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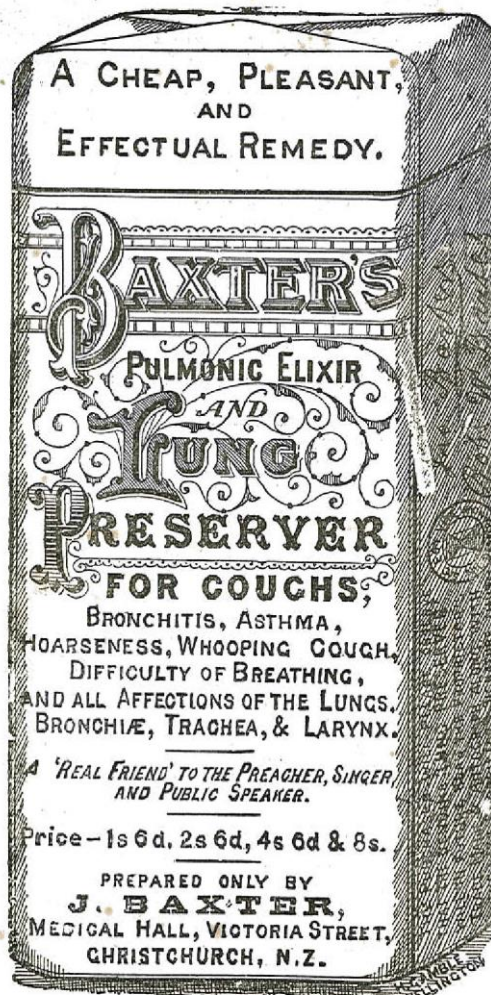
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W M	...	...	Bro W M'GUIRE
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Founded 1865, meets at the Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Waikato, Auckland, on Thursday, on or before full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation, June 24th.

W M	...	...	Bro T J PRINCE
S W	...	...	Bro W F BELL
J W	...	...	Bro [Waikato Times]
Secretary and Treasurer	...	...	Bro G EDGECUMBE, P.M., Pt. G. Pur.

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Founded 1870, meets every month in the Freemasons' Hall, Thames, on the third Tuesday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro C D WAITE
S W	...	...	Bro E C PURDIE
J W	...	...	Bro R R MENZIES [Thames]
Secretary	...	...	Bro ALBERT BRUCE, School of Mines,

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W M	...	...	Bro TILSON SMITH
S W	...	...	Bro W F MASSEY
J W	...	...	Bro B P OLESEN
Secretary	...	...	Bro WM DUNWOODIE, P.M.

ALBION, No. 45.

Founded 1883, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Devonport, Auckland, on the Monday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in April.

W M	...	...	Bro WM HOILE BROWN
S W	...	...	Bro W R GOUDIE
J W	...	...	Bro R L CALDWELL
Secretary	...	...	Bro HARRY FOUNTAIN

TE AROHA, No. 52.

Founded in 1884, meets Tuesday on or before full moon, at the Masonic Hall, Te Aroha. Installation in January.

W M	...	...	Bro F M HEWSON
S W	...	...	Bro T A JOUGHIN
J W	...	...	Bro J J CALDERWOOD
Secretary	...	...	Bro H R BELL, Te Aroha

PONSONBY, No. 54.

Founded in 1884, meets at the Ponsonby Hall, Ponsonby, Auckland, on the first Tuesday in the month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro GEORGE FOWLDS
S W	...	...	Bro V JOHANSEN
J W	...	...	Bro F O MASSEY
Secretary	...	...	Bro R GEDDES, No. 1, Victoria Arcade

WAIROA, No. 55.

Founded in 1884, meets monthly in Masonic Hall, Wairoa South, on the Monday nearest full moon. Installation, December.

W M	...	...	Bro THOMAS PETER FRASER
S W	...	...	Bro CHAS. WM STEPHENS
J W	...	...	Bro SAMUEL WALKER
Secretary	...	...	Bro D CRAWFORD, P.M., Clevedon

PAPAKURA, No. 56.

Founded in 1885, meets in the Masonic Hall, Papakura, on the Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation in January.

W M	...	...	Bro S CLARK
S W	...	...	Bro JAS. WALKER
J W	...	...	Bro H T FRENCH
Secretary	...	...	Bro B M'CURDY, Papakura

FRANKLIN, No. 58.

Founded in 1886, meets in the Masonic Hall, Pukekohe, on Friday before full moon. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro F J OHLSON
S W	...	...	Bro J INGHAM
J W	...	...	Bro W H NICHOLSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro W ABBOTT, P.M., Pukekohe

HOKIANGA, No. 69.

Founded 1891, meets at Masonic Hall, Kohukohu, Friday on or before full moon. Installation, October.

W M	...	...	Bro HOWARD D STEWART
S W	...	...	Bro INGHAM STEPHENS
J W	...	...	Bro LACEY T WILLIAMS
Secretary	...	...	Bro D B WALLACE, P.M.

MANGONUI, No. 78.

Founded in 1892, meets in the Masonic Hall, Mangonui, on the Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro R H MATHEWS
S W	...	...	Bro F MATHEWS
J W	...	...	Bro T SHERMAN
Secretary	...	...	Bro A C BALLANCE

ALPHA, No. 81.

Founded 1883, meets at Masonic Hall, Cambridge, Thursday on or before full moon. Installation in March.

W M	...	...	Bro R C DYER, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro R W SARGENT
J W	...	...	Bro T W HICKS
Secretary	...	...	Bro H W WESTBY

AUCKLAND, No. 87.

Founded 1893, meets at Victoria Hall, New North Road, Auckland, on the fourth Tuesday in each month. Installation in February.

W M	...	...	Bro HY McCULLOCH
S W	...	...	Bro JAS CARLAW
J W	...	...	Bro J ROBINSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro FREDERICK KNIGHT, Parnell.

WAIUKU, No. 90.

Founded 1893, meets at Masonic Hall, Waiuku, on Friday after full moon. Installation, May.

W M	...	...	Bro HENRY DELL
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W M	...	...	Bro J W M'DOUGALL
S W	...	...	Bro J E PROVIS, P.M.
J W	...	...	Bro D A STUBROCK
Secretary	...	...	Bro GEORGE SOUTH

VICTORIA, No. 21.

Founded February 14, 1876, meets second Tuesday in every month, in Masonic Hall, Munroe Street, Napier. Installation December.

W M	...	...	Bro H C A WUNDRAM, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro B N MARTIN
J W	...	...	Bro A H WILSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro G E ELLIOTT

BEDFORD, No. 25.

Founded 1878, meets at the Masonic Hall, Waipukurau, Hawkes Bay, on the first Monday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in June.

W M	...	...	Bro N G DOWNES
S W	...	...	Bro M PRITCHARD
J W	...	...	Bro T B HOBSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro A STUBBS, P.M.

ABERCORN, No. 30.

Founded in 1879, meets at the Masonic Hall, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay, on Wednesday on or before full moon, at 7.30 pm Installation second Wednesday in December

W M	...	...	Bro G W WILLIAMSON
S W	...	...	Bro Wm STORAH
J W	...	...	Bro A E EAMES
Secretary	...	...	Bro JOHN PICKETT, P.M., Waipawa.

RAWHITI, No. 66.

Founded 1890, meets every month in the Town Hall, Danevirke, Hawkes Bay, on the Wednesday on or after full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December

W M	...	...	Bro F C W BIEREE
S W	...	...	Bro H SHANNON
J W	...	...	Bro J H CLAYTON
Secretary	...	...	Bro J C FRASER, Danevirke

HERETAUNGA, No. 73.

Founded in 1878, meets in the Masonic Hall, Hastings, Hawkes Bay, on the Wednesday nearest the full moon, at 7.30 pm Installation in June.

W M	...	...	Bro T MORGAN, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro J HUNT
J W	...	...	Bro W G MARTIN
Secretary	...	...	Bro W BEILBY, P.M.

ABERCORN, No. 76.

Founded 1884, meets first Tuesday in each month at Masonic Hall, Gisborne, at 8 p.m. Installation —

W M	...	...	Bro GILBERT THOMAS BULL
S W	...	...	Bro HERBERT M. PORTER
J W	...	...	Bro PATRICK H. BOURK
Secretary	...	...	Bro JOHN WALLACE, P.M., Gisborne.

RUAHINE, No. 80.

Founded 1886, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Woodville, Hawkes Bay, on the Tuesday before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in June.

W M	...	...	Bro R D KNIGHT
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W M	...	...	Bro J LACHMAN
S W	...	...	Bro H BAILLIE
J W	...	...	Bro REV. J DUMBELL
Secretary	...	...	Bro JAS MACKAY, 13, Adelaide Road, Wellington.

WATERLOO, No. 13.

Founded 1866, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the second Monday at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro GEO WILSON
S W	...	...	Bro GEO MACMORRAN
J W	...	...	Bro J W DAVIS
Secretary	...	...	Bro DAVID GREIG, P.M. Ngahauranga, near Wellington

PATEA KILWINNING, No. 18.

Founded 1873, meets every month in the Lodgeroom, Leicester Street, Patea, on the first Tuesday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation, November 30th.

W M	...	...	Bro W J GIBBONS, P.G. Steward
S W	...	...	Bro W C SYMES
J W	...	...	Bro F COLE
Secretary	...	...	Bro T E HAMERTON, P.M., Box 51.

MASTERTON, No. 19.

Founded 1873, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Bannister Street, Masterton, on the second Wednesday in the month, at 8 p.m. Installation in February.

W M	...	...	Bro C A POWNALL
S W	...	...	Bro F N IBBETSON
J W	...	...	Bro A E CLEMENT CARGILL
Secretary	...	...	Bro WILLIAMSELLAR, P.M., Masterton.

ST. ANDREW, No. 32.

Founded 1879, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the third Monday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro ROBERT FLETCHER
S W	...	...	Bro STEPHEN TOWNSEND
J W	...	...	Bro O NELSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro ANGUS MCKAY, Sydney Street, Wellington.

HAWERA, No. 34.

Founded 1880, meets every month in the Temple, Union Street, Hawera, on the Friday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro WM A NAIRN
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W M	...	...	Bro J T HODDER
S W	...	...	Bro H C SMITH
J W	...	...	Bro A DONALD
Secretary	...	...	Bro the Rev THOS PORRITT, P.M., P.G.C., Featherston

RANGITIKEI, No. 38.

FEILDING, No. 41.

Founded July 29th, 1881, meets at the Foresters' Hall, Bowen Street, Feilding, on the nearest Monday to full moon, at 8 o'clock. Installation in July.

W M	...	...	Bro CHARLES BRAY, jun.
S W	...	...	Bro WILLIAM H HARTGILL
J W	...	...	Bro CHARLES A J LEVETT
Secretary	...	...	Bro THOMAS W K FOSTER, Feilding.

LEINSTER, No. 44.

Founded 1882, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the first Monday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation in July.

W M	...	...	Bro REV W J DEAN
S W	...	...	Bro CAPT JNO FALCONER
J W	...	...	Bro W C FITZGERALD
Secretary	...	...	Bro ARTHUR CLOTHIER, P.M.

MANAWATU KILWINNING, No. 47.

Founded 1883, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Broad Street, Palmerston North, on the Wednesday before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in April.

W M	...	...	Bro JAMES HOCKING
S W	...	...	Bro JOHN RICHARD HARPER
J W	...	...	Bro
Secretary	...	...	Bro F W DUNDERDALE, P.O. Box 84, Palmerston N.

NGAMOTU, No. 48.

Founded in 1883, meets in the Foresters' Hall, Gill Street, New Plymouth, on the third Friday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro C W HENDRY
S W	...	...	Bro T FURLONG
J W	...	...	Bro G H FOOTE
Secretary	...	...	Bro DUNCAN McALLUM, P.M.

ST. MARK, No. 53.

Founded May 1884, meets every month in the Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, on the second Tuesday at 8 p.m. Installation, second Tuesday in May.

W M	...	...	Bro J B BAIRSTOW
S W	...	...	Bro W MOORE
J W	...	...	Bro D G JOHNSTON
Secretary	...	...	Bro W J LINDOP, Carterton.

FOXTON KILWINNING, No. 59.

ULSTER, No. 62.

Founded 1888, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Petone, Wellington, on the third Wednesday, at 8 p.m. Installation, third Wednesday in June.

W M	...	...	Bro J T KING
S W	...	...	Bro J G A CASTLE
J W	...	...	Bro G RENAI
Secretary	...	...	Bro W H BENNETH, Richmond St., Petone

TARARUA, No. 67.

Founded in 1890, meets at the Town Hall, Pahiatua, on Wednesday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro ALEX ROSS
S W	...	...	Bro J McBAIN
J W	...	...	Bro J D WILSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro ALEX BLACK, P.M.

OTANGAKI, No. 70.

Founded 1891, meets at the Masonic Hall, Ashurst, on the Tuesday before full moon in every month. Lodge tyled at 7.30 p.m. Installation in August.

W M	...	...	Bro H TREMEWAN
S W	...	...	Bro JAMES SYMONDS
J W	...	...	Bro J W DULEY
Secretary	...	...	Bro R JAS. SPIERS FREEMAN, Ashurst.

RANGATIRA, No. 71.

Founded 1891, meets in the Argyle Hall, Hunterville, Rangitikei, on the Friday nearest full moon. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro W G THOMPSON
S W	...	...	Bro D ROBB
J W	...	...	Bro W WATT
Secretary	...	...	Bro ALEX H WILSON

OTAKI, No. 72.

Founded 1891, meets in the Oddfellows' Hall, Otaki, on the Friday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro W R FRANKLIN
S W	...	...	Bro F BETHUNE
J W	...	...	Bro F BAILEY
Secretary	...	...	Bro J McCULLOCH, P.M., Otaki.

GREYTOWN, No. 74.

Founded 1877, meets at the Masonic Hall, Greytown North, Wairarapa, Wellington, on the Friday nearest the full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation, June 24th.

W M	...	...	Bro R WARD TATE
S W	...	...	Bro H STRATTON IZARD
J W	...	...	Bro JOHN FABIAN
Secretary	...	...	Bro HENRY J ROCHE, Greytown N.

STRATFORD, No. 75.

Founded 1892, meets in the Masonic Hall, Stratford, Taranaki, on the Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation in March.

W M	...	...	Bro JAMES GORRIE
S W	...	...	Bro GEORGE SMART
J W	...	...	Bro S H JAMES
Secretary	...	...	Bro J W WARREN, Stratford

ST. ANDREW KILWINNING, No. 79.

Founded 3rd February, 1868, meets at Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, on the second Thursday in each month. Installation on or about end of June.

W M	...	...	Bro T DICKSON
S W	...	...	Bro J COUCHMAN
J W	...	...	Bro H NEVEEMAN
Secretary	...	...	Bro J SALEK, P.M., Victoria Avenue, Wanganui

EKETAHUNA, No. 92.

Founded 15th December, 1893, meets every month, in the Masonic Hall, Eketahuna, on the Friday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W.M.	...	...	Bro W CULLEN
S.W.	...	...	Bro H JOHNSON
J.W.	...	...	Bro W B ABBOTT
Secretary	...	...	Bro ANDREW HENDERSON, Eketahuna

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS. NEW ZEALAND.

