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Waiata
MONDAY, 5th
Ara (I.C.)
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Ponsonby
Abercorn
WEDNESDAY, 7th
Manakau
Nau Mai
THURSDAY, 8th
Albion
WEDNESDAY, 14th
Ara
THURSDAY, 15th
Maungawhau
TUESDAY, 20th
St. Andrew
Sir Walter Scott
Papakura
Robson
WEDNESDAY, 21st
Wairoa
Ohinemuri
Piako
THURSDAY, 22nd
Beta-Waitato
Mangonui
Tauranga
FRIDAY, 23rd
Hokitika
SATURDAY, 24th
Ohakuni
MONDAY, 25th
Whangarei
Waihi
Te Marama
TUESDAY, 27th
Te Aroha
Auckland
Rotorua
Tawhiri
WEDNESDAY, 28th
United Service
Alpha
Taupiri
Plunket
THURSDAY, 29th
Tirau

HAWKES BAY.

TUESDAY, 6th
Victoria
TUESDAY, 13th
Heretaunga
THURSDAY, 15th
Rawhiti
TUESDAY, 20th
Seaside
Bedford
Rushine
FRIDAY, 23rd
Ruataniwha
MONDAY, 26th
Abercorn
Lion
TUESDAY, 27th
Waikaremoana

TARANAKI.

TUESDAY, 6th
Hawera
WEDNESDAY, 14th
Patea Kil.
FRIDAY, 23rd
Moia
TUESDAY, 27th
St. John's
Ikaroa
WEDNESDAY, 28th
Ngamotu
Stratford

RUAPEHU.

THURSDAY, 1st
Huia
THURSDAY, 8th
Manawatu Kil.
St. Andrew Kil.
MONDAY, 19th
Manga-te-weka
TUESDAY, 20th
Rangitikei
Otahape

Ruapehu—Cont.

THURSDAY, 22nd
Otangaki
Moutoa
FRIDAY, 23rd
Rangitira
MONDAY, 26th
Feilding
Waimarino
TUESDAY, 27th
Te Awahou
WEDNESDAY, 28th
Rongotea
THURSDAY, 29th
Kimbolton
Ruapehu

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Tutaukai
MONDAY, 5th
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WEDNESDAY, 7th
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Waihanga
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Hinemoa
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Whetu Kairanga
MONDAY, 12th
St. John
Waterloo
TUESDAY, 13th
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WEDNESDAY, 14th
Masterton
Waiwhetu
MONDAY, 19th
St. Andrew
WEDNESDAY, 21st
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FRIDAY, 23rd
Eketahuna
SATURDAY, 24th
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MONDAY, 26th
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WEDNESDAY, 28th
Motueka
THURSDAY, 29th
Unanimity
FRIDAY, 30th
Wairua

WESTLAND.

SATURDAY, 3rd
Mokihinui
WEDNESDAY, 7th
Aorangi
THURSDAY, 8th
Mawhera
MONDAY, 12th
Kawatiri
THURSDAY, 15th
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TUESDAY, 27th
Kumara
WEDNESDAY, 28th
Westland Kil.
THURSDAY, 29th
Advance

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MONDAY, 5th
Caledonian
TUESDAY, 6th
Unanimity
THURSDAY, 8th
Southern Cross
Ashley
Waihora
TUESDAY, 13th
St. Augustine 4
WEDNESDAY, 14th
St. George
FRIDAY, 15th
Mairaki
TUESDAY, 20th
Progress
Lincoln
Robert Burns
WEDNESDAY, 21st
Geraldine
St. Augustine 99
Thistle
FRIDAY, 23rd
Amuri
MONDAY, 26th
Ahurua
TUESDAY, 27th
Christchurch
WEDNESDAY, 28th
Concord
THURSDAY, 29th
Mackenzie

OTAGO.

THURSDAY, 1st
Otago Kil.
MONDAY, 5th
Maori
FRIDAY, 9th
Hauremu
TUESDAY, 13th
Clutha
WEDNESDAY, 14th
Otago
WEDNESDAY, 21st
Oceanic
Waitaki
THURSDAY, 22nd
Kuroo
FRIDAY, 23rd
Palmerston
Manukerikia Kil.
SATURDAY, 24th
Teviot
MONDAY, 26th
Ngapara
TUESDAY, 27th
Hiram
Dunstan
WEDNESDAY, 28th
Hercules
Oamaru Kil.
Mount Ida
Glenview Kil.
THURSDAY, 29th
St. Ralhan's
Owaka
Clinton

SOUTHLAND.

FRIDAY, 2nd
Southern Cross
THURSDAY, 8th
Orepuki
FRIDAY, 9th
Victoria
WEDNESDAY, 14th
Fortitude
THURSDAY, 15th
Mokoreta
FRIDAY, 16th
St. John
Wallace
TUESDAY, 20th
Lake of Ophir
Winton
MONDAY, 26th
Arrow Kil.
Waikaka
Taringatua
TUESDAY, 27th
Aparima
WEDNESDAY, 28th
Harvey

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23rd September—Thursday	22nd December—Wednesday

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THE WAR.

A DISTINGUISHED New Zealand brother holding a responsible position in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force now in Turkey, writing in April, says: "We have a very serious task in front of us, and I am afraid that there will be some sore hearts in New Zealand before this arrives." As at the time of writing this article the seventieth casualty list has been published, our eminent brother's anticipations have been more than realised. Seeing that the sore hearts include a number of members of the Craft, whose sons and other relatives have joined the armies of the Empire, and that the list of craftsmen on active service is daily increasing, we feel warranted in offering some comment on a war which is becoming of more deadly import to Freemasonry in New Zealand every day, and it must be conceded that the position now has a very serious aspect, which cannot be properly realised unless the general information supplied is subjected to analysis, when it will be seen that there are two sides to the question, and there are big flies in the ointment of the Allies' success as reported. We need not here discuss the reasons that led England into the struggle, as the world, outside Germany, admits the justness of her quarrel, and to-day we have the belated admission of one of the most aggressive German writers (Herr Harden) and his insistence on Germany accepting the view that "Sir Edward Grey did not promote the war, but rather strove for peace." But when Britain did enter the lists the usual mistake was made of underestimating, not the armies of the enemies, but their resources, and upon the German fleet being bottled up an almost unanimous opinion seemed to prevail that the duration of the war would be anything from six weeks to three months. But had not the German plans miscarried in one particular—that they omitted the little Belgian army from the consideration—the war might have assumed an entirely different aspect, not at all in accordance with the anticipations of the Allies. And now, after ten months' strenuous fighting, and notwithstanding the many reverses the enemy is alleged to have suffered, Belgium is still occupied, Germany is not invaded, and Russia admits to reverses. In the Dardanelles a modified form of campaign has been adopted, after the great slaughter of Australian and New Zealand troops, and we have it on the authority of Mr. Ashmead Bartlett, the special war correspondent, that forcing the passage is an impossible task for the fleet, and that a great army is necessary, consisting of hundreds of thousands of men. That gentleman says:—

"The days of the Turk in Europe are numbered, but no one will deny that he is dying hard and game. It came as a disagreeable shock to many to read on the morning of March 19th that two British battleships and one French had been sunk in the Dardanelles, whilst several others had been hit and damaged. The blow was all the more sudden because the public had been led to believe from previous official reports that all was going well. We were told that the outer forts had been completely destroyed and that the work of mine-sweeping had made excellent progress. This news was given in perfect good faith and was also quite true, but we built upon it too great a structure of hope, but few realising the immense difficulties the fleet has had to face, obstacles which do not really commence until the Narrows are approached."

It would seem, to use Mr. Bartlett's words, that we "build too greatly on the structure of hope." The average man has been looking for months past for the starvation of Germany and a general revolution in that country. Yet on 16th June the following impressions of a "neutral observer" have found general circulation:

"It is no longer a case of 'We shall win, we cannot lose,' with the Germans; but there is a grim resolve that all must strain every ounce of energy, resource, and intelligence to establish the desired result. Finding there is no enemy on their soil, and the boundaries of their country have been pushed beyond their former limits, the Germans claim that up to the present they have won the war; yet there is no slackening of effort. It daily becomes more apparent that the resources of men and material are more vast than even the Germans themselves realized. Unless overwhelmed by main force, they may resist indefinitely."

EFFECT OF ISOLATION

The Germans are unbroken in strength and spirit, but their complete isolation is affecting the character of the people in two distinct and opposite ways: first, the national spirit, called imperial consciousness, becomes apparent; next, there is embittered morbidity and brutal vindictiveness, warping their judgment, biasing their opinions, and unhinging their ethical and moral senses.

