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THE ANNUITY FUND OF GRAND LODGE.

IN the opinion of many brethren, this fund is the most useful and beneficial set up by G.L., as while other benevolent funds provide temporary needs, this administers to permanent necessities. It originally had its rise at the session of G.L. held in Invercargill on the 27th April, 1897, the following resolution being then adopted :—"That in order that the Craft should in some practical way specially celebrate the Queen's Record Reign, the B. of G.P. be instructed to recommend the W.M. of all Lodges in the jurisdiction to initiate a subscription with a minimum of one shilling per member, to form the nucleus of a fund to carry out the objects referred to in the report presented, as to aged indigent Masons." In 1903 it was decided to amalgamate with the Widows' and

Orphans' Fund, which was originated by M.W. Bro. M. Niccol, when G.M., some years earlier, and a special committee was set up to draft rules for the proper government of the amalgamated fund. On the 30th June of that year the funds were as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Widows' and Orphans'	1,034	14	6
Aged and Indigent Masons Fund ...	1,335	4	3
Transferred from Fund of Benevolence ...	1,500	0	0
Total	£3,869	18	9

So that the new fund commenced its united career with a capital amount of £3,869, which has increased to 30th March last to £34,649 19s. 2d. When the proposal for the institution of the A.M. Fund was originally discussed, it was treated somewhat cavalierly, on the assumed ground that there would be so very few applicants, and this feeling was quite prevalent for some time. Yet, after a lapse of 16 years, we find there were 54 annuitants on the 30th March last, several additional annuities having since been granted, and a number of annuitants have died. So that it may well be said, in connection with this fund, that the "builders builded better than they knew." It would appear that, except in four special cases, the maximum amount voted became fixed at £26 per annum. And in thus limiting the annuity to this amount the various boards have been guided by the head rather than the heart; or, in other words, have had to cut the garment according to the supply of cloth. But whatever may have been regarded as comparatively sufficient from 1904 to 1914, it is quite patent that in the year of grace 1919 the actual value of the annuity is not much more than half the original value. The matter was referred to at the session of G.L. in 1918 by R.W. Bro. R. H. Richmond, Prov.G.M. of Westland, who moved :— "That as our annuities, owing to the increased cost of living, are now less adequate than in pre-war days, G.L. recommends all Lodges under its jurisdiction to ask their members to contribute 2s. each per annum to the W. and O. and A.M. Fund in addition to that they are disposed to give at annual installation meetings. The additional sum thus raised to be spent annually by the Annuity Board in supplementing annuities where necessary, and creating new ones, the balance, if any, to be capitalised, as are the annual collections." After discussion the motion was adopted, but we learn from those in authority that the results are not favourable, and where the resolution has been put into operation a smaller annual sum has been received than under the former strictly voluntary system. We think it will be admitted that a purely voluntary system of providing Masonic benevolence must prevail, and very much better results may be expected from it. At the last meeting of G.L. we understand the matter was referred to the Annuity Board, and that board now has it under consideration. At a recent Lodge meeting in Timaru, W. Bro. Hindmarsh made a stirring appeal on behalf of the fund, and of annuitants. He is reported to have said :— "Many of us, no doubt, including the trustees themselves, would, I fancy, give much more liberally and willingly if we could feel that our past and present donations were not being dispensed in doles, barely sufficient to keep body and soul together. I would sooner see a few decent annuities than many trifling ones." Now, in discussing this matter, it must not be forgotten the difficult task the Annuity Board has to perform. To ask them to make an all-round increase is equivalent to suggesting the manufacture of bricks without the provision of material. And the primary question arises, how can the fund be sufficiently augmented to enable something like justice being done to widows and orphans and our aged indigent brethren. Up to the present time G.L. has adopted the policy of providing annuities out of the interest earned from the capitalised fund. Up to a point this policy is a good one, and commercially sound. But in England, in the pre-war days, this question was discussed, and a suggestion was made by an eminent and expert brother, that only a moiety of amounts raised each year should be capitalised, and the other half should be transferred to the operative account. If our memory serves us, the proposal was most favourably received. In building up large funds for specific purposes, there is always the danger of starving the present for the benefit of the future. From a general point of view this may be regarded as narrow-mindedness. There may be feelings of pride in aggregating a large benevolent fund, but there is no generosity if it is done at the expense of the present, by taking the bread out of the mouths of the poor of to-day, who are hard pressed to provide the barest necessities of life. What would be the result to the fund if half of the annual receipts collected for the Annuity Fund were made liquid, and the other half capitalised? it would simply reduce the annual interest charges. Say the receipts are £2,000 per annum : retaining one-half of that for working purposes would lessen the interest by £50 per annum, and give the trustees an addition of £1,000 for the purposes of the fund. It would require voluntary contributions of £20,000 to provide the same amount as interest on capital. If it is admitted that our annuities are now far too small, then we are not dealing justly with our aged poor brethren, and immediate steps should be taken to provide, them, and the widows and orphans, with as much comfort as possible for the few short years of what must have been to them a hard and afflicted life.

TOAST LISTS.

In a Lodge report recently to hand, we noticed that "in the refectory a very long toast list was gone through." Now, this journal has no intention of poking its nose into the domestic affairs of any Lodge, unless it considers that the reputation and interests of the Craft in general are at stake. And we hold that the above is a case which may affect the Craft very prejudicially. Numerous toasts mean many drinks, and if only a proportion of the liquid refreshment is alcoholic, it becomes exceedingly expensive, and may result in sundry

headaches in the morning, neither of which are our business. But a lengthy toast list leads inevitably to very late hours, and this is where the Craft as a body comes in. The families of members have the right of consideration, even as Freemasonry has a reputation to maintain. The neophyte is strongly recommended to practice domestic as well as public virtues, and one of those virtues is temperance, which does not apply alone, as many people think, to the amount of alcohol consumed. A person who drinks alcohol to the point of inebriation is selfishly intemperate. He has not the slightest regard for the feelings of others, to whom he invariably becomes a confounded nuisance. A Freemason who will stay at Lodge till the early hours of the morning to see a lengthy toast list through is also tainted with some of this same selfishness, in that he has no regard for those nearest and dearest to him. Further, he sets a very bad example to his children, with the indirect result that Freemasonry is held responsible. We may just as well face the facts. All of us know that fun, frolic, and gaiety cannot survive till the early hours of the morning on cold coffee, which as a rule is generally "off" fairly early. And it is then that the glass that cheers is more eagerly sought, with one result. If the reputation of the Craft is not stained, it is luck rather than judgment. Then, again, what is the object of long toast lists? We are thankful to say that to the majority of Lodges in these days long toast lists are "Maranatha," and rightly so. In this particular Masonic evolution has been most marked. We have copies of installation "lists" of thirty years ago, with provision for twenty-four toasts. To-day a similar article is generally regarded askance if the number exceeds six. Thus, the only object we can see in long toast lists is the metaphorical distribution of oleaginous matter to gratify individual vanity. And the evil is the tendency to destroy the morale of the individual and the reputation of the institution. *Verb. Sap.*

News and Notes.

AN E.C. Lodge recently, in announcing its installation meeting, stated that visitors would be admitted at 7.30, and G.L. would enter at 8 p.m. Enquiries were made as to what G.L. was referred to, when it was elicited that "District" G.L. was intended.

WE thank the secretary of the North Canterbury United Board of Enquiry for the business-paper which is to be submitted on the 3rd November.

THE many friends of R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton will be pleased to hear that he is in Masonic harness again, having been installed as W.M. of the Installed Masters' Lodge of Wellington on the 7th October. The ceremony was performed by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, who had acted in the same capacity on two previous occasions, viz., in 1906 and 1911.

WE regret to learn that, in consequence of continued ill-health, W. Bro. E. Nordon, of Christchurch, is likely to leave New Zealand for the Home Country in the near future. His loss will be felt by the brethren of the Cathedral City, as he has always been a most strenuous Masonic worker, and there has been no more liberal exponent of the practical side of Masonic charity. His brethren will join with heart and voice in the hope that a long rest will result in complete restoration.

THOUGH the weather was execrable on the night of Brooklyn Lodge installation on the 1st October, the attendance was remarkably good, and the function was quite enjoyable. The retiring W.M., W. Bro. Barras, well deserved the practical token of appreciation made by the brethren. The earnestness and excellence of the work he has done contributed largely to the great success the Lodge achieved during the year.

R.E. COMP. GEO. RUSSELL, G.Supt. of Wellington, received the highest encomiums from companions on the excellent manner in which he conducted the Chapter installation ceremonies in his district. It was his first effort since assuming the reins of office.

R.W. BRO. PETERKIN, P.D.G.M., conducted the installation ceremony at Waiwhetu Lodge last month, and stated that in all probability it would be his final installation work in Freemasonry, as he was feeling the infirmity of increasing years. We understand there was a record attendance.

THERE has been quite an exodus of brethren from Nelson during the past few months, and we now learn that demits have been issued to Bro. A. Crawford, who has received an appointment under the Wanganui Education Board, and Bro. G. S. Whiteside has been appointed engineer to the Wanganui County Council.

AS the reports of three Lodges, held respectively on the 18th, 26th, and 27th August, did not reach our office until the 24th September, too late for the October issue, we have omitted their insertion in November as being too ancient.

THE combined annual installation of the Wellington City R.A. Chapters has become a recurring function of the greatest interest to R.A. Masons. That held last September was, perhaps, more successful than any of its predecessors, and was thoroughly enjoyed, the attendance being especially good.

Sir Alfred ROBBINS, in proposing the toast of the candidate of the evening, in the Jubilee Masters' Lodge, London, said Commander Adams was one of the heroes of Zeebrugge, and was the first of that wonderful band of British sailors who stood upon the Mole. It was a great satisfaction to the Jubilee Masters' Lodge that they had been able to make Commander Adams a M.M. in the presence of so many of their brothers, children, and cousins. Commander Adams, in acknowledgment, said he much appreciated the kind words of Sir Alfred Robbins. It was a matter of luck he was told off for the job, and he was only too proud to take part in the show. Two men in front of him were killed, and he had the luck of being the first man on the Mole.— "The Freemason."

UNDER the Dutch Constitutions E.As. cannot proceed further until after the expiration of twelve months from initiation. Similarly the same time must elapse before advancement to the highest stage.

WE ask our literary correspondents to kindly note that in December the holidays interfere materially with the printing of the N.Z. CRAFTSMAN. The printer requires six days, the publisher three, the holidays occupy three days, and Saturday and Sunday are in publishing week. Thus it is imperative that all matter for publication must reach the Editor not later than 17th December.

SOME comment has been made on the fact that when the warship "New Zealand" paid her first visit to the Dominion, there was a very large number of Freemasons among the crew, from the captain down. On the last visit, just made, there were only twenty-two, and these were confined to the non-commissioned ranks.

IN the year 1898, Bro. H. J. Williams, of Wellington, was G.Supt. of a large Masonic district, which included Taranaki. That year Lodge Ikaroa was constituted at Rohotu, under Mount Egmont, but later it removed to Opunake, where it is still held. This month the twenty-first anniversary will be held, and M. W. Bro. Williams has been specially requested to conduct the installation ceremony on the occasion, and as the Prov.G.M. (R.W. Bro. Sargent) has freely consented to his district being invaded, Bro. Williams has consented to foregather with the Ikaroa brethren, after an absence of many years. The meeting will probably be held on that historic day usually dedicated to the young—the 5th November.

ANOTHER change has been made in the custodianship of the Wellington Masonic Hall. Bro. Knox has departed after a very brief sojourn, and Bro. Andrews has taken charge in his stead. We hope there will now be some permanency of tenure, as these frequent changes are most distracting, especially to the staff of this paper.

SEVERAL of our new Lodge Correspondents refer to "passing" and "raising" the Lodge. These expressions should be confined to the candidate. We had thought, the terms had become quite obsolete, and now hope no further attempt will be made to revive them.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

Each of the town Lodges held a social dance this season, that of Southern Cross taking place on 10th September. About 50 couples were present. The hall was very tastefully decorated, the general effect being pink and green. To Bros. J. Davis and W. Watson great credit is due. These two brethren were ably assisted by about half a dozen willing workers, who undertook the task of placing greenery about the walls and fireplaces. Streamers of flags, etc., lent colour to the scene, the whole finish being given by numerous small electric lights interlaced through the foliage—quite a fairy land. The music supplied was excellent, the supper ditto; these important items, combined with a floor in first-class order, left nothing to be desired for the dancers, everyone spending a most enjoyable evening. W. Bro. L. L. Padget, W.M., specially thanked the wives, who so kindly gave their services during the afternoon preparing the supper. A very pleasing ceremony was held in the Lodgeroom prior to the social. After the brethren had taken their seats, the ladies were admitted, an opening hymn was sung, then each of the representatives of visiting Lodges was received, after which the P.Ms. retired and accompanied the Prov.G.M. (R.W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt) into the room. A solo was then sung by Bro. Watson, after which R.W. Bro. Boyles addressed the assemblage. His speech was most interesting, and was, much appreciated. Then followed the closing hymn, and the short ceremony concluded.

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We have recently had the pleasure of W. Bro. D. C. Cameron's company. Our travelling brother is always welcome. He comes with a fund of information and news of the Lodges throughout New Zealand. Bro. Cameron has had quite a pleasant and successful time in Southland, having substantially increased the circulation of the CRAFTSMAN.

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Lodge Southern Cross paid an official visit to Lodge Waihopai on Monday, 15th September, when two candidates were initiated. W. Bro. T. Bird, W.M., and his officers were deservedly complimented on the working of the degree.

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Numerous candidates are coming forward to all Lodges, and more than once a word of caution has been given by those competent to advise regarding the necessity of exercising the greatest care and enquiry into the qualifications of those seeking admission. It is to be regretted that some are seldom or never seen after the Third Degree has been conferred, and it seems desirable that the "Pre-requisite to Initiation" should be introduced.

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Lodge Victoria had a very large attendance of members and visitors at the regular meeting on 12th September, many of whom came specially to do honour to a much-esteemed P.M., W. Bro. J. Buchanan, who is leaving for Matura, where he is commencing business. Bro. Buchanan will be very much missed, he being a most regular attender at his own Lodge and a good visitor. Lodge Matura will gladly welcome him.

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Your correspondent has to express regret at the late arrival of notes for the September issue. The MS. was posted in good time, but owing to floods at Taieri, two days were lost on the railway, and consequently the delayed mail.

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Excellent weather favoured the huge number of brethren who journeyed to Wyndham on 24th September to attend the instantiation meeting of Lodge Mokoreta. The return trip was somewhat spoiled by a heavy gale from the south-west.

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The meeting was a great success, and the banquet provided in the Town Hall after the ceremony was thoroughly appreciated. Without a doubt, the best speech of the evening was that given by R.W. Bro. 'I. M. Rankin, in proposing the health of the W.M. Bro. Rankin is never disappointing—he is always good, and on this occasion particularly so. His references to the great part which Freemasonry could (and would) play in the enormous task of reconstruction now besetting the nation were listened to with keen appreciation.

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At the last meeting of Lodge St. John, W Bro. Jas. Manson, W.M., had the pleasure of welcoming home and to the Lodge Bro. J. McLean, after a period of active service. Bro. McLean was one of the popular Stewards of No. 94 before proceeding to the front, and brethren were all pleased to see him back fit and well. Bro. McLean thanked the Lodge for the welcome, and also the kindly attention in the way of letters, parcels, etc., while overseas.

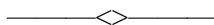
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At a recent town meeting, when there was an unusually large number of Lodges represented (four from Wellington), opportunity was taken to press the invitation to attend G.L. communication, to be held here in May next.

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At a later stage of the meeting, W. Bro. Walker appealed to the Wellington brethren to spread the "propaganda" on behalf of Southland. W. Bro. Wells (Lodge St. Andrew) and W. Bro. Ashton (Lodge Whetu Kairangi) have promised to carry out W. Bro. Walker's appeal, and the sunburnt, tanned faces of these two worthy brethren after their brief stay here should be sufficient to dispel the "dismalosities" regarding Southland's climate.

MARLBOROUGH NOTES.



Sincere sympathy is extended to W. Bro Fred. W. Smith, Sec. of Lodge Unanimity, No. 106, who has suffered a sad bereavement in the death of his elder son, a young man 21 years of age.

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The balance-sheet of Lodge "Unanimity disclosed a balance of assets over liabilities of £1,565. The only account not in credit was the Banquet Fund, and the debit balance was gradually decreasing. There was a credit balance of £103 at the bank. So there will be something to celebrate the jubilee with on 17th November.

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It was not possible to arrange a Lodge meeting in Picton during the brief stay of H.M.S. "New Zealand," but a Lodge of -Instruction was held at the Lodgeroom, at which several of the brethren from the warship were present, The "New Zealand's" W.M. took the chair, and the First Degree working was gone through, after which the visitors were entertained by the Waitohi brethren.

AVON LODGE NOTES.

The record attendance of 475 at the installation of Bro. Bernard Falck will be hard to beat, and incidentally occasion the directors of the Hall Company some anxious thoughts as to where they will accommodate the brethren if they emulate this crowd again.

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Four hundred and forty-four brethren and visitors were banqueted in the "Fourth," and, in spite of the dense crowd, everyone was well catered for, which speaks volumes for the organised efforts of the Stewards in their very capable S.S., Bro. C. K. Whale, who left nothing to chance.

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R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M., proposed the toast of the evening, "The Royal Navy," in a speech the enthusiasm of which there was no doubt, and received with tumultuous rounds of applause by the brethren. W. Bro. F. S. A. Giles, P.M. Lodge St. Helena, No. 488, E.C., replied, and in his speech of some duration, gave a number of telling incidents of the life and actions of the Silent Royal Navy.

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Bro. A. J. Heighway, our past Sec. and Lodge Correspondent, who has been absent in the North Island for several years, proposed the visitors' toast, which was replied to by all sitting W.Ms. present, and particularly the brethren of H.M.S. "New Zealand," who gave their impressions of treatment received since being in New Zealand.

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The orchestra were in great form. The "New Zealand" brethren particularly commented on and appreciated their performances.

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W. Bro. E. U. Just, D.D.G.M., in responding to the toast of his health, has seldom been heard to better advantage. The E.C. had joined with the N.Z.C. in welcoming the H. M.S. "New Zealand" brethren that evening, and his oration seemed as if uttered by a brother inspired. These combined meetings of N.Z.C. and E.C. do much to cement the brotherly feeling between both constitutions, tied, in the words of R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, we in Avon Lodge "know no constitution, only brotherhood."

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In appointing W. Bro. W. E. Scott, Prov.G.D. of C., as Sec. of the Lodge, the W.M. has pleased all, as W. Bro. Scott has endeared himself to all brethren by his genial and kindly manner. He is a host in himself.

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W. Bro. W. E. Scott. Prov.G.D. of C., stated that it was one of the proudest hours of his Masonic career when he was directing the ceremony of installation in his mother Lodge.

NAPIER NOTES.

V.E. Comp. R. Bishop was caught napping for once, when he was presented with a handsome P.Z.'s jewel at the Victoria Chapter installation. The presentation, at the request of the V.E.Z., was made by V.E. Comp. Jas. Redshaw. The jewel was made by our youngest companion, and reflects great credit on his fine workmanship. The recipient, in acknowledging the honour, remarked that he had not heard the slightest whisper that such a presentation was to take place.

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The 2nd G.Soj. has assisted the G.Supt. as G.H. at three installations and states that there is a marked improvement in the attendance, and a very keen interest displayed by the officers elected to increase the prosperity of their respective Chapters to the best of their skill and ability.

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The newly-installed 1st Prin. intimated at the festive-board that it was his ambition to have erected in the Victoria Chapter a P.Zs.' Honours Board. We wish him well in his laudable object. It, is not only for those who come, but a mark of respect for those who have gone, and who rendered yeoman service to Capitular Freemasonry in general, and Victoria Chapter in particular.

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It is announced that the annual convocation of G. Chapter will be held somewhere in Hawkes Bay, but the date and place have not been definitely decided on.

LADIES' NIGHT IN EKETAHUNA.