WAITAKI, No. 13. Founded 1893, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, on the first Friday after full moon in January, March, May, July; September, and November. Installation in September.

M E Z	...	Comp R H CATHCART
Ex H	...	Comp JAS MACDONALD
Ex J	...	Comp N SWINARD
Scribe E	...	Comp A MACKAY
Ex Master	...	THE THIRD PRINCIPAL
Mark Master	...	Comp E W GRAVE
Treasurer	...	Comp SAMUEL POCKLINGTON

SOUTHERN CROSS, No. , Late No. 997, E.C. Chapter meets fourth Friday each month at the Masonic Hall, Invercargill.

M E Z	...	Comp D McFARLAND
Ex H	...	Comp W SMITH
Ex J	...	Comp D McDUGAL
Scribe E	...	Comp T A PATCHETT
Scribe N	...	JNO JAS ATKINSON

WATERLOO No. 2. Founded 1875, meets in the Masonic Hall, Boulcott Street, Wellington, on the first Wednesday in December, March, and June, and on the 23rd September for Installation.

M E Z	...	Comp JOHN JACK
Ex H	...	Comp A I MASTERS, Box 62
Ex J	...	Comp GEO WILSON
Scribe E	...	Comp H J WILLIAMS, P.Z., Box 8, P O
Ex Master	...	Comp A I MASTERS
Mark Master	...	Comp GEO WILSON

AUCKLAND PROVINCIAL, No. 9. Founded 1892, meets on first Friday in February, April, June, August, October, and December. Installation in August.

M E Z	...	Comp W T BRIGGS
Ex H	...	Comp THOMAS THOMAS
Ex J	...	Comp GEO FOWLDS
Scribe E	...	Comp P A DUNCAN, Railway Station
Treasurer	...	Comp J F LOGAN
Ex Master	...	Comp S WALKER
Mark Master	...	Comp P A DUNCAN

SCOTLAND.

TRAFALGAR, No. 157, S.C. Founded 1873, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Collingwood Street, Nelson, on the Tuesday nearest new moon, at 7.30 p.m.

M E Z	...	Comp H T BAIGENT, P.Z.
Ex H	...	Comp H T HALL
Ex J	...	Comp W BROWN, P.Z.
Treasurer	...	Comp S BOLTON, P.Z.
Mark Master	...	Comp W BROWN, P.Z.
Ex Master	...	Comp S BOLTON, P.Z.
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Third " "	... M E Comp G H POWLEY, Auckland
" Treasurer	... M E Comp D GREIG, Wellington
" Scribe E	... M E Comp H J WILLIAMS, Wellington
" " N	... M E Comp DR L G BOER, Nelson
" Chancellor	... M E Comp REV T PORRITT, Wairarapa
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WAIRARAPA, No. 10. Founded 1892, meets July 3rd in the Masonic Hall, Greytown N., on the second Monday in March, June, September, and December. Installation in September.

M E Z ...	...	Comp REV T PORRITT
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WRECK OF THE S.S. WAIRARAPA.

In reference to this frightful catastrophe, as it was known a number of members of the Craft had been drowned besides many others having relations amongst those who had perished, it was felt that claims would not only be made upon the sympathy of the Brethren but upon their charity. A meeting of the members of the local Auckland lodges was at once convened by R. W. Bro. G. Fowlds, Grand Superintendent of the District, at the Room of the Masonic Institute, on November 2nd, and notwithstanding the short notice, there was a good attendance ; Bro. Fowlds in the chair. After some considerable conversation on the best means of raising a fund to assist those left destitute by the wreck, it was resolved, on the motion of R. W. Bro. W. H. Cooper, to appoint a committee of the W. Masters of the various Lodges in the Auckland district, with Bro. P. A. Duncan as honorary secretary and W. Bro. H. C. Tewsley as treasurer. A subscription list was opened in the room, and met with a ready response from those present. It was also decided to have lists placed in the hands of the Masters of Lodges and other Brethren. The chairman was also requested to obtain counsel of the Grand Master to an appeal being sent to all Lodges of the N.Z.C. in the country. The Bond of Benevolence on being applied to, however, considered that members of the Craft would many of them. have contributed through other lists, so did not consent to the general appeal. The handsome amount contributed by Auckland Brethren will be used to help local cases of distress.

GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND.

AT the meeting of the United Grand Lodge of England, held Sept. 5th, the following resolutions were passed on the report of the Colonial Board. and by request of the District Grand Master of Wellington, the charters of the following Lodges who had joined the New Zealand Lodge were declared forfeited, viz :-

No. 517. New Zealand Pacific Lodge, Wellington

- „ 1430. Masterton Lodge, Masterton
- „ 1577. Victoria Lodge, Napier
- „ 1720. Greytown Lodge, Greytown, Wairarapa West
- „ 1812. Heretaunga Lodge, Hastings, Hawkes Bay
- „ 1813. Abereorn Lodge, Waipawa
- „ 1888. St John's Lodge, Featherston
- „ 1904. Rangitikei Lodge, Bulls
- „ 1940. Feilding- Lodge, Feilding
- „ 2053. Ngamotu Lodge, New Plymouth
- „ 2059. St Mark's Lodge, Carterton
- „ 2178. Ruahine Lodge, Woodville, Hawkes Bay

With reference to this the English *Freemason*, the recognised organ of the Grand Lodge, says :—" It appears from the report of the Colonial Board, which was presented at the meeting, that the District Grand Lodge of Wellington, New Zealand, has taken action with reference to those of its lodges which have seceded and joined the so-called Grand Lodge of New Zealand,' and under the authority delegated to it by Article 106 of the Book of Constitutions, has caused all such lodges to be erased from the roll of United Grand Lodge of England. The number of these lodges is 12, and as the District Grand Lodge in question before the secession numbered 19 lodges, there remain seven that prefer the old order of things to the new and unrecognised Order of things which was started a few years since to the detriment of Freemasonry both in the Colony and generally. We trust the other District Grand Lodges in New Zealand which may not have taken this step will do so at an early date, so that we may know precisely how we stand in New Zealand." No doubt the other District Grand Lodges of New Zealand will follow this advice, and we shall then have an opportunity of proving to the Masonic World the weight of the present local opposition to the N.Z.C.

At the same meeting another resolution was also passed, on the motion of Bro. Sowerby :—" That in order to enable the M.W. the Grand Master to grant a warrant of confirmation to Lodge Otago, No. 844, Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand, and to prevent similar occurrences in future, Article 126 of the Book of Constitutions be altered to read as follows : If a warrant be lost, or improperly withheld from those entitled to hold and use the same, or withheld. by competent Masonic authority, the lodge must suspend its meetings until a new warrant, or warrant of confirmation, has been applied for and granted by the Grand Master in such terms or on such conditions as he may think proper, or until the warrant so withheld be restored.' " We have our doubts of the expediency of thus altering the Book of Constitution to bolster up the small opposition we have left in New Zealand, the wisdom or Masonic spirit that actuates our brethren. We are content to leave to the judgment of the Masonic world.

Bro Eve, P.G.T., after much delay, .was at length able to carry the resolution that he had tabled calling upon the Grand Master to issue a warrant to the Cambria Lodge, No. 656, and calling upon the G.M. of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales to give this Lodge friendly and fraternal recognition. The speeches reported. do not show that this matter was discussed in a very Masonic manner, nor do we think it is approved by the rulers of the Craft in England who would much rather have shelved this question than faced. it. No doubt it really was a snatch vote as the September meeting of Grand Lodge being held during the long vacation, everybody who thinks he should be considered anybody is out of town, and the meeting is poorly attended. This season is the time of the big gooseberries reports in the papers hence is called the " silly season," and very appropriately represents the guiding spirit of Grand Lodge in. passing these latter two resolutions.

WE are obliged to hold over several reports and articles.

A MEETING of the District and Provincial Grand Committees of the English, Irish, and Scotch Constitutions of Masons was held at Auckland on October 31st., to consider a circular from the District Grand Lodge of Canterbury, S.C., referring to the question of the recognition of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, when it was decided that recognition, if now granted, would re-open questions of grave concern to Masons, and introduce the disturbing element. The meeting, therefore, disapproved of the course suggested by the D.G. Lodge of Canterbury, S.C., and would not join with it in. any representation to their respective Grand. Lodges in the direction of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand being recognised. By this we may judge that recognition will be deferred, but after all does the vote of the half-dozen Brethren referred to constitute the opinion of the Craft of New Zealand?

THERE are a large number of Lodge Installations during December. Will the secretaries of same kindly forward their reports early.

WE have again to thank Bro. W. 14. Clark, secretary of Lodge Southern Cross, No. 9, Invercargill, for having kindly compiled the Index for Volume V., which accompanies this issue.

ENGLISH NEWS.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, August. 10th, 1894.

THE installation of Bro Dr. J. B. Cockburn as Provincial Grand Master of the newly-constituted province of Guernsey and Alderney took place at St. Peter Port, Guernsey, on the 23rd ult., the ceremony being unusually oppressive.

The Province of West Lancashire, the largest under the Grand Lodge of England, has a roll of 113 lodges and upwards of 7,200 members.

Several additions to the roll of the Grand Lodge of England have to be reported. A new lodge for the County of Lancashire—the County Palatine, No. 2503—was consecrated at Birkdale, near Liverpool, on the 9th ult. by Bro. Robert Wylie, D.P.G.M. On the 10th ult. a military lodge—the Roll Call, No. 2523—was consecrated at Hounslow, Middlesex, by the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Lord George Hamilton, it being

the first lodge consecrated by him since his accession to office about a year ago. There was also consecrated on the 11th ult., at the Finsbury Barracks, London, by Bro. E. Letchworth, Grand Secretary, another military lodge—the Trainbands', No. 2524—which has been formed by the officers of the City of London Militia out of members of their own corps, and of which Bro. Colonel Dundas is the first W.M. A new Liverpool lodge—the City, No. 2514—was consecrated on the 26th ult., at the Alexandra Hotel, Dale Street, by Bro. W. Simpson, Prov. S.G.W.

At the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Northumberland and Durham, held on the 9th ult. at Newcastle-on-Tyne, Bro the Rev. Canon H. B. Tristram, Provincial Grand Master, was presented with his portrait and an illuminated address on his having completed twenty-one years of rule. Mrs Tristram was also the recipient of a handsome case of Apostle spoons, with the respectful regards to her of the Mark brethren of the province.

An imposing ceremony took place at Lincoln on June 27th, when the foundation stone of the new Masonic buildings—to be known as Freemasons' Rooms—was laid by Bro. Major W. H. Smyth, of the Elkington Hall, Louth, the Provincial Grand Master.

A Masonic Hall, which is estimated to cost (exclusive of site) some 1'15,000 is now in course of erection at Newcastle-on-Tyne, the foundation stone having been recently laid by Bro. Sir W. M. Ridley, Provincial Grand Master for Northumberland.

It is announced that Lord Egerton, of Tatton, Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire, will preside over next year's anniversary festival of the Royal Masonic Institute for Boys.

On the 11th ult the Earl of Yarborough, Provincial Grand Master for Lincolnshire, who was accompanied by the Countess, presided at the twenty-sixth annual festival of the Mark Benevolent Fund, when some 150 ladies and gentlemen sat down to a well-served banquet in Freemasons' Tavern. Bros. the Earl of Euston, Viscount Dungarvon, Lord Portarlington, and Colonel G. Noel Money, C.B., were among the distinguished brethren present. Subscriptions to the amount of £1,894 were announced.

WELLINGTON NOTES

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

WELLINGTON, November, 1894.

LOCAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the W.M.'s and Wardens was held in the Masonic Hall on Thursday, 25th October, specially convened by the Grand Superintendent to consider a scheme for the formation of a local Benevolent Association to administer all Masonic relief within the city. Very full discussion was evoked, and the proposal, together with a set of accompanying by-laws—which were considered *seriatim*—were unanimously approved. The scheme will be submitted to lodges, and if adopted will be brought into operation on the 1st January, 1895. It is contended, and we think rightly, that the administration of Masonic charity is conducted in a very indiscriminate manner, both privately and by lodges, and it is claimed for the proposed Association that full investigation will be made and the really deserving cases receive assistance to the exclusion of the professional tramp. A very hearty vote of thanks was moved to Bro. Williams for the trouble he has taken in formulating the proposal.

P.G.M. Bro. Gillon, after attending the meeting of Grand Lodge at Christchurch, left Lyttelton by the s.s. Rotomahana *en route* for Australia. We hope he will return—if not rejuvenated—at least recuperated.

It is not often that a Grand Lodge is represented in foreign lands by two P.G.M.'s at the same time. We understand that Bros. Gillen and Thomson are now in Australia, and we have every confidence they will most fittingly represent the Grand Lodge of New Zealand.

Speaking of Bro. E. Thomson reminds us of a good story which has reached us. Soon after his arrival in Sydney he scented a lodge meeting, and in company with a fellow passenger, a very young Mason, presented himself for admission, but as he was without documentary evidence he rather despises diplomas—this was refused until his very much Masonic junior *vouched for him*.

We regret to learn that Ashurst brethren are likely to lose the services of P.M. Bro. Buehler, he having applied to the Education Board for removal on the ground of continued ill-health.

The continued abstention of the Grand Master from all Masonic functions in the city and district of Wellington is the subject of much unfavourable comment, and we cannot help thinking Bro. Bell's action inadvised, especially with the record of his energetic and indefatigable predecessors.

