. Doneghue; the W.Ts. were presented by Bro. P. McBride, J.W. ; and the Final Charge was given by W. Bro. G. D. McEwen. The balance-sheet for year ended 30th June was considered satisfactory, and adopted. W. Bro. T. Mather, I.P.M., the delegate at the Annual Communication of G.L., gave an interesting report of the proceedings, and was accorded a vote of thanks. The W.M. and I.P.M. were elected as delegates to the Board of Enquiry. One brother was proposed as a joining member. The meeting concluded at 9.30 p.m., after which an enjoyable hour was spent in the refectory, where the visitors were entertained.

An emergency meeting was held on 24th July, when, at the invitation of the W.M., W. Bro. R. Wylie, Sec., took the chair and conducted the ceremony of raising two candidates. The Exhort. was given by W. Bro. W. Cox, the Light Charge and Signs and Secrets by W. Bro. R. Jenkins, the T.H. by W. Bro. J. C. Davis, the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. J. Castle, and the Final Charge given by W. Bro. Ross. The meeting concluded at 9.45 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tararua, No. 67.—The regular monthly meeting was held on 25th July, the work being the initiation of two candidates, the various portions of the ceremonial being given as follows:— N.E. Address, W. Bro. Riddell, I.P.M. ; Prep., W. Bro. A. Barrell, D.M.; W.Ts., W. Bro. J. H. Griffiths, D. of C.; Charge after Initiation, W. Bro. W. Britland.

An emergency meeting was held on 8th August to raise one brother. Bereavement and unavoidable business caused the absence of W. brethren allotted the various portions, so that the W.M. had the whole of the ceremonial to do himself, except the W.Ts., which were given by W. Bro. A. Barren, D.M. A big strain was put on the W.M., as he was suffering from a bad cold, which, due to a fresh chill, has since laid him up for a week with an acute attack of influenza with the addition of a touch of pleurisy, but he is now making good headway. We were honoured with a fraternal visit from the W.M. and brethren from Lodge Ruahine, No. 80, and we hope to see him in full swing initiating his son this month.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Hinemoa, No. 122.—On the occasion of the installation of Bro. S. R. Shannon on 8111 August the weather was atrocious, the attendance large. The elements were defied in a determination to pay due honours to one of the most popular members of this progressive Lodge. M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, P.G.M., by his presence added to the spirit of the meeting. The installing officer was R.W. Bro. Ellison, Prov.G.M., and the D. of C. work was in the hands of V.W. Bro. G. Russell, G.D. of C. The following officers were duly invested:—W.M., W. Bro. S. R. Shannon; S.W., Bro. G. Jones; J.W., Bro S. L. Russell; Chaplain, W. Bro. O. Neilson, P.S.G.D. (re-elected); Treas., Bro. C. Foster (re-elected); Sec., Bro. W. L. Edmanson ; D. of C.. W. Bro. H. W. Preston. P.G.B.B. ; S.D., Bro. P. Reid ; J.D., Bro. F. J. M. Jenkins; Organist (acting), Bro. B. W. Blakely ; I.G., Bro. A. Roberts; S.S., Bro. H. H. Flanagan ; J.S., Bro. W. A. Worth ; Tyler, Bro. S. G. Butterson. Bro. Martin, the retiring Sec., invested the junior officers.