A function unique in the history of Masonry in Eketahuna took place on 26th September. Members of Lodge Eketahuna, their wives, and a few visiting brethren assembled at the Masonic Hall, and, after signing the attendance register, proceeded to take part in a ceremony specially arranged for the occasion. After the entrance of the W.M. and his officers, the opening hymn was sung, and W. Bro. A. H. Herbert made speech, welcoming the ladies on their first visit to the Masonic Hall. Another hymn was sung, and then W. Bro. R. J. Foss delivered a very instructive lecture on Masonry. This was listened to with keen interest by the ladies. Bee. S. Marenzi, accompanied by Mrs. G. T. Allen at the organ, contributed a violin solo. After the closing hymn, the W.M. and his officers retired, and the lathes were invited by W. Bro. A. Rowden, D. of C., to inspect the interior of the hall. As the refectory would not accommodate such a large company, an adjournment was made to the Town Hall, where a social gathering was held. Music, cards, and dancing made up a very enjoyable programme. Miss B. Harrison supplied the dance music, and W. Bros. W. M. Wilson and J. Renment acted as Ms.C. At supper the toast of "The King and Craft," proposed by W. Bro. W. Duff, W.M., was drunk with musical honours. The W.M. then called upon Bro. F. C. Turnor to propose the toast of "The Ladies." This was drunk with honours given under the leadership of Bro. R. Ford Hutchinson, S.W., and was responded to by Bro. J. Lowes, the youngest Mason present. Bro. W. Todd gave the Tyler's toast in the usual manner. Before dispersing, close upon midnight, "Peace, Love and Harmony" was sung by the brethren and the National Anthem by the whole company, thus concluding a function that it is to be hoped will become an annual event.—[By a Lady Correspondent.]

OBITUARY.

BRO. FREDERICK JAMES BROWNE.

Bro. Frederick James Browne, the brother of Mrs. M. C. Valentine, and uncle of Mrs. A. Corbett, of Maunu Road, and of Mr. W. Valentine, of West End Avenue, died suddenly at Aponga on 23rd September. Originally from the Wellington district, where he was a much respected farmer and J.P., the deceased spent eighteen years on the Klondyke goldfields. His first epileptic seizure occurred while there, and he spent some time in the hospital at Dawson City. He came back to New Zealand five years ago, and had been subject to epileptic fits continuously, the after-effects of the hardships of the Klondyke experiences. He was well known in Masonic circles, being a prominent member of the Otaki Lodge. He joined Lodge Whangarei, No. 102, and was also a member of the R.A. Chapter. He it was who presented the magnificent set of gavels to the G.L. of New Zealand, made of mammoth ivory, with gold facings. Many members of the Craft in Whangarei were present at the funeral.

R.W. BRO. FREDERICK IRVING DE LISLE. P.P.G.M. ; aged 75.

On Saturday, 12th October, there passed away at his residence, Tomoana Road, Hastings, a brother very conspicuous in this district, R.W. Bro. Frederick Irving de Lisle, P.P.G.M. for Hawkes Bay, who has been a vigorous and outstanding personality for considerably over 40

years. Leaving Napier for Hastings some seventeen years ago, practically retiring from actively following his profession as a very skilful surgeon and a valued physician, he has enjoyed a period of leisure during the evening of what has been a very busy life. From the time the writer first knew him, 37 years ago, apart from the many sudden calls upon him professionally, our late brother was an enthusiastic Freemason, for among the records of the Heretaunga Lodge one fact is prominent, that the then W.M. of Victoria Lodge, Napier (W. Bro. de Lisle), was present at our consecration in December, 1878. His death will be widely deplored by his brethren throughout Hawkes Bay, and by a large circle of friends, who valued him for all that manly qualities mean, and the high sense of duty that always was shown in his intercourse with life and amen, his hospitality, and his charm as a host. The Heretaunga Lodge called an emergency meeting, for the purpose of holding a Lodge of Sorrow, on Sunday, at 1.30 p.m., previous to our late brothers' interment in the Hastings Cemetery at 3 o'clock. He had often expressed the wish to be buried with Masonic rites, and, in deference to that wish, our burial service was read at the grave by R.W. Bro. R. S. Chadwick, Prov. G.M., assisted by W.M. W. Bros. Colebourne, Hird, and Morgan, in the presence of over 100 brethren from all the Lodges in the Hawkes Bay District, who attended to pay their last respect to departed merit. The deepest sympathy of all is extended to the bereaved widow and family of our late brother, whose memory will be as an evergreen in our Lodge.

W. BRO. THOMAS KING, P.M. ; AGED 73.

The death of W. Bro. Thomas King, of Bulls, has removed one of the oldest and most widely known Freemasons of the Rangitikei and Manawatu districts, and will generally be regretted throughout the district. W. Bro. King died at Bulls on the 5th October, after a very short illness, in his 73rd year. He came to New Zealand about 50 years ago, and took up his residence in Palmerston North, shortly afterwards entering into business as a storekeeper with his brother. Later he changed his residence to Bulls. W. Bro. King first saw the light 52 years ago in Carnarvonshire, Wales, and has been an active Freemason ever since. He was a foundation member of Lodge United Manawatu, No. 1721, E.C., Palmerston North, and Lodge Rangitikei, No. 1904, E.C., Bulls, later No. 38, N.Z.C. He was installed into the chair of Lodge United Manawatu in December, 1879, just on 40 years ago, and was afterwards elected a life member of the Lodge. Bro. King has held various Masonic offices during his lifetime, but perhaps was best known in latter years as the genial Sec. of Lodge Rangitikei, which position he has ably filled for a considerable period. He was always a regular and punctual attendant at monthly meetings, and always ready and willing to do any work if called on. Our brother's presence will be sadly missed. The funeral took place on the 6th inst. The Masonic ceremony was conducted by W. Bro. J. H. Perrett, P.M., Lodge Rangitikei, assisted by W. Bros. F. Purnell, J. E. Walker, and Rev. Bro. Ramson, in the presence of a large number of brethren of the two Lodges of which deceased was a member and visitors. To his wife and family we tender our sincere sympathy.

BRO. WILLIAM DIXON.

The late Bro. William Dixon, whose death took place at his residence, 17 Summerhay Street, Palmerston North, on 9th October, was a very keen Mason, and though unable to leave his bed for many years past, took a great interest in the working of his Lodge, in which he had at one time risen to the rank of S.W., which was prior to his departure for Patea. He was born in Wellington 70 years ago, and was the second son of the late Mr. Joseph Dixon, of Cuba Street, Wellington, a pioneer who landed in 1842. Deceased was a very old member of the Masonic Lodge at Patea, also Manawatu Kil. and Foresters' Lodge (Palmerston North), and had held office for a number of years. Mr. Dixon was twice married, and by his first wife leaves five daughters, one son, and twenty-three grandchildren. There was a large attendance at the funeral, the Anglican burial service being conducted by the Rev. H. G. Blackburne, and the Masonic service by W. Bro. Holben, W.M. assisted by W. Bros. Wm. Mundy and A. Clark, Chaplain. There was quite a number of floral wreaths placed on the coffin, and the widow and family

received a large number of telegrams from all over the Dominion. His death was a happy release to a sorely-tried brother, whose Christian resignation, patience, and thankfulness was often expressed to those who gathered around him to render some slight aid and brotherly kindness during a long season of trial,

BRO. W. H. JOHNSON.

Lodge Southern Cross, No. 9, has lost a valued member by the death of Bro. W. H. Johnson. Our late brother had taken a keen interest in Freemasonry, and had risen in order to the J.W.'s chair. About eighteen months ago, owing to a serious breakdown in health, he was ordered to the rigorous climate afforded by the mountainous conditions of Queenstown. After a period of residence there, he returned to Dunedin, and though at times we had reason to hope that he would recover, he gradually failed, and passed peacefully away on 25th September. Bro Johnson, who was 41 years of age, was a well known and highly respected citizen of Invercargill. A Lodge of Sorrow was held on Sunday afternoon, and a number of brethren attended the funeral. On returning to the Lodge-room, a motion of condolence with his widow and relatives was carried, several brethren speaking of the late brother's estimable qualities.

Correspondence.

A QUESTION OF HEARTINESS.

TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—I read with interest the letter headed "A Question of Heartiness" in your October issue, and I agree to a considerable extent with what is stated by the writer. In many ninny Lodges something might be done to increase the warmth of the welcome extended to the newly-initiated brother. Some little time ago I visited a Lodge in Scotland, and I was much impressed with the reception given to the candidate. At the conclusion of the ceremony of initiation, the W.M., after extending his own congratulations, said, "You will now perambulate the Lodge and receive the felicitations of the brethren." The candidate was conducted round by the Deacon, and each member in turn shook him by the hand and said, "Good luck and prosperity in Freemasonry" (or similar words). At another Lodge, the W.M. descended to the floor of the Lodge, congratulated the candidate, then turned him to the W., and said, "Brethren, I present to you Bro. —, our newly-initiated brother, and desire you to greet him." This was done by one clap of the hands.—Yours fraternally,
G. BARCLAY.

UNIFORMITY OF WORKING.

TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— From an experience of a large number of Lodges, the writer would think there cannot be two Lodges in New Zealand working exactly alike. Possibly the differences are small and of little matter. But suppose you, as a P.M. affiliated with a Lodge, and in a desire to help pointed out one of these small differences, and in return had it pointed out to you that your supposed error was according to some particular ritual, don't you think you would hesitate before tendering advice again? In my mother Lodge, Lewis was drilled into me pretty firmly. But in two country Lodges in which I have occupied office I have tried to help the New Zealand ritual, and held the book to be the judge of differences. My object in writing is first to ask if the New Zealand ritual is final, or are amendments made in each subsequent issue? And, second, to ask if you will kindly advise the correct direction in which the C. should be facing when he is entrusted with the Ss. Of course, the ritual of the First and Second Degrees seems to indicate that the W M. should communicate them from the chair. But in the Third the New Zealand book seems to direct the C. to face N. is that the intention? If it is, then it is not a very common custom amongst Lodges.—Yours fraternally,

J.R.M.

[We are not aware of any amendments having been made in the ritual circulated by the G.L. of New Zealand since it was formulated in its present form. As you may be aware, its acceptance is not obligatory, and, for that reason alone, there is no authority to decide the point, you raise. In most of the Lodges here the C. faces S. in each degree. Many pleas have been made at various times for uniformity, and all have been rejected, with the result that interpolations and additions are distinctly the order of the day. And as we are at present constituted, there is no authority to prevent them.—ED.C.]

"INSTRUCTION NOT REQUIRED."

TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,— I have read and re-read with much interest and admiration your virile and pertinent remarks anent "Instruction not Required," and think that the best interests of the Craft will be served by many, trying the cap on, for it will surely fit well. How often the remark is heard that so-and-so's language, both in ritual and occasional, is of a low order, which to my mind is the cause of many of the erudite rarely visiting their Lodges. I am reminded of Hamlet's description of these "periwig-pated fellows, strutting and bellowing to split the ears of the groundlings, having neither the accent of Christians nor the gait of Christian, pagan, or man, that I have thought that some of Nature's journeymen had made men and not made them well, they imitated humanity so abominably." If the said powers that be could put some such test of merit as you suggest upon these limelighters, it would most assuredly tend to raise the tone of many Lodges, some of which I have now in mind. A little while ago I met a case in which a Master, describing himself as "W.M.," sent to his Secretary a curt message upon a postal card demanding an "opology" for his daring to refuse to listen by telephone to language as choice as the said postal card, and yet this poor fool so "strutted and bellowed " through his year of office that he received the inevitable jewel from au admiring "quantity of barren spectators," while about the only-admirable quality he possessed was his immaculate shirt-front and gilded appurtenances.—Yours fraternally,

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AUCKLAND MASONIC CLUB.

WELCOME TO NAVAL BRETHERN OF OUR BATTLESHIP.

A MOTOR EXCURSION.

The Entertainment Committee of the Auckland Masonic Institute and Club devised a novel trip for brethren of H.M.S. "New Zealand," a motor sight-seeing run being held on 29th September, the cars being generously lent for the occasion by members and friends of the Institute. The weather was not very heartening first thing, but, nothing daunted, hosts and guests merrily assembled in Quay Street at 10 a.m., and were marshalled into groups for the allotted cars—within a stone's throw of the great grey ship which bears the name of this Dominion with distinction in war and in peace. "Field-Marshal" D. C. Fraser and "Commodore" H. Gill spared no effort from the start, which was signalled by the throbbing noise of motor engines, the toot of horns ere the line of ten vehicles, all fully loaded, went into action. "The squadron" was not in line for long, as some drivers took the opportunity to run through the Domain and out via Parnell for the benefit of the guests, while several cars pulled into various garages (?) for petrol and lubrication, etc. However, the commodore of the "Ford" flagship had arranged for the several stops to give "the fleet" some appearance of dignity, and at one of these, near Mangere Bridge, it was observed that several units were not up to time, but as there were no wireless messages or signals of distress, the assembled cars, with the flagship (famous as a vessel re-captured from the enemy within recent months) resumed at a pace that soon brought the party to Howick, where the community gazed with unmeasured delight upon the men in blue. A fine dinner had been prepared by mine hosts Mr. and Mrs. Hickey, of the hotel, and here a few empty seats were soon filled as delinquent care arrived. Laughing apology or mild excuse was met with hilarious laughter. V.W. Bro. Pigott (President), after the honouring of the Royal toast, gave one of his characteristically fine speeches, welcoming the brethren of the battleship in the true spirit of brotherhood. He welcomed them as brothers and as members of that grand historic institution, the Navy, to which we were all so indebted, and which had shown such an enormous, amount of indomitable pluck, doing duty- recently, in that long North Sea vigil particularly, helping to protect us. It was that same bravery and resource which had helped to make the British Navy the strength and pride .of the nation. We all realised what it meant when we glanced down the long line of admirals —

"Ellingham, Grenville, Raleigh, Drake,
Here's to the bold and the free;
Benbow, Collingwood, Byron, and Blake,
Hail to kings of the sea!
Admirals all for England's sake,
Honour be yours, and fame !
And honour as long as the waves shall break
To Nelson's peerless name."

—Newbolt.

Though 16,000 miles away, we were proud as a Dominion or His Majesty that the mantle of great forbears had fallen upon men of the calibre of Sir David Beatty and Lord Jellicoe, and it was therefore with great pride we received the visit of the battleship, which had taken part in the great fight for world freedom, still guaranteed by our Fleet. The speaker dwelt upon other phases of the war,, which, he said, made us more than ever humbly grateful to the Navy. We also thanked T.G.A.O.T.U. for the blessings of peace—

" God of our fathers, known of old,
Lord of our far-flung battle line,
Beneath Whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine.
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget."

—Kipling.

P.M. Bro. Giles responded on behalf of the visitors, saying that the novel outing was emblematical of New Zealand hospitality since the ship arrived here. They had heard a lot about the country from Captain Halsey's men who were with the ship on her 1914 visit, but the present men found New Zealand quite beyond their

expectations. What their predecessors on the ship said was all true. Speaking of the war, he thought the greatest blow the Germans had in the war was when they saw the way New Zealand and other Dominions had rallied to the assistance of the Motherland. Such loyalty exceeded Hun comprehension. They were dumbfounded to find the British nation so big and united. When the New Zealanders made their debut in khaki in England they at once commanded respect and admiration for their conduct and bearing. A man wearing a fern leaf was a welcome visitor to the British Isles. Bro. Giles said that the Masonic welcome received by them everywhere greatly impressed the brethren on the ship, who thanked Auckland brethren for this treat. After the meal, Bros. Hintz and Poile, camera fiends, tried the patience of the party in all positions and angles. A visit to the bowling green, some more photographic persuasion, and "the fleet" left for Titirangi, not before some minutes elapsed while officers and men were charging batteries,, etc. The flagship was promptly to the fore, the supports following in its wake. Going through Ellerslie, Epsom, *via* Mount Eden, end out through Mount Albert, the squadron journeyed in good style, except for some eccentricity on the part of a "brown destroyer," apparently engaged in dodging submarines. At Mr. Atkinson's home at Titirangi the party received a fine welcome, Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson and family arranging a delightful afternoon tea in the dining-room of their fine home, built on the crest of a hill, 600 feet above sea-level, and overlooking the Manukau and Auckland Harbours. V.W. Bro. Pigott. R.W. Bro. Powley, and Bro. Bailey did the speaking, and referred to the well-known generosity of Mr. Atkinson, who modestly replied, stating that any little pleasure he could extend to men of the Navy and Army was nothing compared with our indebtedness to those men. Cheers were given for the Atkinson family, for the men of the Navy, and after a general talk, a walk round viewing the glories of the landscape, further camera work, and a visit to the fine marble memorial given by Mr Atkinson in honour of the boys of Titirangi who went to the war, "the fleet" steered for home, pulling safely into port in Queen Street early in the evening. The guests were informally entertained after what they termed a "perfect day." During the speechifying, one officer of the ship said they were proud to be on the New Zealand gift battleship, and prouder still to have been fighting for New Zealand, the most British of all British Dominions. Bro. Sergeant Knill, of the Royal Marines, who was decorated for his part in the great Zeebrugge exploit, recited his experiences. The gathering concluded with the singing of the National Anthem and "Auld Lang Syne."— [Specially Communicated.]

WELLINGTON CITY COMBINED CHAPTERS INSTALLATION.

The annual combined R.A. Chapter installation was held in the Brooklyn Chapter-room on Saturday, 20th September, there being a numerous attendance. The Chapters concerned were Waterloo, No. 2, Brooklyn, No. 24, and Hinemoa, No. 25, pride of place on this occasion falling to Brooklyn Chapter, No. 24. The installing officer was R.E. Comp. G. Russell, G.Supt., who was assisted by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, P.G.Z., G.S.E., M.E. Comp. T. Porritt, P.G.Z., P.G.Supt., and M.E. Comp. J. J. Essen, P.G.Z. V.E. Comps. A. Veitch, C. W. Nielsen, and H. H. Seaton, P.Zs., assisted at the subsequent investiture. V.E. Comp. H. B. Bridge, G.D. of C., officiated in that capacity. Prior to the installation and investiture, the customary conclave was opened, when the chair degrees were conferred upon the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Prins.-elect respectively, and also the W.M.M.'s Degree, the Chapter chair degrees being conferred by R.E. Comp. G. Russell, G.Supt. (1st Prins.), M.E. Comp. T. Porritt, P.G.Z., (2nd Prins.), and M. E. Comp J. J. Essen, P.G.Z. (3rd Prins.), while the W.M.M. Degree was conferred by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams P.G.Z. More than the usual interest was taken in the proceedings, as it was the first occasion on which R.E. Comp. G. Russell, G.Supt., had presided over the work, and the meed of praise received by him for the admirable manner in which he carried out his new duties was richly deserved. The conclave being closed, the combined Chapters met, V.E. Comp. Arcus (Z. of Brooklyn Chapter, No. 24) taking the 1st Prin.'s chair, V.E. Comp. Ellison (Z. of Waterloo Chapter, No. 2) that of H., and V.E. Comp. Knowles-Smith (Z. of Hinemoa Chapter, No. 25) that of J. Routine business of the different Chapters having been disposed of, the G.Supt., R.E. Comp. G. Russell, was received with the customary honours, and occupied the throne of Z., and, in turn, received the P.G.Prins. and G. officers. The 1st Prins.-elect were then presented as follows :—E. Comp. A. Schmidt (Brooklyn), E. Comp. J. McLachlan (Waterloo), E. Comp. J. W. Sexton (Hinemoa), and invested and installed, after which they were impressively addressed on the duties and insignia of their office by R.E. Comp. G. Russell, G.Supt. The newly installed 1st Prins. were then duly proclaimed and saluted with the customary honours. The 2nd Prins.-elect were : E. Comp. W. J. Westwood (Brooklyn), E. Comp. R. J. Shakes (Waterloo), and E. Comp. F. Broomhall (Hinemoa). These were invested and addressed by M.E. Comp. T. Porritt, P.G.Z. The 3rd Prins.-elect were : E. Comp. H. V. Futter (Brooklyn), E. Comp. E. J. Guinness (Waterloo), and E. Comp. P. C. Watt (Hinemoa). These were invested and addressed by V.E. Comp.