LODGE REPORTS

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON

LODGE TARARUA, No. 67, N.Z.C.—Before proceeding to report the proceedings of our annual installation, which took place at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday, November 7th, a few remarks regarding Tararua may not be out of place. It is not generally known, I think, that this was the first Lodge erected by the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, although' Lodge Rawhiti, Danevirke, takes precedence on the Register owing to their application for Charts having been received first. In 1890 the Grand Master (Bro. Thompson) and his officers were on their way to Danevirke to open Rawhiti, and advantage was taken of their passing through Palliatu to establish Tararua. Of course the matter had been taken in hand some short time previous by those desirous of having a Lodge, but the first Charter granted to Lodge Tararua was written on the spot by the Grand Secretary on a sheet of foolscap, and duly signed by the G.M. The opening ceremony was a grand Masonic display, and for some time Tararua gave promise of occupying a very prominent position in the Craft ; but many members appear to have forgotten their allegiance, and I am sorry to say that at the present day we are not what we gave promise of being at our birth. The first Master of Taranto, was Bro. A. Black, P.M. of Patea Kilwinning, who was initiated in Mount Egmont, New Plymouth, in 1869. At the banquet which followed the opening, the newly-installed Master remarked that he felt very proud. of being the first Master of a Lodge erected under the New Zealand Constitution, the more so as he was a native of the colony. Bro. A. Stewart, P.M., of Manawatu Kilwinning, followed ; then Bro. H. H. Godfrey. He was succeeded last year by Bro. John Gregory, who has just completed his term of office. No Lodge was started under more favourable circumstances than Tararua, and such was the enthusiasm that not long after a very handsome temple was erected, the consecration of which was also performed by the Grand Master and his officers. But, as before remarked, there is something wanting to make the Tararua more attractable. Let me advise members to carefully eschew any personal feeling, and, above all, let members remember their obligation, and attend the meetings of their Lodge. I know of some who have taken their M.M. degree, and have suddenly disappeared so far as the Lodge is concerned. Far better had they never sought to enter a Masonic Lodge than take a serious obligation and immediately violate it. New members do not pay sufficient attention to their subscriptions. It is impossible that a Lodge can be worked satisfactorily when the dues are unpaid. I hope these few remarks will reach those for whom they are intended, and will have the effect of making them reflect. Now, as to the installation of the W.M. and officers. There was a good attendance, including the W.M., officers, and several members of Lodge Eketahuna ; also Bro. McKay, of N.Z. Pacific, Wellington. According to the old Scriptural saying, " The last shall be first," etc., I now come to the most important visitor of all—Bro. H. J. Williams, Grand Superintendent of the district. This distinguished Bro. is, no doubt, the father of Tararua, and has always manifested the greatest interest in her affairs. He never fails to put in an appearance on our "great" days, and there is no Bro. more welcome. His coming is always looked forward to, and a speech from him contains a vast amount of food for reflection. He knows what to say, and how to say it, and I feel sure that our Grand Superintendent is as popular in other parts as he is here. I know he will not feel annoyed (notwithstanding that we are a little out of gear just now) at our claiming him as part, of ourselves ; and an installation ceremony without him would take a lot of dressing to make it go. There is no reflection on others, but Bro. Williams is an indispensable figure at our annual gatherings. Having been received with Grand Honours, the Grand Superintendent, at the request of the W.M., took the chair, and the business of the evening commenced. The W.M.-elect (Bro. Alexander Ross) was duly installed into the chair of King Solomon, after which the following officers were invested (the S.W. and Tyler being absent) :—S.W., Bro. J. McBain ; J.W., Bro. J. D. Wilson ; Treasurer, Bro. J. A. Kennedy ; Secretary, Bro. A. Black,

P.M., P.G.S. ; J.D., Bro. T. F. Hewat ; I.G., Bro. W. Brown. Bro. Black, P.M., acted as D.C., and made the proclamations in East, West, and South. The addresses to the W.M., Wardens, and Brethren were delivered by Bro. A. Stewart, P.M. The working tools were presented by the Worshipful Installing Master and Bras. Stewart and Godfrey, P.M.'s, respectively ; whilst the latter also rendered valuable service at the organ during the ceremony. At the request of the I.P.M., Grand Superintendent Williams asked the W.C. to place Bro. Stewart, P.M., before the dais, and, much to the surprise of the latter, presented him with a P.M.'s collar and jewel as a mark of appreciation for the valuable services he had rendered the Lodge. Bro. Stewart briefly returned thanks. After the closing of the Lodge, the members and visitors sat down to an excellent collation, provided by Host Bro. Seymour, and this having been done ample justice to, the usual toasts were honoured. In response to "The Grand Master," the Grand Superintendent made a capital speech, full of instruction to old and new members alike. Several good songs were also sung during the evening. The party broke up about 1 a.m., one and all expressing themselves well satisfied with the gathering. I cannot conclude without wishing the newly-installed Master a prosperous term of office.

UNITED MANAWATU LODGE, No. 1721, E.C.—There was a large attendance of members and visitors at the above Lodge, at Palmerston North, on Tuesday, 23rd October, to assist in the installation of S.W. Bro. F. Bryant. as W.M. for the ensuing twelve months. The ceremony was carried out by the D.G.M., Bro. Arkwright, assisted by Bro. Kenneth Wilson, B.G. Chaplain ; Bro. Keeling, D.G.J.W.; and P.M. Bro. Haybittle, D.G. Director of Ceremonies. The P.G.M. and his officers having been received according to custom, and the W.M.-elect having answered in the affirmative the usual questions, the ceremony of installation was proceeded with before a Board of Installed Masters consisting of the following :—Bros. W. J. Batt, C. Hosking, T. T. Kerslake, H. W. Haybittle, J. E. Perrin, J. C. Nathan, J. H. L. Maeintire, and M. Cohen (United Manawatu Lodge), J. Whalley (49, Liverpool, E.G.), W. Nicholson (1689, Kumara, E.C), W. Parker (Rnapehu, 2137, B.C.). After the installation ceremony, the usual proclamations were made, and Grand Honours were accorded to the new W.M. The "Working Tools of W.M." were presented by Bro. W. J. Batt, P.M. ; Bro. K. Wilson, P.M., D.G.C., presented the working tools of F.C. ; and the working tools of E.A. were presented by Bro. C. Hosking, P.M.; Bro. Cohen, I.P.M., presented the Charter and Book of Constitution. The W.M. then invested the following with their badges of office for the ensuing year :—Bro. E. O. Hurley, J.W.; Bro. G. Woodroffe, Secretary ; Bro. A. Skerman, Organist; Bro. Larcomb, S.D. ; Bro. E. N. Barraud, J.D. ; Bro. J. Hall, I.G.; Treasurer, Bro. R. N. Keeling, P.M.; Tyler, Bro. Schlager. The W.M. explained that Bro. L. Abraham had been appointed S.W., and that until his return to the colony Bro. C. Hosking, junr. (who unfortunately was not able to be present that evening through indisposition) would hold the office. The address to the W.M. was delivered by Bro. H. W. Haybittle, P.M.; that to the Wardens by Bro. R. N. Keeling, P.M. ; and that to the Brethren by Bro. J. C. Nathan, P.M. The W.M. having returned thanks, the Grand Lodge officers retired, and the Lodge was closed in the ordinary form. The Director of Ceremonies, Bro. Haybittle, P.M., carried out his duties in a most efficient manner, and Bro. Sherman presided at the organ with his accustomed ability. The brethren then retired to the banquet room, where an admirable supper was laid by Bro. Beaumont. Among the toasts was that of "The health of the D.G.M., Bro. Arkwright," which was proposed by Bro. M. Cohen, P.M. The speaker said the lumbers would look upon the occasion as a red-letter day in the history of the Lodge, and they would greatly esteem the honour which had been conferred upon them by a visit from the D.G.M. during his first year of office. The D.G.M., in responding, referred to the pleasure his visit had given him, and congratulated the Lodge upon the excellent manner of its working. He then asked those present to drink the toast of " The newly-installed Master." Bro. Bryant, in replying, stated it would be his earnest endeavour to promote the continued success dstring his term of office. The other toasts were—" The I.P.M., " " The Installing Master (Bro. K. Wilson, P.M.), " "Present and Past Officers," " The Visitors," "The Ladies," &c. During the evening recitations were given by Bros. Barraud, Haybittic, and Wilson ; and songs were contributed by Bros. Hay. bittle, Perrin, Russell, Smart, and Batt. The gathering was brought to a close shortly after the midnight by the singing of " Auld Lang Syne."

LEINSTER LODGE, No. 44.—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on Monday, 5th November, and as there was no business occurring, a new departure was taken. The Masonic orchestra, under the leadership of Bro. Hotop, rendered a capital programme of instrumental music, Bros.

Clothier, P.M., and Crichton varying the order with vocal selections. Bro. Dean, W.M., presided, and a large number of members assembled. The Grand Superintendent visited officially, accompanied by quite an array of Grand Officers, and during the evening presented patents of office to R.W. Bro. R. C. Hamerton, Grand Registrar, V.W. Bro. J. M. Goldfinch, Grand Treasurer. A vote of sympathy to the sufferers by the "Wairarapa" disaster was carried, and the proposal to establish a local Benevolent Association was referred to a committee to report. Very great credit is due to Bro. Arthur Clothier, P.M., for his successful organisation, and to the Masonic orchestra for their admirable rendering of the programme.

EKETAHUNA LODGE, No. 92.—The regular meeting of this Lodge was held in the Lodge-room on October 12th, 1894, when there was a good attendance, the roads being in a much better condition than formerly. A joining brother was balloted for and elected. Bro. Mornell was raised to the sublime degree of M.M. ; a joining member was proposed; and two charity appeals were considered, one being responded to. Bro. W. B. Abbott, J.W., was nominated as our next W.M. installation to be on December 7th. Lodge closed in peace and harmony at 10 p.m.

WESTLAND KILWINNING LODGE, No. 88.—The usual monthly meeting was held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Revell Street, on Wednesday evening, October 10, the R.W. Master presiding. All the officers and a good attendance of brethren and visitors were present, there being no less than eight Past Masters. The attraction of the evening was the initiation of a candidate (Mr. John Peake, junr., son of our Town Clerk, likewise a member of the Craft, being a P.M. of the late Lodge, who was present to welcome his son into the mysteries of the Order). The ceremony was not only interesting to the old members, but much appreciated by the candidate. Charity Charge was delivered by P.M. Bro. Cresswell in his usual good style ; the W.T. by the I.P.M. of the Southern Cross Lodge, E.C., Nelson (Bro. Chisholm) ; and the final Charge by P.M. Bro. Andrews. The election of officers then took place, but being premature to the annual installation, names are withheld till next month. One guinea was voted from the Benevolent Fund for call from Stratford Lodge for Bro. J. McIntosh (deceased). H.G.W. were duly extended to the R.W.M. Lodge closed at 10.30 p.m., brethren leaving for their various homes.

—PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY

ASHLEY LODGE, No. 28, N.Z.C.—The monthly meeting of the above Lodge was held on September 13th, 1894, in the Masonic Hall, Perceval Street, Rangiora. The Lodge was opened with solemn prayer at 8.5 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. After the correspondence had been read, it was resolved, "That the matter of contributing towards the Regalia and Jewel Fund for M.W.P.G.M. Bro. Malcolm Niceol be held over till our next regular meeting." The W.M. Bro. H. Jones, then reported concerning a meeting of Masters of Lodges held in Christchurch, which he had attended, the object being to bring about a better feeling between the English and New Zealand Constitutions. Owing to the death of W. Bro. Bingham, P.M., the Secretary was instructed to send a letter of condolence to his widow. The Lodge was then "called off," and W. Bro. R. Ball, I.P.M., gave a most interesting paper on "Ancient Egypt," in which he carefully reviewed the social and political history of the ancient Egyptians, giving much information regarding their customs, religion, and architecture. The paper was listened to with deep attention, and, after the Lodge had been "called on," a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Bro. Ball for his interesting paper. After Bro. Ball had suitably replied, the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at a few minutes past ten.

PROVINCE OF HAWKES BAY.

Abercorn, No. 30 (Waipawa).—*June*: Bro. F. Lowe was admitted a joining member. Mr. Fred. R. Eames was initiated. Bro. N. Friberg demitted owing to change of residence. A sum was voted in aid of the J. P. Lucas Fund to Marlborough Lodge of Unanimity, E.C. *July* : We were favoured with a visit from Bro. Meadowcroft, P.G.S.D., Vie. Bro. F. Fames was passed to the F.C. degree. Several Bros. sent apologies for non-attendance, having succumbed to Ring Grippe. In the ante-room Bro. Meadowcroft gave an interesting account of Victorian matters and assisted in the harmony of the evening. *August* A donation was ordered to be sent to Lodge Victory, No. 40, on behalf of the Morrish Fund. Bro. P.M. Clarke delivered a lecture on

"First T.B." for the benefit of Bro. F. Eames. *September* : Bro. R. Peene was raised to the 3rd degree. This Bro. was one of the unfortunates wrecked in the "Rodondo" on the way to Coolgardie. A circular from R.W. Bro. G. Fowlds *re* presentation to P.G.M. Bro. Niccol was received. A refund, of a sum paid to an indigent Bro. to help him on his road was ordered to be repaid to the Relief Committee. Notice of motion given to alter night of meeting from Wednesday to Thursday, as Wednesday was not convenient to country members owing to the half-holiday. *October*: Bro. Baker was passed to the F.C. degree. Bro. P. M. Clark gave the lecture on Second T.B. to Bros. Baker and F. Eames. Circular received from Grand Secretary *re* motion to be moved at next Grand Lodge Communication, that old Charters be given up. Abercorn cordially in accord with the action. An offering was ordered to be sent to Lodge Stratford, No. 75, to swell the fund in aid of the widow of the late Bro. the Rev. Joshua McIntosh. Bro. Wm. Starch, S.W., was the only nominee for the office of W.M. for ensuing year. A gentleman was proposed for membership. In the ante room it was arranged to hold a social evening in connection with the Lodge for the benefit of our wives and—er—sweethearts. Our next meeting will, I think, be a red-letter one ; but of that more anon.

THE NEW YORK HOME.—The report of the Trustees of the Hall and Asylum fund to the Grand Lodge of New York, at its session last month, showed receipts of \$93,116, of which over \$59,000 was for rent of the hall in New York City. As there are large disbursements in connection with the hall, the net revenue from that source is only a little over \$30,000. A summarized estimate of the cost of the home and appurtenances at Utica shows a total of \$254,804.86, of which \$20, 750 were for real estate, not including \$30,000 donated by the citizens of Utica, \$157,471.50 for the building and \$15,020 for furniture. The remainder was expended for various improvements.

INSTALLATIONS

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 37.—The installation of W.M. and investiture of officers took place in the Masonic Hall, Featherston, on Thursday, 18th ult. Members attended in force, and the visitors were represented by R.W. Bro. H J. Williams, Grand Superintendent Bro. J. Mackay (N.Z. Pacific Lodge, No. 2), nearly the whole of the Greytown Lodge (No. 74), while W.M. Bro. Cullen and another member from distant Eketahuna honoured the meeting with their presence. V.W. Bro. Rev. T. Porritt, P.G. Chap., acted as Installing Master, and his careful and impressive rendition of the ceremony was fully appreciated by the brethren. The Grand Superintendent invested the officers and charged the the ancient charges being read by Bro. J. Mackay as Grand Secretary. The following are the officers for the current year :—W.M., Bro. J. T. Hodder ; S.W., Bro. H. C. Smith; J.W., Bro. W. Heywood; Treasurer, Bro. W. Toogood, P.M.; Secretary, Bro. Rev. T. Porritt ; P.M., Bro. G. Chaplan ; S.D., Bro. A. Donald ; J.D., Bro. H. J. Unwin I.G., Bro. S. Cundy ; Tyler, Bro. C. W. Keys. At the conclusion of the ceremony the brethren adjourned to the new Town Hall, where a most excellent banquet was provided by the lady friends of members—it was a matter of expressed regret that they were not invited to participate in the numerous good things, and grace the festive board with their presence. The usual toasts received due honour, and the Grand Superintendent enlarged on the present operations of the Grand. Lodge and its future proposals. The brethren separated shortly before 12, after passing an enjoyable evening.