TRIUMPH OF GERMAN GENIUS.

The majority of the people regard the use of poisonous gas as a splendid triumph of German genius. A chemical expert stated that gas is the coming weapon of German warfare, though it is still in a primitive state of development. It is certain to supplant the high explosives. The phenomenal successes in Galicia and elsewhere are due to its use, and a few tanks of gas do more work than a thousand shells. The only bar to its complete success was the finding of a suitable system of distribution.

THERE ARE NO SHIRKERS.

"Throughout Germany there are no shirkers; every man, woman, and child is contributing to the nation's effort. Though many are beginning to realise that the struggle will not bring any ultimate good to Germany, the majority of the people believe in the righteousness of their cause and final success."

We may allow a liberal discount for the actual neutrality of "Observer," and, his estimate of the resources of the German nation. But the admission is forced upon us that their resources are truly wonderful, or they could not successfully withstand five powers as they are doing. Neither can it be denied that they possess initiative to a remarkable degree, and further, that in the love for the Fatherland there is absolute unity of action and purpose. In submitting these facts we are not imbued with any pessimistic ideas, but rather desire to present what appears to be the true state of affairs to the consideration of every thoughtful man, so that the grave seriousness of the position may not be underestimated, but rather that all may realise the herculean task which the Allies have before them. Unless the unexpected happens it appears fairly certain that the war will be greatly prolonged, and if this is admitted it will add greatly to the task undertaken by the G.L. of New Zealand. In the earlier stages of the war we advised that efforts made in the creation of a war relief fund should be of a sustained character rather than spasmodic, and the foregoing remarks are penned to emphasise that conclusion. The M.W.G.M., in his last circular, estimates that a sum of £10,000 will be required for the special fund. We venture the assertion that £30,000 will be insufficient if it is proposed to relieve the Government of its liability so far as Freemasons are concerned. It will not be temporary casualties that will drain the fund, but cases of permanent disablement and providing for the families of the brethren who may be killed. We assume that before the fund is made operative the responsibility of the Government will be fully considered, and the question determined as to whether any grants made will be in addition to legitimate claims on the country or in lieu of such claims. We further assume that all Lodges are supplying the G.Sec. with up-to-date lists of those of their members who have been killed or disabled in the war.

A NEW MASONIC -DISTRICT.

At the annual communication of the :G.L. of New Zealand consent was given for the subdivision of the Wellington Masonic District and the constitution of the Ruapehu District. The Wellington District had 38-Lodges, and included all the country south of the old Taranaki provincial boundaries. By the subdivision 15 Lodges are now included in Ruapehu District, the boundaries of which are the country north of the Manawatu River and south of Taranaki. The Prov.G.M. of the new district is R.W. Bro. D. McFarlane, who will administer the district from Wanganui. He is an old P.M. of St. Andrew Kil. Lodge, and is very highly esteemed throughout Wanganui and Rangitikei, where he is well known and will be able to do good service. While we do not strongly favour the subdivision of the old provincial boundaries, in the case of Wellington the number of Lodges and the distance to be travelled had become too great a tax on the brother who has been in charge of the district for the past few years, and who is no longer in the heyday of youth. From our personal knowledge of Bro. McFarlane we are sure he will be a most zealous officer and that the new district

will prosper under his supervision. We offer our most hearty congratulations and wish him and his district every success.

AN UNIQUE AND VALUABLE GIFT.

R.W. Bro. Dr. Redman, Prov.G.M. of Marlborough and Nelson, has presented to G.L., for the benefit of the Special War Relief Fund, a Trafalgar relic in the shape of a case of surgical instruments used on one of H.M. ships during that famous battle. The case came into possession of Dr. Redman's father about seventy years ago, and has been in the family ever since. Accompanying the case is an autograph letter from the surgeon who operated with the instruments at the battle of Trafalgar, and was written in the year 1834, and the surgeon states that they had served him well in upwards of a hundred engagements, commencing with the historical fight of Trafalgar. The instruments are in good order, and will probably afford a striking contrast to those in use at the present time. Now, the question arises as to how this gift can be best utilised for the benefit of the War Relief :Fund. As at the present time the law appears to be suspended, so far as art unions are concerned, for patriotic purposes, we would suggest that an art union be opened for the disposal of the gift; and we feel sure that the amount realised would exceed all anticipations. And to make it still more attractive perhaps other brethren throughout the Dominion might be induced to donate articles of art or vertu, by which means we are assured a substantial sum could be raised for the benefit of the Special War Fund.

News and Notes

BRO R. P. GILBIN, who has been manager of Sargood, Son and Ewan in Nelson, has left to take charge of the Wanganui, branch. Bro. Giblin has taken a keen interest in Masonry, and should find no difficulty in making a new Masonic home in Wanganui.

THE Wellington Masonic Hall was splendidly ventilated on the occasion of Lodge St. Andrew's meeting in June, so much so that a numbers of " rulers " in the East were nearly frozen to the backs of their respective chairs. Yet, strange to relate, that gentle zephyr absolutely disappears in summer, even during the fiercest gale.

BRO. CAPTAIN J. M. ROSE, of Lodge Tutaneikai, who has been twice wounded at the Dardanelles, is now in hospital, and is progressing favourably.

WE learn with pleasure that the M.W.G.M.'s son, wounded at the Dardanelles, is rapidly recovering from the injury to his foot, and expects to be soon in the fighting line again.

ULSTER LODGE, Petone, had the experience of holding its Annual meeting for the first time on a Saturday night, the reason being to suit the convenience of the Prov.G.M., who was engaged in another district on the statutory night, on " tile " business. The meeting was well attended, but the initiatory delay only left thirty minutes in the refectory for the Wellington brethren. Being Saturday, the meeting could as easily have been commenced at 5 o'clock as 7 p.m.; then an enjoyable social intercourse would have resulted.

THE members of Lodge Tauranga have agreed to pay the sum of two shillings each per month as a contribution to the Special G.L. War Fund. The levy will be continued while the war lasts.

M.W. BRO. C. J. W. GRIFFITHS, P.G.M., is still in residence in London, and has suffered somewhat of the rigour of the English winter. We gather from Bro. Griffiths's communications that London is not at the present time a pleasant residential city, and he is looking forward with the greatest pleasure to his return to New Zealand at the end of the present year. Freemasonry in England appears to be in a state of " hurly-burly."

A NAPIER correspondent kindly sends the following Masonic information with reference to the late Bro. Baxter. G.Treas. He was initiated in Scinde Lodge on 15th January, 1901, passed 19th February, raised

2nd April. He filled the office of I.G. 1902, J.D. 1903, S.D. 1904, J.W. 1905; S.W. 1906; and 1907: He was also a member of the R.A. Degree.

ON 21st April the M.W.G.M. of South Australia, Sir S. J. Way, celebrated his 79th birthday, and received the felicitations of his G.L., which happened to be in annual session.

M.W. BRO. A. M. HERTZBERG has been nominated for the position of G.M. of the G.L. of Queensland for the seventh consecutive year.

W. BRO. LIEUT.-COLONEL TRACY INGLIS, N.Z.M.C., received a presentation on the 12th ult. of a leather suit-case and a travelling rug from the past and present nurses of St. Helen's Hospital, Auckland. The articles were handed over by the matron, Miss Ludwig. Dr. Inglis will be second in command of the hospital ship.

THE Wellington Board of Casual Relief during the year which closed in April last, gave assistance to three members of the N.Z.C., to four members of the S.C., and to three members of the E.C.

M.W. BRO. HON. C. CARTY-SALMON, G.M. of the United G.L. of Victoria, was the recipient of a very handsome presentation from the officers of the G.L. on 17th March, consisting of a representative jewel of the G.L. of Scotland for himself, and a small sealed packet for his wife.

M.W. BRO. H. J. WILLIAMS was entertained at luncheon by the M.W.G.M. of the G.L. of New South Wales during his recent visit to Sydney. The principal G. officers of New South Wales were present, and M.W. Bro. Emery, of Victoria, who recently visited New Zealand, was also a guest. Subsequently Bro. Williams was present by invitation, with his two sons, at a ladies' night at the Masonic Club, and at the supper which followed his health was the subject of a special toast, and the honours were given by a lady.

THE installation of the W.M. of Lodge Leinster, Wellington, will take place on Monday, 5th July. As Parliament will be in session, probably the list of visitors will be large.

IN our present issue will be found the title page and index of Volume XX. of the N.Z. CRAFTSMAN.

THE N.Z. CRAFTSMAN completed its twentieth year of publication on the 31st May last.