H. H. Seaton, Chairman of Sup.Com. The investiture of the other officers of the respective Chapters was then proceeded with, the work being excellently and most interestingly carried out by V.E. Comp. C. W. Nielsen, G.Reg. The address to the 1st Prin. was delivered by R.E. Comp. G. Russell, and that to the officers generally by V.E. Comp. A. Veitch, G.Treas. M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, P.G.Z., G.S.E., addressed the companions, after which the respectively newly-installed V.E.Zs. delivered their addresses. This concluded the installation ceremony, but as a pleasant addition to what was a most impressive and interesting ceremony, a set of P.Z.'s jewels was next presented, with appropriate remarks, to the three retiring 1st Prins., V.E. Comps. Arcus, Ellison, and Knowles-Smith, by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams. G. Chapter then retired, and the Chapters closed. Adjournment was made to the refectory, when a pleasant hour or so was spent with speech, song, and story. The officers of the Chapters for the ensuing year are as follows :—Waterloo, No. 2 : Z., E. Comp. J. McLachlan; H., E. Comp. R. J. Shakes ; J., E. Comp. E. J. Guinness; S.E. E. Comp. G. W. A. Clark; S.N., E. Comp. W. Berry ; Treas., R.E. Comp. G. Russell ; Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. C. H Dement ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. J. Gordon; 2nd Snj., E. Comp. H. G. Teagle ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. J. C. Riddell ; Organist, E. Comp. B. W. Blakeley. Brooklyn, No. 24 : Z., E. Comp. A. Schmidt ; H., E. Comp. W. J. Westwood ; J., E. Comp. H. V. Futter ; S.E., E. Comp. J. E. F. Perry; S.N., E. Comp. W. Lange ; Treas., E. Comp. E. P. Campbell ; Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. E. B. Parsons; 1st Soj., E. Comp. H. Parkin; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. H. Roscoe; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. H. Hanson; Janitor, E. Comp. J. W. Richardson. Hinemoa, No. 25 : Z., E. Comp. J. W. Sexton; H., E. Comp. F. C. Broomhall J., E. Comp. P. C. Watt ; S.E., E. Comp. John Melville; S.N., E. Comp. C. Pettersson; Treas., V.E. Comp. J. Reid, P.Z. ; Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. J. P. Shand, P.Z. ; Organist, E. Comp. W. M. Beck; 1st Soj., E. Comp. C. G F. Morice; 2nd Soj., E. Comp C. W. Martin ; 3rd Soj., Comp. T. McCristell; janitor, E. Comp. E. Vine.— [Contributed.]

A POPULAR SECRETARY.

FOUNDER OF THE EMPTY STOCKING FUND.

At a recent meeting of brethren of Lodge Concord, No. 39, Papanui, W. Bro. R. Baldwin was the recipient of a Secretary's jewel, subscribed for by the brethren, in appreciation of his services as Sec. of the Lodge for the past six years. W. Bro. Baldwin has been a member of Lodge Concord for 17 years, during which lie has been absent from regular Lodge meetings only three times. W. Bro. J. W. Beanland, W.M., in making the presentation, expressed the regret felt by the brethren that W. Bro. Baldwin had found it necessary to resign his office, owing to his having accepted an appointment which would take him frequently from Christchurch. The Sec.'s jewel was not intended in any way as a recompense for his services, but as a small memento of the esteem in which he was held.

W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs, P.M., said that those who knew W. Bro. Baldwin could appreciate what he had done not only for Lodge Concord, but for Freemasonry in general. He was the founder of that truly Masonic institution, the Empty Stocking Fund. That in itself was sufficient to earn him the gratitude not only of those within Freemasonry, but those without.

W. Bro. T. North, P.M., and Bro. Drury, S.W., also spoke appreciatively.

W. Bro. Baldwin, in reply, said that he fully appreciated the kind thoughts which had prompted the gift. He felt, after having served Lodge Concord for close on seventeen years, that he had done something, but not as much as he would like to have done. There were times when he had crossed swords with members of the Lodge, but the Masonic spirit had entered on these occasions, and they had agreed to differ. Let them always remember the name of their Lodge and remember that they were

Freemasons. As Sec. of the Board of Inquiry he had often stood practically alone in opposing a candidate. They were there, however, to guard the portals of Freemasonry, and he was going to endeavour to arouse that feeling wherever he went throughout the Dominion. He hoped the time would come when G.L. would make it part of the Constitution that every Lodge should have a Board of Inquiry.

LODGE UNANIMITY, No. 106.

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THE FORTHCOMING JUBILEE.

All arrangements are well forward for the jubilee meeting of the Marlborough Lodge of Unanimity, which is to take place at Blenheim on Monday, 17th November. Preparations are being made for an attendance of 150 to 200 brethren. The Lodge will be tyled at 7.30 p.m., when short addresses will be delivered by distinguished brethren. After the Lodge is closed an adjournment will be made to the Town Hall, where the jubilee banquet will be held. An excellent toast list and harmony programme has been arranged. The principal toast of the evening, "The Marlborough Lodge of Unanimity," will be proposed by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M. and the response will be made by ALAV. Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, P.G.M., the "father" of the Lodge, whose Masonic jubilee is contemporaneous with that of the Lodge. In order that visitors arriving by the boat at Picton on the Monday evening may reach Blenheim as soon as possible, cars will meet the "Pateena," and the brethren will be able to have dinner in Blenheim, and dress afterwards. It is anticipated that there will be a good many bowlers amongst the visitors—the Prov.G.M. of Marlborough and Nelson is hoping to bring along two or three rinks—and the "trundlers" may be assured of every hospitality at both the Blenheim greens. It will be of great assistance to the Accommodation Committee if brethren who intend visiting Blenheim on 17th November will send word as soon as possible, so that there may be no trouble in securing rooms.— [Communicated.]

PRESENTATION.

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A pleasant little function took place in Lodge Masterton, No. 19, on the 16th October, when a number of brethren met to farewell W. Bro. R. J. Young, P.M., who is leaving Masterton to follow farming pursuits in the Hawkes Bay district. W. Bro. O. N. C. Pragnall, I.P.M., in his usual capable style, presented the guest of the evening with a Musician's jewel, and his eulogistic remarks were endorsed by some dozen of the brethren, who referred to the splendid services which W. Bro. Young had rendered the Lodge during the many years of his association. W. Bro. Young filled the position of Sec. for a number of years, and was always to the fore in musical matters. The W.M. and officers of Lodge Waihenga, No. 150, visited and presented tangible evidence of their good wishes, in the shape of some plate and cutlery, which were handed to W. Bro. Young by the W.M., with a few well-chosen remarks. W. Bro. Young suitably replied, and expressed his very warm thanks to the brethren of both Lodges for their kind thoughts.

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A. F. Fisher(Christchurch), W. A. Carter, M. Johnson, W. R. Wright, T. P. Short, P. W. Tombs, J. B. Hird, F. J. de Lisle, R. Tucker, A. J. McGlashan, J. C. Scott, P. J. George (Hastings), J. A. Simpson, H. P. Donald, General Sir A. Robin 20/- (Wellington), H. R. Bragge (Blenheim), P. Strachan 10/- (Denniston), J. S. Hutton (Blackball), A. R. Thompson 20/- (Hawera), A. E. Frost (Petone), W. R. Snellgrove (Marton), J. McCaffrey 10/-, J. Phillips 10/- (Dunedin), W. W. Moore 10/- (Oringi), F. Stowell (Timaru), J. T. Steel 14/2 (Pongaroa), J. Stanton (Kaiapoi), G. Cameron (Ohakune), E. G. Dawson (Te Tua), D. Jackson 17/6 (Utiki), C. Panting (Northland), N. McGregor (Kaikoura), W. N. Waldin 12/6 (Takapau), T. J. Knew-stub(Ashburton).

(All 7/6 except those noted.)

All subscribers who paid our travelling agent received an official receipt.

N.Z.E.F. MASONIC ASSOCIATION.

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BRANCH FORMED IN WELLINGTON.

A. meeting of the N.Z.E.F. Craftsmen was called for 6th September, the chair being occupied by R.W. Bro. Lt.-Col. G. Barclay, C.B.E. The meeting was well attended, and after the chairman had explained the objects of the Association, and briefly traced the history of same, both in England and France, it was agreed to establish a branch in Wellington. W. Bro. Col. J. J. Essen, C.M.G., moved a motion to this effect, and in

addressing the brethren present, said how pleased he was to see so many familiar faces. He spoke in warm terms of the good work done by the Association abroad, and sincerely hoped that the fellowship established in foreign parts would long continue in New Zealand. The following officers were elected :—Chairman, W. Bro. Col. J. J. Esson, C.M.G.; Deputy-Chairman, W. Bro. Col. Elliott ; Hon. Secretary, Bro. Capt. Dunbar Sloane ; Treasurer, Bro. J. W. Scott.. The following committee were elected :—Bro. Major Finnis, Bro. Capt. Jansen, Bro. Lieut. Harland, Bro. Lieut. Shearne, Bro. Pte. Brown. W. Bro. Col. Barclay explained that the objects of the Association were in no way to form a separate Lodge, but were purely for the purpose of social advancement and instruction, and, in addition, afford facilities for visiting brethren to visit the different Lodges in Wellington. A recommendation was made to the effect that "Any member of the N.Z.E.F. or Allied Forces who had had service overseas and who afterwards becomes a Craftsman should be admitted to the Association." Any Craftsman of the N.Z.E.F. desirous of joining the Association may forward application to the hon. secretary, Bro. Capt. Dunbar Sloane, Johnsonville, Wellington. The annual subscription was fixed at 5s.

MEETING OF DUNEDIN BRANCH.

A meeting of the Dunedin Branch of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association was held on 4th October in the Masonic Hall. There was a good attendance of members. Bro. Bush-King presided, and briefly explained the objects of the Association for the benefit of brethren who were not at the previous meeting. Several new members were then elected. The acting-secretary read a letter from Bro. Hardie, resigning his position as branch secretary. It was accepted with regret. Bro. Clayton was elected to fill the vacancy. At the next meeting it was hoped to have an address by W. Bro. Hawcridge, whose subject would be "the Mosque of Omar" This should be especially interesting to brethren who had the privilege of attending the meeting held in Jerusalem. A hearty invitation is extended to all N.Z.E.F. brethren to become members of the Association. It is actually a social circle within a Masonic circle, where we meet to discuss matters in which we are mutually interested. The next meeting will be duly advertised, so that intending brethren will have ample notice of the place of meeting.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MASONIC MEETING.

An unusual event in Masonic history occurred at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, U.S.A., when the longest communication ever held by any Masonic Lodge in the world was held by Oklahoma City Lodge, No. 36, A.F. and A.M., beginning at high twelve, Wednesday, 27th August, 1919, and remaining in continuous session until low twelve, Saturday, 30th August, 1919. This communication was held for the purpose of conferring the M.M. Degree upon a class of 69 candidates. The work was done under the direction of W. Bro. C. M. March, W.M., Bros. A. G. Hoge, S.W., E. C. Stentz, J.W., and G. W. Spencer, Sec. The degree work was done by four teams, working shifts of six hours each. The degrees were put on in full form, with but one candidate and one team working at a time. The candidates were not rail-roaded through, but given the work, an hour's time for each candidate. It was concluded with the 12 F.C. movement and full explanatory lectures. The gavel used for this occasion is one of the most famous in history. It was cut from an olive tree on the Mount of Olives, in Jerusalem, and was loaned for the occasion by W. Bro. William Noble, 33deg., of Oklahoma City. Refreshments were served continuously to a large number of workers and visitors, the exercises being concluded with a banquet and ball.

HOW THEY DEAL WITH THE RITUAL QUESTION IN VICTORIA.

At the quarterly communication of the G.L. of Victoria, held 17th September last, the G.M. sent a message, asking the Board to take the necessary steps to appoint a Standing Committee to discuss, and, if necessary, revise the ritual, and to determine from time to time all points connected with Lodge ceremonial work, such revision and determination to be subject to approval of the G.M. Some slight discussion ensued, and W. Bro. Geo. Emery (who was present at the communication of the G.L. of New Zealand in 1916) said that the ritual had been previously revised for correct verbiage, and inaccurate phrases had been displaced by more euphonious ones. The control of the ritual was not the work of G.L., as it would create an impossible position. It was the province of the G.M. to repress innovations and preserve the landmarks. The motion was carried.

"LEAD, KINDLY LIGHT."

One of the happiest forms of originality is the introduction of well-known things in a new association, even hymns lend themselves at times to an amount of humour which cannot be described as irreverent. A funny instance occurred at the recent installation of the W.Ms. of Emulation and Emulation Lewis at Norwood. It was a dual ceremony, and there was a large number of brethren present. They were enjoying themselves at the supper table when the dread time of 10.30 was chimed in the clock tower of the neighbouring town hall, and the Coal Board's regulations provided that the electric light should not be used after that hour. As Freemasons, wishing to pay due obedience to the laws of the State which had become the place of their residence, they gave the order that the lights should be switched off. As the Stewards brought in several acetylene lamps a quartette solemnly sang "Lead, Kindly Light." The sentiment was so appropriate, and the hymn was so unexpected, that it was several moments before the company quite recovered its gravity.--
"South Australian Freemason."

Reports.

[*Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.*]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Mokoreta, No. 63. — The annual installation ceremony took place on 24th September. There was a very fine attendance, Lodges Mataura, Harvey, Southern Cross, Waihopai, and St. John being specially well represented. R.W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt, Prov.G.M., was Installing Master, and W. Bro. E. C. Smith (Lodge Harvey) D. of C. The ceremony was carried through with becoming dignity, Bro. W. A. Allison being installed as W.M.. The officers invested were :— I.P.M., W. Bro. Stanley Rice : S.W., Bro. B. Richardson ; J.W., Bro. I. C. Macrae; S.D. Bro. W. Mortimer ; J D., Bro. F. Williams; I.G., Bro. G. Clarke; Tyler, W. Bro. H. McKerrow ; Stewards, Bros. J. Stewart, J. Ferguson, J. Milne ; Chaplain, W. Bro. H. E. Niven. The address to the W.M. was given by R.W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt, the address to the Wardens by R.W. Bro. T. M. Rankin, and the address to the brethren by R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles. Amongst others assisting were :—W. Bros. J. Manson, J. J. Griffiths, L. L. Padget, F. W. Brown, T. J. Sherborne, and T. Bird. The journey from town was undertaken per medium of several motor cars, and Wyndham was reached in ample time to have refreshments before going to the Lodge. The outward trip was devoid of any remarkable incident (plenty of minor ones !), and the same can be said of the homeward journey, with the exception of the Waihopai car. Several things happened before this car could be "injuiced" to start, and as the reasons therefore are various, a complete statement can only be obtained from the man at the wheel, Bro. H. Conner.

St. John, No. 94.—The monthly meeting was held on the 19th September, when two F.Cs. were raised. The charges were given by W. Bro. J. M. Aitken (Exhort.), W. Bro. G. A. Reid (Light of M.M.), W. Bro. R. Smith (T.H.), Explan. of Signs by R.W. Bro. T. M. Rankin, and W.Ts. by R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles. A goodly number of visiting and soldier brethren were present to say farewell to W. Bro. J. M. Aitken, who is leaving Invercargill to reside in Auckland. W. Bro. Aitken has been very constant in his attendance, both at the ordinary and instruction meetings, and has been one of the "grand pillars" of Lodge St. John. It was felt that W. Bro. Aitken could not be allowed to depart without some small token of appreciation and mark of respect, and R.W. Bro. J. M. Rankin, in a few very well chosen words, presented W. Bro. Aitken with a gold albert and pendant, suitably inscribed. W. Bro. Aitken suitably replied, and at the "Fourth" gave valuable advice to young M.Ms. We sincerely hope that our W. brother will enjoy the change of climate. Our W.M., W. Bro. J. Manson, has had a busy month, he having visited Wyndham, Winton, and Orepuki. At the latter place Lodge St. John worked the Second Degree.

On 17th October the usual monthly meeting was held, when two candidates were initiated. The work of the evening was done by P.Ms. The charges were given as under :—N.E. Corner, W. Bro. J. Walker ; Prep., W. Bro. G. A. Reid ; W.Ts., W. Bro. Butterfield ; Final Charge, W. Bro. W. H. Fortune ; T.B., W. Bro. C. H. Poole. The meeting was largely attended, there being visitors from Wellington, Dunedin, and other districts.

W. Bro. Cave, of Western Australia, was also present. Bros. Jacobs (Lodge Hirana) and Millier (Wellington) contributed items, which were very much appreciated.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Mataura, No. 174.—The monthly meeting was held on 6th October, and was attended by a fair number of the brethren. The main business was to listen to an exceedingly interesting and instructive lecture by W. Bro. E. C. Smith, G.S. (of Lodge Harvey, No. 49), on "Operative Masonry." The lecturer handled his subject, with great skill and ability, tracing the history of the Craft from the time of the Operative Guilds in Britain to that of the Speculative Masons of the present day, and introduced in a brief but lucid manner the exceedingly great influence it was the privilege of Freemasons to exercise as individuals in the cause of humanity. W. Bro. J. Buchanan (of Lodge Victoria, No. 147), who has entered into business with his brother in Mataura, was among the visitors, and received a hearty welcome from the brethren. The W.M. of Lodge Harvey, No. 49, accompanied by his I.P.M. and members of his Lodge, paid his second visit this year, and Lodge Mataura duly appreciates the kindly interest, shown by each succeeding Master of Lodge Harvey in its welfare.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Oamaru Kil., No. 82.—The meeting, for the installation of the W.M. and investiture of officers was held on the 15th October; and was very largely attended, over 130 signing the attendance book, including a very full list of visitors, representing Lodges Winton, Teviot, St. Andrews (432), Ngapara, Neptune Kil. (S.C.), Maori, Kurow, Christchurch (91), Ponsonby, Palmerston, Manuhirikia, Civic, Robert Burns, Otago Kil. (143), Concord, Haeremai, Horangi, Duke of Albany (E.C.), and Celtic. Much regret was expressed for the absence of the R.W.Prov.G.M., Bro. Hawcridge, on account of sickness. P.M. Bro. William Miller acted as Installing Master, and, assisted by the P.Ms. of the Lodge, conducted the ceremony in a most efficient and impressive manner, and, considering the crowded state of the room, every part of the work went quietly and smoothly, no doubt much aided by the excellent and experienced assistance of W. Bro. D. Miller, D. of C. Bro. William Brown was installed as W.M. and he then invested Bro. Jas. McLaren as S.W., and Bro. Geo. Puttick as J.W. P.M. Bro. J. Crombie invested the undermentioned brethren in their respective offices :—Treas., P.M. Bro. G. M. Proctor ; Sec., P.M. Bro. J. M. Brown ; Chaplain, P.M. Bro. William Miller ; D. of C., P.M. Bro. Donald Miller ; S.D., Bro. P. Ledingham ; J.D., Bro. W. Shirkey ; I.G., Bro. Andrew Miller; Organist, Bro. J. B. Fergusson; Stewards, Bros. E. Hambleton and J. Toner. W. Bro. D. Miller presented the Charter and addressed the W.M., W. Bro. G. M. Proctor addressed the Wardens, and W. Bro. J. Taylor the brethren. Before closing the Lodge, the W.M. expressed his high appreciation of the honour conferred on him by the brethren in electing him to the chair, and also his warmest thanks to the very large number of visitors for their attendance. A considerable sheaf of congratulatory letters and telegrams were read, and the Lodge closed in time to give the brethren leisure to enjoy a couple of hours in the refectory in Masonic intercourse.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Teviot, No. 148.—At the invitation of this Lodge, Cromwell Kil., No. 98, paid a visit to Roxburgh on 11th October for the purpose of working a Third Degree, there being two candidates. W. Bro. R. A. Shore, W.M., conducted the ceremony. The following brethren gave the various charges :—W. Bro. Wm. Campbell (1st T.H.), W. Bro. D. S. Middleton (Exhort.), Bro. Mechaelis (Light Charge), W. Bro. J. Parcell (1st and 2nd Secrets), Bro. J. Halliday (W.Ts.), W. Bro. F. Bradley (2nd T.H.), and Bro. F. Partridge (Final Charge). After the ceremony an adjournment was made to the refectory, where a very pleasant hour was spent in speech, song, and story. There was a large gathering, and Cromwell thoroughly appreciated the very hospitable manner in which they were treated by members of the Roxburgh Lodge. Altogether, W. Bro. Shore and his officers had a most delightful time. The weather was simply glorious, and except for a few voluntary delays by cool purling streams by the wayside in order to quaff of Nature's cooling beverage (*verb. sap.*), practically non-stop runs were made both proceeding to Roxburgh and returning to Cromwell.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Oceanic, No. 154.—The annual meeting for the installation of the W.M. and the investiture of officers was held in the St. Kilda Masonic Hall on the 15th ult.' when there was a record attendance. The Lodge was opened at 4 p.m., and after the routine business, R.W. Bro. T. Ross, P.D.G.M., with the G.L. officers, was received. A B. of I.Ms. was formed, and Bro. Henry Forbury Harris was installed in the chair of K.S. After he had invested his I.P.M., Bro. W. Mills, the Board was closed, and the Lodge called off. In the evening, owing to the unavoidable absence, of the R.W.Prov.G.M., the chair was taken by R.W. Bro. G. Watts,