LODGE TARARUA, No. 67.—The annual masonic installation festival occurred at Pahiatua on the evening of Wednesday, the 7th November. A large concourse of members assembled in the Masonic Hall of the future Chicago of the North Island of New Zealand, at 7.30 p.m., and having opened the Lodge in due and ancient form, resented W.M. Cullen, officers, and members of the Eketahuna Lodge, who had driven over in a body and presented a most creditable appearance — masonically. Bro. James Mackay, the genial secretary of No. 3 Pacific Lodge (who had speedily journeyed from Wellington, ably represented No. 2, the oldest working Lodge in the colony. Marlbro' found a representative in P.M. Bro. Falconer, a G.P. Steward, and R.W. Bro. H. J. Williams (Grand Superintendent) represented the Grand Lodge and his district in *propria persona*, and was received with the usual Grand honors. W.M. Bro. Gregory immediately stated the business of the

evening, and invited Bro. Williams to assume the Chair and conduct the installation ceremony. The distinguished brother, who was quite up to his usual well-known form, then installed Bro. A. Ross as W.M. and invested the following officers :— S.W., Bro. J. McBain ; J.W., Bro. J. D. W.M., ; Treasurer, Bro. J. A. Kennedy ; Secretary, Bro. Alex. Black, P.M. ; Bro. — Manson ; J.D., Bro. T. F. Hewat; J.G., Bro. — Brown; the Tyler-elect declined investiture at the last moment. P.M.'s Stewart and Godfrey presented the W.T.'s, and P.M. Stewart ably charged. the W.M., Wardens, and brethren. At the conclusion of, the ceremony the Grand Superintendent (by desire of the Lodge) presented in felicitous terms a handsome P.M.'s collar and jewel to P.M. Bro. Stewart, commenting on the many services rendered by the recipient to masonry in general and Taranto, Lodge in particular. Bro. Stewart, who was genuinely taken by surprise—being visibly affected by the kindness of his brethren thanked the members for their particular appreciation of his efforts. At the conclusion of the business an adjournment was made for refreshments, and excellent justice was done to an admirable banquet, capitably served by Bro. Seymour, the host of the Club Hotel. The Grand Superintendent "spread himself," his subject being Grand Lodge present and future. We regret that want of space necessitates us excluding the eloquent oration of W.M. Bro. Cullen, and the humorous but brief speech of Bro. Mackay. The brethren separated at 11 o'clock to enable the visitors to take the road for home. The Grand Superintendent tells us Bro. Mackay makes an excellent charioteer, but suggests that next time he travels that road in the dark, he should remember the old song, " Ye Banks and Braes," more especially " Ye Banks and Braes," more especially "Ye Banks. "

OTAKI LODGE, No. 72, has suffered many of the vicissitudes of fortune during its short career, but to the visitors who attended the installation meeting on Friday, the 9th inst., the well-furnished and capitably-appointed Lodge room suggested nothing but the happiest auspices and an unchequered life. The meeting was fairly well attended by members, but there was a paucity of visitors. Bro. H. J. Williams was present in his official capacity ; Bro. R. Fletcher, W.M., represented St. Andrews Lodge, No. 32, and Lodges Leinster and St. Mark's were acknowledged by members. The ceremony of installation was most ably performed by I.P.M. Bro. W. R. Franklin, the charges to the Master and Wardens being given by the Grand Superintendent. Bro. W. R. Simcox was duly installed as W.M., and the following officers were invested :—S.W., Bro. Findlay Bethune ; L.W., Bro. F. W. Bills; Secretary, Bro. F. T. Costello ; Treasurer, Bro. M. Elder ; S.D., Bro. J. Wilson; J.D., Bro. J. W. Swainson ; organist, Bro. B. Ling ; I.G., Bro. R. P. Swainson ; Tyler, Bro. C. N. Swabey. The Lodge being closed in due and ancient form, the brethren adjourned to the Jubilee Hotel, where a most sumptuous banquet was prepared. Loyalty and Masonry subsequently received full honour, and the brethren separated shortly before 12 o'clock, having spent a most enjoyable evening.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO.

LODGE OTAGO, No. 7.—The installation of Bro. A. Fieldwick as W.M. of this Lodge and investiture of officers took place in the Oddfellows' Hall, Stuart Street, on 10th October (Labour Day). Notwithstanding the fact that the day was a public holiday, the Lodge opened at the early hour of 7 p.m. A large and representative gathering of the Craft was present. The ceremony was ably conducted by the retiring W.M., Bro. Julius Alberte, Bro. P.M. Wood acting as Director of Ceremonies, The following officers were invested:— I.P.M., Bro. Julius Alberte S.W., Bro. Wm. McAdam ; Bro. F. Ansdall ; Treasurer, Bro. A. J. Barth, P.M. ; Secretary, C. J. Ronaldson, P.M.; S.D., Bro. C. E. George ; J.D., H. O. Fenton ; Chaplain, Rev. J. T. Pinfold ; D.C., J. McKenzie Henry, P.S.W. ; Stewards, Bros. C. W. Haines and Alex. Annan ; I.G., Bro. D. C. Cameron ; Tyler, W. Bro. M. Walker. The working tools were presented by P.M. Bro. M. Fraser, P.M. Bro. McCorkindale, and W.M. Bro. Hugo Lippert (of Hiram). The address to W.M. was given by P.M. Bro. C. J. Ronaldson ; to Wardens, by Bro. J. Barton; to Brethren, by R. W. Bro. J. A. Kirby, Grand Superintendent. Our Grand Lodge was represented by the Grand Superintendent, R.W. Bro. J. A. Kirby, and Grand Lodge officers. A P.M.'s jewel was presented to I.P.M. Bro. J. Barton by the Lodge to mark the esteem in which he is held by his brethren. Bro. A. J. Barth, P.G.O., presided at the organ ; Bro. Henry contributed a solo (" Consider the Lilies") ; and the brethren joined heartily in the familiar odes used. After the ceremony the brethren sat down to a light but tastily arranged supper. The tenor of the speeches showed the proposal to locate Grand Officers Lodge in Wellington permanently did not meet with the approval of the brethren in this part of the Island. It was admitted that the time would come when such a step might be found

desirable, but the present time most certainly was not opportune ; besides, one of the fundamental principles carefully laid down at the inception of our Grand Lodge is involved—namely, that the new Constitution would be peripatetic. The plea of economy is not a *bona fide* one, and ought not to be imported into a question where important principles are involved, and is apt to cause brethren to ask, if such steps are proposed upon the threshold of our National Grand Lodge, what abuses might not creep in was the Executive so soon permanently centralised. It was felt that no attempt should be made to bring about the permanent location of Grand Lodge Office until recognition is accorded us by the English Grand Lodges, and only then after a full and exhaustive report has been submitted to all the Lodges by a special commission appointed by the Craft for that purpose.

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY:

LINCOLN LODGE; No. 33,—The regular meeting of the Lodge was held on Monday, 15th October, on which occasion there was a large and representative assembly. The Grand Lodge was represented by W. Bro. Halberts, P.G., Superintendent as Installing Officer, assisted by W. Bros. Hamilton, Fenerty, Arnold, Smith, and Hudson. Bro. John Mackenzie, re-elected W.M., was presented to the installing master, and named his officers for the ensuing year, who were invested the insignia of their respective offices :—I.P.M., Bro. Cooke; S.W., Bro. Batey ; J.W., Bro. East ; Treasurer, Bro. Howell (re-elected) ; Secretary, Bro. Revell ; S.D., Bro. Watson ; J.D., Bro. Miller ; I.G., Bro. Neale ; Tyler, Bro. Jennings. The Acting-Grand Superintendent congratulated the W.M. on his re-election and the Lodge generally on its progress during the past year, and trusted that it would still steadily persevere in carrying out the genuine tenets of freemasonry in a true and faithful manner. The addresses in East, West, and South were delivered by Bro. Hamilton in an able manner; the working tools in each degree were presented by Bro. Fenerty; Grand Lodge certificates were handed to Bros. Miller and Neale. Hearty congratulations and good wishes having been expressed by the representatives of the several Lodges present, viz.:—Normanby, St. Augustine, Progress, Concord, Crown, Robert Burns, S.C., also from a brother from North Queensland, the Lodge was closed after one of the best meetings held in the Lincoln Lodge for some time. A pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, where the usual masonic and loyal toasts were duly honoured ; several songs and recitations being given by brethren and visitors.

THE ROYAL. ARCH.

WELLINGTON ROSE CROIX CHAPTER, No. 14.—A well attended conclave, after a holiday of two months, of the above Chapter was held at the Rechabite Hall, Manners Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 23rd October. The Bro. Danks, 32°, M.W., presiding. After the Chapter had been opened in accordance with the usual custom appertaining to the Rite, the Secretary proceeded to call the roll of officers and read the tablets of the regular conclave held in July last, which were duly confirmed. Considerable amount of correspondence was also read and received. During the evening an application for membership from a new candidate was received and referred to the Investigation Committee. The nomination of officers for the ensuing twelve months was proceeded with, and resulted as follows :—Most Wise Ill., Bro. Silver, 31°, P.N.I. ; Senior Warden, Resp. Bro. J. Lachman, 11° 18°, W.M. : Junior Warden, Resp. Bro. A. Smart, P.N.I., 11° 18° ; Orator, Ill. Bro. Gentles, 31° ; Treasurer, Ill. Bro C. Antico, 31° ; Secretary, Ill. Bro. J. H. Pagni 33° ; Conductor, Ill. Bro. Townsend, 32°. Reference was made by the 'Secretary to the death of Worthy Sir Knight T. Pownder of this Chapter, which took place at Greymouth on 24th July, 1894, after a very short illness, and it was unanimously resolved that a letter of condolence be sent to the widow. A long discussion took place as to the advisableness of altering the By-Laws, in order to hold conclaves quarterly instead of monthly, and notice of motion to that effect was moved for the next conclave. It was announced that, a new Rose Croix Chapter, called the Canterbury Chapter, No. 15, had been established in Christchurch by the Mystic Temple of New Zealand, under very good auspices, and bid well for the future. After some further important business for the good of the Chapter had been transacted, the labours of the evening terminated, and the Chapter was declared closed in the usual custom at 10 p.m.

MANAWATU CHAPTER, No. 11, N.Z.C.—At a meeting of this Chapter, held at Palmerston North on the 17th October, the principal business consisted of advancing three candidates to the Mark Degree. Seven Brethren were balloted for and elected as candidates for exaltation. It was arranged to hold the installation on a date in November, to be fixed by the Grand S.E. Comp., H. J. Williams, and to work the Ark Mariner and Red Cross Degrees on the same date. The following members were elected to the various offices:— Royal Arch—W. H. Smith, Z.; W. J. Batt, H. ; J. C. Nathan, J. ; J. Fleming, S.E.; W. Dixon, S.N.; W. Beck, Treas. ; W. Dawick, P.S. ; J. Hocking, 2nd S. ; J. R. Harper, 3rd S. Excellent Masters' Lodge—W. Dawick, E.M. ; J. Hocking, S.W. ; W. Dixon, J.W. ; J. R. Harper, Con. ; S. M. Wilson, I.G.; Capt. Scarlet Veil, J. Hocking ; Purple Veil, W. Dixon ; Blue Veil, W. Rutherford. Mark Lodge —W. Rutherford, W.M.M. ; J. C. Nathan, S.W.; J. R. Harper, J.W.; W. Dawick, S.O. ; W. Dixon, J.O. ; S. M. Wilson, Reg.; W. H. Smith, Con.; W. Beck, I.G.

LETTERS.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Letters intended for insertion must be accompanied, in all cases, by the real name and address of the writer, as well as by the name and number of the Lodge to which he belongs, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. We do not hold ourselves responsible for opinions expressed by our correspondents.

Correspondence is invited, and Brethren are solicited to forward inquiries relating to any matter of Masonic practice, or bearing upon the history or expression of the Institution. We only impose these easy conditions :—

Do not write unless you say what you have got to say in a friendly way, as nothing written in a cantankerous spirit will appear in this journal if we can help it.

Do not get impatient with us under any circumstances, because we do not deserve it. If you do, in that case, as in every other one, BE BRIEF, and address
THE EDITOR.

To THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Before proceeding to make a few remarks regarding the absurd attitude taken up by the three Grand Lodges against the New Zealand Constitution, allow me to congratulate you on the excellent Masonic journal produced by you ; and if you do not receive the hearty support of every member of the craft in the Colony, it is not because you do not use your best endeavours to give a truly readable Masonic journal, but because members are too apathetic to recognise the value of a paper devoted entirely to their interests. I am sure there is good information in every issue of THE CRAFTSMAN, which young members of the craft, at any rate, would do well to peruse. In fact, I can safely say that without the CRAFTSMAN one knows very little indeed of what is transpiring in the Masonic world, and for this reason I trust your journal will not languish, but will assume such a position as will amply repay you for your labour. Now, Sir, a few remarks as to the treatment of New Zealand Masons at the hands of the "Three Constitutions." I was initiated some twenty-five years ago in an English Lodge in this Colony, and afterwards affiliated to a Scotch Lodge in the same province, but at some considerable distance away. In this latter Lodge I was elected R.W.M., and was duly installed, serving two years in the chair. Then I went back to the town where I was initiated, and on several occasions took part in Masonic ceremonies, of course in my capacity as a P.M. These events took place some twelve years ago. The other day I had occasion to visit the town where my mother lodge is situated, and as there happened to be a meeting under the I.C.— a large number of whose members were personally known to me, many being present at my initiation—I decided to attend; but had previously intimated that I should attend as a member of my mother lodge. I was announced as a P.M., but here a hitch occurred, for instead of being admitted, I was kept waiting whilst some point was being decided. Presently one of the wardens was sent out to ask me if I was not a P.M. under the New Zealand Constitution. I replied

that I was, but was also a P.M. under the Scotch Constitution, and had been admitted as such years ago in that very town. Re returned to the Lodge and another discussion took place, but while this was going on I left the precincts of the Lodge, determined not to force my way where there was such apparent antipathy to a New Zealand Mason. In talking over the matter the next day with an old acquaintance, and one who was initiated and had taken the chair in this very Lodge, he smiled, and remarked that he himself had been informed since he joined the N.Z.C. that he would be refused admission in his mother lodge. It seems to me that had I sunk my rank as a P.M. and been announced as a M.M. I should have been admitted without trouble, but they could not stand a P.M. under the N.Z.C.! In conclusion, I might say that some of the members felt a little ashamed of themselves the next day I met them, and the only excuse they could offer was that their orders were imperative not to recognise N.Z. Masons. I hope they will soon come to their senses, when they will recognise, as I and others do, that it was one of the best things that ever happened. when the craft of this colony decided to govern itself.—I am, etc., TARARUA.

[Thanks Brother for your praise of the CRAFTSMAN. We shall refer to the latter portion of your letter in our next issue.—ED.]

GRAND LODGES.

NEW ZEALAND.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION,

Holden at St. Augustine's Masonic Hall, Christchurch, on Wednesday,
October 31st, 2894.

PRESENT :

M.W. Bro. Francis Henry Dillon Bell	Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Edward Thomas Gillen ..	Past Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Alfred Kaye..	Past Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Charles Partridge Hulbert	Acting Grand Superintendent
R.W. Bro. Charles Hull	As Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Charles Albert Creery Hardy	As Junior Grand Warden
V.W. Bro. Edward Eliot Chambers ..	Grand Chaplain
T.W. Bro. John Joyce	Past Grand Registrar
V.W. Bro. James Leesham Fenerty ..	Past President Board of General Purposes
V.W. Bro. Rev. William Ronaldson ..	Grand Secretary
Wor. Bro. John Thompson	As Senior Grand Deacon
Wor. Bro. Henry Francis Arnold ..	As Junior Grand Deacon
Wor. Bro. John Joseph Montgomery Hamilton	Past Grand Superintendent of Works
Wor. Bro. Samuel Derbidge..	Past Grand Bible Bearer
Wor. Bro. Henry William Baker	Assist. G. Standard Bearer
Wor. Bro. Richard Trist Searell..	As Grand Organist
Wor. Bro. Alexander Miller.	As Grand Pursuivant
Wor. Bro. John Chynoweth..	Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. Thomas John Withers ..	Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. Joseph Barton..	Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. Frank William East ..	Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. John Sansom ..	Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. James Grubb	.. Past Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. Henry Francis Arnold ..	Past Grand Steward
Wor. Bro. Alfred Gee	Past Grand Tyler

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE.—The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form with solemn prayer at 7.45 p.m.