Nothing finer has ever been done in the Lodge. Another pleasing feature was the presentation to R.W. Bro. Ellison of an arm-chair—a Masonic arm-chair, as W. Bro. O. Neilson described it in making the presentation on behalf of the members: and the recipient suitably acknowledged the gift. A P.M.'s jewel was presented to the retiring W.M. (Bro. G. Knowles Smith). V.W. Bro. Bridge apologised for the absence of M.W. Bro. Williams, P.G.M., who was out of town. There was a large attendance of visiting W.Ms. and P.Ms., including Lodges Tutanekai, Otaki, Whetu Kairangi, Pacific, Waterloo, Leinster. and others. W. Bros. Lenzini, Quaile, and Webb presented the W.Ts. ; W. Bro. C. W. Neilson, the Charter ; V.W. Bro. Rishworth, the address to the W.M. ; and W. Bro. A. A. -George, the address to the Wardens, in fine style. The W.M. replied in well chosen words, and created a very good impression. H.G.W. from all quarters rounded off one of the prettiest installations ever seen in Wellington. A couple of happy hours were passed at refreshment.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Tutanekai, No. 156.—An emergency meeting was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Berhampore, on 25th July, for the purpose of passing three brethren. In the absence of the W.M., W. Bro. Sexton, I.P.M., presided, and obligated the candidates ; the S.W. Bro. C. Martin, invested ; W. Bro. Alexander gave the Apron Charge; the J.W., Bro. Key, the Address in the S.E. ; the W.M. and Wardens presented the W.Ts. ; whilst the Final Charge was delivered by the S.W. The Lodge closed at 9.15 p.m., and a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.

The regular meeting was held in Freemasons' Hall, Berhampore, on 1st August, the W.M. (W. Bro. G. F. L. Lenzini) presiding over a large gathering of brethren and visitors. The routine business of the evening consisted of three ballots, six propositions for initiation, and a proposal for affiliation. The ceremonial work was the passing of four brethren. The W.M. administered the Ob. ; the S., T., and W. were explained by the I.P.M. (W. Bro. Sexton); the S.W. invested ; Bro. E. Howell, Sec., gave the Apron Charge ; the J.W. (Bro. Key) addressed the candidates in the S.E. ; the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Whitelaw and the Wardens; while the Final Charge was given by the S.W. (Bro. C. Martin). The Lodge closed at 9.30 p.m., when an adjournment was made to the refectory, where the brethren spent a profitable time.

An emergency meeting was held in Freemasons' Hall, Berhampore, on 15th August, for the purpose of initiating a candidate, The Lodge was opened by the W.M. (W. Bro. G. F. L. Lenzini), who thereupon handed the gavel to W. Bro. T. Rowell, who (assisted by W. Bro. Anderson, S.W. ; W. Bro. Alexander, S.D.; and W. Bro. Whitelaw, J.D.) conducted the ceremony and administered the Ob. The S., T., and W. were explained by W. Bro. Lenzini W. Bro. Anderson invested the candidate ; Bro. Hall gave the Apron Charge ; Bro. Key, J.W., the Address in the N.E.; W. Bro. Alexander explained the R. for Prep. ; Bro. E. Howell, Sec., presented the W.Ts. ; while the Final Charge was given by W. Bro. Shand, and the Lecture on the T.B. by W. Bro. Whitelaw. The Lodge closed at 9.30 p.m., and the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where the usual toasts were honoured.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetu, No. 176.—The regular meeting was held on 14th August. There was a good attendance of brethren and visitors, including the W.Ms. of Lodges Brooklyn and Waterloo and a number of brethren from Trentham Camp. The work was passing two brethren—one our own, and one on behalf of Lodgo Ngapara, No. 68. The work was carried out by the W.M. and his officers. W. Bro. Teagle, W.M., obligated and communicated the S., T., W. ; Bro. Harman. S.W., invested; W. Bro. Gordon (W.M., Lodge Waterloo) gave the Charge after Investiture; Bro. Carver, J.W., the S.E. Charge ; Bro. Harman, S.W., presented the W.Ts. ; and W. Bro. Guinness explained the 2nd T.B. The nomination of officers for the year 1918-19 resulted in a goodly number of brethren being nominated for the junior offices, which will result in keen competition next