P.P.G.M., who received the visiting D.G.Ls., and Lodges of the various constitutions. W. Bro. A. McKenzie having been invested as D.M., the Lodge was closed in the two degrees After the usual proclamations and presentation of W.Ts., R.W. Bro. Watts presented the Charter, etc., and delivered the customary address. R.W. Bro. A. Stoneham then invested Bro. M. J. Pierce as S.W., and Bro. W. H. Riddell as J.W., and R.W. Bro. A. Stoneham addressed the Wardens. W. Bro. H. W. S. Hellyer, P.G.D., then invested Bro. C. T. Lee as Treas., W. Bro. Jacobsen, P.G.S., Sec., Bro. W. H. Dunning, Chaplain, and Bro. G. G. Titchener, Organist. W. Bro. W. J. Raffils invested the remaining officers, as follows :—D. of C., W. Bro. H. W. S. Hellyer S.D., Bro. W. S. McCrorie ; J.D., Bro. F. Titchener ; I.G., Bro. W. Ross ; Tyler, Bro. C. Tillyshort ; Stewards, Bros. M. Priest (Senior), E. G. Price, L. Dickel, H. W. R. Outram, J. R. Ellis, A. Clatworthy, P. Stevens, and J. Walker. W. Bro. W. G. Hay, P.G.S.B, addressed the brethren. R.W. Bro. A. Stoneham presented the retiring W.M., Bro. W. Mills, with a P.M.'s jewel, and referred in eulogistic terms to the manner in which that brother had ruled the Lodge. W. Bro. Mills briefly returned thanks. A collection having been taken up for the G.L. W. and O. and A.M. Fund, W. Bro. Harris addressed the brethren, the visitors tendered greetings, and the Lodge was closed. R.W. Bro. A. Fieldwick, P.G.W., was as usual a most efficient D. of C. Bro. C. G. Titchener was Organist, and the choir had the valuable assistance of the St. Andrews orchestra. Bro. H. Dickinson was Trumpeter. The usual installation supper was held in the St. Kilda Town Hall, when loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. There was an excellent selection of musical and other items, and the speeches, whilst not too long, were of a high calibre.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

St. Augustine, No. 4.—The regular meeting, held in the Christchurch Masonic Hall on 14th October, was well attended, particularly by P.Ms. W. Bro. C. H. Duff opened his Lodge promptly, and disposed of the regular business, which included a successful ballot. Advantage was taken of the special occasion of the Lodge's 66th anniversary of giving the P.Ms. an opportunity to work the degree and raise two brethren. After receiving an extra large number of visitors, the W.M. surrendered his gavel to W. Bro. McGregor B. Wright, P.G.B.B. (the Lodge Preceptor), and the Lodge was officered by W. Bro. H. H. Wauchop as I.P.M., R.W. Bro. C. L. Ronaldson (P.P.G.M.) as S.W., V.W. Bro. T. W. Rowe (P.G.Lect.) as J.W., W. Bro. C. C. Lambert as D. of C., W. Bro. Jno. Richardson (P.G.B.B.) as Chaplain, R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop (Prov.G.M.) as S D., W. Bro. T. H. Ker as J.D., W. Bro. Merton as Organist, W. Bro. G. F. Whiteside as I.G., and W. Bro. T. Boys (P.G.S.) as Tyler. The various charges were delivered by W. Bro. Dr. Blackmore (Exhort.), W. Bro. G. T. Weston, Pres. Canterbury Branch N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association (Exhort. and Raising), W. Bre Jno, Richardson, P.G.B.B. (Let me beg), W. Bros. J. A. Stables and D. Redpath (Secrets), W. Bro. D McKenzie (C. after Invest.), W. Bro. T. H. Ker (Further Explan.), W. Bro. H. H. Wauchop (T.B.), and W. Bro. A. A. Locke (W.Ts.). The gavel was returned to the W.M., and in his congratulatory remarks he voiced the feelings of all his brethren. The unanimous verdict of the numerous visitors was that the work was well done, and, needless to add, the St. Augustine brethren have become prouder than ever of their solid backing of P.Ms. During the evening R.W. Bro. Ronaldson presented to the Lodge, in memory of his late father, W. Bro. Wm. Ronaldson, the first G.Sec., a framed photograph of the original application for the formation of G.L., and this valuable memento has since been hung in the hall, making an interesting addition to the numerous Masonic records which adorn the walls of our handsome building. The subsequent hour in the refectory was most enjoyable. W. Bros. Weston and Redpath responded to the toast of "Our P.Ms." V.W. Bro. Rowe, in his toast to "The Visitors," disproved the prevalent idea that nothing new could be said. R.W. Bro. Jno. White, P.G.W. (of Marlborough), in reply, took opportunity to compliment R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M., in his work as S.D., as well as in his advice to the newly-raised brethren, whose health he had proposed. Another brother from Australia said a P.Ms.' night was a novelty to him, and while he had felt disappointed when he learned he was not to witness the ordinary work of a New Zealand Lodge, the result had more than compensated.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ashley, No. 28.—The regular meeting was held on 9th October, with a good attendance of Ashley brethren and visitors from Lodge Mairaki and various Lodges. The First Degree was conferred on a candidate, and a good initiation ceremony was concluded by W. Bro. N. W. Pavitt explaining the 1st T.B. to five Ashley and four Mairaki E.As. A really enjoyable "Fourth" was held, and some good musical items given. The Lodge has accepted a tender to erect a new refectory at the rear of the present hall, and when this is completed it will add greatly to the comfort of both visitors and brethren.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Concord, No. 39.—At the last meeting, on 24th September, one brother took his first regular step in Freemasonry. There was a large attendance. The W.M. (W. Bro. J. W. Beanland) was in the chair. In the refectory a very pleasant hour was spent. Our latest initiate served with the N.Z.E.F. during the war. A party from the Lodge recently visited Lodge Mairaki, Cust, on the occasion of a "Ladies' Night"—the first held since the outbreak of the war. The hospitality of the Cust brethren left nothing to be desired, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The brethren of Lodge Concord at the end of September tendered a welcome home social to their soldier brethren, all of whom have now returned. The evening took the form of a "Ladies' Night." The refectory had been specially decorated for the occasion, and presented a very gay appearance. After a brief entertainment a "Fourth" was held, an excellent repast having been prepared by the Stewards, under Bro. S. C. Thompson. A number of toasts were honoured, the principal ones being "Our Soldier Brethren," proposed by the W.M., and responded to by Bro. Gilkes. At the conclusion of the "Fourth," dancing was indulged in till a late hour.—[Lodge Correspondent.]—[It has long been the custom of the CRAFTSMAN not to make public the identity of initiates or candidates.—ED.C.]

Kalkoura, No. 60.—The Lodge held an unusually interesting meeting on 1st October, when one brother was made a M.M. The W.M. (Bro. H. J. Stanlake) is still too unwell to take any large part in ceremonial, but is proving himself a very vigorous manager. He has delighted P.Ms. by asking different members to take the chair at the various meetings; and, though uncommon, it is a real privilege to perform again a ceremony learned often many years ago. Perhaps the Craft generally would be benefited if P.Ms. were more frequently called upon to work. However, the large attendance at Kaikoura had a real treat in hearing W. Bro. G. Estcourt Parsons. This W. brother was initiated in the Old Land in 1862. In 1887 he helped to erect Lodge Kaikoura (then No. 2236, E.C.), and became its first S.D., and succeeded to the chair in 1889. And; as showing how well he must have learned his lesson, thirty year later and now nearly eighty years of age he is still a master of ritual. The Lodge was presided over by W. Bro. J. R. Morrison. Then W. Bro. Parsons took the chair. In the early days the occupant of the chair had to rely almost entirely on himself, and mostly had to perform the whole of the ceremony. Bro. Parsons did that again, including the T.B. ; and a P.M. who followed him carefully said it was wonderful how closely he kept to the ritual. The C. after R., not being given in Emulation working, was very nicely delivered by Bro. A. S. Robinson, S.W., and W. Bro. Morrison presented the V.S.L., pointing out to Bro. McGregor, who is immediately visiting the North, the important position the V.S.L. holds in all Lodges. Later a very pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, many brethren taking the opportunity of congratulating Bro. Parsons on his effort.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Augustine, No. 99.—The monthly meeting took place on 8th October, the W.M., Bro. C. E. Manchester, presiding. The work was an initiation. The work was divided as follows :— Ob., the W.M. ; Signs and Secrets, W. Bro. Colville; Apron Charge, W. Bro. Hoskins ; N.E., W. Bro. Shackleton ; W.Ts., Bro. A. J. Jones, J.D. ; R. for P., W. Bro. Jas. Manchester; Final Charge, W. Bro. Coath; and, for the first time in the Lodge or in your scribe's recollection, the T.B. was given by W. Bro. Bateman. The writer is of opinion that giving the T.B. on the night of initiation is very commendable, if the Lodge is tyled early, perhaps, but he favours the plan of giving the 1st and 2nd T.Bs. on off nights, as otherwise it prolongs the evening's ceremony beyond the limits of patience. A motion by W. Bro. Dyer, "That it be a recommendation to the Standing Committee to take into consideration the desirability of improving and enlarging the Lodgeroom," was adopted. This is a much-to-be-desired object. The accommodation is, at even ordinary meetings, sometimes overtaxed, while at special or installation meetings it is invariably much overcrowded. The ventilation at any time is poor, but on these occasions the discomfort is almost unbearable. There was one proposal for membership. H.G.W. were extended from Fingal, No. 318, S.C., St. Bryde, No. 991, S.C., and Erewhon, No. 200, N.Z.C.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ahurewa, No. 181.—The installation meeting was held on 6th October, when there was a good attendance of brethren, notwithstanding the very wet night. W. Bro. F. Smith occupied the chair, and after the usual business, visitors were admitted from Progress, No. 22, Rakaia, No. 31, Methven, No. 51, St. Martin, No. 161, Avon, No. 185, Tawera, No. 187, and Waihora, No. 141. R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M., was the installing officer, and the Lodge was officered by : — P.S.G.W., W. Bro. F. Lill, P.P.G.W. ; P.J.G.W., W. Bro. G. Hadfield, P.P.G.Sd.B. ; W. Bro. F. Kirker, Prov.G.Sec. ; W. Bro. W. Stirley, Prov. G.S.D.; W. Bro. J. E. Carter, Prov.J.G.D. ; and W. Bro. W. Weld as Prov.G.I.G. R.W. Bro. R. B. B. Willis, P.G.W., and V.W. Bro. J. W. du Feu, P.G.D. of C., were admitted, and Bro. Charles Henry Chapman, S.W., was obligated and placed in the chair according to ancient custom. The W.Ts. in the various degrees were presented by W.

Bro. W. Goodwin (P.M. Lodge Methven), W. Bro. E. H. Jecks (W.M. Lodge Waihora), and W. Bro. J. S. McClelland (W.M. Lodge Progress). The following is the list of officers for the year :—I.P.M., W. Bro. F. Smith; S.W., Bro. F. E. Owens ; J.W., Bro. J. H. Williams ; Treas., W. Bro. D. T. Wraight, P.M. ; Sec., W. Bro. F. Lill, P.P.G.W. ; D. of C., W. Bro. J. D. Cameron, P.M. ; S.D., Bro. F. F. Claydon ; J.D., Bro. W. Robertson ; I.G., Bro. H. W. Pascoe; Tyler, Bro. W. P. Cameron; S.S., Bro. E. G. Wright ; assist.-S., Bro. E. J. Chatterton. During the proceedings P.Ms.' jewels were presented to W. Bros. D. T. Wright, J. Lockhead, J. D. Cameron, and F. Smith, and W. Bro. F. Lill received a P.M's. and Sec's. jewel combined. The R.W. Prov.G.M. addressed the W.M., while W. Bro. Hadfield invested the Wardens, and W. Bro. Lill gave the address, V.W. Bro. J. N. du Feu invested the officers, and R.W. Bro. R. B. B. Willis, P.G.W., addressed the brethren. At the close of the ceremony a banquet was held in the library, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.— [Chapter Correspondent.]

Amuri, No. 184.— A record attendance to do honour to the W.M.-elect assembled for the installation meeting on the 10th October. R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M., accompanied by a full set of officers, conducted the ceremony, A B. of I.M. being opened by the Prov.G.M., Bro. H. R. Davison was installed into the chair of K.S. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Withers, Prov.G. Organist. The Board being closed, the brethren were re-admitted. The W.Ts. in the respective degrees were presented by W. Bro. Smith (Lodge Unanimity), W. Bro. Cadman (Lodge Acacia), and W. Bro. H. Maginnis (Lodge Methven). The address to the W.M. was delivered by R.W. Bro. Bishop, Prov.G.M. The Wardens were invested by W. Bro. J. Gough, P.Prov. G.D., and addressed by W. Bro. J. E. Hood, P.Pres.Prov.B. of B. The investiture of the officers was performed by W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs, P.G.Supt. of W., P.P.G.W., and W. Bro. F. M. Collins, P.P.G.W., addressed the brethren. The appeal on behalf of the Annuity Fund was made by W. Bro. Owen, and liberally responded to. The officers invested were :— I.P.M., W. Bro. C. E. Derrett ; S.W., Bro. E. Britton; J.W., Bro. P. R. Dunbar ; Chaplain, W. Bro. D. W. Hunter; Treas., W. Bro. Munro; Sec., W. Bro. C. Thompson; D. of C., W. Bro. J. J. Goulding; Organist, W. Bro. W. Jones; S.D., Bro. J. J. Gallagher ; J.D., Bro. B. Hampton; I.G., Bro. W. D. Banks ; Tyler, Bro. J. Campbell. W. Bro. Hobbs, on behalf of the Lodge, presented W. Bro. Derrett with a handsome P.M.'s jewel. Greetings were given on behalf of Acacia, Unanimity, Waihora, Robert Burns, Concord, Methven, Stratford. The usual banquet was held, where, thanks to the visitors, a most enjoyable time was spent.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Avon, No. 185. — The occasion of the installation of Bro. Bernard Falck on 4th September was used to make a combined welcome by Prov.G.L. of Canterbury and Dist.G.L. of Canterbury to the brethren of H.M.S. "New Zealand" The Christchurch brethren rolled up in great force, about 475 being present The Lodge was tyled at 6 p.m: Prov.G.L., Dist.G.L., and G.L. were received at 7 p.m. R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M., conducted the ceremony, and was ably assisted by W. Bro. J. W. Roberts (Prov.J.G.W.), W. Bro. F. M. Collins (P.P.G.W.), and W. Bro. W. E. Scott (Prov.G.D. of C.). After the presentation of Bro B. Falck, W.M.-elect, W. Bro. R. D. Vincent rendered a sacred solo, "If with all your Hearts. " A B. of I.M. was opened and presided over by R.W. Bro. Bishop, when Bro. Bernard Falck was installed as W.M., and the W.Ts. were presented by AV. Pro. G. Hadfield, P.P.G.B.B. After the closing of the Board the M.Ms. were admitted, and the several proclamations were made by the D. of C., and the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. L. B. Hart., J. E. Dunstan, and R. Yellowlees respectively. The Warrant, B. of C., and By-laws were presented by the Prov.G.M., who also addressed the W.M. The Wardens were invested by W. Bro. E. Nordon, P.G.Purs., and addressed by W. Bro. G. F. Gee. P.P.G.W. The officers of the Lodge were invested by R.W. Bro. S. Clifton Bingham, P.P.G.M., and addressed by W. Bro. F. M. Collins, P.P.G.W. The following are the invested officers :— S.W., Bro. J. W. Hillary; J.W., Bro. H. Hatch; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. Percy Knight; Treas., W. Bro. C. A. Myhre, P.P.G.Sd.B. ; Sec., W. Bro. W. E. Scott, Prov.G.D. of C.; D. of C., Bro. J. W. Barraclough; S.D., Bro. H. J. Baron; J.D., Pro. F. W. Cooper; asst.-Sec., Bro. W. Tuck; asst.-D. of C., Bro. J. Munnings; Organist, Bro. R. Lake; I.G., Bro. G. E. Billson ; S.S., Bro. C. K. Whale ; Stewards, Bros. A E. Talbot, W. Joll, R. Lister, W. McClea, C. K. Wigglesworth, T. R. W. Barfett ; Tyler, R.W. Bro. H. F. Arnold, P.G.W — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Acacia, No. 209.— The installation of Bro. W. J. Cadman took place at Waikari on 9th October. The Lodge was tyled at 6.30 p.m. in the schoolroom, and, after visitors were admitted, R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M., took charge, with his officers placed as follows :— S.W., W. Bro. F. M. Collins, P.P.G.W.; J.W., W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs, P.G.Supt. of W., P.P.G.W. ; S.D., W. Bro. J. Gough, P.P.G.D. ; J.D., W. Bro. J. Hood, P.Pres. Prov.B. of B. ; D. of C., W. Bro. W. E. Scott, Prov.G.D. of C. ; Sec., W. Bro. T. Kirker, Prov.G.Sec. ;

I.G., W. Bro. J. T. Withers, Prov. G. Organist. W. Bro. L. B. Hart, the retiring W.M., presented Bro. W. J. Cadman. The W.Ts. in the different degrees were presented by W. Bro. B. Falck (Lodge Avon), W. Bro. C. Herren (Lodge Amuri), and W. Bro. W. A. Nicholls (Lodge Amberley, E.C.). The address to the W.M. was delivered by R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M. The Wardens were then invested by W. Bro. J. Cough, P.Prov.G.D., the address being given by W. Bro. J. E. Hood, P.Pres.Prov.B. of B. This was a happy choice, as W. Bro. Hood is a frequent visitor of Lodge Acacia, and it was a great pleasure to the Lodge that he had such a prominent part in the installation. W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs, P.P.G.W., was entrusted with the work of investing the officers, and then the brethren were addressed by W. Bro. F. M. Collins, P.P.G.W. The appeal of W. Bro. T. Kirker, Prov.G.Sec., on behalf of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund, resulted in a collection of £5 14s., considered quite good for a small country Lodge of just a few members. The following is a list of officers for the year :— W.M., W. Bro. W. J. Cadman ; I.P.M., W. Bro. L. B. Hart ; S.W., Bro. Rev. A. L. Canter ; J.W., Bro. R. Lewis ; Chaplain, Bro. E. R. Turton ; Treas., Bro. J. Stratton ; Sec., Bro. W. T. Lindsay ; D. of C., Bro. W. H. Saundercock ; S.D., Bro. H. Billens ; J.D., Bro. C. Saundercock ; Asst.-Sec., Bro S. H. Price ; I.G., Bro. F. Keppler ; Tyler, Bro. W. Turner ; Stewards, Bros. A. Black (Chief), J. Feek, and D. J. Black. R.W. Bro. Bishop, on behalf of the Lodge, presented W. Bro. L. B. Hart., the first W.M., with a very handsome P.M.'s jewel, and in doing so referred to the recipient's great interest in and love of Freemasonry, that caused him to travel 50 miles twice a month to put a new Lodge through its facings for its first year. The ceremony over, an adjournment was made to the Oddfellows' Hall near by, and 80 brethren sat down to partake of a real country Masonic supper—quadruped and biped in abundance— with the usual appurtenances. The usual toasts were duly honoured. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON.

Wairau, No. 42. — The monthly meeting was held on 26th August, W. Bro. T. E. Cleator, W.M., presiding. There was a large attendance of members and visitors. Bro. S. Croft was elected to the position of J.D., rendered vacant by the resignation of Bro. Williams. After several ballots for admission and other routine business had been disposed of, the W.M. handed the gavel to M.W. Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, P.G.M., and invited him to conduct the ceremony of initiation, there being two candidates. M.W. Bro. Griffiths administered the Ob. in a most impressive manner, and was assisted in the ritual work by R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills, R.W. Bro. de Castro, W. Bro. Furness. Dep. G.M., and W. Bro. Boyce. W. Bro. Salmon (father of one of the candidates) delivered the Charge after initiation.— [Lodge Correspondent.]—[Meeting held 26th August, report sent for publication 17th October.-ED.C.]