MINUTES.—The Minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on July 28th were taken as read and confirmed.

APOLOGIES. —The M.W. Gr. Master announced that he had received apologies from Past Gr. Masters Bros. Thompson and Niccol, and the Grand Secretary stated that he had many letters and telegrams from absent Grand Officers and Members of Grand Lodge, apologising and regretting their inability to be present.

PATENTS OF OFFICE.—The M. Wor. Grand Master delivered Patents to Wor. Bro. H. W. Baker, Asst. Cr. Standard Bearer, Wor. Bro. A. B. Blackett, and Wor. Bro. J. Chynoweth, Grand Stewards.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT of receipts, &c., for the quarter ending September 30th, was read by the Grand Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE was taken as read, and was as follows :—

Quarterly Report of the Board of Benevolence, Grand Lodge- of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of New Zealand, presented at the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge at Christchurch, Wednesday, October 31st, 1894.

Meetings.—The Board met on July 8th and August 14th, at which the following grants were made :-

	£	s.	d.
To the Grand Lodge of Greece, second donation ..	10	0	0
The widow of the late Bro. George Smith, first W.M. of Lodges N.Z. Pacific, No. 517, E.G., and the Lodge of Otago, No. 884, E.C.	5	0	0
To assist passages of Bro. S.C. and E.C. to Sydney and Auckland..	2	0	0
To assist the widow of a Bro. of Lodge of Concord, No. 757, E.G., Bombay ..	5	0	0
To assist the widow and family of a deceased Bro. of Lodge Stratford, No. 75	10	0	0
To assist the widow and family of a deceased Bro. of Lodge Harmony, No. 2180, E.C. ..	5	0	0
To assist a Bro. and family in distress ..	1	0	0
	<u>£38</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

A subsequent meeting was held on the 16th inst., at which grants were made amounting to £40, of which £30 was granted to Brethren of our Lodges, the balance, £ 10, having been voted to distressed cases of the E.G., I.C., S.C., and other Constitutions. These will be reported in full next quarter.

It has been a satisfaction to your Board, as no doubt it will be to Grand Lodge, that so much assistance has been afforded, for no case of necessity from any quarter has been overlooked or neglected.

There have been a few applications for assistance which your Board did not entertain at the time. On enquiry, they were found to be cases not requiring immediate aid, but your Board promised to re-consider any such cases should circumstances in the future make it necessary.

It is evident that the demands on the funds of benevolence will be exceptionally heavy this year.

Appeals to Lodges.—The Board desires again to impress upon Lodges the necessity for all appeals for assistance from Lodges under this Grand Lodge, or of other Constitutions, being, in the first instance, sent to this Board for consideration and approval before being dealt with by the Lodges.

THOMAS MCKENZIE,
President.

Office of Grand Lodge,
Wellington, Oct. 16th, 1894.

REPORT ADOPTED.— Moved by M. Wor. Bro. E. T. Gillon, seconded by V. Wor. Bro. J. Joyce, " That the Report of the Board of Benevolence be adopted, and printed with the Proceedings of Grand Lodge." Carried.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES was read by the Grand Secretary as follows :--

Report of the Board of General Purposes to the Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of New Zealand, presented at the Quarterly Communication at Christchurch, on Wednesday, October 31st, 1894.

Meetings.—The Board met on August 10th, September 12th, and October 19th.

Condolence with M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol.—Since the Communication of Grand Lodge in Auckland, our M.W. Bro. Niccol has met with a severe loss in the death of his wife. Not very long before he had the

misfortune to lose a young daughter. Your Board is sure that Grand Lodge will sympathise with our Pt. G. Master in his distress, and will tender him its respectful condolence in the heavy affliction he has suffered.

In Memoriam.—Your Board has also to announce to Grand Lodge that one of our first and valued co-workers in the inauguration of Grand Lodge, Rt. War. Bro. Vincent Pyke, Pt. Provincial Gr. M. for New Zealand, under the Grand Lodge of Scotland, has been "called off" since the last Communication of Grand Lodge, to the deep regret of his many friends, both in Masonry and other ranks. At his sore's request, our Brethren in Dunedin, under the Grand Superintendent Rt. Wor. Bro. J. A. Kirby, gave him a Masonic funeral, and in every possible way manifested their regret and sympathy. Your Board recommends that Grand Lodge should tender its respectful sympathy to the widow and family of our deceased Brother.

Quarterly Statement of Receipts, etc., will be laid before this Communication. Your Board has every reason to believe that it will be considered very satisfactory.

Returns from Lodges.—The Board has to complain of considerable laxity on the part of a number of Lodges in making the required half-yearly returns and paying the dues regularly. Lodges would find it much to their advantage to make their returns regularly and promptly. When arrears accumulate and periods unaccounted for overlap, the difficulty of bringing the returns and payments up to date sensibly increases. It is also essential to the proper conduct of the Grand Lodge that the returns and payments should be promptly made. The amount outstanding at present is not large, but unless greater regularity is observed in future than has been the case in the past, the Board will have to again invite the attention of Grand Lodge to the subject, with the view to a remedy being provided. There are also, the Board regrets to say, some Fees of Office still unpaid. Circular letters have been sent to all Lodges and Officers in arrears, and the President has written personally to each of the latter, but in some cases no response has been made. Section 18 of the Constitutions provides for vacation of office for non-payment of fee within three months of appointment, and disqualifies any Brother in arrear from holding office hereafter. It rests with Grand Lodge to say whether the penalties provided should now be applied to the Brothers in default.

Lodges Opened.—M.W. Bro. H. Thomson, Pt. Gr. M. and Gr. Sup. of Canterbury, duly consecrated Lodge McKenzie, No. 93, at Fairlie, Canterbury, and installed the Wor. Master. On this occasion eight candidates were also initiated. Lodge Cromwell Kilwinning, Cromwell, No. 98, was consecrated on September 11th by Rt. Wor. Bro. J. A. Kirby, Gr. Sup. of Otago. Bro. Kirby had previously visited Naseby to receive Lodge Mount Ida, late No. 1260, E.C., now No. 97 on the roll of this Grand Lodge; and M.W. Bro. Thompson had acted in a similar capacity in receiving Lodge St. Augustine, late No. 576, S.C., now No. 99 on the Grand Lodge roll. The Board desires to record its appreciation of the services so willingly rendered by these officers and by the other Grand Officers who accompanied them.

The Board, whilst recognising the services of these Brethren, desires also to acknowledge the efficient labours of the Grand Superintendents throughout the territory, and of the Rt. Wor. Dep. Gr. Master, and other Grand Officers.

Return of Charters.—The Board has had under its most careful consideration the question of the further retention of the original Charters of Lodges, which were handed over to Grand Lodges on the Lodges transferring their allegiance to it. The Board is informed that the retention of these Charter is regarded as a grave cause of offence by the mother constitutions, and is a stumbling-block to the restoration of fraternal relations with Lodges not under the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge. The precedent furnished by the course adopted in the formation of the several Grand Lodges in Australia undoubtedly justifies the retention of the original Charters until the body which issued them has recognised the validity of the new Charters by which they have been replaced, and so far as there is any written law on the subject it would seem also to justify the same course (see Paton Freemasonry and Jurisprudence, pages 249-251). The Board also deems the retention of the Charters permissible until the parent Grand Lodges reply to the request preferred to them in 1890, according to the terms of the following resolution of the Convention of September, 1880 :—"The Grand Lodge, in informing the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland of its formation, and claiming recognition, shall express the undiminished affection and reverence entertained by the subordinate Lodges for the Grand Lodge from which each obtained its original Charter, and shall on their behalf prefer an humble request that each Lodge under its jurisdiction may be permitted to retain its original Charter as a

memento of the past and an enduring reminder of the source from which it sprung." This request strictly followed the precedents of the Australian Grand Lodges, and the Board much regrets that the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland should have treated the Grand Lodge of New Zealand and the Lodges forming it in an exceptional manner. The Board, however, is too anxious to see amity and fraternal communication restored between all sections of the Craft in New Zealand to counsel any insistence on legal rights, precedents, or etiquette, where the effect of such instance would be to maintain estrangement. There is no question of principle involved in the further retention of these Charters, and the Board would respectfully advise Grand Lodge to make every possible concession it can without loss of dignity, to bring about a better state of Masonic feeling between the Lodges which do not and those which do acknowledge its authority. They believe that the original Charters, after being endorsed as surrendered on the Lodge transferring its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand on date named, may safely be handed over to the accredited representative of the Grand Lodge which issued such Charter, a receipt for the same being taken in each case, such receipt, when necessary to embody a pledge that the Charter shall not in any way be used hereafter to the disadvantage of the Lodge surrendering it, or be issued to any other Lodge claiming the same name.

This resolution was communicated to all Lodges in September, and a resolution embodying the above conditions has been given notice of by M.W. P.E.M. Thomson, to be seconded by M.W. P.G.M. Niccol, and this will, the Board hopes, be carried without dissent. In giving up the Charters, Grand Lodge should, on behalf of its Lodges, renew the request that the Charters may after cancellation, be returned in terms of the resolution of the CoAvention as above quoted.

Recognition by Grand Lodges. Your Board has to report that the Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Mexico, Maine, Washington, and New Mexico, have extended recognition to this Grand Lodge in the most ample and fraternal manner. Nominations for Grand Representatives will be submitted to the respective Grand Lodges.

Register Book for Lodges. The subject of a book for registration of members of Lodges has been considered by your Board. A sub-committee was appointed to examine the draft plans laid before the Board and to report. This Report affirms that Lodge registration of members is imperatively necessary, that, if adopted, it will prove of the utmost importance to Lodges, and that it will greatly facilitate the correctness of all returns to Grand Secretary, and the Committee recommends : " That Grand Lodge be asked to pass a resolution making it imperative on all Lodges to keep a register of members ; that register books be supplied to all Lodges ; that Superintendents of Districts be requested to inspect such registers, and that a tender for the same, attached to the Report, be accepted."

Your Board adopted this report and now presents it to Grand Lodge. A resolution in accordance therewith will be moved at this Communication.

Grand Lodge Offices. Your Board now reports that the Grand Secretary has lately occupied the office taken in the N.Z. Government Life Insurance Buildings. It is situated in the central part of the city, and will greatly facilitate the business of Grand Lodge. It is convenient for visitors from Lodges, being adjacent to the wharves, and the strong room attached thereto will efficiently protect the archives of Grand Lodge.

In connection with the issue of Grand Lodge Certificates your Board has found it necessary to make a charge of two shillings and sixpence for duplicate M.M. certificates, rendered necessary in consequence of incorrect information supplied by Lodges to the office. No inconsiderable amount of work is thus laid upon the Grand Secretary and the office through the informality of returns of Lodges. This fee only covers the cost of parchment.

It has also been found necessary to increase the salary of the assistant. A sub-committee, consisting of the Auditors and Wor. Bro. Geo. Wilson, was appointed to consider the question of the salary of this officer. In consequence of the report of this committee, the amount of salary has been raised to £75 per annum.

Investment of Fund of Benevolence. Your Board is pleased to report the gradual growth of this Fund, and to inform Grand Lodge that the sum of £900 is now invested on fixed deposit in the Bank of New Zealand. In addition to this sum there is a balance on current account sufficient to meet any application that may be made. The total sum to the credit of the Fund now exceeds £1000. Of this sum £170 2s 11d represents the amount to the credit of the Masonic Widows and Orphans Fun. This Fund was inaugurated by Pt. Gr. Master

Bro. Niccol on his installation to office, and has been mainly supported by voluntary subscriptions on installations and similar occasions. The sum of £40 was added to it by Lodge St. Andrew, No. 32, Wellington, being the balance of fund collected for the widow of a Brother, who, owing to re-marriage, did not need further help. This has been a great assistance to the Fund, and the best thanks of Grand Lodge are due to all Lodges in general who responded to the appeal, and to Lodge St. Andrew in particular for transferring the balance to this Fund.

Your Board would particularly commend this Fund to the consideration of Lodges, as the object intended is to allow the capital to accumulate while the interest may be used for the especial relief of Widows and Orphans.

Refreshments at Grand Lodge Communications. It has been brought under the notice of the Board that charges have in some cases been made for refreshments at Grand Lodge Communications. The Board does not consider such an application of Grand Lodge funds to be desirable or proper, and, unless otherwise instructed, will not sanction such expenditure in future. Any hospitality in connection with the Communications of Grand Lodge should be of a local character and of the simplest description.

The Board also wishes to draw attention to the fact that there is no authority in the Constitutions for paying travelling expenses for Grand Superintendents or officers of Grand Lodge (save only those of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary) attending Grand Lodge Communications. When the Grand Master or Grand Secretary are unable to attend, this authority may be held to cover officers attending in their place, but the expenses of other officers cannot properly be charged to Grand Lodge.

Correspondence. At every meeting of the Board, communications, both from foreign Grand Lodges and our own Lodges, have been largely dealt with. From all parts of the territory, as well as from abroad, the correspondence has been of the most fraternal and satisfactory character. E. T. GILLON, Pt. Gr. M.

Office of Grand Lodge,

President.

Wellington, Oct. 19th, 1894.

Paragraphs I to 6 were put by the Grand Master and carried.

Paragraph 7, Return of Charters, was postponed until later on, and the remainder of the Report was also put by the Grand Master and carried.

The following recommendations of the Board were then given effect to :-

CONDOLENCE with M. Wor. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, moved by Rt. Wor. Bro. Albert Kaye, seconded by lit. Wor. Bro. C. P. Hulbert, " That Grand Lodge desires to tender its most respectful and sincere sympathy and condolence to M. Wor. Bro. M. Niccol, Past Grand Master, in the great affliction which has come upon him by the death of his wife and daughter." This resolution was put and carried in silence, the brethren all standing.

IN MEMORIUM. Moved by V. Wor. Bro. John Joyce, seconded by M. Wor. Bro. E. T. Gillen, " That Grand Lodge desires to tender its most respectful sympathy and condolence with the widow and family of our late esteemed Bro. the Rt. Wor. Vincent Pyke, whose loss this Grand Lodge, as well as so many sections of the community, deeply deplore." This resolution was also put and carried in silence, the brethren all standing.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—As both the proposer and seconder were absent, this motion was proposed by M.W. Bro. E. T. Gillon, and seconded by Rt. Wor. Bro. Charles Hull, " That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes, Grand Lodge authorises the return to the accredited representatives of the Grand Lodges which issued them, of the original Charters of the Lodges which have since transferred their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand. That each Charter so given back shall have endorsed upon it a memorandum of the transfer of allegiance, and that an undertaking shall, where necessary, be required from the officer to whom it is surrendered, that it shall be cancelled, or not be re-issued, or in any way used to the disadvantage of the Lodge surrendering it. That, in thus parting with the original Charters, Grand Lodge, on behalf of its Lodge, shall request the representatives of the Grand Lodges to whom the Charters are handed over to use their influence with their respective Grand Lodges to have the

Charters returned after cancellation, so that they may be preserved by the respective Lodges as a memento of the past and an enduring reminder of the source from whence they sprang."