Lodge meeting. Apologies were received from various brethren. The Lodge was then closed at 9.30 p.m., after which a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, when toasts and musical items were given and much appreciated.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.—The 1st Prin. (V.E. Comp. J. A. Stables) must have felt justifiably proud of the attendance and the success of the regular monthly convocation, held in the Chapter apartments of the Christchurch Masonic Hall on Wednesday, 14th August. For the first time in Chapter history in New Zealand the R.A. Degree was entirely carried out by Past Principals of one Chapter, and the result proved a pronounced success, St. Augustine being particularly fortunate in the attachment of its past officers. After routine business, comprising two ballots and nomination of officers for the ensuing year had been disposed of, M.E. Comp. S. Clifton Bingham, accepted the sceptre, and directed V.E. Comp. Jno. Robertson, G. Supt. of W., as D. of C., to marshal and place M.E. Comp. A. H. Andrews, P.G.Z., as H. ; V.E. Comp. W. H. Cheeseman as J. ; V.E. Comp. J. R. Morrison as S.E. ; V.E. Comp. Capt. Thorpe, P.G.Soj., as S.N. ; R.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop, G. Supt. of Canterbury, as 1st Soj. ; E. Comp. G. B. Perkins, as 2nd Soj. ; and V.E. Comp. T. W. Lee. as 3rd Soj, V.E. Comp. A. F. Arnold retained his post as Tyler. The ceremony was conducted throughout in a smooth and impressive manner, the 1st Soj.,'s work being due special heed. The various lectures were delivered by the following, and evinced some recent: careful preparation, as most of the V.E. Comps. pleaded a lapse of from six to ten years since their time : W.Ts., V.E. Comp. Capt. Thorpe; Investiture, V.E. Comp. J. Robertson; Discovery, M.E. Comp. Bingham ; P.G. and P.NV., V.E. Comp. J. R. Morrison ; Further Explanation, V.E. Comp. T. W. Lee; Final Charge, M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews; the other charges being held over for another evening. The subsequent hour in the refectory proved all too short, for the time limit had to be strictly applied in regard to the very happy responses of all the working officers in acknowledging the principal toast, "The Officers for the Evening." V.E. Comp. Stables was heartily complimented on the success attending his idea by the officers officiating, as well as by the visitors, who included V.E. Comp. Souter (of Timaru Chapter), V.E. Comp. Hobbs (Prince of Wales), M.E. Comp. Palmer (Canterbury Kil.), E. Comp. H. Gates, G. Organist (Rose and Thistle), who also very kindly acted as Organist, and representatives of Albert Edward and Otago Kil.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Manawatu, No. 11.—At the meeting on 18th July the chair of Z. was occupied by R.E. Comp. W. H. Smith, P.G.J., in the unavoidable absence of V.E. Comp. J. Stone. After the routine business was disposed of, the visiting officers and members of Wanganui Chapter entered, and assumed the chairs, performing the ceremony of exaltation, V.E. Comp. Moutray presiding, assisted by V.E. Comps. Runnerstrum, Rolleston, and R.E. Comp. Gordon, G. Supt, After the ceremony the Manawatu officers resumed their chairs, and the nomination of officers took place. A number of candidates for membership were proposed. A pleasant time was spent in the refectory, where the usual toasts were honoured. A feature of the speeches was the desire generally expressed to hold an annual gathering of the five Chapters in Ruapehu district at each centre in succession, the host of the occasion doing the degree work. Reference was also made to some inconsistencies in the ritual and the need of its revision.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victory, No. 12.—After a lapse of two years, a number of companions having expressed a desire to take the side degrees, a Lodge was convened on 15th August, when eight companions were created Ark Mariners and Knights of the Red Cross of Babylon. Bro. B. H. Moller presided over the former, and Bro. S. F. Bolton over the latter. The ceremony was well worked and made impressive to the candidates. It is intended to work the degrees again at an early date.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waimate, No. 16.—A meeting was held on 24th July, when several brethren were advanced and acknowledged. The ceremony of advancement was carried out by the W.M.M., Bro. J. Shackleton, assisted by : M.O., Bro. Coventry ; S.O., W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins; J.O., W. Bro. T. W. Manchester; S.D., Bro. C. R.. Bateman. W. Bro. A. Colville conferred the Secrets, presented the W.Ts. and delivered the Final Charge. W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins as E.M., conferred the degree upon previously advanced brethren. He was assisted by W. Bro. Shackleton as Capt. 1st Veil, Bro. J. W. Manchester, Capt. 2nd Veil. and Bro. C. Coventry as Capt. 3rd Veil, while he himself gave the Final Step and Charge. Bro. Bateman acted as Conductor. A short adjournment was made to the refectory.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waikato, No. 22.—A convocation was held in the Lodgeroom at Te Kuiti on 31st July, when fifteen companions journeyed to the King Country to confer the Mark Degree on six brethren from Plunket Lodge. The ceremonial work was conducted by E. Comp. Sims, assisted by V.E. Comp. J. C. Williams, V.E. Comp. Speight, and E. Comp. English, after which the visiting companions were entertained by our newly advanced brethren. In the replies to the toast of the newly advanced brethren it was mentioned that possibly in the future there would be a Chapter in the King Country. We advanced one P.M., the present W.M., the S.W., and the J.W. of Lodge Plunket, which goes to show they are enthusiastic.