Unanimity, No. 106.— The fear of a flood kept a number of brethren away from the monthly meeting on 11th September, and flood waters were responsible for the absence of others; so it was rather a "thin house" that assembled for W. Bro. Lambie's first meeting. This was a pity in more ways than one. The new W.M. had accepted a kind of challenge, and had determined to do all the work himself. This he did, with the exception of the W.Ts., which were presented by Bro. T. Halligan, J.W. Had there been a full attendance, no doubt the pros and cons of what some style the "one-horse show" would have been discussed by the brethren. Of the two candidates down for initiation only one was able to attend. The wet night also kept a number of members of the newly-formed choir away, and it also rendered the holding of a "Fourth" inadvisable. After the ceremony the brethren "silently stole away" to watch the flood waters insidiously encroaching upon the town. But the old-time floods are a thing of the past, and the Lodge-room could come down several feet *sans* any danger from the latter-day menace.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Motueka, No. 117.— The installation took place on the 15th October, when Bro. Walter Nicholson was installed into the chair by R.W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, Prov.G.M. of Marlborough and Nelson. There was a large attendance of Lodge members, and Victory Lodge paid an official visit. Several other Lodges were also represented. The following were the other officers invested :— W. Bro. G. T. Heath ; S.W., Bro. C. Knapp ; J.W., Bro. J. M. Thompson ; Sec., W. Bro. W. McInnes ; Treas., W. Bro. T. Brougham ; D. of C., W. Bro. R. H. Shaw-Thompson ; Chaplain, W. Bro. G. H. Budden ; S.D., Bro. G. Chapman ; J.D. Bro. A. A. Powell ; I.G., Bro. F. Knapp ; Tyler, Bro. H. B. McGlashen. W. Bro. Shaw-Thompson acted as D. of C. The following brethren assisted in the investiture, addresses, etc. :— R.W. Bro. W. Moyes, W. Bros. T. Brougham, J. A. Orsman, G. H. Budden, J. L. Ching, L. Reynolds, A. N. Wilkinson, W. McInnes, C. L. Harvey, and T. J. Griffin. A collection was taken up in aid of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund. After the ceremony the brethren sat down to an excellent repast, and several loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Victoria, No. 21.— The regular meeting was held on the 7th October at Napier, W. Bro. H. Bate presiding over a good attendance. The Lodge was honoured by a visit from the W.M. (W. Bro. A. J. Turville) and officers of Lodge Scinde, No. 5. Two candidates were initiated, the work being performed by the following brethren :— Ob., W. Bro. H. Bate, W.M.; N.E. Corner, W. Bro. H. W. Whitton ; Mode of Prep., W. Bro. J. B. Andrew, P.G.S. ; W.Ts., W. Bro. J. Archer; Final Charge, Bro. H. F. Funke, S.D. Three circular appeals were each donated two guineas. Two candidates were proposed. In the refectory a very enjoyable hour was spent.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 66.— The monthly meeting was held on the 16th October. The W.M. (Bro. W. Dobson) presided, and there was a good attendance of members. The ceremonial business consisted of initiating one candidate. The following brethren participated in the ceremony :— W. Bro. W. Dobson (Ob and Ss.), W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie (Address in N.E.), Bro. G. Harris, S.W. (Explan. of Prep.), W. Bro. W. Snell (W.Ts.), and W. Bro. J. Brown (Charge). Two candidates were submitted to the ballot, which in each case proved fair. The W.M. welcomed Bros. John Prior and J. A. Johnstone as joining members. Bro. Prior was initiated in this Lodge some seventeen years ago, but removed to Wellington and Waipukurau, where he joined up. Some discussion took place in regard to holding a "Ladies Night," and a committee was set up to report to next meeting of the Lodge.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

United Service, No. 10.— The Lodge was honoured on 24th September, on the occasion of the ordinary monthly meeting, by a visit from a P.M. and several brethren off H.M.S. "New Zealand." Needless to state, the local brethren were delighted to have the privilege of their presence, and made every effort to make our sailor brethren feel that they were very welcome. The second Degree was worked on that evening. The W.M. (W. Bro. M. Berry) obligated and imparted the Secrets, W. Bro. Wallace gave the address in the S.E. corner, the J.W. (Bro. H. Garrett) presented and explained the W.Ts., and Bro. A. C. Hallett (S.W.) rendered the Final Charge. At the request of the W.M., W. Bro. Edwards presented M.Ms.' certificates to Bros. Bolton, Fletcher, and Girvin. The social hour was a source of great pleasure to all, and when our brethren from overseas, in turn, recounted just a little of their experiences when serving in the Grand Fleet during the great war, the enthusiasm of the listeners was great. In addition to the guests of honour, W. Bro. Andrews, from the Waikato, and W. Bro. Wallace responded to the toast of "The Visitors." During the evening W. Bro. Kirkbride, and Bros. Harris, Payne, and Kennedy aided in no small degree by their vocal numbers in making the meeting a memorable one. Even after "Auld Lang Syne " and the National Anthem had been sung, the brethren were loth to leave, but in little knots gathered round the sailor brethren, till remorseless Time compelled them to depart their several ways. Thus ended an evening that will live long in Lodge United Service.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Maniapoto, No. 206.— The installation of W. Bro. J. Heerdegen amid investiture of his officers took place at Otorohanga on 9th -October. Considering the distances between Lodges in the King Country, there was a large attendance of W.Ms. and brethren from other Lodges. M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, P.G.M., Prov. G.M., was Installing Master, and was assisted by R.W. Bro. F. Kearsley, P.D.G.M. (S.W.), and W. Bro. J. Hope (J.W.). W. Bro. J. Cochrane, P.G.Supt. of W., performed the duties of D. of C. in his usual efficient manner. Bro. J. Heerdegen (S.W) was installed in the chair, and very ably invested his officers as follows :— D.M., W. Bro. H. Benner ; I.P.M., W. Bro. Chas. Miller; S.W., Bro. J. A. Ormsby; J.W., Bro. C. H. Lord ; Chaplain, Bro. J. Budge; Treas., Bro William Vicary ; Sec., Bro. H. G. Corbett; Organist, Bro. A. B. R. Messman ; S.D., Bro. R. Bell ; J.D., Bro. J. A. Ruddy ; I.G., Bro. A. Kerr ; Tyler, Bro. R. H. Rhodes ; D. of C., Bro. John Ormsby; Stewards, Bros. W. H. Clarke and J. Liddy; Auditors, Bros. Robt. Green and B. Gifford. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. A. Pettigrew, W. Bro. J. Morgan, and W. Bro. R. English. The address to the W.M. was given by R.W. Bro. Kearsley, to the Wardens by W. Bro. Hope, and to the brethren by M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson. The W.M. received many congratulations and H.G.W., and we trust he will have a prosperous year of office. At the request of the brethren, M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson presented W. Bro. Chas. Miller with a P.M.'s jewel. A collection in aid of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund resulted in the sum of £7 4s. After the Lodge was closed the brethren retired to the festive board in Otorohanga House, where the usual Masonic toasts were given and responded to. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47.— The monthly meeting was held on 9th October, when there was a large attendance of members and visitors. The W.M. of Lodge United Manawatu, No. 1721, E.C., accompanied by his officers, paid an official visit. The business was the passing of five candidates. The ceremony was conducted by W. Bro. E. R. B. Holben, W.M., who gave the Ob. and Secrets. He was assisted by W. Bro. A. Torstonson, who gave the Charge in the S.E.; W. Bro. N. S. Snell, who presented the W.Ts.; W. Bro. Groove, who gave the Final Charge; and W. Bro. A. Clarke, Chaplain, and who acted as Sec. during W. Bro. C. Rush's absence. The J.W. (Bro. E. V. West) gave a splendid rendering of the lecture on the 2nd T.B., upon which he was complimented by those present. The W.M. gave a hearty welcome to Bro. E. Chisholm, a member of this Lodge of many years' standing, who has been away to Auckland, and who is now acting as relieving postmaster in Palmerston North. Feeling reference was made during the evening to the loss which Freemasonry had sustained by the death of W. Bro. T. King, and more especially in this district, where he had been an active Mason for over 40 years, and was Sec. of Lodge Rangitikei at the time of his death; also to the death of Bro. Wm. Dixon, who had been a patient sufferer for many years. Votes of condolence and sympathy were passed to the relatives. At the request of the W.M., Bro. S. E. Carson admirably rendered a sacred solo appropriate to the occasion. One brother was elected as a joining member, and two candidates were proposed. In the refectory a pleasant hour was spent, when the usual toasts were honoured. — [Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79.— The business of the monthly meeting, held on 9th October, was to initiate into ancient Freemasonry two well-known Wanganui citizens. Assisting the W.M. were the following P.Ms. :— R.W. Bro. J. H. Keesing, P.D.G.M., R.W. Pro. David McFarlane, Prov.G.M., W. Bros. G. G. Bullock and A. Doig. One candidate was elected. In the refectory the toast of the candidates was proposed by Bro. C. C. Hutton in a felicitous and harmonious speech. Bro. Jas. Inkster handled the toast of "Our Visitors" in an appropriate manner and apart from the beaten track. Bro. W. H. Cunningham, J.S., continued his very interesting "War Lectures." — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Kimbolton, No. 123.— The usual meeting was held in the Masonic Hall on the 9th October, the business being the raising of one brother. In the unavoidable absence of the W.M., W. Bro. McKay occupied the chair, and had the pleasure of raising his natural brother to the sublime degree of M.M. He was ably assisted by W. Bros. Bailey, Baddeley, and Jarrett, the last-named only having recently returned from active service abroad. A vote of sympathy to Bro. Calder was passed, and the hope expressed that he would soon be well enough to again resume labour. — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.— The regular meeting was held on the 2nd October. Three G.L. appeals were received on behalf of the widows and orphans of departed brethren, each case being favourably dealt with. One proposition for initiation was also received. A further sum was authorised for investment in war loans. Having disposed of the routine work, the W.M. handed over the gavel to W. Bro. Graham, who, in conjunction with the P.Ms., conducted the ceremonial work, consisting of raising a brother to the Third Degree. The following occupied the chairs :—Acting-W.M., W. Bro. Graham; S.W., W. Bro. Stone; J.W., W. Bro. Manning; D. of C., W. Bro. Gallichan; S.D., W. Bro. Turner; J.D., W. Bro. Sinclair. The meeting was most unique, in this sense : The W.Ms., P.Ms., and officers and brethren of the two sister Lodges paid an official visit, also the W.M., P.Ms., and brethren of Lodge Otangaki, and many other visitors were in attendance, the result being an immense attendance was duly recorded, in order to do honour to the returned soldier brethren. The work was performed as follows :—Ob., W. Bro. Graham; Exhort., W. Bro. Stone; T.H. Further Secrets, and W.Ts., W. Bro. Turner; Final Charge, W. Bro. Gallichan, who also filled the position of Chaplain. H.G.W. were then tendered by the various representatives, and the Lodge duly closed, an adjournment being made to the -refectory, where a lengthy toast list was honoured. The speeches were of a very high order, the predominant note being the advisability of a closer union between the members of the various Lodges in the district. Undoubtedly, the most enthusiastically-honoured toast was that of our returned soldier brethren, who responded in well-chosen, apt, and appropriate terms. Thus ended one of the most remarkable meetings in the history of this Lodge. In addition to the above, it is the writer's sad lot to chronicle the demise of Bro. White, who passed away in the Public Hospital on the 9th October. A -man of sterling worth, is the verdict of one and all who knew him.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Waterloo, No. 13.—The regular meeting was held on the 13th October, when W. Bro. F. H. Mather, W.M., occupied the chair. There was a splendid attendance of members and visitors, the latter including the W.Ms. of N.Z. Pacific and Whetu Kairangi. The ceremony of raising one brother was performed by the W.M., assisted by W. Bro. W. A. Parton, I.P.M. (Charge after Invest. and Secrets), W. Bro. A. Erskine, D. of C. (Retro.), R.W. Bro. A. Veitch, P.G.S.W. (first portion T.H.), W. Bro. J. Gordon (continuation of T.H.), Bro. T. R. Wallace, J.W (W.Ts.), Bro. W. Berry, S.W. (Final Charge). There was a concensus of opinion that the ceremony was creditably performed by the recently installed W.M. and his officers, especially as this was their "first" night. In the refectory a very pleasant hour was spent, and, in addition to the usual toasts, W. Bro. Erskine welcomed and toasted Bros. Earnshaw and Mitchell, recently returned from active service in the North Sea.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Masterton, No. 19.— W. Bro. O. N. C. Pragnall, I.P.M., in the continued absence of W. Bro. C. W. Perrin, W.M., whose state of health is such as to cause his friends some anxiety, again occupied the chair at the usual monthly meeting on the 8th October, when three E.As. were passed to the F.C. Degree, the ceremony being conducted and the charges delivered in a satisfactory manner. An enjoyable half-hour was subsequently spent in the refectory. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Andrew, No. 32.— The regular meeting took place on the 20th October, the W.M. (Bro. R. Hutcheson) assuming his gavel at 7 p.m., and facing a huge attendance of members, possibly the attendance being affected by the fact that the election of officers figured on the agenda paper. The presence of two members, Bros. Lea and Fraser, returned from active service, was noticed and referred to. Minutes and correspondence having been cleared off, R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Prov..G.M., was admitted and saluted, and the W.M. resigned his post for the ceremonial of raising four candidates to W. Bro. F. C. Broomhall, who officiated as a skilled Craftsman should, W. Bro. J. C. Riddell conducting the candidates as S.D., and W. Bro. A. Schmidt taking the S.W.'s chair and delivering the Final Charge; W. Bro. W. Simpson, as J.W., rendering the Exhort, ; W. Bro. T. Jaffray, as I.G., the W.Ts. ; W. Bro. A. W. Rowlands, D. of C., the T.H. ; W. Bro. J. Rod as Chaplain; and W. Bro. C. W. Nielsen the 15 F.Cs. On the W.M. resuming the chair, the election of officers for the year commencing 1st December next was completed, the choice of W.M. falling on Bro. A. Greening, S.W., the sole candidate. The proposition of a sheaf of candidates closed a lengthy and busy evening, and the W.M. retires with the satisfaction of knowing that during his term he has permitted no accumulation of rust through inactivity. Before the brethren dispersed a vigilant despatch-bearer from the lines came in with the report that the choice of the first W.M. of a Lodge, proposed to be opened within a radius of 20 miles from the post office, had fallen upon a junior officer of this Lodge. Time should demonstrate that he will fill the bill.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Leinster, No. 44.—The regular meeting, held on 6th October, was a particularly instructive one, the degree work being the raising of two brethren, and was carried out by the W.M., W. Bro. R. J. Shakes, who was assisted by R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Prov.G.M. (the Exhort. to one candidate), W. Bro. W. A. Baudinet, Sec. (to the second candidate). The 15 F.Cs. were explained by W. Bro. A. McLaren I.P.M., who also presented the W.Ts. ; W. Bro. A. T. Peterkin (of Lodge Kawatiri), the Charge after Invest. ; Bro. D. Parnell, S.W., the Final Charge ; and W. Bro. E. D. Alexander (of Lodge Tutanekai) presented the candidates with the V.S.L. on which they had been obligated. The musical portion of the ceremony was capably rendered by Bro. J. Cowley, and without doubt greatly helped the ceremony. Routine business consisted of voting monetary assistance to circular appeals on behalf of the widows and children of three brethren. One affiliating brother and three candidates for initiation were elected. R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Prov.G.M., presented Bro. W. J. Garrett, our late S.W., with a Past Warden's jewel as a token of the esteem of the brethren of the Lodge, and in expressing their regret that Bro. Garrett's health had been such as prevented him attaining the office of W.M. at the last election of officers, he trusted that he would soon regain his health, and again take office in the Lodge. Bro. Garrett, in accepting the gift, thanked the R.W.Prov.G.M. for his kind remarks, and the brethren for their kind action, also for many favours extended to him at all times. Notice of motion was given that the allocation of elective officers in G.L. be increased, and will be considered at the next meeting.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Ulster, No. 62.— An emergency meeting was held on the 1st October for the purpose of raising two brethren, The ordinary meeting was held on the 15th October, when the business was to pass four candidates. The W.M. (Bro. Carver), Ob. ; S.E. Corner, Bro. King, J.D. ; W.Ts., Bro. Scott, J.W. ; Final Charge, Bro

Armstrong, S.W. ; T.B., W. Bro. Colquitt, D. of C. The Lodge being closed, an adjournment was made to the refectory, where several brethren gave musical items. Bro. F. Steinmuller, although only just out of the hospital, gave an interesting sleight-of-hand trick.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Brooklyn, No. 132.— The annual festival of installation occurred on Wednesday, 1st October, and rude Boreas was at his worst, which in Wellington is saying something. Nevertheless, brethren were not daunted, and the Lodge welcomed a large attendance. W. Bro. J. Barras presided. R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Pray. G.M., conducted the ceremony, with V.W. Bro. G. Russell as G.D. of C. Bro. W. G. Faulkner was installed as W.M. with the ceremonies customary to the occasion. Proclamations were made by the G.D. of C., and W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. R. Hutchinson, G. Jones, and F. H. Mather R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton invested the following officers:— Bro. J. Barras ; S.W., Bro. W. Parkin ; J.W., Bro. H. Hanson; Sec., W. Bro. M. W. Thew. P.M. ; Treas., Bro. T. Webster; S.D., Bro. C. Eggie ; J.D., Bro. L. H. Hartley ; Chaplain, Bro. J. E. F. Perry ; D. of C., W. Bro. W. J. Westwood, P.M.; Organist, Bro. Rev. G. W. Dent ; I.G., Bro. J. L. Goldsmith ; S.S., Bro. J. Parkin ; J.S., Bro. A. Turner; Tyler, Bro. J. W. Richardson. The address to the W.M. was given by W. Bro. H. B. Bridge, the charge to the Wardens by W. Bro J. Rod, and the concluding address, to the brethren, by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams. By request of the Lodge, R.W. Bro. Ellison presented a very handsome jewel to I.P.M. Bro. Barras. At the close of the ceremony the usual refreshments were served, and a very pleasant hour was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tutanekai, No. 156. — The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Berhampore, on 2nd October, the W.M. (Bro. C. W. Martini presiding. There was a large attendance of brethren, and a fair number of visitors. After routine business had been disposed of, the ceremonial of passing two brethren was proceeded with. The W.M. administered the Ob., the S.W. invested and explained the S., T. and W., Bro. D. McNaughton gave the Apron Charge, the address from the S.E. was given by Bro. Durrant, the W.Ts. were presented by the S.D., J.D., and I.G., and the Final Charge was delivered by the S.W., Bro. Key. After H.G.W. from the visitors, the Lodge closed at 10 o'clock, when the usual adjournment was made. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetu, No. 176.— The installation meeting was held on the 8th October, and proved one of the most successful meetings which had been held since, the Lodge's inception. R.W. Bro. Peterkin, P.D.G.M., acted as Installing Master, and although our veteran brother is getting well on in years, he still showed that the spirit is willing where Masonry is concerned. He has now officiated at every installation since the consecration of the Lodge, but at this meeting he informed the brethren that this would be the last meeting at which he would act in that capacity. The Lodge was tyled at 5.30 p.m., and G.L. entered at 6.15 p.m., and Bro. Carver, S.W., was presented as W.M.- elect by V.W. Bro. Rishworth, D. of C., assisted by W. Bro. Guinness. The ancient charges were read by the Sec., and he took the Ob. of Fealty, and a B. of I.M. was constituted by R.W. Bro. Peterkin, and he was duly installed into the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom. The trumpet calls and proclamations were given in -the E., W., and S. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. Mather, Carver, and Tanner (W.Ms. of Waterloo. Ulster, and Otari Lodges respectively). R.W. Bro. Ellison, Prov.G.M., presented the Charter, B. of C., and By-laws. W. Bros. Connell, Smith, and Bros. Thompson and Scammell rendered an anthem. The officers were then invested by W. Bro. Henry Hobbs. The charge to the W.M. was given by W. Bro. Guinness, to the Wardens by W. Bro. Tamblyn, and to the brethren by V.W. Bro. Rishworth. The newly-installed W.M. thanked all those brethren who attended and made his installation so successful. A collection was then taken up, and the Annuity Fund benefited to the extent of £6 16s. 9d. Owing to the hall where the banquet was usually held being engaged, we had to have it in our own refectory, which, being rather on the small side for a large gathering, made the sitting room rather small, but still everyone seemed to agree that a very pleasant evening was spent, and the speeches given by W. Bro. Dr. Mason and Bro. Wilford were well worth listening to. — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Installed Masters' Lodge of Wellington, No. 194.— The annual recurrence of this interesting ceremony eventuated in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on Tuesday, 7th October. W. Bro. W. Jones presided over a small but enthusiastic assemblage. In this Lodge much of the ordinary installation ritual is omitted as unsuitable to a Lodge not engaged in making Masons while parts are altered to suit the special circumstance. M.W.Bro. H. J. Williams, who was the first W.M. of the Lodge, conducted the ceremony. R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton, P.G.W., was presented by V.W. Bro. Geo. Russell, and W. Bro. A. Erskine, and Bro. Seaton was duly installed. After the proclamations, and the presentation of Charter, B. of C., and By-laws by R.W. Bro. Ellison, Prov.G.M., Bro. Seaton invested the following officers :—S.W., W. Bro. C. W. Neilsen; Chaplain,