This motion was taken in conjunction with the clause in the Report of the Board of General Purposes, and was debated at considerable length. Explanations were made by the M.W. Gr. Master Bro. E. T. Gillon, Rt. Wor. Bro. C. P. Hulbert, and was put and carried with only three dissentients. The clause, "Return of Charters," in the Report was also put and carried.

It was then moved by M. Wor. Bro. E. T. Gillen, seconded by Rt. Wor. Bro. C. P. Hulbert, " That the Report of the Board of General Purposes be adopted, and printed in the Report of the proceedings of Grand Lodge. This was carried.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED.—The M.W. Grand Master informed Grand Lodge that in accordance with the request of Grand Lodges he had forwarded the names of the following brothers in nomination as Grand Representatives :—To the Grand Lodge of Tasmania, Rt. Wor. Bro. H. J. Williams, Pt. Dep. Gr. Master, vice Rt. Wor. Bro. Vincent Pyke, deceased ; to the Grand Lodge of Roumania, V. Wor. Bro. A. G. Creagh, Assistant Grand Registrar ; to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, Rt. Wor. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Jr. Gr. Warden, Past Pres. of the Bd. of G.P. ; to the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, War. Bro. H. Wetherilt, Pt. Gr. Direct. of Cerem. ; to the Grand Lodge of Mexico, V. Wor. Bros. James F. Logan, Pt. Pres. of the Brd. of Benevolence and Pt. Gr. Treasurer ; to the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, Rt. Wor. Bro. Alfred H. Burton, Pt. Dep. Gr. Muster ; to the Grand Lodge of Maine, V. Wor. Bro. John Joyce, Pt. Grand Regr. ; to the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, Wor. Bro. J. H. Keesing, Assis. Or; Direct. of Cerern. ; and to the Grand Lodge of Washington, Rt. Wor. Bro. C. A. C. Hardy, Pt. Pres. Bd. of Gen. Purposes.

NEXT MEETING OF GRAND LODGE.—Moved by Wor. Bro. J. Barton, seconded by V. Wor. Bro. J. Joyce—"That the next Communication of Grand Lodge be held in Dunedin." Carried.

The following suggestions were made by Wor. Bro. Joseph Barton :—" That the Board of General Purposes bring forward a scheme by which the travelling expenses only of one member of each Lodge may be paid by each Lodge contributing the same rate, whether meeting in their respective district or any other. And that the question of proxies be altered to one or two days instead of fourteen."

GRAND LODGE PROCEEDINGS. —The following have been received since the last Communication of Grand Lodge :— North Dakota, complete set from 1889 to 1894, with Constitution and Bye Laws.

GRAND LODGE OF NEW ZEALAND

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements Quarter Ending September 30th, 1894

RECEIPTS.			DISBURSEMENTS.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance		7 8 6	Grand Secretary's Salary	62 10 0	
Petty Cash in hand		7 12 5	Accountant's Salary ...	13 0 0	
REGALIA FUND—				—	75 10 0
Lodge Waitaki ...	1 0 0		Grand Lodge Communications —		
„ Southern Cross	2 2 0		M. Wor. P.G.M. Bro. Niccol's		
„ Wairau	1 0 0		Expenses, Wellington	11 10 0	
	—	4 2 0	Rt. Wor. Bro. Fowlds' Expenses		
Masonic Widow's and			Auckland, as per account	14 16 0	
Orphans' Fund—			Travelling Expenses to and		
Lodge United Service	3 11 0		from Wellington and Auckland,		
„ Caledonia ...	1 10 6		Grand Supt. and Grand Sec.	13 14 0	
„ Manganui (jewels)	6 0 0		<i>New Zealand Times</i> , Advertising		
„ Beta Waikato ...	3 0 0		and Printing	5 14 0	
„ St. Andrew ...	40 0 0			—	45 14 0
„ Otangaki ...	1 3 0		Grand Superintendents'		
„ Porch Committee	1 12 6		Expenses- Canterbury	3 5 0	
	—	56 17 0	- Wellington	8 1 4	
BENEVOLENT FUND—			- Otago ...	26 16 1	
Patents ...	48 6 0		- Auckland	8 9 1	
Subscriptions ...	66 12 8			—	46 11 6
		114 18			
		8	V.W. Bro. Hamerton, Expenses,		
General Fund —			Feilding and Wanganui		3 10 0
Dues	195 6 9		Blundell Bros., Printing	10 6 0	
Initiations and Certifictes	106 3 4		Brown, Thomson & Co., Printing	1 4 0	
Joining Fees ...	9 12 6		A. Cleave, Printing ...	32 10 0	
Dispensations ...	12 9 0			—	44 0 0
Charters	10 0 0		<i>New Zealand Craftsman</i>		3 15 0
Enrolment Fees and			Stone, Son & Co., Directory		0 10 6
Business Papers ...	11 3 0		<i>New Zealand Herald</i> , in full		
Exchanges	1 9 6		settlement of account from		
Books of Constitution...	6 5 6		1890 to date		5 0 0
Lodge Subscriptions to			Rent of Office		12 0 0
Expenses of G. Lodge			Insurance of Regalia ...		2 10 0
Communication, Auckland	7 7 0		Post Office Letter-box ...		1 0 0
Fee on Appeal ...	0 5 0		Flockton & Co., Furniture		2 5 9
	—	360 1 7	Benevolent Fund—Grants to		
			Widows. Orphans, &		
			Distressed Brethren ...		38 0 0
			Telegrams	1 17 4	
			Exchanges	1 17 5	
			Postages	11 7 5	
			Office Expenses ...	1 9 7	
				—	16 11 9
			Petty Cash in hand ..		1 0 8
			Balance in Bank of N.Z.		253 1 0
		<u>£551 0 2</u>			<u>£551 0 2</u>
Wellington, September 30th, 1894.			J. M. GOLDFINCH, Grand Treasurer.		
			WM. RONALDSON, Grand Secretary.		

MISCELLANEOUS.

SECRET SOCIETIES AND SECRET TRIBUNALS

Though many Societies claim to be of earlier origin, the Order of Knights Templar is the first one of which the date of foundation is known. They were not, it is true, strictly speaking, a Secret Society ; but they are as fully entitled to that term as the Freemasons, the Rosicrucians, the Illuminati, or any other. They had mysterious rites of initiation, badges and lodges ; they were, in fact, the real source from which Freemasonry sprang. Their rise and history are too well known to need detailed description. Founded in 1119, they were originally an order of military monks, having for their aim the redemption of the Holy Sepulchre, and taking the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience—vows which, as was inevitable, became null and void when the order grew in numbers and in power. At the height of their splendour they possessed no fewer than nine thousand 'command-cries' or districts ; their annual income was £4,448,000, a gigantic sum in those days ; they numbered 30,000 members ; their fleet held command of the Levant ; they were by far the best soldiers in Europe. Small wonder was it that they practically held the destinies of the world in their hands, and that the Princes of Europe became alarmed at their power, for the time seemed not far distant when the cross-hilted swords should strike the sceptres from their hands, and the gay embroidered escutcheons go down before the pined banner Beauséant.

Their extermination was a necessity. The Grand Master was arrested, the lodges were broken up, and the knights thrown into prison. The most absurd charges were preferred against them—blasphemy, devil-worship, trampling on the very cross for which they had shed their heart's blood, adoration of an idol called Baphomet. No accusation was too madly extravagant, no crime too horribly unnatural, to impute to the unfortunate Templars. One, and one only, real charge was urged against them—namely, that they had defied the authority of the Pope. That they were luxurious, and even vicious, is true, but no more so than any other powerful and wealthy body of men would have been under the circumstances ; that their initiatory rites were secret and fantastic, is certain ; but that any sane men would have led the orgies ascribed to them is utterly incredible. In 1314, the Grand Master and the Grand Preceptor were put to death, and the Knights Templar ceased to exist as an order. With them perished the last vestiges of the real chivalry.

Contemporary with the Templars was the famous Syrian sect of the Assassins. Their name describes them. The band was founded by Hassan-ibn-Sa,bbah, the Old Man of the Mountain, and consisted of himself and his dupes. They were a mere band of fanatical murderers, without political or religious excuse. It was the custom of Hassan to inveigle young men, stupefied by hashish (whence the name 'assassin' or *hashishin*), into a garden formed after the description of the Moslem Paradise. Here the novice was allowed to remain for some time; he was then stupefied and brought before the Master, who bade him go forth and do his bidding ; promising that if he were obedient, he should enjoy the Paradise, of which he had had a foretaste, for ever. The Assassins are said to have numbered forty thousand men, and European Princes leagued with them. After the death of Hassan, internal dissension arose, and finally they were exterminated by the Mongols in 1256.

In pleasant contrast to the grim realism and fierce barbarity of the middle ages are the Troubadours and Minnesingers, most graceful and poetic of conspirators. That they were heretics and plotters, is true ; but they were heretics only to the fierce rancour of the Inquisition ; and they plotted only against the gloomy tyranny of feudal France, wandering over Europe, preaching the canons of the Joyous Science, the religion and cult of Love, as mysteriously sweet as their own 'Romaunt of the Rose.' They were in some measure a secret society, for they had grips and passwords, and they held courts of love 'ostensibly for the settlement of affairs of gallantry. But harmless though they were, the restless suspicion of Rome was upon them ; they had sung songs derisive of the Pope, above all in the "l'angue d'oc," the 'language of heretics : ' they were in league with the Albigenses. They perished with their unhappy allies beneath the iron heel of the father of Simon de Montfort.

Indeed, it seemed at that time as if the joy of life had perished with them; the Inquisition had fleshed its young claws in their destruction ; the shadowy forms of the 'Vehmgerichte,' and the 'Beall Paoli' begin to loom awfully upon the political vision. Europe is inundated with spies, assassins, agents of chicane, bravoos, informers, secret stabbers ; from Italy come poison-rings, poisoned gloves, Venetian daggers, invisible inks. The torture chamber now became the antechamber of the law-court, much ingenuity being expended on the furnishing of it ; the ' peine forte et dure' was a recognised preliminary to the judicial examination. The Inquisition is undoubtedly the most widely known of the three secret tribunals, as it was the most universally powerful; but the Vehmgerichte was equally powerful within its jurisdiction.

The Holy Inquisition was established in 1208 by Pope Innocent III. in Languedoc, for the suppression of the Albigenses and Troubadours, as above stated. From its establishment in Spain five-and-twenty-years later, it rapidly spread all over the Continent. It gave the death-blow to the Knights Templar ; in 1481 it drove the Jews out of Spain. At this time the famous Torquemada was Grand Inquisitor. He was a short, stout man, little suggestive in appearance of a bigot. It is possible that his ravages are exaggerated ; but even when we allow for error in this respect, the number of persons who were put to death under his inquisitor-ship is enormous. His harshness was so unbending and his punishments so rigorous, that he was several times obliged to account for his conduct to the Pope. Throughout the long, bloody record of the Santa Hermandad, there is no trace of any redeeming action. It was established to root out heresy, and with terrible earnestness it did its work. The Inquisition was omnipresent ; it followed in the wake of the Conquistadores into Peru and Mexico ; it descended upon the unhappy Netherlands in the van of the Duke of Alva. In the reign of Philip II. the Inquisition reached the summit of its power, for it had become a recognised Spanish institution, and the people were no more shocked at an auto da fe than at a bull- fight. But with the growth of civilization the Inquisition declined. It continued to linger on, but it was only a shadow ; and when the soldiers of Napoleon entered the inquisitorial prison, they found few prisoners to liberate. The rack and wheel had grown rusty, the cords and pulleys were rotting on the beam. Poe's horrible nightmare tale of the torture by the pendulum is centuries behind its time ; the pendulum was there, but the knife was blunt and dull, and the mechanism was, broken and useless. An attempt was made to re-establish the Inquisition in 1814, and many persons were imprisoned ; but the time for even the mummary of persecution was past. The people broke out into revolt, burnt the prisons, and drove away the familiars. In 1820 the Holy Inquisition was blotted out.

Widely different from the Inquisition in every respect was the Vehmgerichte or Holy Vehm. This tribunal was formed in Westphalia towards the close of the thirteenth century for the punishment of those who were too powerful to be brought before the ordinary law-court. It was very similar in origin to the English Star Chamber. The state of Germany at this time was utterly anarchic ; the title of ruler of the Holy Roman Empire was an empty dignity ; the land was filled with marauding 'lanzknechten' out of employ, with savage barons who were nothing more or less than robbers, with bishops who ravaged their dioceses. The Vehmgerichte was the only institution in Germany which had the power of enforcing order ; as it was secret, it could neither be bribed nor terrorised. Its authority was very great; it even summoned the Emperor to appear before its free courts, who, though he did not obey the summons, dared not resent the indignity. Though it was never formally abolished till 1811, when the last vestige of it was declared legally-non-existent by a decree of Napoleon, it gradually lost its authority as the necessity for it ceased.

A description of its constitution and procedure may be of interest. There were three degrees among its members : the chief were the 'Stuhlherren,' or lord justices ; the next were ' Schoppen,' or sheriffs ; the lowest, ' Frolinboten,' or messengers. There were secret signs and passwords, and traitors were invariably put to death. An accused person was summoned to appear before the free court,' he was cited three times, intervals of six weeks being allowed to elapse between the citations. If he failed to appear, he was condemned *in contumacium*. If, however, he appeared, he was permitted to bring thirty witnesses, and was allowed the privilege of legal advocacy and advice, and even the right of appeal to the higher court. The extreme punishment was death by hanging ; and it is probable that torture was employed to extort evidence from unwilling witnesses, though, of course, this was only in accordance with the usual judicial procedure of the time.

Identical with the Holy Vehm in constitution and aim was the Beati Paoli, a Sicilian Society. Of these, very little is known. They were a popular secret society, and much dreaded. Their existence was first discovered

in 1185, and they existed down to the commencement of the present century. Though not so powerful or so great as the Vehmgerichte, they exerted a considerable influence upon Sicily and South Italy.

After the Company of Troubadours, the most attractive secret society is certainly that of the Rosicrucians, or the society of the Rosy Cross. It was theirs to invest the debased art of alchemy with a fantastic charm, none the less graceful because it was unreal. They were very closely connected with the Troubadours, holding the 'Romaunt of the Rose' as the epic of their order. Their professed aim was the restoration of the sciences '—that is, alchemy and astrology—to their true spheres. Their tenets and ceremonies were of the most graceful and poetical description, very different from the stern Vehmic code and the crude mummerly of other secret societies. Their beliefs were worthy of their general character. Boldly and unreservedly, they denied the grotesque horrors of monkish theology—there was no witchcraft or sorcery ; incubus and succubus had no existence ; the unseen world was peopled, not with horned devils and dismal spectres, but with beautiful spirits, loving mankind. It is to them that we owe nearly all the folklore of ancient Germany—of the gnomes which toil in the mines, of the legend of Undine, of the sylphs which inhabit the air. The sect spread into Scotland and Sweden and throughout all Europe. It gradually became merged in the craft of Freemasons.