At a convocation held on 20th August three candidates were acknowledged and exalted. V.E. Comp. W. J. Andrews worked the Excellent Degree, assisted by V.E. Comp. J. E. Williams; and V.E. Comp. C. M. Gummer did the Exaltation, assisted by V.E. Comps. J. E. Williams and Speight and E. Comps. English, Webster, and Andrews.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wanganui, No. 23.—The monthly convocation was held on 1st August, Comp. C. C. Moutray, V.E.Z., presiding. Associated with him were E. Comp. F. Symes, H., and E. Comp. J. R. Foster, acting-J. One candidate was elected. Chapter then adjourned for the purpose of conferring the side degree on nine candidates. An Ark Mariners' Lodge was opened under the presidency of V.E. Comp. G. G. Bullock. On resuming, the election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. —[Chapter Correspondent.]

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Heretaunga, No. 73:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Hastings, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in July. W.M., Bro. C. H. Martin; S.W., Bro. J. E. Jones; J.W., Bro. W. R. Wright; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, P.M., P.O. Box 3, Hastings.

Ruahine, No. 80:—Founded 1886, meets Masonic Hall, Woodville, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation fourth Wednesday in June. W.M., Bro. R. E. Toogood; S.W., Bro. John Elder; J.W., Bro. R. A. Offwood; 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 third Wednesday in April. W.M., W. Bro. H. N. Benson; S.W., W. Bro. T. Fothergill; J.W., Bro. W. Chadwick; 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 third Wednesday in 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. E. C. Wood; S.W., Bro. J. R. Paterson; J.W., Bro. F. G. Davies; Sec., W. Bro. J. J. Holtham, P.M.

Hawera, No. 34:—Founded 1880, meets in Temple, Union Street, Hawera, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. E. C. Hayton; S.W., Bro. Colin Brown; J.W., Bro. J. L. Martin; Sec., W. Bro. Alan R. Thompson, P.M., Morrissey Street, 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 Masonic Hall, Stratford, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. H. Ashton; S.W., Bro. R. M. Peattie; J.W., Bro. E. A. Drake; Sec., Bro. J. McAllister, P.M., P.O. Box 103, Stratford.

St. John's, No. 95:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Etihām, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. G. H. Buckeridge; S.W., Bro. J. W. Harrison; J.W., Bro. C. B. Martin; Sec., W. Bro. J. L. Weir, Etihām.

Moa, No. 110:—Founded 1896, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, second Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. G. H. Taylor; S.W., Bro. J. Johnston; J.W., Bro. G. W. Hutton; Sec., W. Bro. A. E. Surrey, P.M., 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. Mullan; 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., W. Bro. W. A. Bell; S.W., Bro. W. W. Andrews; J.W., Bro. A. J. Geary; Sec., Bro. D. S. Thomson, P.O. Box 77, 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 Masonic Hall, Hunterville, Rangitikei, Friday on or before full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. F. H. Powell; S.W., Bro. R. Dukeson; J.W., Bro. C. R. Dean; Sec., Bro. R. A. Campbell, P.M.

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79:—Founded 1866, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday in month (excepting December, first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. J. E. M. Rose; S.W., Bro. John McFarlane; J.W., Bro. Percy Evans; Sec., Bro. N. G. Armstrong, P.O. Box 236, Wanganui.