WE have received a circular from the National Committee for Relief in Belgium, of which the Lord Mayor of London is Chairman, requesting publication and editorial support. It will be sufficient apology for not doing so, that the Freemasons of the Dominion are, engaged in a herculean task of raising a large Masonic fund, besides assisting the local Belgium Relief Funds as private citizens.

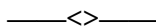
AN esteemed brother has kindly forwarded to us an engraving of a French Masonic apron found in the inside of a codfish in the Glasgow Fish Market. It was rolled up tightly and tied. We regret that the picture is too indistinct for reproduction.

As a result of the vote taken in G.L., Bro. Saunders has resumed the position of W.M. of Lodge Mackenzie, from which he was deposed.

FOLLOWING usual practice, the Masonic Newspaper Co. is issuing its yearly accounts and notification of the financial position of every subscriber with the company. Failure to receive such statement should be at once notified to the secretary, who will forward another account. The financial year of the company terminated on the 31st May.

WE have received the first annual balance-sheet of the Rose and Thistle. R.A. Chapter, which indicates an economical administration and sound position.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.



The installation meeting of Lodge St. John drew a large attendance of members and visiting brethren. The ceremony was performed by the Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany. The new Master, W. Bro. Robt. Smith, has taken a keen and active interest in the affairs of his Lodge. He has a strong staff of officers under him, and he can be relied upon to use the strength at his disposal to further the best interests of the Craft.

The re-appearance of our Veteran and revered W. Bro. W. B. Scandrett in Southern Cross Lodge gave unbounded pleasure and satisfaction to members and visiting brethren at the annual meeting. His re-investiture as Treas. an office he has held for many years, was made a special feature of the installation ceremony. This duty was performed by V.W. Bro. W. G. Mahaffey, G.Lec., who delivered an oration on Bro. Scandrett's many excellencies of character, particularly emphasising his devotedness to Southern Cross Lodge, of which he was W.M. 37 years ago, and, despite his many public duties and honours, the intervening years have not diminished his enthusiasm nor found him lacking in service to the Craft. W. Bro. Scandrett is looking and feeling very well, notwithstanding the severity of the operation he underwent recently, and it is fondly hoped that he will be present in his Lodge for very many years to come.

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Remembering the happy and beneficial experiences and associations gained on the occasion of last G.L. session held in Southland, a movement has begun with a view to inducing G.L. to hold the 1917 session at Invercargill.

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W. Bro. Jos. Critchfield concluded a busy year's work by installing his successor, W. Bro. Geo. Kelly, Master of Southern Cross Lodge. W. Bro. Kelly is very popular in Masonic circles. He has also devoted much time to the volunteer movement, and having signed on for active service on behalf of King and Country, he is daily expecting orders to proceed to Trentham.

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W. Bro. E. Johnson has been re-elected and installed W.M. of Lodge Fortitude for the ensuing year. The most notable feature of the function was W. Bro. Johnson's stirring exhortation to his brethren regarding their duties to their Lodge and to the Craft in general. The Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany, who conducted the ceremony, congratulated W. Bro. Johnson on the matter of his address from the chair. The social afterwards was not carried out on the grand scale as formerly; it was thoroughly enjoyable, and the ladies to whom the success was due were heartily thanked by the Prov.G.M. R.W. Bro. Wm. Smith responded on behalf of the ladies in his own inimitable way.

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The P.Ms. of Lodge Wairaki carried out the installation ceremony of Lodge Victoria in a highly exemplary manner. The record B. of I.M. and attendance of brethren was evidently the Craft's appreciation of the action of Lodge Victoria in again giving them the opportunity of witnessing the work of the Wairaki P.Ms. W. Bro. Todd as I.M. and W. Bro. Brown as D. of C. were well placed, and gave admirable performances. The new Master, W. Bro. Kerse, is keen, a good visitor, and master of the details of his high office. The ensuing year should be a successful one for Lodge Victoria.

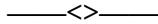
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A pleasant feature of the annual meeting of Victoria Lodge was the presentation of a handsomely-framed illuminated address to W. Bro. Jameson, G. Chaplain, and one of the oldest and highest-esteemed members of Victoria Lodge, and who is about to remove from the district. R.W. Bro. Rein, in making the presentation, spoke very feelingly of the regard in which W. Bro. Jameson is held by his brethren, and of his long and active service to his Lodge. He also expressed the regret all felt at the prospect of parting with one of such irreproachable character, and hoped that peace and happiness would attend him to the close of life. W. Bro. Jameson, acknowledging the token of his brethren's esteem, spoke interestingly of his connection with Lodge Victoria, and of the fortifying influence Freemasonry had exerted on his public and private life. He felt it to be a severe wrench to part from his brethren of Lodge Victoria, in whose company he had spent so many happy evenings.

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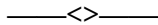
P.M.'s jewels were presented to W. Bros. Boyles, Waters, Horne, and Yule by Lodges St. John, Southern Cross, Fortitude, and Victoria respectively.

GRAND LODGE SPECIAL WAR FUND.



At the Silver Jubilee of the G.L. of New Zealand, held recently, in Wellington, the G.M., M.W. Bro. J. J. Deegan, strongly urged the claims of this fund to the brethren present at his installation as G.M. in the Town. Hall on Wednesday, 12th May, -and about £750 was subscribed in the room. The following morning he thanked the representatives for their liberality, but hoped the sum would be increased to £1,000, and an ultimate total of £10,000 from the Craft in New Zealand, pointing out that as over 500 brethren had already gone to the front the money would be urgently required. It would be thankfully received, and faithfully applied. R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, with the consent of the G.M., took up a collection in his grey tile hat, which was afterwards put 'up' for sale, and purchased again and again by various brethren, whose names are inscribed on the hat, for one guinea, returned by them, and ultimately sold by auction, amid a scene of enthusiasm, for £25, to S.W. Bro. J. P. Thomson, for presentation to Lodge Scinde, No. 5, Napier, as a memento of such an unusual and memorable occasion in G.L. This hat was the means of raising over £150, and inscribed on the leather band are the signatures of M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, G.M.; M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, G.Sec., P.G.M. ; and R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M. of Wellington District. .

FREEMASONRY AND CRAFT GUILDS.



[A Paper read at the WELLINGTON INSTALLED MASTERS' LODGE by W. BRO. ALBERT ERSKINE, P.M.]

Dr. Mackey, the well-known Masonic writer, has said that the source and origin of Freemasonry has given rise to more difference of opinion and discussion among Masonic scholars than any other topic in the literature of the institution. He might have added, without fear of contradiction, that every enquiry into matters which may have had even the remotest connection with Masonic bodies prior to the inauguration of the G.L. of England in 1717 has generally been the cause of a marvellous diversity of opinion and perhaps, in many cases, of much useless discussion. Nevertheless, the claims to a high antiquity and to relationship with ancient institutions which have been advanced from time to time on behalf of Freemasonry have led to much diligent research, and brought to the light of day a wealth of interesting information concerning not only our own institution but many of the ancient organisations with which it claims relationship.

The social, political, commercial and industrial condition of that period which Gould, for the sake of convenience has termed the mythical-historical period, and which he holds to have extended to 1717, has always attracted much attention from Masonic scholars.

One of the many topics connected with this period which has been exhaustively dealt with is the origin, career, internal economy and decay of Craft Guilds, amid especially the supposed connection between them and Freemasonry. The theory that modern speculative freemasonry was the lineal successor of these guilds, was an attractive one, and in its fullest developments would have taken the institution back through mediæval to Anglo-Saxon guilds and thence to the Roman Collegia, Grecian Societies and Oriental building fraternities.

The guilds were of three kinds and were voluntary associations which grew up and flourished among the commercial and industrial classes in the Middle Ages, They were formed for mutual aid and protection and among the guildsmen there was a strong spirit of fraternal co-operation.

Many writers find a resemblance between the guilds and the Collegia of the Romans, but there appears to be little evidence of continuity between the Roman and the mediæval fraternities. Others regard them as a growth of early German and sacrificial banquets, and yet others ascribe them to the Northern foster-brotherhood, whilst another section consider that their real origin must be sought in the needs and circumstances of the time in which they flourished.