An article giving an account of the principal secret societies would be incomplete without some mention of the Illuminati, a sect which attracted a great deal of attention, and to which, as to the Nihilists of today, a very exaggerated influence and power was attributed. It was founded by a student, Adam Weishaupt, in 1770, and had political and educational aims. Space does not permit us to give the long list of degrees and classes into which the Illuminati were divided. There were three main stages—Nursery, Masonry, and Mysteries, which were again divided and subdivided. The members assumed the names of various ancients ; Weishaupt, for instance, called himself Spartacus. The statute's and instructions of the order were discovered after its suppression in 1785, and give evidence of considerable knowledge of mankind, being written much after the style of Machiavelli's Prince.' There was probably no society which attracted so much attention with so little reason at the time ; mention is made of it in nearly all contemporary works.

To give an account, or even the briefest details, of one half of all the secret societies known would be impossible. The majority had political aims, as the Carbonari in Italy, who existed from time immemorial down to the commencement of the present century, directed against Papal tyranny ; in Germany was the Tugendbund, against Napoleon ; others were mere hordes of robbers, as the Chauffeurs in France, and the Garduna in Spain. The various Irish secret societies are too well known to need specification. There were many semi-religious societies, as the Swedenborgians, and Asiatic societies without number.

The dawn of the last decade of the nineteenth century sees the extinction of the last remnants of any true secret society; they have become obsolete, unnecessary, ineffective. As for any modern so-called secret society,' it is a curiosity ; its place is in the museum, together with the rust-eaten thumbscrews and tarnished symbols. They are as harmless and as useless as these. The only two conspicuous modern societies with any semblance of activity are the Nihilists and the Clan-na-Gael. Neither of them has ever done anything towards the accomplishment of their object beyond a few isolated and useless murders and one or two mock-revolutions. They are now lethargic, in death-stupor. The dawn of the twentieth century will see the close of their inglorious records.

—Chambers Journal.

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BRIEF MENTION.

BE always in time ; too late is a crime.

THE old regulations required every Mason to belong to a lodge.

HOWEVER blind a man may be, another's fault he's sure to see.

IT is estimated that Masonry in North America receives in fees and dues about \$4,500,000 per annum.

IT is said that H.R.E. the Duke of Edinburgh is the only member of the royal family of England who is not a Freemason.

THE seceding brethren in England, with others, organized the grand lodge, subsequently called the "Ancients" in 1739.

DON'T tell your grievances in the street. If you have been wronged, or imagine you have, settle it in your family—the lodge room.

Is 1893 the Grand Master of Kentucky " in all cases refused dispensations to confer degrees before the lapse of the required time, although in many cases it appeared a hardship to do so."

THE character of a wise man consists in three things—to do himself what he tells others to do ; act on no occasion contrary to justice, and to bear with the weaknesses of those around him.

WHATEVER be the cause of happiness may also be the cause of misery. The medicine, which rightly applied, has power to cure, has, when rashness and ignorance prescribes it, the same power to destroy.

To insure long life recreation should be a part of our daily life. It makes the busy man thoughtful and keeps the thoughtful man busy. It insures health, success and the accomplishment of more work in less time and better.

WHILE being initiated in a secret society in Chicago, John Geiger was being mysteriously- led around blind-folded. He was directed to leap into an imaginary lake of liquid fire. John leaped with such force that he broke his leg. He now sues the lodge for \$25,000 damages.

MONTEZUMA Lodge, F. and A.M., of New Mexico, has inaugurated a movement for the establishment of a home at Santa Fe for the treatment and cure of Masons suffering from consumption, and invites the Masons of the United States and Canada to join with it in the movement.

REMEMBER that no brother has the right to disclose the name of a member who voted against the candidate for membership. It often occurs that brothers are so culpably careless or sinful that the matter of voting is no secret. Keep the little secrets that concern nobody but the welfare of the Craft.

HYRAM Lodge of Turn-Severin, Roumania, which has, since 1865, existed under the Grand Orient Lusitania in the Orient of Lissabon, has received the distinction to use the additional name of " La Meritante." Besides this, two of its members have received the medal " Merits maconique," for their untiring efforts and Masonic zeal.

IF you have ambition for Masonic honors you must attend your lodge regularly and endeavor .to do well the work assigned to you. Then obeying its moral precepts, thereby gaining the respect of your brethren, you will climb to the top of the ladder. Taking the degrees places you,only inside of the door ; you must earn the honors.

THE Grand Lodge of Iowa has caused an official copy of the ritual to be written out in extenso and a cipher copy placed in the custody of each Lodge. It is argued that it is impossible to unlawfully obtain from this key any of the esoteric work, for none but a bright and intelligent Mason could glean a single thought from it. There is some force in this argument, as we have had occasion to prove many times. And furthermore, this action will tend to make the work more uniform in that Jurisdiction.

THE constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky has this provision, which constitutes Article XV : "Electioneering in any way for office in the Grand Lodge is positively prohibited, and any member guilty of the offence shall not be eligible to office, and, if an officer, shall forfeit the office held by him ; and the same rule shall apply to subordinate lodges.

NORTH Dakota Grand Lodge has a law which requires sojourning, Masons to exhibit to the lodge within whose jurisdiction they may be, evidence of their standing at least once a year. This is without doubt one of the best safeguards against imposition, and should be made a law and strictly enforced by every grand jurisdiction.

THE *Santis African Masonic Record* notes the interesting and curious fact that the W.M. of the Lodge de Goede Trouw, N.C., is an Englishman, as is the R.W.M. of the Lorne Lodge, S.C. ; the W.M. of the Lodge de Goede Hoop, N.C., is a Welshman ; while the W.M. of the British Lodge, E.C., is an Irishman ; that of the Carnarvon, E.C., is a Scotchman.

ADAM and Eve once owned the entire earth—hills, valleys, mountains and seas, and " the cattle upon a thousand hills "—the richest couple that ever lived. Their descendants have divided " the estate " into small holdings—many of them having parted with their patrimony for " a mess of pottage," or something less valuable. Consequence—The present condition of business.

THE Scottish Rite Masons of Kentucky have purchased St. Paul's Church, corner of Sixth and Walnut-streets, Louisville, Ky., together with the parsonage and chapel adjacent, for the sum of \$25,000, and will convert it into a fine cathedral for the use of the Rite. Buying an old church and converting it into a cathedral for the use of the Rite seems to be a popular idea in America.

IN books we find the dead, as it were, living ; in books we foresee things to come. These are the masters who instruct us without rods and ferrules, without hard words and anger. If you approach them, they are not asleep; if investigating, you interrogate them, they conceal nothing : if you mistake them they never grumble; if you are ignorant they cannot laugh at you.—*Richard DeBory*.

GOOD manners is the only thing which keeps in fashion all the year round. It is always in good taste to say something kindly, or do a generous deed. The world is so constituted that it never fails to appreciate them. You can hardly lift your hat to a passer-by without compelling him to do the same thing, or resist the temptation without receiving the applause even of those who have yielded to it.

AN exchange says, " Dont go to sleep in the lodge if you want to be benefited or enjoy the meeting"—just as if sleep is not enjoyable to tired and exhausted humanity, and the proceedings of some lodges so dull and uninteresting as to induce sleep ? If the lodge proceedings are conducted in a proper manner there will be no disposition to sleepiness. Awaken the officer and that will awaken the layman.

APPLICANTS for admission into the Fraternity, says the *Masonic Review*, are made up of three classes ; the motives are as various as the idiosyncrasies of the applicants themselves, but they may be classed as follows—proper, improper, and neutral. There may be degrees from the highest to the lowest, but as classes they are sufficiently distinct. Whatever the social standing, rank, wealth or intelligence may be which the candidate brings with him, his motives will be found in one of the separate divisions above named.

A CONTRIBUTOR to one of our exchanges expresses a decided opinion that no man ought to become a Mason without the consent of his wife. The writer referred to also lays down the proposition that any unmarried, but " engaged" man, who proposes to join the Masonic Fraternity, should not take such a step unless his *fiances* "is prepared to countenance his membership in the Order." The argument is pressed to this conclusion, viz ; that if a single man becomes a Mason contrary to the wishes of his intended wife he should cancel the engagement. He has no right to marry a woman whose wishes in this matter he has not heeded. 'Unless a reconciliation could be effected, and the woman's feeling of opposition to Freemasonry overcome, we should agree with the position taken by the writer quoted from, that the proposed marriage had better not take place.

THE following quotation is from Hutchinson—The titles of " Masons " and " Masonry " most probably were derived from the Greek language, as the Greek edition is adopted by them. The Druids, when they committed anything to writing used the Greek alphabet, and the most perfect remains of the Druidical rites and ceremonies are preserved in the ceremonials of Masons. The original names " Masons " and " Masonry " may probably be derived from or corrupted of (Muserion) *res arcana*, mysteries, and (Meurs) *sacris initiatui mystis*, those initiated in sacred mysteries.

ON the authority of Bro. W. J. Hulan, the great antiquarian and writer on Masonic subjects, the earliest reference to an initiation in England of a non-operative, and consequently speculative member, recorded in actual lodge minutes, is of the year 1641. On May the 20th. of that year Right Hon. Mr. Robert Moray, general quartermaster of the army of Scotland (so the record runs), was initiated at Newcastle. The next we know of was that of the famous Elias Ashmole, on October 16, 1646, at Warrington. This noted antiquary was made a Mason with Col. Mainwaring, in a lodge of whose members the warden and six of the B.B. were " gentlemen ?" from which we may justly gather that in mentioning specially the word " gentlemen ?" the minutes intends the inference that they were " speculative," as distinct from " operative " Masons. — *Toronto Freemason*.

" I VENTURE to assert," says the editor of the *S.A.M.R.*," that very few Scotch Masons here are aware that Lodges under that Constitution have no right or power to accept the resignation of any members or to erase anyone from their roll ; but such has been declared to be the law by a recent pronouncement of the Grand Lodge of that country. I know of bye-laws which provide the penalty of exclusion from a lodge, and the power of erasing such defaulters from the roll of their members, and although these bye-laws have been officially sanctioned by the Grand Lodge, it appears to me that the ruling of the Foreign and Colonial Committee takes away from the lodge the discretion of acting upon them. It would be as well for some test case to be made so that Scotch Masons may know where they are."

A LETTER from the Grand Lodge of Hungary states that on May 2, 1892, the first fifty florins for the Grand Lodge building was received, and to-day there are collected 50,000 florins. The lot has been purchased, and it is expected that on the celebration of the millennium (1896) the new building will be dedicated. This is

certainly a proof of the great willingness for offering for which the brethren of Hungary have always been distinguished. All the Grand Lodges on the face of the globe will be invited to participate in the celebration and dedication of the building. The Grand Lodge of Hungary will also publish a history of Hungarian Freemasonry, the first volume of which will embrace the eighteenth century, and the second, principally the time from 1869 to 1895. A synopsis of these works will also be published as a popular edition, either gratis or at the lowest possible price.

WE notice several of our sister proceedings contain reference to the bull of the Pope against Masonry. We regret that this feeling exists, and if the Pope was altogether wise and innocent, he would use better discretion towards Masons. His idea of Christianity must be lacking in a knowledge of its essential features, when he says Masonry is antagonistic to it. Such is not the case ; nor is Masonry antagonistic to religion. It makes no war on Catholicism, nor on the faith of any body of worshippers. When any church, or head of a church, so far forgets itself as to undermine or make war on Masonry, it must expect a resistance of some sort, even if it is made in Charity. Masonry has no war to wage, nor will she stain her ermine to accomplish her ends. Whenever she shall become so aggressive as to be unbearable ; whenever she shall weave a web of lies around those she would slander ; whenever she finds no Christianity outside her lodge-rooms ; whenever she persists in " harping upon doctrines " of other religious or benevolent bodies to bring them into disrepute among her votaries, then will her mitre be dethroned and dragged in the dust of superstition and uncharitableness. There are Catholic Masons whom other Masons esteem. who take no part in this persecution. They do know that there is no ground for it.— *Voice of Masonry*.

THERE are, says the Trestle Board, quite a number of brethren belonging to regular white lodges, who are in the habit of visiting coloured lodges, and the coloured lodges are making Masons from the white race. There is a lodge of white men, of about 60 members, working under a charter granted by the Coloured Grand Lodge of California. Thus is the problem solving itself, and race prejudice is fast disappearing before the light of liberty and intelligence.

MASONIC lodges, and other bodies allied to the institution are very differently situated as regards places of meeting and work, from what was the former condition. In the early part of the present century, lodges frequently met at private houses or in the parlors of taverns. Now, for the most part, they are established in convenient and attractive halls, with adjoining reception rooms, and other desired accomodations. The improvement in lodge halls, etc., has been exceedingly noticeable during the last twenty-five years. The fraternity is helped in many ways by the greater attention now given to providing attractive and well equipped Masonic halls.—*Freemason's Repository*.

"CÆMENTARIA Hibernica " is the title of a book in the press just now. The history of the Grand Lodge of Ireland is second in importance only to that of the Grand Lodge of England, but owing to the dearth of materials within roach of the student it has been, perforce, almost wholly overlooked. As a first step towards supplying the needed materials, the editor has taken in hand a re-issue of the Constitutions and public documents connected with the first century of Irish Freemasonry. These books he proposes to reproduce from the originals by the aid of photography. The work of these American Grand Lodges stands closer to Irish than to English Ritual. The work will contain photographic reproductions of :— 1.—The famous Warrant or Charter of the First Lodge of Ireland, with its noteworthy endorsements; II —The Minute of Incorporation of the Grand Lodge of Munster, 1726. III—The Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Munster, 1728. IV.—The Book of Constitutions issued by the Grand Lodge of Ireland immediately after its formation, 1729-20. V.—The Irish *editio princeps* of the Pocket Companion for Freemasons, by W. S. [William Smith], 1735. The publication will be limited. to 300 copies, signed and numbered, and can be had only from Bro. M'Gee, Nassau Street, Dublin, and Bro. Speth' secretary, Quatuor Coronati. All profits from the book go to the Masonic Orphan Boy's School, Ireland.

THE Freemason's Repository, published in Providence R.I., says : " Masonic lodges in Great Britain are characterised by more of sociability than prevails in this country. A much larger amount is expended per capita for refreshments by the average English lodge than by the average American lodge. Just now a paper printed in Liverpool, England, has made a severe arraignment of Freemasonry in general, and of one of the Liverpool Masonic lodges in particular, because of what is alleged to be an undue expenditure for refreshments.' It charges that the lodge disburses more money in provisions made for the inner man—the entertainment. of its new members—than it does in benevolence. Because of this fact the critical editor says

very hard things of the lodge and of the Masonic organization. The London Freemason, in noticing the tirade of the Liverpool paper, pertinently says : Doubtless it looks upon the Masonic Order as a benefit society, or, it may be, a kind of Charity Organization Society, whose funds are to be devoted to almsgiving and nothing else. But the sooner it disabuses its mind of this idea, the better. Charity, in the sense of almsgiving, is only a subordinate part of Masonry, as it is. of that larger and purer Charity, which we are told in Holy Words, " it is kind," " doth not behave itself unseemingly," thinketh no evil," and of which, to judge from this particular article, our irate little friend stands in need." The rebuke is timely and well administered, and yet a Masonic lodge needs to exercise special carefulness, that it does not fall to the level of a mere club—that it does not make too much of sociability and good cheer. Let moderation be the rule in the furnishing of refreshments. The members of a Masonic lodge may not improperly take dinner or supper together after the transaction of the business that has called them together ; .but the eating and drinking should be regarded as an accessory, not the principal thing, Except on special occasions it would seem wise to provide but light refreshments ; and on all occasions when brethren convene under Masonic auspices, the better rule would be to exclude intoxicants."