W. Bro. H. B. Bridge ; Sec., W. Bro. A. Schmidt ; Treas., W. Bro. J. Rod ; S.D., W. Bro. J. Gordon; J.D., Bro. J. C. Riddell ; D. of C., Bro. T. Mather ; I.G., Bro. W. A. Parton. W. Bro. Morice, who is at present in America, will be invested as J.W. on his return. The three addresses, to the W.M., the Wardens, and to the brethren, were delivered respectively by W. Bros. H. B. Bridge, W. H. Jones, and J. J. Essen. The addresses were original, and reflected the highest credit on each of the authors, each dealing with the special purpose of Research Lodges, and the duties of officers and members in connection with research work. A motion, of which notice had been given by M.W. Bro. Williams, was briefly discussed and agreed to, and the Lodge was closed shortly after 9 p.m. The proceedings in the refectory were of a most pleasing character, and were much enjoyed. Notwithstanding that the keynote, "Brevity," was strictly adhered to, some very neat and happy speeches were made. R.W. Bro. Seaton had every reason to be justly proud of the great success of his installation.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201.— The installation meeting was held at Seatoun on 11th October. There was a good attendance. Bro. T. S. Robertson was installed in the chair by R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Prov.G.M., who was assisted by V.W. Bro. T. Porritt, P.M., P.G. Chaplain, as S.W. ; V.W. Bro. H. Bridge as J.W., W. Bro. A. A. George as I.G., and V.W. Bro. G. Russell, G.D. of C. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. Jones, Faulknor, and Hutcheson (W.Ms. of Lodges Hinemoa, Brooklyn, and St. Andrew respectively). The address to the W.M. was given by M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, P.G.M., G.Sec., that to the Wardens by W. Bro. J. Rod, P.G.D., and V.W. Bro. C. W. Nielsen, G.Reg., delivered the address to the brethren. W. Bro. A. A. George invested the officers as follows :—D.M., V.W. Bro. T. Porritt ; S.W., Bro. G. F. Browne ; J.W., Bro. C. E. Bennett ; Chaplain, Bro. W. W. Rowntree ; Treas., Bro. H. J. Wyatt ; Sec , W. Bro. T. O. Fox ; S.D., V.W. Bro. J. H. Sykes, G. Chaplain ; J.D., Bro. T. H. R. Boon; I.G., Bro. A. G. Claridge ; Tyler, Bro. R. G. Huggins ; S.S., Bro. S. M. Stone; J.S., Bro. E. Rough. R.W. Bro. Ellison presented to the retiring W.M., W. Bro. E. Morris, a P.M.'s jewel as a mark of the brethren's appreciation of all that W. Bro. Morris had done for the Lodge since its consecration, his latest gift being a complete set of gauntlets for the officers, which were worn for the first time that evening The Lodge closed at 9 p.m., after which a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, — [Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.— The annual meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Christchurch, on 8th October. There was a good attendance of members and visitors and the ceremony was conducted by R.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop, G.Supt., who invested V.E. Comp. Harry Hopkinson as Z., the address being given by M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews, P.G.Z. E. Comp. G. Yemm was invested, installed, and addressed as H. by M.E. Comp. S. C. Bingham, P.G.Z., and E. Comp. R. McFarlane was invested, installed, and addressed as J. by R.E. Comp. C. Flavel, P.G.Supt. The officers were invested by V.E. Comp. Nordon, and addressed by V.E. Comp. Dr. Russell-Rendle, G.Soj., as follows :—S.E., E. Comp. J. Gillanders ; S.N., E. Comp. J. Richardson ; Treas., E. Comp. J. Brown ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. C. S. Johnston ; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. J. E. Cooper; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. R. W. S. Eastwood ; D. of C., V.E. Comp. G. B. Perkins Organist, R.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop ; Janitor, R.E. Comp. H. F. Arnold. The R.E.G.Supt. presented to V.E. Comp. J. A. Stables, the I.P.Z., a P.Z.'s jewel, with appropriate congratulations. The recipient thanked the companions for their gift, and also for their assistance during his two years' term of office. The V.E.Z. expressed to V.E. Comp. Broadley, who is removing to Auckland for health reasons, his own and the companions' sincere wishes that the change would prove beneficial. After apologies were tendered, and H.G.W., the Chapter adjourned, and a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victoria, No. 4.—The annual convocation was held on the 26th September, there being a record attendance. One candidate was elected. After the routine business, R.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie, G.Supt., and G. Chapter officers were admitted, and received with honours. The G. Supt. was assisted in the ceremony by the following :—R.E. Comp. Thos. Hobson, D.G.Z., R.E. Comp L. Freedman, P.D.G.Z., V.E. Comp. Jas. Redshaw as G.H., V.E. Comp. W. Dobson as G.J., V.E. Comp. H. L. Harston as G. Organist, V.E. Comp. C. H. Critchley as G.D. of C., and V.E. Comp. R. Bishop as G.Sd.B. The address to the 1st Prin. was given by R.E. Comp. T. Hobson, to the 2nd Prin. by V.E. Comp. Jas. Redshaw, and to the 3rd Prin. by V.E. Comp. W. Dobson. The investiture of officers was conducted in a very able manner by V.E. Comp. R. Bishop. The address to the officers was given by R.E. Comp. L. Freedman, and to the companions by R.E. Comp. T. Hobson. The following is the list of officers invested :— Z., Comp. A. J. Turville ; H., Comp. W. A. Wilkie; J., Comp. R. V. C. Harris; S.E., Comp. Jas. Redshaw ; S.N., Comp. J. Webster; Treas., Comp R. Bishop ;

Supt. of W. R.E. Comp. L. Freedman ; 1st Soj., Comp. A. A. Hastings; 2nd Soj., Comp. H. Bate; 3rd Soj., Comp. F. J. Robbins; Organist, Comp. J. Rockell. After congratulations from the visitors, the Chapter was closed, the companions adjourning to the refectory, where the usual Masonic toasts, songs, recitations, and chestnuts brought a most enjoyable function to a close shortly before midnight.-- [Chapter Correspondent.]

Waitaki Kill., No. 8.— The monthly convocation was held on the 24th September, the business being the installation of Principals and investiture of officers for the consent year. There was a good attendance of members, over 70 signing the attendance book, while a number of distinguished visitors graced the East, from various Chapters north and south, among others our much-esteemed companions, M.E. Comp. A. Clothier, from Dunedin, and R.E. Comp. E. Lane, our worthy and energetic G.Supt. of Otago. The M.E. 1st G.Prin., Comp. J. Moncrieff, wrote regretting his inability to be present, and a large number of letters and telegrams were received from distant Chapters apologising for absence, and tendering hearty congratulations. The ceremony was started in good time, and under the competent guidance of V.E. Comp. W. Miller, P.G.D. of C., everything went smoothly and in order. Comp. W. Crombie was installed as 1st Prin. by the retiring Z., Comp. C. A. la Roche ; Comp. W. Brown as 2nd Prin. by V.E. Comp. Crombie; and E. Comp. T. Herron as 3rd Prin. by E. Comp. W. Brown. R.E. Comp. Lane gave the charge to the 1st Prin. and presented the Charter, V.E. Comp. G. M. Whale, G. Chaplain, the charge to the 2nd Prin., and V.E. Comp. S. Miller to the 3rd Prin. The V.E.Z. invested his officers as follows :—Treas., V.E. Comp. A. Mackay; S.E., M.E. Comp. J. M. Brown; S.N., E. Comp. J. Mc Laren ; 1st Soj., E. Comm. J. G. Wallace.; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. G. Puttick ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. P. Ledingham ; W.M.M., Comp. J. G. Wallace ; W.E.M., Comp. P. Ledingham ; D. of C., V.E. Comp. W. Miller ; Organists, Comps. F. C. Burry and R. J. Meldrum ; Janitor R.E. Comp. R. H. Cathcart. R.E. Comp. Cathcart then addressed the Principals, M.E. Comp. Clothier the officers, and M.E. Comp. J. M. Brown the companions. The V.E.Z. tendered hearty thanks to the visitors and members for the honour conferred upon him, and trusted all would work harmoniously together for the prosperity of the Chapter. Five brethren were proposed for exaltation, and nothing further offering, the Chapter was closed, and the companions adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant time was spent with music, songs, and the always pleasant reminiscent Masonic speeches and memories, combined with the friendly pipe and "just a wee doch and doris." —[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wairarapa, No. 10.— The annual convocation was held at Masterton on 3rd October. G. Chapter was represented by M.E. Comp. Jas. Moncrieff, G.Z., M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams., P.G.Z., G.S.E., M.E. Comp. T. Porritt, P.G.Z., P.G.Supt., and R.E. Comp. George Russell, G.Supt., Wellington District. After the routine business had been disposed of, G Chapter was admitted, and the ceremony of installation was conducted by R.E. Comp. George Russell. V.E. Comp. Dement, of Hinemoa Chapter, acted as D. of C. E. Comp. O. N. C. Pragnall was installed as 1st Prin., M.E. Comp. Porritt installed E. Comp. F. J. Munn as 2nd Prin., and M.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff installed E. Comp. R. J. King as 3rd Prin. E. Comp. Pragnell was installed as M.M.M. by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams. The following companions were invested by M.E. Comp. T. Porritt : — V.E. Comp. C. D. King. P.Z. ; S.E., E. Comp. S. H. Conder ; S.N., E. Comp. T. A. H. Dixon ; 1st Soj., E. Comp. A. W. Chapman ; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. L. J. Hughes ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. F. W. Temple; Janitor, E. Comp. Stokes. The address to the 1st Prin. was delivered by R.E. Comp. George Russell, the address to the officers by M.E. Comp. Moncrieff, and the address to the companions by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams. V.E. Comp. Pragnell returned thanks for his election. After offering H.G.W., G. Chapter retired. H.G.W. were also tendered from Caledonian Chapter, No. 151, S.C., Nelson, and from Hinemoa and Brooklyn Chapters, after which time Chapter was closed. A pleasant hour was afterwards spent in the refectory, where the usual loyal toasts were honoured. M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams gave a resume of the work of G. Chapter, which was much appreciated. A very prosperous year is anticipated. Regret was expressed at the absence of V.E. Comp. C. W. Perrin, P.Z., on account of illness, and the hope that he would be speedily restored to good health.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victory, No. 12.— This Chapter held its installation on 24th September, when E. Comp. L. Reynolds Was installed as 1st Prin., E. Comp. A. G. Shrimpton as 2nd Prin., and E. Comp. T. D. Milne as 3rd Prin., by R.E. Comp. G. Russell, G.Supt. of Wellington District, assisted by M.E. Comps. H. J. Williams, G.S.E., and T. Porritt, P.G.Zs., V.E. Comps. W. Moyes, S. F. Bolton, B. H. Moller, and J. L. Ching. There was a large attendance of Victory Chapter companions, and Trafalgar Chapter, S.C., paid an official visit. The following other officers were invested:— S.E. Comp. R. W. Stiles; S.N., V.E. Comp. J.L.Ching; Treas., V.E. Comp. S. F. Bolton.; D. of C., V.E. Comp. C. B. Harton ; Organist, E. Comp. G. A. Edmonds: 1st Soj., E. Comp. H. H.

Edwards; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. W. C. Hyde ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp, T. Houlker ; 1st Steward, E. Comp. L.M. Estcourt : 2nd Steward, E. Comp. R. B. Witty : 3rd Steward, E. Comp. V. N. Granville; Janitor, E. Comp. C. W. Moore. At the conclusion of the ceremony a number of toasts were honoured, and much pleasure was expressed at the presence of M.E. Comps. Williams and Porritt, both of whom are held in very high esteem. The companions heartily welcomed R.E. Comp. G. Russell, the new G.Supt., who officiated for the first time as the head of the district. The Chapter presented a very attractive appearance, having obtained a set of 17 banners. The outgoing Principal, E. Comp. S. F. Bolton, has been indefatigable as Principal, and has aided the Chapter financially in procuring many new additions to its furniture.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Marlborough, No. 14.— The annual convocation for the installation of Principals and investiture of officers took place in the Masonic Hall, Blenheim, on the 23rd September, when there were present a goodly number of members and visitors, including M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, P.G.Z., G.S.E., M.E. Comp. T. Porritt, P.G.Z., M.E. Comp. W. W. de Castro, P.G.Z., and R.E. Comp. G. Russell, G.Supt., who occupied the chair of Z., M.E. Comps. Porritt and de Castro taking those of H. and J. V.E. Comp. G. Logan acted as G.D. of C. The three Principals-elect, Comp., C. A. Eckford (Z.), Comp. T. E. Cleator (H.), and Comp. W. C. Lucas (J.), were placed in their respective chairs and addressed on the duties and insignia of their office by M.E. Comp. Porritt and R.E. Comp. Russell. M.E. Comp. C. J. W. Griffiths, P.G.Z., then invested the officers, viz. :— S.E., V.E. Comp. G. Logan ; Treas., V.E. Comp. J. W. White ; 1st Soj. Cornp. W. J. Girling ; 2nd Soj., Comp. W. M. Lambie; 3rd Soj., Comp. W. W. Tylor ; Organist, Comp. M. A. Cheek; Janitor, Comp. J. H. Foster. The final address to the 1st Prin. was given by R.E. Comp. Russell, that to the officers by M.E. Comp. Porritt, and that to the companions by M.E. Comp. Williams. The ceremony went smoothly throughout, and the fact that four P.G.Zs. and the G.Supt. took part in it was regarded as both interesting and unique. The Chapter being closed, the companions adjourned to the refectory, where the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waimate, No. 16.— The installation of officers took place on 16th September. After routine business. R.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop was received with honours. R.E. Comp. C. Flavell, G.H., was also received and honoured. A conclave of P.Prins. being formed, E. Comp. E. R. Beckett was obligated as Z. by the R.E.Supt. ; E. Comp. C. E. Manchester as H. by the R.E.G.H. ; and E. Comp. R. Creeser as J. by V.E. Comp. Hindmarsh, P.G.S.N. The investment and installation of the Principals was carried out as follows :— V.E. Comp. E. R. Beckett was invested and installed as 1st Prin by R.E. Comp. Bishop, G.Supt., and addressed by G.H. R.E. Comp. Flavell: E. Comp. Manchester was invested and installed as 2nd Prin. by R.E. Comp. Flavell, G.H., and addressed by V.E. Comp. A. J. Hoskins, P.G.St.B.; E. Comp. Creeser was invested and installed as 3rd Prin by V.E. Comp. J. Robertson, P.G.Supt. of W. and addressed by V.E. Comp. Robertson. The address to the 1st Prin. was delivered by G.H., R.E. Comp. Flavell, to the officers by V.E. Comp. Souter (Timaru Chapter), and that to the companions by V.E. Comp. W. :McBride (Timaru Chapter). Following is the list of officers :— S.E., V.E. Comp. J. Menzies, P.A.G.Reg. ; S.N., Comp. W. E. Evans ; Treas., V. E. Comp. G. J. Shackleton, P.G.D. of C. ; 1st Soj., Comp. A.J. Jones ; 2nd Soj., Comp. J. Mckenzie; 3rd Soj., Comp. G.E. Marshall ; D. of C., V.E. Comp. A. Colville, P.G.D. of C. ; Janitor, V.E. Comp. H. P. Fraser ; Stewards, Comps. W. Barford, R. Brain, S. Malthus; E.M., V.E. Comp. A. J. Hoskins, P.G.St.B. ; W.M.M., V.E. Comp. D. A. Fulton, G.St.B. H.G.W. were offered by the G.H. and the G.Supt., and the G. Chapter officers and the R.E.Supt. having retired, the Chapter was closed. Adjournment was then made to Comp. Barford's rooms, where a substantial supper was set out, and the balance of the evening spent in harmony and enjoyment.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wanganui, No. 23.— The monthly convocation was held on the 2nd ult., V.E. Comp. P. Higginbottom in the chair, and Comps. J. R. Foster and W. E. Longshaw H. and J. respectively. The minutes of previous meeting being continued, the Chapter was suspended, and a Lodge of Mark Master Masons duly opened, when two brethren were advanced. W.M.M. Bro. F. Svmes presided. Bros. P. Higginbottom, E. Runnerstrum, C. C. Moutray, and P.W.M.M. Bro. G. G. Bullock gave the Signs, W.Ts., Lecture, and Final Charge respectively.—[Chapter Corespondent.]

Brooklyn, No: 24.— The first regular meeting under the control of the newly-installed 1st Prin., V.E. Comp. A. Schmidt, held on 8th October, was a decided success. There were 25 companions in attendance, and after the usual routine business, three candidates and one joining member were balloted for and elected. The Mark Degree was conferred on two candidates, the work being performed by W. Bro. Schmidt, W.M.M., assisted

by W. Bro. Arcus, P.M.M. (C. after I.), Bro. Westwood (W.Ts.), W. Bro. Bridge, P.M.M. (Warrant), W. Bro. Parsons, P.M.M. (Final Charge). After resuming in the Chapter, V.E. Comp. Bridge invested V.E. Comp. Parsons with the insignia of his office as G.Supt. of W., and V.E. Comp. Seaton invested E. Comp. Lange as S.N. Comp. Jackson, of Waterloo Chapter, was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his kindness in officiating as I.G. during the degree work. After H.G.W. were received from visiting Chapters, the Chapter was closed at 10 p.m. V.E. Comp. Schmidt is to be congratulated on the businesslike and finished manner in which he presided over his first meeting, and the very creditable manner in which the degree was worked. — [Chapter Correspondent.]

A. AND A. RITE.

Wellington, No. 91.— The annual meeting of this Chapter was held in the Masonic Hall, Boulcott Street, on 17th October. Owing to serious domestic affliction the M.W.S., Bro. R. J. Foss, was unable to be present, and E. and P. Bro. A. Veitch presided in his stead. There was an excellent attendance, and V.III. Bro. M. Niccol, G.Insp.Gen. for N.Z., made an official visit. Immediately after the opening of the Chapter, a vote of sympathy with the M.W.S. was passed and recorded. Ill. Bro. Niccol, at the request of the Chapter, made a presentation of the 31deg. clothing to Ill. Bro. H. J. Williams, who feelingly acknowledged the kindness. Ill. Bro. William then took the chair and installed E. and P. Bro. J. Rod as M.W.S., who appointed the following officers :—Prelate, E. and P. Bro. Archdeacon A. M. Johnson; 1st Gen., E. and P. Bro. G. Allport ; 2nd Gen., E. and P. Bro. H. B. Bridge; Recorder, E. and P. Bro. G. H. Smith, P.M.W.S (eighth year); Treas., E. and P. Bro. W. H. Jones, P.M.W.S. ; Marshal, E. and P. Bro. H. H. Seaton ; Raphael, E. and P. Bro. J. J. Esson : D. of C., Ill. Bro. Rev. T. Porritt ; Organist, E. and P. Bro. J. Cowley; Herald, E. and P. Bro. J. W. Jack. The concluding charge was rendered by Ill. Bro. Rev. T. Porritt, and E. and P. Bro. Rod assumed control of the Chapter. Two appropriations were voted , one worthily recognising the long services of the Recorder. The Chapter was closed in the usual solemn form at 9 p.m. A number of toasts were honoured in the refectory, and some excellent non-stereotyped speeches were made. It must be conceded that this Chapter is most happy in its successful meetings. The Wellington Quartette brightened the proceedings with several selections.

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

United Service, No. 10:—Founded 1864, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, last Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. M. Berry; S.W., Bro. A. G. Hallett; J.W., Bro. H. T. Garrett; Sec., Bro. W. Tailby, P.M., 62 Wellesley St., Auckland.

Beta-Waikato, No. 12:—Founded 1865, meets Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Waikato, second Monday in each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Thursday on or after 24th June. W.M., Bro. H. N. Forsythe; S.W., Bro. R. English; J.W., Bro. E. Bryant; Sec., Bro. Chas. Speight, Box 48, Hamilton.

Sir Walter Scott, No. 15:—Founded 1870, meets Freemasons' Hall, Mackay St., Thames, third Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. Bongard, P.M.; S.W., Bro. H. Cordes; J.W., Bro. A. G. Durbin; Sec., Bro. R. E. Rudman.

Coromandel, No. 17:—Founded (456, L.C.) 1872. Manukau, No. 24:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Princes St., Onehunga, first Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. H. Gibbons; S.W., Bro. W. M. Fyfe; J.W., Bro. H. McAdam; Sec., Bro. J. E. Coveil, P.M.

Albion, No. 45:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Devonport, second Thursday in month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. C. L. Jewell; S.W., Bro. G. Bourne; J.W., Bro. D. G. Thornton; Sec., W. Bro. F. H. Hounsell, P.M., 68 Calliope Road, Devonport.

Te Aroha, No. 52:—Meets Masonic Hall, Te Aroha, Thursday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Simpson; S.W., Bro. H. Daiton; J.W., Bro. — Whyte; Sec., Bro. J. Motley.