Co-incident with the growth of freedom in towns, there was often, and especially on the Continent, an absence of a strong central government, and these conditions, together with the gradual weakening of the old kin-bond, led individuals to unite for mutual protection. The first mention of the guild in England is in the

7th century, and on the Continent in the 8th century. The organisations which made their appearance so early in our national history were almost entirely of a religious nature. Their ordinances exhibit much solicitude for the welfare of the souls of the brethren; and provided for prayers for the dead ; attendance at funerals of guildsmen ; periodical banquets ; a solemn entrance oath ; fines for neglect of duty and for improper conduct; mutual assistance in distress; and periodical meetings in the guild hall. They played an important role in the social life of the time, especially as eleemosynary institutions. Before the Norman Conquest there is no trace in England of either the Merchant or the Craft Guilds, and even after the Conquest the growth of the system was comparatively slow. This was probably due to the slow advance in individual and commercial concerns, and in some measure to the fact that a strong central government had been established by William the Conqueror. It was not until the 12th century that the Craft Guilds came into notice, and we find them fully developed and in a flourishing condition only after two centuries of increasing activity ; by the 14th century each branch of industry in every large town had its guild. They were all more or less of a religious cast, for during the Middle Ages the distinction between the religious and the secular was not so clearly marked as it is now, but their aims were primarily worldly and their functions were mainly of an economic character.

The greatest example of the historical guild was the Gilda Mercatoria or the Guild Merchant, the commercial class being the first to assert itself, and to establish an influential position in the town life. In the cities the advance of civilisation brought a multitude of crafts, the workmen in which gradually organised themselves into Craft Guilds. As the merchant guilds were first in the field and as the great merchants were frequently the great landholders, their guilds claimed, and for a long time held a privileged position. In course of time the respective interests of the merchant and the Craft Guilds began to clash.; hence arose bitter quarrels which ended after generations in favour of the latter. They enjoyed a particularly wide scope and not only made ordinances regulating the hours of labour and the terms of admission and apprenticeship, supervised processes of manufacture and controlled the monopoly of working and dealing in a particular branch of industry, but were associated with the business of civic and local self-government in the widest sense of the word.

Thus they became exceedingly influential institutions and were most powerful in countries where the national government was particularly weak, and where civic life was strongest. Before the end of the 16th century they were beginning to show signs of decay and the policy adopted by the Tudors of bringing them under strict political control doubtless helped the process.

But legal restriction was not the only cause; "The medieval form of association was found to be incompatible with new ideas of individual liberty and free competition". New economic forces were making themselves felt and the old was compelled to give place to the new. They had grown up under mediaeval conditions and they began to decay under the new influence which overthrew the mediæval system.

The Masonic bodies of the Middle Ages were organised corporations not substantially different in their nature from the other guilds. They were governed by their own rules and these were enforced by a master-warden or keeper, while they were recruited from apprentices who had undergone a period of probationary service.

These organised bodies of Masons do not seem to have arisen until long after the appearance of the other guilds. The builders were, unlike the members of other trades, compelled to travel from place to place as work called them, and this may account for their delay in forming strong associations. Gould expresses the opinion that the building fraternities of the Middle Ages must have been in many respects like the trade unions of the present day:. However, that may be, it is certain that a masonic guild existed in London in 1375, when the right of election to civic dignities was conferred upon the trading Companies. As early as 1349, however, the Ordinance of Labourers regulated the wages to be paid to Masons, and made other rules for their guidance. The Statute of Labourers, in 1360, specially provided for masons and carpenters and made very stringent regulations concerning punishment of workmen and the amount and payment of wages.

Four years before this at a congregation of mayor and aldermen, "certain articles were ordained touching the trade of masons." In 1425 a law was passed abolishing all "chapters and congregations of masons as they had persisted in openly violating and breaking the Good Course and Effect of the Statutes of Labourers." It would, however, be tedious to enumerate all the Statutes passed between the years 1300 and 1600 which had

for their objects the regulation of wages, the protection of the weak against the strong, and the insistence upon the duties of the individual to society. Like the Craft Guilds the Masonic organisations began to show signs of decay before the end of the 16th century.

As long as monasticism held sway these operative Masonic institutions flourished, but with the decline in church and cathedral building after the Reformation, they lost their usefulness.

Consideration of the somewhat meagre details concerning the Craft Guilds which I have submitted to you and with which, I fear, I may have wearied you, will show that the supporters of the idea that modern Freemasonry is a lineal descendant of the guilds had some excuse for their theory. There are, no doubt; points of resemblance between our speculative Freemasonry and, for example, the religious guilds of early times, but there is no reliable evidence that any connection ever existed. The difficulty in tracing a relationship with the Craft Guilds lies in the fact that so little is known of the Masonic societies of the 17 century. That societies partly operative and partly speculative did exist during that period we knew from contemporary writers such as Ashmole in his diary, Dr. Plot in his "History of Staffordshire," and Steele in an article in the "Tatler." Bro. Conder has also lately discovered records dating back to 1620 and 1621 which prove conclusively that a lodge of Accepted Masons was held under the wing of the Masons Co. of London, and that members of the Company were also members of the inner fraternity.

Perhaps the most attractive solution of the difficulty was suggested by Bro. Speth . . . in a paper in which he discussed the meaning of the prefix "free" in the word "freemason."

The first mention of this word is in 1375, but it makes its first appearance in the statutes of the realm in 1459, where wages were fixed for freemasons, rough masons, and master carpenters respectively, evidently referring to different classes of workmen. There are many statutes in which this distinction is made between freemason and rough mason, and the distinction is also shown in the rate of wages. The freemasons' wages were always higher than the rough masons', and he was possibly an artisan of a superior class. According to Hughan, Gould and others, freemason simply means a member free of the guild of masons. Speth combats this opinion and argues that he was a mason not of the guild at all but free from it. He attempts to show that there was a vast difference between guildmasons and freemasons. The former were members of the guild and lived in the city, while the freemasons were the church-building and therefore travelling masons. He further argues that the church-builders all belonged to one fraternity, co-extensive with England, while the guildmason belonged to the guild in the town in which he lived and could easily prove his identity by pointing to his indentures in the Company's books and to his freedom entered at the Guild- Hall. The church-builder could not do that, and in order that he might establish that he was a bona fide mason he was given certain signs, tokens, and words. By means of these he was able to travel about the country, and to secure that welcome and- consideration from- the other freemasons to which he was entitled as a member of the fraternity. If it could be proved that there were side by side from the rise of masons guilds two classes of stone-masons, the cathedral builders and the guild masons, then the theory that our fraternity is a lineal successor of the Craft Guilds would have to be discarded.

Speth's suggestion received a certain amount of support from such men as Dr. Cunningham, Bro. S. T. Klein, and Dr. Crawley, and very strong support from Bro. W. H. Upton, Washington, U.S.A. All discard the opinion that modern freemasonry has any connection with the Craft Guilds and Speth strongly reiterates in his reply to criticism that we of to-day are the sons of freemasons and not of guild masons; and that the two societies were fundamentally distinct at one time, however much they may have approached each other in later times. In the following year Speth's argument received further support from Swift P. Johnson, who found a passage in an early German encyclopedia which he considered gave added weight to the former's contention re the real force of the prefix "free."

The evidence available tends to show that the principal authorities are opposed to the idea of any connection between speculative Freemasonry and the Craft Guilds, but they do not commit themselves to any other theory. Even Speth calls his theory a good working hypothesis. Indeed, all thinkers and scholars are struck with the "impossibility of accounting for the origin of the fraternity or its preservation and perpetuation in the world from any one known source of origin - or in any one distinct line of existence and development" It is, in truth, much more probable, as Bro. Rev. A. Woodford said, "that Freemasonry does not depend upon any one channel of progress but that it may have several co-existent and convergent sources of origin."

Dealing with the same subject, Foot has expressed the opinion "That it is useless to consider the laws and customs of still older societies which may have been utilised and imitated by the fraternity but which in no sense can be accepted as the actual forbears of the present society of Free and Accepted Masons. They were possibly prototypes, but not near relatives." He considers that during the pre-G.L. period no organisation of any kind, religious, philosophical, or mystical, materially or even slightly altered the customs of the fraternity.

However, if our learned brethren have to confess to failure in their efforts to account for the origin of the Freemasonry we practise, and to prove its relationship with any of the early associations, we can still possess our souls in patience till time or circumstance reveals fresh and reliable evidence and in the meantime we can content ourselves with the knowledge that whatever be its origin our fraternity is founded in the practice of moral and social virtue, that its distinguishing characteristic is charity in its most extended form, and that the three great principles of Brotherly Love, Belief and Truth Are inculcated by its precepts.

JUBILEE OF LODGE OF WAITAKI, No. 11.

(Written by W. Bro; J. M. FORRESTER, W.M.)

The 1915 installation meeting of this Lodge; held on 26th May, was a memorable one in that it marked the jubilee of the Lodge.