MEETINGS IN DECEMBER, 1894

1894, DEC.	AUCKLAND.	HAWKES BAY.	WELLINGTON.	NELSON.	CANTERBURY.	OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND
Mon. 3.		Bedford	Leinster			
Tues. 4.	Ponsonby	Abercorn, 76	*Pates Kil.		Crown, S.C.	
Wed. 5.						
Thurs. 6.						
Fri. 7.	Franklin Hokianga Auckland Prov. Chap		*Hawera			Palmerston Southern Cross
Mon. 10.	Albion *Wairoa		Fielding Wairarapa Ch	Wairau		Clutha Ngapara
Tues. 11	"Manukau Te Aroha	*Victoria Ruahine	*Waterloo St. Mark Otangaki	Greymouth EC Pacific, EC Trafalgar Ch., S.C.	St. Augustine	Waikouaiti
Wed. 12	Ara Papakura Mingonui	*Abercorn 30 Heretaunga	Masterton ManawatuKil Stratford Tararua	Aorangi	*Progress Malvern	Otago Waitaki *Harvey Fortitude
Thu. 13	Alpha		St. John St. Andrew Kil.	RobertBurns *Advance Ashb'rt'n EC	Ashley Caledonian	Hercules St. John Mokoreta Peninsula-Nil. S.C. Taringatura
Fri. 14	Waiuku		Rangitara Otaki Greytown *Eketahuna *St. John .S.C. *St Andrew Kil.	*Kumara	Phoenix	Aparima Victoria, I.C.
Mon. 17						
Tue 18	*St. Andrew *Sir W. Scott			Victory	Robt. Burns, S.C.	
Wed. 19		*Rawhiti	Ulster		*Geraldine Concord	*Oamaru Kil.
Thurs.20	Ze'l'ndia E.C.	j Seinde				
Fri. 21			Ngamotu Wellington EC			
Mon. 24			*NZ Pacific			
Tues. 25						
Wed. 26	U'it'd S'vice					
Thu. 27	Auckland			*SouthernStar E.C.	Unanimity	
Fri. 28						Southern Cross Chap
Mon 31						

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S W	...	...	Bro N NEVILLE
J W	...	...	Bro C H AGAR
Secretary	...	...	Bro J T GIFFORD, Lyttelton.

ST. AUGUSTINE, No. 4.

Founded 1852, meets every month in the St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Christchurch, on the second Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.; the June meeting is held on the 24th, St. John's the Baptist day; the October meeting on the 18th, this being the Anniversary Day of the Lodge. Installation, second Tuesday in January.

W M	...	...	Bro W J HAWLEY
S W	...	...	Bro W BROADHURST
J W	...	...	Bro A M MCINTYRE
Secretary	...	...	Bro JOHN CHYNOWETH

SOUTHERN CROSS, No. 6.

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Founded 1871, meets at Masonic Hall, George Street, Timaru, on the second Thursday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation, 24th June (St. John's Day).

W M	...	...	Bro JAMES MASON
S W	...	...	Bro JOSEPH GIBSON
J W	...	...	Bro SAMUEL MCBRIDE
Secretary	...	...	Bro A MILLS, P.M., P.G.S., York St.

PROGRESS, No. 22.

Founded November 16, 1876, meets at the Masonic Hall, Southbridge, on the Tuesday on or before the full moon, in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation, second Wednesday in December.

W M	...	...	Bro S MOORE, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro J SCOTT
J W	...	...	Bro T J WITHERS, M.D.
Secretary	...	...	Bro FRED PADDY

CANTERBURY KILWINNING, No. 23.

GERALDINE, No. 27.

Founded 1878, meets in the Masonic Hall, Geraldine, on the third Wednesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro A WHITE
S W	...	...	Bro BENJ F COCHRANE
J W	...	...	Bro F B WEBSTER
Secretary	...	...	Bro F WILSON SMITH, Timaru

ASHLEY, No. 28.

Founded 1878, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Rangiora, on the Thursday on or before full moon at 7.30 p.m. Installation, June meeting.

W M	...	...	Bro H JONES
S W	...	...	Bro G. F. SMITH
J W	...	...	Bro H C J BAILEY
Secretary	...	...	Bro SIDNEY G SMITH, Rangiora

ST. GEORGE, No. 29.

RAKAIA, No. 31.

LINCOLN, No. 33.

MALVERN, No. 35.

Founded 1880, meets at Springfield, Malvern, Canterbury, on Wednesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in October.

W M	...	...	Bro ALFRED B LINDOP
S W	...	...	Bro H. WILLIAMSON
J W	...	...	Bro H SMITH
Secretary	...	...	Bro W H HADDRELL, P.M., Sheffield.

CONCORD, No. 39.

Founded 1881, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Papanui, on the third Wednesday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in March.

W M	...	...	Bro WILLIAM GIFFKINS
S W	...	...	Bro S B PARKER
J W	...	...	Bro W H WERE
Secretary	...	...	Bro R B WILKINSON, Box 198, P.O., Christchurch

PHOENIX, No. 43.

Founded in 1881, meets at the Masonic Hall, Akaroa, on Friday on or nearest full moon in each month. Installation, November.

W M	...	...	Bro ED JOYCE
S W	...	...	Bro F POTTS
J W	...	...	Bro F J MORTON
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W M	...	Bro ARTHUR FIELDWICK
S W	...	Bro WM McADAM
J W	...	Bro F ANSEDELL
Secretary	...	Bro C J RONALDSON, P.M., care of Mr A. Fieldwick, Octagon, Dunedin

WAITAKI, No. 11.

Founded 1864, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, on the Wednesday on or before full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation in May.

W M	...	Bro ROBERT JOHN KEYS
S W	...	Bro NATHANIEL SWINARD
J W	...	Bro A MACKAY
Secretary	...	Bro J WANSBROUGH, P.M., Oamaru.

CLUTHA, No. 14.

Founded 1866, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Balclutha, on the Monday on or before full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation in June.

W M	...	Bro T A JOHNSTON
S W	...	Bro W J KEYS
J W	...	Bro J BAIN
Secretary	...	Bro WM WILSON, Box 30, Balclutha

PALMERSTON, No. 26.

Founded 1878, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Palmerston South, on the Friday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in August.

W M	...	Bro WM CLARKSON
S W	...	Bro MAYNESS ISBISTER
J W	...	Bro WM B GALLOWAY
Secretary	...	Bro CHAS CRUMP, P.M.

HERCULES, No. 36.

Founded 1880, meets every month in Masonic Hall, Tapanui, on the Thursday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation in May.

W M	...	Bro BENJ. FARGHER, P.M.
S W	...	Bro C F L WRENSTEAD
J W	...	Bro JOHN BEATIE
Secretary	...	Bro THOS CRAWFORD, P.M., Tapanui.

HIRAM, No. 46.

WAIKOUAITI, No. 57.

Founded July 28, 1885, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Waikouaiti, Otago, on the Tuesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in July.

W M	...	Bro the Rev. W S LUCAS, P.M.
S W	...	Bro HENRY BUCKLAND
J W	...	Bro GEO. M'LEOD
Secretary	...	Bro ANDREW AFFLECK, Waikouaiti, O.

NGAPARA, No. 68.

Founded 1891, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Ngapara, Oamaru, on the Monday preceeding full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in October.

W M	...	...	Bro THOS S LITTLE
S W	...	...	Bro J R McCULLOCH
J W	...	...	Bro WM HOWDEN
Treasurer	...	...	Bro THOS PATERSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro H WEBBER, P.M., Ngapara

OAMARU KILWINNING, No. 82.

Founded in 1872, meets at the Masonic Hall, Oamaru, on the first Wednesday after full moon in each month. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro GORDON McADAM
S W	...	...	Bro W J HILL
J W	...	...	Bro RH McPHERSON [Hotel.
Secretary	...	...	Bro J M BROWN, P.M., Star and Garter

ST. THOMAS KILWINNING, No. 83.

ST. JOHN, No. 84.

Founded 1885, meets at the Oddfellows' Hall, Mosgiel, Otago, on the second Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in April.

W M	...	...	Bro ALEX BARRON
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W M	...	...	Bro H McNEILAGE
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J W	...	...	Bro W H CLARKE
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HARVEY, No. 49.

Founded 1883, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Gore, on the Wednesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro JOHN CUNNINGHAM, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro J MACGIBBON
J W	...	...	Bro D McFARLANE
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MOKORETA, No. 63.

Founded 1888, meets at the Oddfellows' Hall, Wyndham, on the Thursday nearest full moon, at 7 p.m. Installation in September.

W M	...	...	Bro JAS. McLAUGHLAN
S W	...	...	Bro W J CURRIE
J W	...	...	Bro GEO. CROSBIE, JUN.
Secretary	...	...	Bro J B CRAWFORD, Wyndham

FORTITUDE, No. 64.

Founded 1888, meets at the Athenæum Hall, Bluff, on the second Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in January.

W M	...	...	Bro SAMUEL NICHOL
S W	...	...	Bro D J T LONG
J W	...	...	Bro J H REED
Secretary	...	...	Bro JAMES FINDLAY

APARIMA, No. 77.

Founded 1876, meets on the second Friday in each month, at 7.30 p.m., in the Masonic Hall, Riverton. Installation in April.

W M	...	...	Bro GEORGE EVANS
S W	...	...	Bro A MCKINNON
J W	...	...	Bro E WARD
Treasurer	...	...	Bro JOHN PETCHELL, P.M.
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W M	...	...	Bro W H SHORT, Junr.
S W	...	...	Bro JAS BOON
J W	...	...	Bro JAS MORRISON
Secretary	...	...	Bro A A GRACE, Washington Valley, Nelson

WAIRAU, No. 42.

Founded 1881, meets every month in their Lodge Room, Andrew Street, Blenheim, on the Monday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in June.

W M	...	...	Bro N T PRICHARD
S W	...	...	Bro W H MIDDLEMISS
J W	...	...	Bro JOHN VIRCOE
Secretary	...	...	Bro WM GILLESPIE, P.M., Blenheim

ROBERT BURNS, No. 50.

Founded 1883, meets at the Oddfellows' Hall, Broadway, Reefton, on the Thursday nearest full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in January.

W M	...	...	Bro J AULD, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro WM. BAIN
J W	...	...	Bro JAMES YOUNG
Secretary	...	...	Bro T R W PHILPOTTS, P.M., Box 25, P. O., Reefton.

ADVANCE, No. 61.

Founded 1887, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Brunnerton, on the Thursday on or nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro JAMES HUNTER
S W	...	...	Bro E. A. SCOTT
J W	...	...	Bro MURDOCH MCKENZIE
Secretary	...	...	Bro JOHN WARD, P.M., Brunnerton

KUMARA, No 65.

Founded 1889, meets at the Masonic Hall, Main Street, Kumara, Westland, on Friday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in December.

W M	...	...	Bro GEORGE ANDERSON
S W	...	...	Bro ROBERT HILL
J W	...	...	Bro SAMUEL HARVEY
Secretary	...	...	Bro EMIL PETERS, Kumara

WESTLAND KILWINNING (No. 467, S.C.) No. 88.

AORANGI, No. 89.

Founded 1893, meets every month on the Wednesday nearest full moon, in the Masonic Hall, Denniston. Installation, April 21st.

W M	...	...	Bro T A PETERKIN, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro E A DAWSON
J W	...	...	Bro J GIBSON
Secretary	...	...	Bro W H DENCKER, Denniston.

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S W	...	...	Bro E BEACHAM
J W	...	...	Bro W E FLEMING
Secretary	...	...	Bro JOHN GRAHAM, Nelson

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S W	...	...	Bro H W KITCHINGHAM
J W	...	...	Bro J STEER
Secretary	...	...	Bro R W GREENWOOD, P.M.

PACIFIC, No. 1453.

Founded 1873, meets every month in the Masonic Hall, Shiel Street, Reefton, on the Tuesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in July.

W M	...	...	Bro JAMES GREENISH
S W	...	...	Bro JOHN OATS
J W	...	...	Bro HY BETTS
Secretary	...	...	Bro D O PRESHAW, Reefton

WELLINGTON, No. 1521.

Founded in 1874, meets at the Freemason's Hall, Wellington, on the third Friday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation in June.

W M	...	...	Bro W JESSUP
S W	...	...	Bro G ALLPORT
J W	...	...	Bro J D RILEY
Secretary	...	...	Bro F HARTMANN.

ASHBURTON, No. 1811.

Founded in 1877, meets at Masonic Hall, Tancred Street, Ashburton, on second Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in June, on St. John's Day.

W M	...	...	Bro T E KILWORTH
S W	...	...	Bro W J CROOKS
J W	...	...	Bro GEO MADDINS
Secretary	...	...	Bro J C CAWSEY, Ashburton

ZEALANDIA, No. 2072.

Founded in 1884, meets at the Masonic Hall, Whangaroa, Auckland, on the third Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro W SEFTON
S W	...	...	Bro DR J H MASON
J W	...	...	Bro J W GOTHARD, P.M.
Secretary	...	...	Bro R SHEPHERD, Whangaroa

AORANGI, No. 2300.

Founded in 1889, meets on the fourth Tuesday in each month between April and November. Installation in November.

W M	...	...	Bro ALEXANDER GRAY, P.M.
S W	...	...	Bro N W WERRY, P.M.
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W S W	...	...	Bro H TUCK
W J W	...	...	Bro S G MALE
Secretary	...	...	Bro W R GAHAGAN, St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Christchurch.

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Founded 1882, meets at Crown Hall, Sydenham, Christchurch, on the first Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation —

R W M	...	...	Bro ALFRED WEBB
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W J W	...	...	Bro D ROUND
Secretary	...	...	Bro ARTHUR B CHAPPELL, P.O. Box 34, Christchurch.

PENINSULA KILWINNING, No. 696.

Founded 1883, meets monthly in the Schoolhouse, Portobello, Otago, on the Thursday on or before full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation in December.

R W M	...	...	Bro DAVID HUGHES
W S W	...	...	Bro WILLIAM GEARY
W J W	...	...	Bro W GRAINGER
Secretary	...	...	Bro W C FERGUSON, P.O., Portobello.

TARINGATURA, No. 743.

Founded 1887, meets second Thursday in each month, at Masonic Hall, Lumsden, Southland. Installation in May.

R W M	...	...	Bro JOHN REID
W S W	...	...	Bro JAMES SMITH
W J W	...	...	Bro W V ROBB
Secretary	...	...	Bro CHAS W G SELBY, Lumsden School

ST. JOHN, No. 785.

Founded 1892, meets on the Friday nearest full moon, in the Primitive Methodist Church, Eltham, Taranaki, at 8 p.m. Lodge of Instruction held every Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. Installation, December.

R W M	...	...	Bro J BELL
W S W	...	...	Bro G W CALVERT
W J W	...	...	Bro H POTE
Secretary	...	...	Bro WALTER L F CHAMBERS, Eltham

IRISH CRAFT LODGES.

VICTORIA, No. 471.

Founded in 1883, meets at the Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, on the second Friday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation in July.

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