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

Ruapehu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, meets 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, Liddle St., Foxton, second Tuesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. W. Stevenson; S.W., Bro. S. E. Cowley; J.W., Bro. W. Renton; Sec., Bro. A. E. Wainwright, Box 7, Foxton.

Otaihape, No. 142:—Founded 13th December, 1905, meets in Masonic Hotel, Taihape, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.45 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. Varnam; S.W., Bro. B. A. Fraser; J.W., Bro. L. B. H. de Lautour; Sec., Bro. H. Mercer.

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 Masonic Hall, Church St. E., Palmerston N., first Thursday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. F. Manning; S.W., Bro. N. D. Stubbs; J.W., Bro. J. B. Lauchlan; Sec., Bro. H. C. Le Grange, P.O. Box 214, 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. J. W. Tompkins; S.W., Bro. G. G. Oliver; J.W., Bro. W. P. Shaw; 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. F. Symes; S.W., Bro. F. Bourne; J.W., Bro. J. C. Arnold; Sec., W. Bro. Neil 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 Masonic Hall, Wellington, fourth Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. No meeting December. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. H. Webb; S.W., Bro. J. H. Hutchins; J.W., Bro. G. W. A. Clark; Sec., W. Bro. J. H. Worboys, P.M., Kilibirnie.

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, Bamister Street, Masterton, second Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. O. N. C. Pragnell; S.W., Bro. C. W. Perrin; J.W., Bro. S. D. Pearce; Sec., W. 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. Hutcheson; J.W., Bro. G. 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. Evertson, P.M.

Leinster, No. 44:—Founded 1882, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. J. Shakes; S.W., Bro. W. J. Garrett; J.W., Bro. B. Parnell; 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. J. A. Rayne; S.W., Bro. J. J. Knox-Smith; J.W., Bro. A. J. Lindop; acting-Sec., W. Bro. A. Phillipotts, Box 7, Carterton.

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

Taranua, 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. Swabey, 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 Street, Eketahuna, second Friday in each month (except May, installation second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. W.M., Bro. J. Kerr; S.W., Bro. W. Duff; J.W., Bro. W. C. Crocker; Sec., Bro. A. Rowden, P.M.

Hinemoa, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington St., second Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. S. R. Shannon; S.W., Bro. G. Jones; J.W., Bro. S. L. Russell; Sec., Bro. W. L. Edman, 156, Lambton Quay.

Coronation, No. 127:—Founded 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Johnsonville, Saturday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. K. M. Carter; S.W., Bro. W. S. Radcliffe; J.W., Bro. F. A. Jacobsen; 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 Masonic Hall, Pongaroa, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. H. Thomas; S.W., Bro. W. G. Neville; J.W., Bro. E. W. Clemens; Sec., W. Bro. W. Souness, P.M., P.O. Box 15, 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. Gundle; 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. Lenzi; S.W., Bro. C. W. Martin; J.W., Bro. G. W. Key; Sec., Bro. E. Howell, 55 Glen Rd., Kelburn.

Waiphetu, 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. A. Ferguson; S.W., Bro. A. Tanner; J.W., Bro. J. T. Mair; Sec. W. Bro. J. R. Scrimgeour, P.M., Main Road, 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. A. Schmidt, 2 Corunna Avenue. (*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. C. M. Whelan; S.W., Bro. L. Reynolds; J.W., Bro. A. G. Shrimpton; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, P.O. Box 105, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42:—Founded 1881 (formerly 663, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890), meets Masonic Hall, Andrew Street, Blenheim, last Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. W. Taylor; S.W., Bro. T. E. Cleator; J.W., Bro. A. E. Jellyman; Sec., W. Bro. C. Tunncliffe, Grove Road, Blenheim.

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

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. K. Bagge; J.W., Bro. W. M. Lambie; Sec., Bro. F. W. Smith, Blenheim.

Waitohi, No. 111.—Meets in Masonic Hall, Pictou, last Friday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. E. R. Lane; S.W., Bro. T. Allport; J.W., Bro. E. J. Hazelwood; 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. McKinna; J.W., Bro. R. 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. Panchurst, P.M.; Sec., Bro. R. A. Stewart, P.M., Reefton.