The ceremony of installing Bro: H. M. Roxby in the Chair of K.S. was impressively performed by R.W. Bro. T. Ross, P.P.G.M. (in the absence, through sickness, of the R.W. Prov. G.M.), assisted by W. Bro. Fieldwick. R.W. Bro. E.P. Lee, P.D.G.M., in his usual efficient manner, invested the following officers: viz.—S.W., Bro. F: W. Kibblewhite ; J. W., Bro. Woodward ; Chaplain, W. Bro. R. Hamilton; Treas., W. Bro. La Roche; Sec., W. Bro. Peebles; S.D., Bro. Glass; J.D., Bro. Wallace; D. of C. W. Bro. Whale; Organists, Bros. Burry and Meldrum ; I.G. Bro. Colenso; Ss., -Bros H. Ross; T. Hunter, E. Townsend, and W: H. Harbour, Tyler; W: Bro. Cathcart. Following the ceremony W. Bro. Forrester, I.P.M., was called upon to read a short historical sketch, of which the following is a digest : On 14th February, 1865; a Meeting of Freemasons was held in Oamaru, Bro. Dr. Wait being in the chair, when it was resolved to form a Lodge under the banner of the G.L. of England ; and all details regarding Charter, Lodgeroom, etc., having been completed, the Lodge was duly consecrated as Lodge of Waitaki, No. 1111, E.C., and W. Bro. Thornley installed as first Master by R. W. Bro. Sydney James, assisted by various D.G.L. officers, who with him had braved the dangers of a sea voyage—at that time the only means of communication with Dunedin. The following officers were installed: S.D., Bro. Dr. J. S. Wait; J.D., Bro. Wm. Luke; S.D., Bro. Pinkerton; J.D., Bro. James Bee. It is worthy of note that the whole of this work was carried out and three candidates elected and initiated in three and a half hours. W. Bro. Thornley was a most estimable brother, and it was unfortunate that business engagements called him away from Oamaru immediately after the meeting, and as a consequence Bro. Dr. Wait was virtually Master for the first year, and on two occasions following was elected to the Chair of K.S, there is no doubt that to his able guidance is due the initial prosperity of the Lodge, and those who knew the genial doctor can well imagine that his occupancy of the chair was always firm, dignified, and courteous. For the first year or so a makeshift Lodge-room was used, and in 1867 a move was made to the Masonic Hall attached to the Star and Garter Hotel, a room which, judged even by present-day standards; was somewhat ornate. Owing, however, to the increase of the hotel business this room was vacated in 1876, and a shift made to the present Masonic Hall, which was built for the joint occupancy of this Lodge and of Lodge Oamaru Kil., No —; S.C., then but recently come into being, and here the two Lodges have lived in amity ever since. As the years went on various improvements were made, and now the premises are as convenient and roomy as the requirements demand. The original territory, so to speak, was a large one, extending, as it did, from Waikouaiti to Waimate and from the seacoast to the utmost limits of the back country. Amongst its members have been numbered many brethren who made their mark in both Houses of legislature and in the civic life of the community. In common with many other colonial Lodges, Waitaki has had its ups and downs, which synchronised with the many periods of depression experienced in commercial circles in

Oamaru. and at times the moribund state was only staved off by the courage and resource of a few valiant souls, to whom present-day-members owe a deep, debt of gratitude, But for their efforts it probably would not have been possible to complete the unbroken period of fifty years.

The silver jubilee was marked by a very acute attack of depression, and it was at this period that the Lodge almost unanimously resolved to go over to the new. G.L. of New Zealand; in which movement it was in the forefront, as its number (11) in the books of G.L. indicates: From that time to date the Lodge has made steady progress. In connection with this important step it is but tight that reference should be made to W. Bro. R. Hamilton, whom we still have with us hale and hearty, for the important services he rendered in these troublous times. He was occupying the Chair of K.S. for a second term, and it is not too much to say that he put a tremendous amount of energy into the work, and materially assisted in bringing matters to a satisfactory conclusion.

"For the past twenty-five years, the Lodge has pursued the even tenor of its way, and let us hope .that as the years go by it will increasingly do its duty on behalf of Freemasonry in general, and by a careful guarding of the porch ensure that worthy men alone are admitted to its membership to assist in worthily maintaining the traditions of the past."

Following the reading of this sketch a motion was proposed expressing gratitude to the G.A.O.T.U. for favours received during the past fifty years and, a hope that in the days that are to come the influence of Freemasonry may make itself felt in preventing such an unbrotherly feeling as the state of the world just now indicates. This was seconded by W. Bro. Hamilton, who spoke briefly and interestingly about the past.

Regret was expressed that not one of those who assisted in the formation of the Lodge was living to-day, the nearest link present being W. Bro. H. Wait, from Christchurch, who feelingly referred to his late father's connection with the Lodge.

There was a thoroughly representative attendance of visitors, and at the after-meeting some interesting speeches were made, mainly in reference to the "going-over" period, and it was generally conceded that W. Bro. Roxby had made an excellent start in his year of office. It is somewhat appropriate in this our jubilee year that the new W.M. is a native of Oamaru, being a son of one of the respected old identities.

At the conclusion of the address W. Bro. Forrester received the congratulations of members, and on the motion of W. Bro. Grave a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Bro. Forrester for his interesting history.

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THE QUEEN AND THE CRAFT.

Her Majesty the Queen received; at Buckingham Palace recently, the committee of ladies formed in October, on the proposal of Lady Ampthill (wife of the Prov.G.M.), to endeavour to raise from among the wives; daughters, and sisters of Freemasons, and the Lodges with which they were associated, a sum towards Her Majesty's efforts on Behalf of women suffering from unemployment because of the war. The Queen, who wore a dress of violet brocade and velvet, and who was attended by the Hon. Mary Lygon, received very graciously the ladies as they were presented by Lady Ampthill, shaking hands with each. They were (giving the Masonic rank of the husband after the lady's name) Mrs, T. F. Halsey (Dep.G.M.), Miss Halsey, Mrs. F. H. Chevallier Boutell (D.G.M, South America, Southern Division), Mrs. Napier-Clavering (Prov.G.M., Northumberland), Mrs. Thomas Fraser (P.G.Treas.), Mrs. Alfred F. Robbins (Pres. of the B. of G.P.), Lady Letchworth (G.Sec.), Mrs. James Stephens (Pres. of the B. of B.) Mrs, J.D. Langton (Dep.Prov.G.M., Surrey), and Mrs. W. Resbury Few (Assist. G. Sec.).

Lady Ampthill, in presenting the Queen with a cheque for £2,001, said " On behalf of the wives and daughters of many Freemasons, we ask Your Majesty's acceptance of this cheque, which we hope will be used in the way Your Majesty thinks best to help those women who are suffering from unemployment on account of the war. The Fund has been subscribed from all over England and Wales; and South America, Nigeria, and other Lodges beyond the seas also have joined with us. H.R.H. the Duchess of Connaught was one of the first to help us, so that Your Majesty may feel assured that the money has been subscribed by women amongst every section of the Masonic Fraternity. We hope that we may be allowed to express on their behalf our good wishes for the success of Your Majesty's efforts."

Her Majesty, in reply, observed : "I am very grateful to all the wives and daughters of Freemasons throughout the world who have combined to send me this generous gift of £2,001, and I hope you will convey my thanks to as many as you can. I know well of the splendid generosity of Freemasons, and I have also very pleasant recollections of my visit to the Girls' School two years ago."

The Queen then entered into conversation with the ladies present, exchanging a few words with each, and then retired with another hand-shake, leaving a most gracious impression upon all who had the honour to attend.— "The Freemason," London.

ENQUIRIES ON MATTERS OF MASONIC INTEREST.

Q. — A man joins a Lodge, and after being a member in it for some time is appointed Sec., and acts in that capacity for three years. He then retires and contests in separate years the S.D., J.D., and I.G. He secures the I.G.'s position, and acts for one year. At the end of the term he is nominated for the J.D.'s chair, the Chaplain is brought up against him, and he is defeated again, The following year he is approached by the incoming Master to be the Sec. again. What should he do?

A.—Acting truly masonically, he would accept the W.M.'s invitation. If human nature intervened, well—perhaps he would not.

Correspondence.

RELICS FREED BY THE WAR.

FUTURE OF THE LAND OF PALESTINE.

TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO., —I was both interested and amused when reading the article under the above headings that appeared in the current, issue of THE CRAFTSMAN.