Ponsonby, No. 54:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Jervois Rd., Ponsonby, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation first Tuesday in July. W.M., Bro. W. J. Stancombe; S.W., Bro. F. S. Shell; J.W., Bro. F. Bell-Booth; Sec., W. Bro. Chas. E. Dutton, P.M., 406 Queen St., Auckland.

Wairoa, No. 55:—Meets in Lodgeroom, Arthur St., Ellerslie, third Monday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. G. V. Westbrooke; S.W., Bro. A. C. Hill; J.W., Bro. G. P. S. Bracewell; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Gosset, Ellerslie.

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

Franklin, No. 58:—Founded 1885, meets Masonic Hall, Pukekohe, second Monday in each month. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. J. F. Deane; S.W., Bro. C. F. Shipherd; J.W., Bro. J. W. Wright; Sec., W. Bro. F. E. Simpson, P.M.

Hokianga, No. 69:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Kohukohu, first Friday on or after full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. A. A. Potter; S.W., Bro. W. H. Kirkpatrick; J.W., Bro. J. P. Hansen; Sec., W. Bro. H. A. Williams, P.G.S., P.O. Box 18, Kohukohu.

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

Mangonui, No. 78:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Kaitiaki, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. W. Devine; S.W., Bro. J. Clarke; J.W., Bro. V. R. Earnshaw; Sec., Bro. Fred. H. S. Matthews, P.M., Kaitiaki.

Alpha, No. 81:—Founded 1881, meets at Masonic Hall, Cambridge, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. T. Douce; S.W., Bro. G. H. Ollard; J.W., Bro. H. Vause; Sec., W. Bro. G. H. Wallace, Box 46, Cambridge.

Auckland, No. 87:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Eden Ter., fourth Tuesday each month. Installation May. W.M., W. Bro. A. N. McKeivry; S.W., Bro. E. J. Rea; J.W., Bro. T. Stanley, jun.; Sec., W. Bro. W. S. Williams, 12 Wynyard Rd., Mount Eden.

Waikuku, No. 90:—Founded 1893.

Ohaeawai, No. 101:—Meets Masonic Hall, Ohaeawai, Saturday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. R. S. Cleave; S.W., Bro. J. A. Cook; J.W., Bro. C. S. Foster; Sec., W. Bro. J. Mackereth, Kawa Kawa.

Whangarei, No. 102:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, John St., Whangarei, Monday nearest full moon in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. H. Gillespie; S.W., Bro. A. L. Oakley; J.W., Bro. W. J. M. Dawson; Sec., Bro. A. D. Lambly, Kensington Ed., Whangarei.

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

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

Taupiri, No. 118:—Founded 1900, meets in Masonic Hall, Huntly, Wednesday nearest full moon every month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. F. Harris; S.W., Bro. R. T. Hill; J.W., Bro. G. A. Shaw; Sec., W. Bro. W. A. Joll, P.M., Taupiri.

Waipa, No. 119:—Founded 25th Sept., 1901; meets Masonic Hall, Te Awamutu, every Friday of full moon (or nearest Friday after), 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., W. Bro. A. Young; S.W., Bro. L. G. Armstrong; J.W., Bro. J. G. B. Gifford; Sec., Bro. C. G. Downes, Box 35, Te Awamutu.

Hobson, No. 120:—Founded 1901, meets Masonic Hall, Aratapu, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation 29th Jan. W.M., Bro. J. H. McCarrroll; S.W., Bro. D. E. Fraser; J.W., Bro. A. Clark; Sec., W. Bro. J. J. Jackson, sen., Te Kopuru.

Tauranga, No. 125:—Founded 1902, meets at Lodgeroom, First Avenue, Tauranga, third Thursday in each month, 7.30 p.m. prompt. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. W. E. Crump; S.W., Bro. B. P. Andrews; J.W., Bro. M. Ashton; Sec., Bro. W. H. Gifford, Tauranga.

Hikurangi, No. 140.

Rotorua, No. 153:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Fenton St., Rotorua, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., W. Bro. W. T. Pakes; S.W., Bro. J. F. Raeve; J.W., Bro. F. H. Barnard; Sec., Bro. W. Montgomery, P.O. Box 2, Whakarewarewa.

Piako, No. 160:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Morrinsville, Wednesday on or after full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Mar. W.M., Bro. R. J. McCausland; S.W., Bro. F. A. Pickett; J.W., Bro. C. B. Sims; Sec., Bro. J. W. Clark.

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

Karioti, No. 165 (Raglan).

Tawhiri, No. 166:—Founded Nov., 1909; meets at Frankton Tuesday after full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., W. Bro. C. N. Flyger; S.W., Bro. F. Truman; J.W., Bro. A. C. Dimmock; Sec., W. Bro. A. G. Sandford, Supply Stores, Frankton Junction.

United Masters', No. 167 (Auckland).

Maungahao, No. 168:—Founded 1909, meets Lodgeroom, Woodside Rd., Mt. Eden, third Thursday in month. Installation Nov. W.M., W. Bro. D. Smith; S.W., Bro. F. R. Trevithick; J.W., Bro. W. Stenson; Sec., W. Bro. D. B. Wallace, Masonic Club, Auckland.

Nau Mai, No. 177:—Founded 1910, meets Lodgeroom, Hakiaha St., Taumarunui, first Wednesday in month. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. J. I. Moufries; S.W., Bro. R. Beecher; J.W., Bro. W. Wilson; Sec., Bro. E. T. Hughes, P.M., P.O. Box 4, Taumarunui.

Maraden, No. 169 (Maungaturoto).

Waitakeri, No. 170 (Henderson).

Waipu, No. 179.

Onewa, No. 182 (Northcote).

Te Marama, No. 186:—Founded 1911, meets Masonic Temple, Ngaruawahia, Monday nearest full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., W. Bro. P. C. Gould; S.W., Bro. H. M. Thorpe; J.W., Bro. B. H. Todd; Sec., Bro. R. E. Bell, Box 63, Ngaruawahia.

Tirau, No. 193:—Founded 20th March, 1913; meets Masonic Hall, Tirau, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. J. Tong; S.W., Bro. R. G. Southby; J.W., Bro. R. Carruth; Sec., W. Bro. F. Shannon, Box 11, Tirau.

Whakatane, No. 198:—Founded 1914, meets Masonic Hall, Whakatane, Thursday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. J. Peebles; S.W., Bro. J. Franklin; J.W., Bro. A. Read; Sec., Bro. A. Jackson, Taneatua, Bay of Plenty.

Takapuna, No. 202.

Pono, No. 203:—Meets Masonic Hall, Hokianga Rd., Dargaville, Wednesday after full moon. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. J. C. Griffiths; S.W., Bro. D. L. Ross; J.W., Bro. H. C. Searle; Sec., W. Bro. S. L. Spanhake, Dargaville.

Tihrangi, No. 204:—Meets in St. Jude's Hall, Avondale, second Tuesday in each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. J. H. Hillies; S.W., Bro. A. Morgan; J.W., Bro. J. Von Sturmer, P.M.; Sec., Bro. A. J. Morrish, Avondale.

Maniapoto, No. 206:—Founded 1916, meets Lodgeroom, Otorohanga, Tuesday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. J. Heerdegen; S.W., Bro. J. A. Ormsby; J.W., Bro. C. H. Lord; Sec., Bro. H. G. Corbett.

Ruawai, No. 207 (Ruawai).

Irish Constitution.

Ara, No. 348, L.C.:—Founded 6th Sept., 1842, meets Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, first Monday in month (Jan. excepted), 7.30 p.m. Installation 24th June (St. John's Day), high noon. W.M., W. Bro. W. G. Fletcher; S.W., Bro. J. E. Morten; J.W., Bro. E. Ashby; Sec., W. Bro. R. J. Lusher, P.M., 2 Market Rd., Remuera.

PROVINCE OF HAWKES BAY: 10 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. R. S. Chadwick, Prov.G.M.)

Scinde, No. 5:—Founded 1858, meets Masonic Hall, Tennyson St., Napier, third Tuesday in month. Installation Wednesday following third Tuesday in June. W.M., Bro. A. J. Turville; S.W., Bro. R. C. E. Harris; J.W., Bro. J. Merling; Sec., W. Bro. L. Freedman, P.G.D., P.O. Box 109, Napier.

Victoria, No. 21:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Munroe Street, Napier, first Tuesday in month (except January), 7.30 p.m. Installation first Wednesday in June. W.M., Bro. H. Bates; S.W., Bro. H. Funke; J.W., Bro. H. Hill; Sec., Bro. J. Sinclair.

Bedford, No. 25:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Waipukurau, first Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Apr. W.M., Bro. H. Hobson; S.W., Bro. G. F. Gay; J.W., Bro. J. H. Wilkins; Sec., Bro. John Warren, Wallace Road, Waipukurau.

Abercorn, No. 30:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Waipawa, third Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in March. W.M., Bro. J. Milburn; S.W., Bro. E. E. Bott; J.W., Bro. W. V. Verran; Sec., Bro. S. W. Strang, P.O. Box 33, Waipawa.

Rawhiti, No. 66:—Founded 1890, meets Freemasons' Hall, High St., Dannevirke, third Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. Dobson; S.W., Bro. G. H. Harris; J.W., Bro. W. Beedie; Sec., Bro. C. T. Brown, P.O. Box 145, Dannevirke.

Heretaunga, No. 78:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Hastings, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in July. W.M., Bro. R. W. Jones; S.W., Bro. W. R. Wright; J.W., Bro. J. R. Foot; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, J.G.W., 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. J. Elder; S.W., Bro. R. A. Oldwood; J.W., Bro. Rev. R. Gardner; Sec., W. Bro. A. Stevenson, School, Woodville.

Lion, No. 114:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Ormondville, Monday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. L. Wright; S.W., Bro. W. Chadwick; J.W., Bro. W. Gunning; Sec., 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 first Tuesday in December. 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 Aug. W.M., Bro. W. Hobson; S.W., Bro. R. B. May; J.W., Bro. J. W. Thompson; 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. F. G. Davies; J.W., Bro. W. C. Glenn; Sec., Bro. J. J. Holtham, P.M.

Hawera, No. 34:—Founded 1880, meets in Temple, Union St., Hawera, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. Colin Brown; S.W., Bro. J. L. Martin; J.W., Bro. W. S. Gibson; Sec., Bro. A. R. Thompson, P.M., Morrissey St., Hawera.

Ngamotu, No. 48:—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Robe St., New Plymouth, fourth Wednesday in month (except Dec., second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. E. Bary; S.W., Bro. R. J. Pentecost; J.W., Bro. A. C. St. Paul; Sec., Bro. R. N. Renaud, P.M., Dawson St., New Plymouth.

Stratford, No. 75:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Stratford, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. M. Peattie; S.W., Bro. E. A. Drake; J.W., Bro. H. E. Lawrence; Sec., Bro. J. McAllister, P.M., P.O. Box 108, Stratford.

St. John's No. 95:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Eltham, third Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. W. Harrison; S.W., Bro. C. B. Martin; J.W., Bro. C. T. Koefoed; Sec., Bro. N. E. Drayton, P.O. Box 19, Eltham.

Moa, No. 110:—Founded 1896, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, second Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. Johnston; S.W., Bro. G. H. Hutton; J.W., Bro. J. Sutherland; Sec., Bro. E. E. Olson, Inglewood.

Ikaroa, No. 115:—Founded 1898, meets Lodge-room, Opunake, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. G. Hammond; S.W., Bro. D. Penny; J.W., Bro. A. F. Neilson; Sec., Bro. G. W. Rogers, P.M., P.O. Box 19.

Kaponga, No. 208:—Founded 1918; meets at Parish Hall, Kaponga, fourth Monday in each month. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. A. H. Guy; S.W., Bro. W. B. Feuron; J.W., Bro. G. A. Lyall; Sec., Bro. H. Priestley, P.M., Box 46, Kaponga.

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 Oct. W.M., Bro. L. R. McKelvie; S.W., Bro. A. K. Drew; J.W., Bro. G. Wilson; Sec., Bro. T. King, P.M., P.O. Box 5, Bulls.

Felding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets Masonic Temple, Felding, second Monday in month. Installation July. W.M., Bro. W. W. Andrews; S.W., Bro. A. J. Geary; J.W., Bro. J. S. Tingey; Sec., Bro. G. W. Shrimpton, P.O. Box 114, Felding.

Manawatu Kil, No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Church St., Palmerston N., second Thursday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. E. B. Holhen; S.W., Bro. E. R. G. Tucker; J.W., Bro. E. V. West; Sec., Bro. C. S. Rush, P.M., Box 92, Palmerston N.

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

Rangitira, No. 71:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Hunterville, Rangitikei, Friday on or before full moon. Installation Mar. W.M., Bro. R. Dukeson; S.W., Bro. C. R. Deaz; J.W., Bro. A. Livingston; Sec., Bro. R. A. Campbell, P.M.

St. Andrew Kil, No. 79:—Founded 1866, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday in month (excepting Dec., first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. J. McFarlane; S.W., Bro. F. Evans; J.W., Bro. I. Stephenson; Sec., Bro. L. Craig, P.M., P.O. Box 296, Wanganui.

Kimbolton, No. 123:—Founded 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Kimbolton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. L. J. Verry; S.W., Bro. F. S. Savage; J.W., Bro. R. W. Southce; Sec., Bro. W. Bro. W. Hansen, Kimbolton.

Ruapehu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, meets Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. A. J. Dixon; S.W., Bro. R. A. Upchurch; J.W., Bro. J. S. McDonald; 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. S. E. Cowley; S.W., Bro. W. Renton; J.W., Bro. J. Barr; Sec., Bro. A. E. Wainwright, Box 7, Foxton.

Otaihape, No. 142:—Founded 18th Dec., 1905; meets in Masonic Hall, Taihape, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.45 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. B. A. Fraser; S.W., Bro. L. B. H. de Lantour; J.W., Bro. P. E. Wakeman; Sec., Bro. H. Mercer.

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday before full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. G. Baylis; S.W., Bro. H. B. Thompson; J.W., Bro. E. Gardner; Sec., Bro. R. M. Matheson, P.M., Rongotea.

Huia, No. 171:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Church St. E., Palmerston N., first Thursday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. N. D. Stubbs; S.W., Bro. J. B. Lauchlan; J.W., Bro. J. Y. Oliver; 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 Oct. W.M., Bro. J. C. Goodger; S.W., Bro. A. C. Drury; J.W., Bro. T. McArthur; Sec., Bro. A. W. Ashwell, P.O. Box 92, Raetihi.

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

Moutoa, No. 195:—Constituted 24th April, 1913, meets Masonic Hall, Gonville, fourth Thursday in month (excepting Dec., third Thursday). Installation fourth Thursday in April. W.M., Bro. F. Bourne; S.W., Bro. J. E. Arnold; J.W., Bro. E. Runnerstrum; Sec., Bro. N. P. Svenson, P.M., 139 Victoria Avenue, Wanganui.

Ngauruhoe, No. 205:—Constituted 25th May, 1916, meets Masonic Hall, Mire St., Ohakune, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. M. Vance; S.W., Bro. Dr. W. J. Feltham; J.W., Bro. W. J. Trask; Sec., Bro. T. P. Firman, P.M., Box 6, 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 Dec. Installation Mar. W.M., Bro. J. H. Hutchings; S.W., Bro. G. W. A. Clark; J.W., Bro. P. C. Connell; Sec., Bro. J. H. Worboys, P.M., Kilbirnie.

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1866, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, second Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. F. H. Mather; S.W., Bro. W. Berry; J.W., Bro. T. R. Wallace; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., P.O. Box 811, Wellington.

Masterton, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets Masonic Hall, Bannister St., Masterton, second Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation third Thursday in May. W.M., Bro. C. W. Perrin; S.W., Bro. S. D. Pearce; J.W., Bro. S. H. Conder; Sec., V.W. Bro. F. J. Hunn, P.G.D. of C., P.O. Box 31, Masterton.

St. Andrew, No. 82:—Founded 1879, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, third Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. R. Hutcheson; S.W., Bro. A. Greening; J.W., Bro. G. Lawrence; Sec., 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 Oct. W.M., Bro. M. H. Kendall; S.W., Bro. G. Campbell; J.W., Bro. H. W. Lacey; Acting Sec., Bro. J. W. Holland, Telegraph Office, Featherston.

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. D. Parnell; Sec., Bro. W. A. Baudinet, P.M., P.O. Box 228. "Copper" collection each meeting for for W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

St. Mark, No. 53:—Founded 1884, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation April (St. Mark's Day). W.M., Bro. J. J. Knox-Smith; S.W., Bro. A. J. Lindop; J.W., Bro. R. Smith; Sec., Bro. A. Phillipotts, Box 7, Carterton.

Ulster, No. 62:—Founded 1888, meets Masonic Hall, Petone, third Wednesday in month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. Y. G. Carver; S.W., Bro. D. M. Armstrong; J.W., Bro. R. A. Scott; Sec., Bro. T. Mather, 9 Stilling St., Lower Hutt.

Tararua, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Pahiatua, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. A. A. Vaughan; S.W., Bro. F. Burrell, J.W., Bro. G. D. H. Smith; Sec., Bro. Geo. Moore, P.M.

Otaki, No. 72:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Otaki, Wednesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. (Sept. meeting Tuesday). Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. J. H. Windley; S.W., Bro. A. G. Williams; J.W., Bro. L. St. George; Sec., Bro. H. Freeman, P.M., Box 3, Railway Station, Otaki.

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. W. A. Hutton; S.W., Bro. C. J. Polson; J.W., Bro. F. V. Kempton; 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. W. Duff; S.W., Bro. W. Crocker; J.W., Bro. H. E. Greathead; Sec., Bro. W. P. Carter, Box 16, Eketahuna.

Hinemoa, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington S., second Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. G. Jones; S.W., Bro. S. L. Russell; J.W., Bro. P. Reid; Sec., Bro. S. T. S. Martin, P.M., 11 Millward St., Wellington S.

Coronation, No. 127:—Founded 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Johnsonville, Saturday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. W. S. Radcliffe; S.W., Bro. F. A. Jacobsen; J.W., Bro. V. A. Mills; Sec., Bro. A. W. Robertson, Box 4, Johnsonville.

Brooklyn, No. 132:—Founded October, 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, first Wednesday in month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Barras; S.W., Bro. W. G. Faulkner; J.W., Bro. W. Parkin; Sec., Bro. M. W. Thew, P.M.

Horowhenua, No. 135:—Founded 1906, meets Druids' Hall, Levin, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Wednesday nearest in Sept. W.M., Bro. R. G. Wall; S.W., Bro. J. F. Young; J.W., Bro. J. Whitaker, P.M.; Sec., Bro. J. Bagrie, P.M., Box 8, Levin.

Puketoi, No. 149:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Pongaroa, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. G. H. Gillam; S.W., Bro. E. W. Clemens; J.W., Bro. C. R. Burling; Sec., Bro. J. T. Steel.

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

Tutanekai, No. 155:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Adelaide Rd., Berhampore, first Thursday in month (except Jan., when Lodge meets second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. C. W. Martin; S.W., Bro. G. W. Key; J.W., Bro. F. J. Reid; Sec., Bro. Major T. McCristell.

Waikohu, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Huiia St., Lower Hutt, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. Carver; S.W., Bro. J. R. Purdy; J.W., Bro. J. W. F. McDougall; Sec., Bro. Henry Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.

Otari, No. 190.—Founded 1912, meets Freemasons' Hall, Ngalo, second Tuesday in month. Installation July. W.M., Bro. W. A. Tanner; S.W., Bro. J. Craig; J.W., Bro. H. E. Anderson; Sec., Bro. W. B. Meek, P.M., Te Kainga, Khandallah.

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. W. H. Jones; S.W., Bro. H. H. Seaton; J.W., Bro. C. W. Neilsen; Sec., Bro. A. Schmidt, 2 Corunna Avenue. (*Open to visiting M.Ms.)

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201.—Founded 1914, meets Masonic Hall, Seaton, second Saturday each month, 7 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. T. S. Robertson; S.W., Bro. G. F. Browne; J.W., Bro. C. E. Bennett; Sec., Bro. T. O. Fox, P.M., Miramar.

SOUTH ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON: 8 LODGES.

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

Victory, No. 40.—Founded 1851, meets Freemasons' Hall, Collingwood St., Nelson, second Thursday in month (except May, fourth Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. L. Reynolds; S.W., Bro. A. G. Shrimpton; J.W., Bro. H. H. Edwards; Sec., R.W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, Box 105, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42.—Founded 1851 (formerly 669, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890), meets Masonic Hall, Andrew St., Blenheim, last Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. T. E. Cleator; S.W., Bro. A. E. Jellyman; J.W., Bro. W. R. Mackintosh; Sec., Bro. W. C. Lucas, Redwood St., Blenheim.