Advance, No. 61.—Founded 1871, meets Masonic Hall, Taylorville, Brunerton, first Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation last Thursday in January. W.M., Bro. C. Angel; S.W., Bro. P. Dafforn; J.W., Bro. H. Griffiths; Sec., Bro. J. Watson, Brunerton.

Kumara, No. 65.—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon Street, Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. E. Wade; S.W., Bro. R. J. Burrell; J.W., Bro. J. Hurren, P.M.; 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, Denniston, first Wednesday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. Smart; S.W., Bro. J. T. Murphy; J.W., Bro. F. J. Browning; 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. Harry Greenwood; S.W., Bro. E. L. S. H. Skilton; J.W., Bro. Walter A. Tulloch; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, 137, Queen Street, Westport.

Torea, No. 121.—Founded 1900, meets Masonic Hall, Granite, 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. T. Treutha.

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. Heirz; J.W., Bro. W. J. T. Watson; Sec., Bro. J. McIndoe, P.O. Box 29, Greymouth.

Kawatiri-Westport, No. 152.—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Russell Street, Westport, second Monday in month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. Greenwood; S.W., Bro. E. Skelton; J.W., Bro. Capt. Tulloch; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, P.M., 137 Queen Street, 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 (Karamea).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 35 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. —, Prov.G.M.)

Unanimity, No. 3.—Founded October, 1851, meets in Masonic Hall, Sumner Rd., Lyttelton, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Wor. Bro. R. J. Connal; S.W., Bro. C. H. Smith; J.W., Bro. F. H. Law; Sec., Bro. L. Salt, Heathcote Valley.

St. Augustine, No. 4.—Founded 1852, meets Masonic Hall, Christchurch, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. D. Redpath; S.W., Bro. C. H. Duff; J.W., Bro. A. E. Smith; Sec., W. Bro. J. A. Stables, P.O. Box 79, 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. E. 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 Street, Timaru, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. George Glue; S.W., Bro. J. T. Collins; J.W., Bro. J. T. Hunt; Sec., Bro. J. Simpson, 136 North Street, 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., W. Bro. J. W. A. Walker, District High School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil., No. 28.
Geraldine, No. 27.—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. M. Sutherland; S.W., Bro. A. A. Readdie; J.W., Bro. G. R. Knibb; Sec., Bro. W. A. Sherratt, P.M., 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 Rakaia, No. 31.—Founded 1876.
Lincoln, No. 33.—Founded 1880, 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. A. J. Nicholas; S.W., Bro. J. W. Bealand; J.W., Bro. G. F. Drury; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, P.M., 72 Aitman's Rd., Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa).
Methven, No. 51.—Meets Masonic Hall, Methven, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation May. W.M., W. Bro. J. E. Stone; S.W., Bro. H. Maginnis; J.W., Bro. S. J. Carleton; 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. N. 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. W., Ashburton, third Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation 30th November. W.M., Bro. T. J. Kennedy; S.W., Bro. J. Smith, junr.; 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).
Maizaki, 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.

Walthora, No. 141.—Founded 1905, meets Odd-fellows' Hall, Leeston, second Thursday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. J. Lemon; S.W., Bro. E. H. Jecks; J.W., Bro. W. O. Rennie; Sec., W. 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. John Hurley; S.W., Bro. R. J. Thompson; J.W., Bro. T. H. Williams; Sec., Bro. H. M. Garrick, 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 Street, Timaru, third Monday in month (except December and January). Installation April. W.M., Bro. G. McKetterick; S.W., Bro. F. Stowell; J.W., Bro. S. L. Freeman; Sec., Bro. J. Moore, 49 Hassall Street, 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.
Erewhon, No. 200.—Opened 20th August, 1914, Mount Somers.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO: 27 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. R. Haweridge, 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, 598 George St., Dunedin.

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

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. 26.—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston S., Friday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. D. R. Munro; S.W., Bro. R. W. Wheeler; J.W., Bro. J. Moody; Sec., 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. H. S. Jackways; S.W., Bro. W. C. Dale; J.W., Bro. T. J. Quayle; Sec., Bro. A. H. Hawkins, Tapanui.