No one with any pretensions to education can be ignorant of the fact that Palestine is under Turkish rule, but it is a mart of midsouthmer madness to suppose that if we are successful in this war, and the Turk is driven out of Europe, that the Turkish nation will cease to exist. The Turk will still be dominant in- Palestine.

The idea of the writer of the article that any difficulty exists in exploring the Holy Land, that " many of the most interesting parts of the famous city (Jerusalem) have not been opened to the ordinary visitor," must be attributed to individual prepossession, This assertion cannot be justified from observation on the spot nor from information gained from the writings of Palestinian travellers and explorers.

The most amusing statement is : " Chief among these is the site of the Temple of Solomon, which cannot be touched by a Christian or Hebrew, because it is utilised as a Mohammedan mosque," Moslem would have been the correct expression; Mohammedan is as offensive to a follower of the prophet as Papist is to a Roman Catholic. There is no more difficulty in visiting a Moslem mosque than a Christian church. In both the conventions must be maintained. In the case of the former you remove your shoes, and the latter your hat. In both due decorum must be observed.

Freemasonry is as common among the Moslems as it is among the Hebrews and Christians, and as the result of experience I am of opinion that Moslems take the Order more seriously than their Christian brethren do. They would be quite as interested in excavations that would reveal the altar of sacrifice, the brazen altar, the molten sea, etc., but no one is aware of the spot where these excavations should be made, as all the so-called sacred sites have been faked ! -

The magnitude of the deceptions can be realised if it can be remembered that some forty years after the crucifixion of Christ Jerusalem was so utterly destroyed by Titus as to be left at "mass of scarcely distinguishable ruins," that it remained a mere heap of stones for some sixty years, when the Emperor Hadrian built upon the waste a Roman city and made Jerusalem a. purely heathen colony, and it was not until three hundred years after the death of Christ, when every trace of the city of His time had been obliterated, that any attempt was made to discover the so-called sacred sites. In the meantime the valley crossed by the reputed Via Dolorosa has been buried beneath the debris of centuries to the depth of some sixty feet. Dean Stanley speaks in " Sinai and Palestine " of the constant satisfaction derived from the thought " that the old city itself lies buried twenty, thirty, forty feet below these wretched shops and receptacles for Anglo-Oriental conveniences."

The assertions under the head of "No Admittance" will be news to numerous persons who have been permitted to visit the so-called, sacred sites without let or hindrance, beyond the occasional payment of a few piastres.

The war cannot make the Monastery at Mount Sinai more free than it has always been. It contains many Palimpsests and other interesting ancient documents, and every facility is accorded to visitors to examine and photograph these. The writer of the article must be a sort of Rip Van Winkle to commit himself to the statement that in the library was recently found the oldest known manuscript of the Bible. Nearly half a century ago this manuscript was discovered by a Russian named Tirschendorf and. removed to the Museum at Petrograd, where it can still be seen,

I will, conclude with two quotations from Sir Frederick Treeves's book, "The Land that is Desolate": —
"Accompanied by a yapping crowd of children, who are extravagantly unclean, the visitor is taken to the

house of Martha and Mary. This is a mere pennance observed by pilgrims and others, for the spurious building might as well be called the house of Ananias and Sapphire. He is finally invited by a dozen begrimed hands to enter the tomb of Lazarus, this sepulchre being the joy of Bethany. The children smile through their dirt as they reiterate the invitation; for, seemingly, they know that the burying place of Martha's brother has changed its site from time to time. It is possible that at this point the tourist rebels, for there is little object in descending into a foul street cellar for the purpose of being shown a grave in which Lazarus did not lie."

"It was not till we were actually ashore in Port Said that we felt safe—safe from the possibility of being asked to visit another sacred site."

I enclose my card, and thanking you in anticipation,—Yours fraternally,
AN OLD P.M.

Hastings, 11th June, 1915.

PARSI CEREMONY IN LONDON.

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RELIGIOUS INITIATION.

For the first time for many years the Naojot, ceremony (investiture of the Parsi Sacred Thread) was performed in London recently. This ceremony is analagous to baptism or confirmation in the Christian faith, and the child who was initiated into the religion of her forebears on this occasion was Goolcheher, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. Rustam R. Desai, a city merchant, and Mrs. Desai.

Dr. M. N. Dhalla, M.A., Ph.D. (High Priest of the Parsis of North-western India), officiated at the ceremony, which took place at Caxton Hall, in the presence of a numerous gathering of the Parsi and Christian friends of Mr. and Mrs. Desai. The ritual observed throughout the ceremony was very impressive. The High Priest, in the vestments of his office, standing before a flaming brazier, prayed with the child, and placed over her body, which was bare to the waist, the sacred shirt, and afterwards encircled her body with the Sacred Thread, subsequently anointing her and placing over her shoulders a garland.

Dr. Dhalla afterwards explained the significance of the ritual—how the 72 strands of the thread represented the 72 chapters comprising the book of the Zoroastrian liturgy; its six lengths, the six days in which God made heaven and earth; and the three turns he had given it round the child's body symbolising the foundation of the teachings of the Prophet Zoroaster—good thoughts, good words, and good deeds. In the first place the ceremony was religious ; secondly, it was social, ensuring the child fellowship with every individual member of her community. If the child only followed the lesson of good thoughts, good words, and good deeds throughout life, she would make a good member of the Parsi community, a worthy citizen of the State, and a desirable member of the religious life of humanity.

Sir Mancherjee Bhownagree, on behalf of Parsis in London, presented to Dr. Dhalla a shawl and a purse, referring to the High Priest's valuable researches into Zoroastrian lore and to his literary contributions to Zoroastrian theology.—" The Scotsman."

OBITUARY.

Bro. H. B. McGUIRE.

Bro. H. B. McGuire, of Lodge Tutanekai, died at his residence, Island Bay, on 5th June, after a short illness. Bro. McGuire was a Freemason of long standing. He joined in Scotland over 30 years ago, and at the time of his death was an active and enthusiastic member of his Lodge. His kind and generous disposition will be missed by the members of the Lodge and a large circle of Masonic friends. The

funeral was a Masonic one. The ceremony was conducted by V.W. Bro. Rev. W. J. Shirer, M.W. Bro. Seaton, and V.W. Bro. Bridge.

DEATH OF BRO. ROBERT FREKE GOULD, P.O.W.

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MASONIC HISTORIAN AND AUTHOR.

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The news received last week, but not published, that Bro. Robert Freke Gould was seriously ill, and that his medical advisers had intimated that nothing more could be done by them, prepared us for the subsequent news of his death, which we are informed took place at his residence, Kingfield Green, Woking, on Friday, 26th March, at the age of 78 years. For the past few years his visits to Masonic gatherings had been growing less frequent, as the result of gradually developing ill-health and the severe affliction of decaying eyesight.

How much we regret his decease is not a subject for words, for in him we recognised the closest and most considerate of personal friends; one who knew the difficulties of authorship and journalism, and was ever ready to help and take pleasure in doing so, and also to make allowances where many would have showered unjust criticism. The great loss to Masonry will be acknowledged wherever the Masonic symbol is known and recognised, for, although an English author, his Masonic Works have been translated into several European languages, and his shorter writings and studies have been translated into many more tongues.

It might truly be said that his life was made up of the mystic number "three" — for he was essentially a soldier, barrister, and Freemason. These three separate characteristics were the predominant factors of his most useful life, and though he had for many years ceased activity as a barrister, and took only a passing interest in military matters after his retirement from the Army, he retained a burning zeal and constant activity with his pen on behalf of Freemasonry until a few days before his death. His final letter to this office, dated 22nd February, showed a mental and literary activity of the keenest nature, and introduced references to friendships in this country, Gibraltar, and America.

Bro. Gould was a son of the Rev. Robert Freke Gould, Rector of Stoke Pearo, Somerset, and was born at Ilfracombe, Devon, in 1836. At the age of 19 he entered the Army as ensign in the 86th Royal County Down Regiment of Foot, and later in the same year was initiated in the Royal Naval Lodge, No. 429, Ramsgate, and also received his commission as lieutenant, and was transferred to the 31st Regiment. In the following year his regiment was ordered to Malta, where he was exalted in the Melita Chapter, No. 349, and also installed a Knight Templar in the Melita encampment. In 1858 he found himself at Gibraltar, where he was installed Master of the Inhabitants' Lodge, No. 153, E.C. The Lodge roll for the Present year shows him as the senior living P.M. at the time of its issue, and designates him an honorary member.