Havelock, No. 104.—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Havelock, Saturday before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. J. Roche; S.W., Bro. L. S. Humphries; J.W., Bro. J. B. Torrance; Sec., Bro. A. E. Barrowclough, Havelock.

Marlborough Unanimity, No. 106.—Founded 1860 (formerly 1236, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1895, meets Masonic Hall, Charles St., Blenheim, second Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. W. M. Lambie; S.W., Bro. W. G. Rudd; J.W., Bro. T. Halligan; Sec., Bro. F. W. Smith, P.M., Box 161, Blenheim.

Waitohi, No. 111.—Meets in Masonic Hall, Pison, last Friday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. T. Allport; S.W., Bro. E. J. Hazelwood; J.W., Bro. T. Myles; Sec., Bro. T. W. Bragge, P.M.

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

Motueka, No. 117.—Founded 1900, meets Lodgeroom, Motueka, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. Nicholson; S.W., Bro. C. Knapp; J.W., Bro. J. M. Thompson; 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 Oct. W.M., Bro. J. W. McKinna; S.W., Bro. R. J. Walker; J.W., Bro. W. D. Lash; Sec., Bro. H. J. Skilton.

PROVINCE OF WESTLAND: 12 LODGES.

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

Robert Burns, No. 50.—Founded 1853, meets Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly St., Reefton, third Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation 25th Jan. W.M., Bro. W. H. Nicholas, P.M.; S.W., Bro. D. Panckhurst; J.W., Bro. C. Mori; 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 Jan. W.M., Bro. P. Dafforn; S.W., Bro. J. S. Nimmo; J.W., Bro. A. J. Gutherlet; Sec., Bro. J. Watson, Brunerton.

Kumara, No. 65.—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon St., Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. E. Wade; S.W., Bro. R. J. Burrell; J.W., Bro. J. Hurren, P.M.; Acting-Sec., Bro. S. G. Peters, 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. Geo. Veale; S.W., Bro. R. F. Ward; J.W., Bro. A. A. Rowe; Sec., Bro. W. E. Richards, P.M., P.O. Box 79, Hokitika.

Aorangi, No. 89.—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Denniston, first Wednesday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. T. Murphy; S.W., Bro. F. J. Browning; J.W., Bro. W. Forsyth; 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 Dec. W.M., Bro. P. Hunter; S.W., Bro. T. Quinn; J.W., Bro. W. E. Mosley; Sec., Bro. C. M. Johnston, Mokihinui.

Torea, No. 121.—Founded 1900, meets Masonic Hall, Granby, third Saturday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. T. Worthington; S.W., Bro. J. Kerr; J.W., Bro. W. Richardson; Sec., Bro. W. T. Tegurtha.

Mawhera, No. 136.—Founded 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Tainui St., Greymouth, second Thursday in month. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. E. Warnes; S.W., Bro. G. A. Heinz; J.W., Bro. W. P. Hambleton; 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. E. L. S. H. Skelton; S.W., Bro. W. A. Tulloch; J.W., Bro. R. Brown; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, P.M., 187 Queen Street, Westport.

Runanga, No. 159.—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Seddon St., Runanga, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. Isaac Powell; S.W., Bro. S. Finch; J.W., Bro. D. McIvor; Sec., Bro. J. Rowse, P.M., Walker Street, Runanga.

Wairoa, No. 173.—Founded 1910, meets in the Oddfellows' Hall, Hilton St., Blackball, Tuesday nearest full moon. Installation 28th June. W.M., Bro. H. L. Neilson; S.W., Bro. J. Sinclair; J.W., Bro. E. Dumpleton; Sec., Bro. T. Sneddon.

Connaught, No. 187 (Karamea).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 38 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Prov.G.M.)

Unanimity, No. 3.—Founded Oct., 1851, meets in Masonic Hall, Sumner Road, Lyttelton, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. C. H. Smith; S.W., Bro. F. H. Law; J.W., Bro. G. E. Owen; Sec., Bro. D. E. Collett, P.O. Box 34, Lyttelton.

St. Augustine, No. 4.—Founded 1852, meets Masonic Hall, Christchurch, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. H. Duff; S.W., Bro. A. E. Smith; J.W., Bro. J. Baxter; Sec., Bro. 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 Dec. W.M., Bro. Thos. Hoskin; S.W., Bro. J. E. Monk; J.W., Bro. L. C. B. Fuldseth; 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. J. T. Collins; S.W., Bro. J. T. Hunt; J.W., Bro. R. R. Randle; Sec., Bro. J. Simpson, 136 North St., Timaru.

Progress, No. 22.—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Southbridge, Tuesday on or before full moon each month, 8 p.m. Installation regular night in Dec. W.M., Bro. J. S. McClelland; S.W., Bro. E. F. Chapman; J.W., Bro. W. C. Hickman; Sec., Bro. J. W. A. Walker, D.H. School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil., No. 23.—Founded 2nd Nov., 1875; meets Masonic Hall, Canterbury St., Lyttelton, third Thursday in each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. J. N. Carson; S.W., Bro. E. W. Brown; J.W., Bro. H. H. J. Barnard; Sec., Bro. G. Rutherford, Winchester St., Lyttelton.

Geraldine, No. 27.—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. A. Reddie; S.W., Bro. G. R. Knibb; J.W., Bro. J. P. Cliff; 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 Mar. W.M., Bro. H. Farrelly; S.W., Bro. W. Mackenzie; J.W., Bro. H. A. Archdall; Sec., Bro. D. R. Blake, Box 12, Rangiora.

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

South Rakaiia, No. 31.—Founded 1879.

Lincoln, No. 33.—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, first Tuesday in month. No meeting in January. Installation October. W.M., Bro. W. L. Morgan; S.W., Bro. R. G. Forbes; J.W., Bro. T. Vogan; Sec., Bro. A. Cookson, P.M., Box 24, Lincoln.

Concord, No. 39.—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Hall, Papanui, fourth Wednesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. W. Beanland; S.W., Bro. G. F. Drury; J.W., Bro. J. M. Gow; Sec., Bro. T. H. North, P.M., 34 Alkman's Road, Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43.—Meets second Friday in month in Masonic Hall, Jolie St., Akaroa, 7.30 p.m. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. T. E. McKenzie; S.W., Bro. W. E. M. Jacobson; J.W., Bro. C. Stewart; Sec., Bro. W. Bro. Rev. A. H. Julius, G.C., the Vicarage, Akaroa.

Metaven, No. 51.—Meets Masonic Hall, Methven, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. Maginness; S.W., Bro. S. Smith; J.W., Bro. J. Osborne; Sec., Bro. H. H. Pawson, Box 31, Methven.

Kaikoura, No. 60.—Meets Thursday on or before full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. H. J. Stanlake; S.W., Bro. A. S. Robinson; J.W., Bro. J. H. Walter; Sec., Bro. R. Gibson, West End, Kaikoura.

Christchurch, No. 91.—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Christchurch, fourth Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. W. T. Dolz; S.W., Bro. W. L. N. Newth; J.W., Bro. T. C. Hill; Sec., V.W. 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 Oct. W.M., Bro. S. Harper; S.W., Bro. A. Cooper; J.W., Bro. A. Price; Sec., Bro. J. H. Southwick, Fairlie.

St. Augustine, No. 99.—Established 1875, meets Lodgeroom, Leonard St., Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. C. E. Manchester; S.W., Bro. R. Creever; J.W., Bro. W. E. Evans; 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 Nov. W.M., Bro. W. E. Hetrick; S.W., Bro. Wm. Christmas; J.W., Bro. A. T. Smith; Sec., Bro. C. Campbell, P.M., P.O. Box 6, Ashburton.

Cheviot, No. 124.

M. and P.M., No. 130 (Christchurch).
Mairaki, No. 131.—Founded 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Cust, third Friday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. Colin McIntosh; S.W., Bro. F. E. Fairweather; J.W., Bro. H. Tallott; Sec., Bro. E. W. Cooper, P.M.

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

Crown, No. 133 (Christchurch).
Robert Burns, No. 139.—Founded 1877; meets Masonic Temple, Gloucester St., Christchurch, third Tuesday in month, except Dec., 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. G. A. Blackmore; S.W., Bro. W. E. Rogers; J.W., Bro. T. McRae; Sec., Bro. R. W. S. Eastwood, 39 Coronation St., Woolston.

Waihora, No. 141.—Founded 1905, meets Oddfellows' Hall, Leeston, second Thursday in each month, 8 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. E. H. Jecks; S.W., Bro. W. O. Rennie; J.W., Bro. D. Volkman; Sec., Bro. 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).

Ahurua, No. 181.—Founded 1911, meets Schoolroom, Dunsandel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. C. H. Chapman; S.W., Bro. F. E. Owers; J.W., Bro. J. H. Williams; Sec., Bro. F. Lill, P.M., Box 1, Dunsandel.

Amuri, No. 184 (Culverden).

Avon, No. 185.—Meets Masonic Hall, Christchurch, first Thursday in month. Installation September. W.M., Bro. S. K. Bassett; S.W., Bro. B. Falck; J.W., Bro. J. W. Hillary; Sec., Bro. O. W. B. Anderson, P.O. Box 567, Christchurch.

Tawera, No. 188 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 196.—Founded 1913, meets Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, third Monday in month (except Dec. and Jan.). Installation Apr. W.M., Bro. F. Stowell; S.W., Bro. S. L. Freeman; J.W., Bro. D. A. Morgan; Sec., Bro. J. C. Moore, Hassall St.

Koranga, No. 197.—Founded 1913, meets Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, fourth Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., W. Bro. J. Moves; S.W., Bro. W. G. Cooper; J.W., Bro. G. Murdoch; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Souter, Box 160, Timaru.

Erehon, No. 200.—Consecrated 20th August, 1914; meets Masonic Hall, Mt. Somers, Friday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. F. W. Rudenklau; S.W., Bro. W. J. Carleton; J.W., Bro. W. J. Robertson; Sec., Bro. E. C. Wood, Mt. Somers.

Acacia, No. 209 (Waikari).

Ionic, No. 211.—W.M., Bro. J. E. Dunstan; S.W., Bro. O. W. B. Anderson; J.W., Bro. E. A. Rose; Sec., Bro. E. R. Caygill, 183 Cashel St., Christchurch.

Eirene, No. 212 (Little River).

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 Oct. W.M., V.W. Bro. Rev. H. O. Fenton; S.W., Bro. J. McCormack; J.W., Bro. E. J. Thomson; Sec., Bro. H. E. Barth, P.O. Box 362, Dunedin.

Waikaki, No. 11.—Founded 1869, meets Masonic Hall, Wansbeck St., Oamaru, second Wednesday in month, 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 Monday in month, 8 p.m. Installation Sept. W.M., Bro. T. G. Dent; S.W., Bro. G. M. Henderson; J.W., Bro. Robt. Henderson; Sec., W. Bro. W. G. Finn, P.M., Renfrew St., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 26.—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston St., Friday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. J. Moodie; S.W., Bro. W. C. Arkle; J.W., Bro. R. Cameron; Sec., Bro. G. B. Smith, jun., P.M., P.O. Box 24, Palmerston, Otago.

Hercules, No. 35.—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Tapanui, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. C. Dale; S.W., Bro. G. A. Fowler; J.W., Bro. J. Clouston; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Nicholson, Tapanui.

Hiram, No. 46.—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Cargill Rd., South Dunedin, fourth Tuesday in every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. H. Turley; S.W., Bro. J. McNaughton; J.W., Bro. G. G. Cardno; Sec., Bro. W. Homan, Surrey St., South Dunedin.

Ngapara, No. 68.—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Ngapara, Oamaru, Monday on or preceding full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. J. Taylor; S.W., Bro. A. Murray; J.W., Bro. G. Pringle; Sec., Bro. H. Webber, P.M., Ngapara.

Oamaru Kil., No. 82.—Founded 1872, meets in Masonic Hall, Oamaru, third Wednesday in each month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. Brown; S.W., Bro. J. McLaren; J.W., Bro. G. Pottick; Sec., Bro. J. M. Brown, P.M., Thames St., Oamaru.

St. Thomas Kil., No. 83 (originally No. 659, S.C.).—Meets in Masonic Hall, Kaitangata, every fourth Wednesday from 25th June, 1919. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. Oliver; S.W., Bro. J. Richardson; J.W., Bro. L. L. Grimshaw; Sec., W. Bro. W. D. Paterson, P.M.

St. John, No. 84.—Constituted E.C., 1885; joined N.Z.C., 1893; meets second Thursday in each month in Oddfellows' Hall, Gordon Road, Mosgiel, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., W. Bro. C. Findlay; S.W., Bro. C. H. Leith; J.W., Bro. J. Mitchell; Sec., Bro. J. Williamson, P.O. Box 23, Mosgiel.

Mount Ida, No. 97.—Founded 1868 (originally No. 1262, E.C.), meets Masonic Hall, Naseby, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. E. Carey; S.W., Bro. T. C. Hore; J.W., Bro. S. McFerran; Sec., Bro. A. E. Inder, P.M., P.O. Box 20, Naseby.

Cromwell Kil., No. 98.—Founded 1873 (originally No. 535, S.C.), meets Masonic Hall, Cromwell, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. R. A. Shore; S.W., Bro. F. W. Partridge; J.W., Bro. D. C. Jolly; 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 Feb. W.M., Bro. D. C. McInnes; S.W., Bro. R. Bringans; J.W., Bro. H. E. Stevens; Sec., W. Bro. J. E. Menzies, Council Office, Clyde.

Maori, No. 105.—Meets Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Mar. W.M., Bro. T. H. Hartridge; S.W., Bro. D. McPhail; J.W., Bro. J. Baird; Sec., W. Bro. E. Tomkinson, P.M., Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Manuherikia Kil., No. 109.—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Alexandra, Friday on or nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. T. Adams; S.W., Bro. J. W. Theyers; J.W., Bro. L. Churchill; Sec., Bro. J. B. Arnott, P.M., P.O. Box 51, Alexandra.

St. Bathans, No. 126.—Founded 11th Nov., 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Becks, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. Olaf Moen; S.W., Bro. Jno. Owen; J.W., Bro. Jas. Clouston; Sec., W. Bro. Thos. H. Mee.

Otago Kil., No. 143.—Meets Masonic Hall, Moray Pl., Dunedin, first Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Dec. W.M., Bro. Alex. McLachlan; S.W., Bro. J. E. Gallie; J.W., Bro. R. Clark; Sec., R.W. 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., Bro. J. George; S.W., Bro. L. Faigan; J.W., Bro. W. H. Williamson; Sec. pro tem., Bro. H. Henderson, P.O. Box 43, Roxburgh.

Oceanic, No. 154.—Meets in St. Kilda Masonic Hall, Dunedin, third Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. H. F. Harris; S.W., Bro. M. J. Pierce; J.W., Bro. W. H. Riddell; 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. R. Bennett; S.W., Bro. R. Johnson; J.W., Bro. G. Winter; Sec., W. Bro. C. F. J. Bell, P.M., 600 Castle St., 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 Sept. W.M., Bro. J. Pringle; S.W., Bro. G. P. Martin; J.W., Bro. F. W. G. Quaife; Sec., Bro. W. W. Mercer, Kurow.

Owaka, No. 180.—Founded 1911, meets Masonic Hall, Owaka, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Mar. W.M., Bro. R. McG. Laverty; S.W., Bro. R. Barr; J.W., Bro. G. W. Geddes; Sec., Bro. W. K. Hayward, Box 13, Owaka.

Clinton, No. 183.—Founded 1911, meets Oddfellows' Hall, Clinton, Thursday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. Wm. Brown; S.W., Bro. R. Shepherd; J.W., Bro. R. McIndoe; 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, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. W. T. Smellie; S.W., Bro. R. Benfell; J.W., Bro. A. R. Harrison; Sec., W. Bro. S. F. Bridgeman, P.M., Green Island.

Morning Star, No. 192 (Morrington).

Strath-Taieri, No. 199 (Middlemarch, Otago Central).

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 18 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt, Prov.G.M.)

Southern Cross, No. 9.—Founded 1864, meets Masonic Hall, Forth St., Invercargill, first Friday in month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. L. L. Padget; S.W., Bro. H. J. Farrant; J.W., Bro. B. J. Grancefield; Sec., W. Bro. C. H. Roberts, Box 214, Invercargill.

Harvey, No. 49.—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. T. J. Sherborne, jun.; S.W., Bro. R. P. Boyne; J.W., Bro. W. Kirker; Sec., W. Bro. D. D. Steadman, East Gore.

Mokoreta, No. 63.—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Temple, Wyndham, third Thursday every month, 8 p.m. Installation fourth Wednesday in Sept. W.M., Bro. W. A. Allison, jun.; S.W., Bro. R. Richardson; J.W., Bro. L. C. MacRae; Sec., Bro. S. Rice, P.O. Box 27, 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. Harbord; S.W., Bro. J. C. Inlay, P.M.; J.W., Bro. J. G. Jory; 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 Aug. W.M., Bro. S. L. McNeil; S.W., Bro. D. M. Tweedie; J.W., Bro. E. B. Patrick; 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 Feb. W.M., Bro. D. R. Barron; S.W., Bro. Geo. Dudley, P.M.; J.W., Bro. S. George; Sec., Bro. G. H. Romans, P.M., Box 15, Arrowtown.

St. John, No. 94.—Meets at Masonic Hall, Invercargill, third Friday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. Manson; S.W., Bro. R. Hyslop; J.W., Bro. J. R. Fraser; Sec., Bro. Evan Lyon, P.O. Box 285, Invercargill.

Taringatura, No. 100.—Founded 1857.—Meets Masonic Hall, Lumsden, Monday on or before full moon. Installation third Wednesday in Nov. W.M., W. Bro. S. E. Griffiths; S.W., Bro. G. Findlay; J.W., Bro. D. F. McLeod; Sec., Bro. R. N. Wilson, Box 4, Lumsden.

Winton, No. 108.—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Park St., Winton, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. Rev. C. E. P. Webb; S.W., Bro. H. Liddell; J.W., Bro. T. King; Sec., W. Bro. T. Walker, Box 7 Winton.

Wallace, No. 129.—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, Otautau, third Friday in month, 7.30 p.m. Instruction meetings every Friday. Installation Oct. W.M., W. Bro. James Thomson; S.W., Bro. Dougald McPherson; J.W., Bro. Chas. McIntosh; 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. J. H. Sorensen; S.W., Bro. C. L. Pont; J.W., Bro. J. W. McIvor; Sec., Bro. L. F. Clapp, P.M., P.O. Box 7, Orepuki.

Wairaki, No. 145.—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Nightcaps, Friday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Mar. W.M., Bro. A. B. Boyd; S.W., Bro. W. Dixon; J.W., Bro. Rev. E. Bandy; Sec., W. Bro. T. Todd, Nightcaps.

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

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

Mataura, No. 174.—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Mataura, Monday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in July. W.M., Bro. F. W. Brown; S.W., Bro. D. R. Howden; J.W., Bro. D. McK. McDonald; Sec., W. Bro. P. J. De La Mare, P.M., P.O., Mataura.

Wahopai, 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. T. Bird; S.W., Bro. W. Mitchell; J.W., Bro. J. S. Anchor; Sec., Bro. F. Webb.

Tuatapere, No. 210.—Founded 1919, meets in Lodgeroom, Tuatapere, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. G. E. Charlton; S.W., Bro. F. A. Kemp; J.W., Bro. W. Young; Sec., Bro. J. J. Hinchcliff, P.O. Box 17, Tuatapere.

ENGLISH CRAFT LODGES.

Pacific, No. 1453, E.C.—Founded 1873, meets Masonic Hall, Reefton, Tuesday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. C. Tolley; S.W., W. Bro. N. Lawn; J.W., Bro. A. A. Rouse; Sec., Bro. F. Knight, Black's Point, Reefton.

Wellington, No. 1521.—Founded 1874, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, third Wednesday in each month except in Jan., Feb., and March. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. H. G. Rowley; S.W., Bro. E. W. Cardale; J.W., Bro. F. J. Hardwicke; Sec., Bro. J. Courtney Greer, Box 474.

BOARDS OF ENQUIRY.

MARLBOROUGH.—Meets Masonic Hall, Charles St., Blenheim, first Thursday in month. Pres., W. Bro. C. H. Mills; Sec., W. Bro. W. C. Lucas, Redwood 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., K. Bro. H. G. Teagle; Vice-Pres., W. Bro. R. J. Shakes; Sec. and Treas., W. Bro. H. Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.