Hiram, No. 46.—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Cargill Road, South Dunedin, on fourth Tuesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. A. P. Fredric; S.W., Bro. H. Turley; J.W., Bro. J. McNaughton; Sec., Bro. W. Holman, Surrey Street, South Dunedin.

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. R. Whyte; S.W., Bro. A. Robbie, P.M.; J.W., Bro. L. Morrison; Sec., Bro. H. Webber, 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. A. Ferguson; S.W., Bro. J. Oliver; J.W., Bro. J. Richardson; Sec., W. Bro. W. D. Paterson, P.M.

St. John, No. 84 (Mosgiel).
 Mount Ida, No. 97.—Founded 1868 (originally No. 1262, E.C.), meets Masonic Hall, Naseby, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. Baird; S.W., Bro. E. Carey; J.W., Bro. T. C. Hore; Sec., Bro. A. E. Inder, P.M., P.O. Box 20, Naseby.
 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. J. P. Parcell; S.W., Bro. J. J. Halliday; J.W., Bro. D. A. Shore; 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 Town Hall, Clyde, Tuesday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. L. Davidson; S.W., Bro. R. Bringans; J.W., Bro. D. McL. McInnes; 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. A. Jordan; S.W., Bro. T. Harridge; J.W., Bro. D. McPhail; Sec., W. Bro. E. Tomkinson, P.M., Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Manuhirikia Kil., No. 109.—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Alexandra, Friday on or nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. R. D. Cox; S.W., Bro. G. Aquith; J.W., Bro. G. Smith; Sec., Bro. J. B. Arnott.
 St. Bathans, No. 126.—Founded 11th November, 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Becks, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. Rev. A. V. G. Chandler; S.W., Bro. O. Moen; J.W., Bro. J. Owens; 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. J. E. Gallie; Sec., Bro. E. W. G. H. Watts, P.M., 53 Clyde St., Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 148.—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Roxburgh, Saturday on or nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation March. W.M., W. Bro. E. F. Allen; S.W., Bro. J. George; J.W., Bro. J. H. McKay; Act.-Sec., Bro. H. Henderson, P.O. Box 48, 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.

Haeremal, 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. James Bissland; S.W., Bro. R. Johnson; J.W., Bro. G. Winter; Sec., W. Bro. C. F. J. Bell, P.M., 600 Castle Street, North Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161.
 Kurow, No. 164.—Founded 13th May, 1909; meets in Masonic Hall, Kurow, Thursday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. E. H. Appleby; S.W., Bro. J. Pringle; J.W., Bro. W. H. Smart; Sec., Bro. W. W. Mercer.

Owaka, No. 180.—Founded 1911, meets Masonic Hall, Owaka, Thursday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Logan; S.W., Bro. R. McG. Laverty; J.W., Bro. R. Barr; Sec., Bro. W. K. Hayward, P.O. Box 13, Owaka.

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

Ionic, No. 191.—Founded 1912, meets in Kirkland Hall, Green Island, second Monday in month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. J. A. McPhee; S.W., Bro. W. T. Smellie; J.W., Bro. R. Benfell; Sec., W. Bro. S. F. Bridgeman, P.M., Green Island.

Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington).
Strath-Taieri, No. 199 (Middlemarch, Otago Central).

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. A. Le H. Hoyles, Prov.G.M.)

Southern Cross, No. 9.—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, first Friday in month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. F. Irvine; S.W., Bro. L. L. Padgett; J.W., Bro. H. J. Farrant; Sec., W. Bro. C. H. Roberts, Box 214, Invercargill.
 Harvey, No. 49.—Founded 1853, meets in Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. A. G. Clarke; S.W., Bro. T. J. Sherborne, jun.; J.W., Bro. R. P. Boyne; Sec., W. Bro. Walter Gee, P.M., Halton Street, East Gore.