His year in the chair was interrupted by a removal to the Cape of Good Hope, and later in the same year to India. Here he became founder and first Master of the Meridian Lodge, No. 743, of the 1st East Surrey Regiment, then stationed at Poona. In 1860 he took command of a company at Sinho, in the North China campaign, and took part in the action at that place, and in the storming of Tangku. For the taking of the latter forts he received the medal and clasp. In 1862 he served on the staff of General Staveley in subduing the Taeping rebellion. The operations in the district of Shanghai resulted in the taking of the stockade of Nanhsiang, the capture by escalade of the walled cities of Kadin, Tsinpoo, Tsolin, and the fortified town of Najow, and the success of the operations at Nanhsiang. Afterwards he was appointed by General Staveley to drill, discipline, and organise a battalion of Manchu soldiers at Tien Tsin. Continuing his stay in China, he was elected Master of the Northern China Lodge, No. 570, Shanghai, in 1864, and in the following year was installed 1st Prin. of the Zion Chapter, No. 570, and was a founder of the, Tuscan Lodge, No. 1027, in the same city.

His departure from China would appear to have terminated his military career, for in 1870 we find him settled at Russell Square, London, in close proximity to the law centres of the Metropolis. This centre was most favourable for the continuance of his legal work, and for paying frequent visits to the G.L. Library and to the British Museum. It was these latter visits which enabled him to lay the foundation upon which so much valuable material was afterwards to be erected in the way of contributions to the literature of Freemasonry. What Bro. Gould himself described as the "distractions" of these two libraries caused him to suspend his legal studies, and in 1877 he went on circuit (the Western) for the last time, and a few years afterwards gave up his chambers in the Temple, and thus ceased to be even a nominal practitioner at the Bar.

Having thus closed his activities as soldier and barrister, his whole time was available for his chief "recreation"-Freemasonry. In 1875 he was installed Master of the Moira, Lodge; No. 92, London, and was re-elected for the following year, being also installed 1st Prin of the Moira Chapter. In 1875 he also served as a G. Steward, and in that capacity took part in the installation of the Prince of Wales as G.M. of England at the Royal Albert Hall, which is described by himself in 1911 as the most remarkable spectacle I have ever witnessed during the half-century and more than I have been a Freemason."

Having served for several terms on the B. of G.P. of G.L., and on the Colonial Committee, it was generally hoped by his friends that his services would secure him the coveted honour of G. rank. This, however, was not realised until 1880, when he was invested as one of the two S.G.Ds. It may be as well to state here that this honour was not awarded for his literary services, for the first half-Volume of his "History of Freemasonry" was not published until two years later. This fact also emphasises the neglect of the G.L. of England to reward the literary efforts of its members; for although Bro. Gould's monumental work was known and appreciated all the world over, G.L. failed to recognise the merits of the author until December, 1913, when, in honour of the centenary of the union of the G.Ls. of England, he was made a P.G.W.

The researches into Masonic arehteology and history on the part of a small circle of brethren at this time entailed considerable correspondence by those who were exchanging ideas and discoveries, and the question of founding a special Lodge for brethren interested in research was mooted. After a few preliminary difficulties the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, was consecrated in 1884, and the desire for the literature of the Craft was at once given a great stimulus, for those who were associated in the work of this Lodge were keen upon their task, and in a very short time gave the Craft a literature which has never been surpassed. In this work Bro. Gould was a leading spirit, and became a founder of the Lodge. In 1887 he was installed Master, an honour which is the coveted "blue ribbon of Masonry" amongst literary members of the Craft. In 1901 the Inhabitants' Lodge, at Gibraltar, having become too large, a sister Lodge was formed, and in honour of Bro. Gould, who had been the first Master at the resuscitation in 1858, the new Lodge was named the Robert Freke Gould Lodge, No. 2874.

Bro. Gould's association with other Lodges may be briefly touched upon. Founder of the King Solomon's Temple Lodge, No. 3464, of which he was the first Master. Joining member of the Royal Lodge of Friendship, No. 278, Gibraltar; St. Andrew's in the East, No. 343, S.C., Poona; Orion in the West, No. 415, Poona; Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 501, Shanghai; and several R.A. Chapters. His literary services to the Craft have been recognised by several G.Ls. in his election to honorary membership, with rank of P.G.W., including Iowa, Ohio, District of Columbia, Kansas, South Dakota, British Columbia, and New Zealand.

His first published work for Freemasonry, entitled "The Four Old Lodges," was followed by "The Atholl Lodges," but the work which secured him his position as a Masonic author was the "History of Freemasonry," published in three volumes and six half-volumes. For some years this held the field as the most reliable work on the history of the Craft, a position it still holds. But the rapid growth in the number of reading Masons created a demand for a handier volume, with the leading facts summarised rather than set out in so much detail. To meet this demand he published the "Concise History of Freemasonry," which met with immediate success. This work was awarded a prize of four thousand francs by the G. Orient of Belgium, as being the best Masonic book written during the decennial period ending in 1909. In addition to the English edition, an American edition has been published. Translations have also been issued in Holland and Belgium.

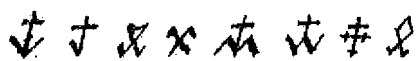
Many of his contributions to the transactions of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge are works of skill, erudition, and patient research. Many of those are out of print, but the best of them, together with articles from "The Freemason" and other Masonic journals, are reprinted in a handsome volume of Bro. Gould's "Collected

Essays and Papers," published in 1913 by Bro. William Tait, of Belfast, and Messrs. Spencer and Co., London.

Bro. Gould's contributions to Masonic literature are not numerous. Many writers have given us more in quantity of matter and number of volumes, but none have achieved so much success in face of so many difficulties. He began his work when all matters of Masonic history were hopelessly mixed. All kinds of false traditions hovered around the name of Freemasonry, and countless rites and sects claimed association with the Order. His work consisted in clearing the way and breaking down barriers. He truly laid the tracks upon which his successors found it easy work to travel. His standard was high, both as to literary accomplishment and to statement of fact. Guesswork and imagination had no part or lot in his researches. The truth was supreme, and all that possessed not its hall-mark was rejected or laid aside for further evidence. The work he accomplished will remain for many generations as a monument to his love of the Craft and his genius as a painstaking and truthful historian. — "The Freemason," London.

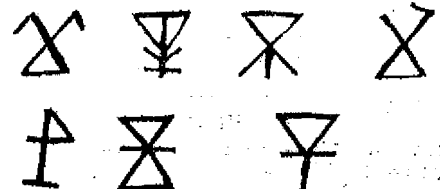
MASONS' MARKS.

Many of the older churches in Scotland bear the marks of the workmen who erected them.



FROM ST. GILES'S CHURCH, EDINBURGH.

It was then the custom for masons to have their own particular marks, and these they delighted to leave on religious buildings. St. Giles's Cathedral, Edinburgh, is said to have the largest number of masons' marks to be found anywhere. These are to be seen on various parts of the building, and date back to 1350.



ON KIRRIEMUIR PARISH CHURCH

Some very fine examples are to be found on small out-of-the-way churches, such as the Parish Church at Kirriemuir, made famous by J. M. Barrie, and Seaton Chapel, in East Lothian.

Although the latter building has been much altered and improved, the masons' marks have been carefully preserved. The inside walls display a varied and striking collection.



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Reports

[Secretaries and Scribes are requested to forward Reports.]

CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Taringatura, No. 100.—The monthly meeting on 24th May was well attended. The most notable feature of the business was the lengthy and interesting report of G.L. proceedings delivered by the W.M., who was present as representative. He laid special emphasis on the strenuous efforts made at G.L. meeting to augment the War Fund, and urged his brethren to rise to the occasion and make the contribution of the Lodge a worthy one. In this connection it may be noted that the brethren were somewhat surprised to learn that the W.M. had been the recipient of a letter of congratulation to the Lodge on its contribution to the War Fund in December last. Instead of finding this Lodge's contribution to be nearly one-third of the total from Southland, some of the brethren feared that we had done all too little. Evidently some Lodges have not awakened to their privileges and their responsibilities. It was decided during the evening to issue a special circular to the brethren along with that of the M.W.G.M., urging the brethren to make the Lodge's contribution at least £50. The fact that one brother of the Lodge who volunteered for active service has been wounded at the Dardanelles should materially help. Yet another young member of the Lodge has volunteered, and his dues have been remitted till his return at the close of the war. On the motion of W. Bro. Sec. it was resolved to place £30 on deposit in the P.O. Savings Bank, and W. Bros. G. F. Johnson and W. E. Clark were re-elected members of the United Board of Enquiry. The Lodge closed at 9.30 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Masters, No. 161.—The monthly meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Dunedin, on 18th June, when notwithstanding very rough weather and counter carnival attractions there was a fair attendance of both