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. A. Jones; S.W., Bro. D. Allison; J.W., Bro. R. Richardson; Sec., Bro. S. Rice, P.O. Box 7, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64.—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. R. C. Skipage; S.W., Bro. R. C. Harbord; J.W., Bro. Geo. Steel; Sec., Bro. E. Parker, P.M., Hazlewood, 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, P.M., Riverton.

Lake Lodge of Ophir, No. 85.—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Queenstown, third Tuesday in month. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. Miller; S.W., Bro. F. McDowall; J.W., Bro. S. W. Wilson, P.M.; Sec., Bro. A. J. Campbell, P.M., Queenstown.

Arrow Kil., No. 86.—Meets Monday on or before full moon at Masonic Hall, Arrowtown. Installation February. W.M., Bro. F. F. 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. J. S. Lipscombe; S.W., Bro. Jas. Manson; J.W., Bro. R. Hyslop; Sec., W. Bro. F. Butterfield, cr. Nith and Ettrick Streets, Invercargill.

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. Tomkinson; 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. W. D. Clark; S.W., Bro. F. A. Kemp; J.W., Bro. J. J. Hincheliff; Sec., W. Bro. L. E. Clapp, P.M., P.O. Box 7, Orepuki.

Wairaki, No. 145 (Nightcaps).
 Victoria, No. 147.—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Porth Street, Invercargill, second Friday in month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. P. B. Macdonald; S.W., Bro. A. Greig; J.W., Bro. A. Derby; Sec., W. Bro. N. J. Brokenshire.

Waikaka, No. 151.—Founded 1907, meets Lodgeroom, Waikaka, Monday nearest full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. P. Burton; S.W., Bro. R. H. Newman; J.W., Bro. C. Green; Sec., W. Bro. A. G. Thomson, P.M., Waikaka.

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

Waihopal, No. 189.—Founded 1912, meets in Masonic Hall, Grey Street, Gladstone, Invercargill, third Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. B. Edmonds; S.W., Bro. Thos. Bird; J.W., Bro. H. T. Conner; Sec., Bro. C. J. Hewlett, c/o Courthouse, Invercargill.

ENGLISH CRAFT LODGES.

Pacific Lodge, No. 1453, E.C.—Founded 1878, 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.

Wellington, No. 1521.—Founded 1874, meets at the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on third Wednesday in each month except in January, February, and March. Installation June. W.M., Bro. N. E. White; S.W., Bro. J. H. G. Rowley; J.W., Bro. F. L. Hardwicke; Sec., Bro. J. G. Greer.

BOARDS OF ENQUIRY.

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

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Meets in the Masonic Hall on first Wednesday in month. Pres., W. Bro. F. C. J. Bellringer; Sec., W. Bro. W. F. Brooking, Robe Street, New Plymouth.

WELLINGTON.—Meets Masonic Hall, Boulcott St., third Tuesday in month, except December. Pres., W. Bro. W. C. Robinson; Vice-Pres., W. Bro. H. G. Teagle; Sec. and Treas., W. Bro. H. Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.

NORTH CANTERBURY.—Meets Masonic Hall, Gloucester St., Christchurch, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Pres., R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham; Sec., W. Bro. R. Baldwin, P.Prov.G.W., 72 Aikman's Rd., Christchurch.

OTAGO.—Meets in Board Room, No. 15 Empire Buildings, Princes Street, Dunedin, third Thursday each month. Pres., W. Bro. W. G. Hay; Sec., W. Bro. T. W. O'Driscoll, 158 Dundas Street, Dunedin.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE. GRAND LODGE OF FRANCE.

Veritas, No. 384.—Founded 1907, meets Freemasons' Hall, Mission St., Papete, fourth Saturday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. J. Williams; S.W., Bro. V. Gooding; J.W., Bro. G. Spitz; Sec., Bro. C. H. Norris. [This Lodge, working in English, cordially invites brethren from New Zealand.]
 L'Oceanic Francaise, No. 350.—Dormant.

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NEW ZEALAND CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.—Founded November, 1869, meets St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. Z., Comp. J. A. Stables; H., Comp. A. K. Hollow; J., H. Hopkinson; S.E., E. Comp. J. W. Piper, 537 Hereford St., Linwood.