members and visitors. The R.W. Prov.G.M. (R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark) attended officially, and received R.W. Bro. T. S. Graham; D.G.M., E.C., who was the speaker of the evening. R.W. Bro. Graham regretted that he had not had time to prepare a set address, but kept the brethren interested for some time with pertinent remarks on the Order, Masters' Lodges, and early recollections of Freemasonry in Otago. On the motion of R.W. Bro. Fieldwick, seconded by W. Bro. R. Jamieson, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to R.W. Bro. Graham for turning out on such an inclement evening in order to instruct and entertain the brethren. A question relating to the narrative in the Third Degree as given in Scotch Lodges was propounded by W. Bro. J. de Beer, and this gave rise to a very interesting discussion upon that degree, the Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. Graham, the W.M., and others all giving views as to when and where certain innovations which gave rise to anomalies had been introduced. The W.M. (W. Bro. D. Harris Hastings) gave a short resume of G.L. business, and in the refectory explained fully what had been done in G.L., and what was doing in the northern towns he had recently visited re the M.W.G.M.'s War Fund, and he made an earnest appeal to the Otago brethren to support that fund. Before retiring R.W. Bro. T. S. Graham undertook to give a prepared address at the September meeting.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Clinton, No. 183.—The monthly meeting was held on 27th May in the Oddfellows' Hall, Clinton, Bro. A. H. Charlton, W.M., presiding. There was a good attendance of brethren and several visitors. A discussion took place on the M.W.G.M.'s Special War Benevolent Fund, with the result that the matter was left entirely to the generosity of the members at present. One candidate was initiated, and the ceremony was well carried out. The W.M. obligated and communicated the Ss.; Bro. Wright, S.W., Apron Charge; W. Bro. Capamagian, I.P.M., N.E. Corner; Bro. W. McIndoe, J.W., Mode of Prep.; Bro. R. McIndoe, D. of C., W.Ts.; Bro. Wm. Brown, J.D., Final Charge. Lodge closed at 10 p.m., and the usual pleasant hour was spent in the "Fourth."— [Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

Southern Cross, No. 6.—The monthly meeting was held at Kaiapoi on 10th June. W. Bro. W. A. Gribble presided over a fair attendance of members. The meeting was a week late this month, on account of the local Belgium Carnival being held on what should have been our Lodge night. However, this gave Crown Lodge, of Christchurch, whose meeting night falls on the same night as ours, an opportunity to visit us. W. Bro. H. Tapping took advantage of the opportunity, and with a following of thirteen journeyed out to Kaiapoi. The work of the evening was the passing of two candidates, and the W.M. was ably assisted in the work by W. Bro. H. Tapping, W.M. of Crown Lodge (S.E. Address), R.W. Bro. Broadley, P.G.S.W. (Charge after Investiture), and W. Bro. E. Haley, of Crown Lodge, explained the W.Ts. in a very interesting and thorough manner. R.W. Bro. Broadley presented M.M. certificates to two brethren. The monthly collection for the Special War Fund was then taken up. H.G.W. having been expressed by the visiting brethren, the Lodge was closed, and the brethren retired to the refectory, where a very enjoyable hour was spent, the success of which was mainly due to the whole-hearted way in which Bro. Jell, of Avon Lodge, gives his services in song. After the usual toasts were honoured, R.W. Bro. Broadley proposed the toast of two of our brethren who were leaving on Saturday for the front.—{Lodge Correspondent.]

Concord, No. 39.—The installation meeting took place in the Masonic Hall, Papanui, on 26th May, W. Bro. R. Laurie in the chair. The brethren were particularly glad to see our W.M. present, Bro. Laurie having come all the way from Ohakune to attend. A candidate was balloted for and elected, and the balance-sheet for the year, with the Auditor's report, was received. The Lodge is in a very satisfactory financial position. The visitors and Prov.G.L. having been received, the installation ceremony was proceeded with, under the direction of the M.W.Prov.G.M., Bro. Harry Wilson, S.W., being installed into the chair of K.S: with becoming dignity. The various W.Ts. were presented by the W.Ms. of Lodges Ashley, Canterbury, and Lyttelton. The addresses to the Wardens and brethren were given by W. Bros. Yemm and A. H. Hobbs respectively. W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop invested the Wardens, and W. Bro. S. P. Smith the rest of the officers. Slight references were made to the late proceedings of G.L. at Wellington, but details were omitted so as to

give our own representative an opportunity to report at our next meeting, but from, the few remarks dropped by some of our W. brethren high in authority who were present at G.L., we are rather anticipating something interesting from our G.L. representative. Before closing the Lodge the usual appeal to the brethren on behalf of the Annuity Fund resulted in a substantial subscription. The ceremony being finished, the Lodge adjourned to the refectory, where an old-time banquet was done justice to by the many present. After two years' flirting at our installation meetings with the new innovation known as the " Stand Up," it really appears that the old style of a sit-down supper is, after all, perhaps more sociable. It is certainly nicer and more decorous, and is quite as inexpensive. In the numerous speeches, our newly-made W.M. received the best of congratulations. W. Bro. Wilson is, in many ways, a prototype of his bosom friend, W. Bro. " Wally " Gason. He is quiet and unassuming, perhaps too much so, but there is no questioning his ability as a ritualist. It is doubtful whether any brother of our Lodge has a better knowledge of his ritual than W. Bro. Wilson has, and he is intensely conscientious through it all. Under his guidance there should be little chance of the Concord Lodge deteriorating in its ceremonial and ritualistic work ; besides, our W.M. will have the support of a very enthusiastic .set of officers. However, the success of a Lodge does not altogether depend on the extraordinary correctness of its ceremonial work, nor on the number of times its Master visits other Lodges, or even on the size of his retinue on such occasions. These matters more closely affect those brethren in office. There still remains a large number of brethren who are content to stay floor members always, but who, at the same time, have a great regard for their Lodge and take more interest in its welfare than probably may be thought. These members look upon the success of their Lodge's own meetings as being more important than most outside affairs. Such a member should, therefore, be made to feel that there is just as much interest taken in his attendance, and that he is just as welcome as the most enterprising aspirant for office. The success of a Lodge is as much assured by the homogeneity of its own individual rank and file, as it is by any attempt to become a shining light amongst the outside constellations. We feel sure, however, that in spite of the depressing feeling that mast, naturally, during this war fall, more or less, upon all functions of every description, W. Bro. Wilson is going to have .a very pleasant year, and the Concord Lodge a happy and prosperous time under his guidance.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly meeting was held in the St. Augustine Hall on 25th May, W. Bro. R. J. Thomas (Master) presiding. After routine business had been transacted, the W.M. handed over the gavel to W. Bro. A. C. Andrews, P.M., and asked him to appoint his officers for the " P.M.'s Night." The following officers were appointed :— S.W., W. Bro. H. Hopkinson; J.W., W. Bro. Geo. Yemm; I.P.M., R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham ; Chaplain, W. Bro. R. McFarlane; D. of C. W. Bro. F. L. Adams ; S.D. W. Bro. G. Ferguson; J.D., Bro. J. W. Roberts ; I.G., W. Bro. G. H. McLean. The ritual work consisted of the initiation of two candidates, who were obligated by the W.M., receiving from him the secrets of the degree. The Charge in the N.E. was given by W. Bro. J. Henderson, the Charge after Investiture by W. Bro. S. C. Bingham, the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Parkes, the Final Charge by W. Bro. G. Mazey, and the T.B. lecture was given by W. Bro. R. Torrance. A report of the proceedings of G.L. was given by the Lodge delegate, W. Bro. R. D. Thomas. The Lodge having been closed, a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, where the " old 'uns ' were complimented on their work.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Thistle, No. 113.—I must apologise to members of Thistle Lodge for the non-appearance of notices recently. The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Ashburton, on 16th June, when a fair attendance was presided over by the W.M., Bro. S. Crooks. The ceremonial work was the raising of Bro. Langford. The ceremony of the Alternative Scotch was carried out by the following brethren :—Ob., W. Bro. S. Crooks; Exhort., W. Bro. Harris; Lt. of M.M., W. Bro. Knight; Secrets, W. Bro. J. Williams ; T.H., W. Bro. T. Williams; Signs, W. Bro. Campbell; W.Ts., W. Bro. Meddins; Charge, W. Bro. King. The W.M. presented his report as G.L. delegate, and was thanked. A pleasant hour was afterwards spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Robert Burns, No. 139.—The regular meeting, held in St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on 18th May, took the form of a " P.M.'s Night." There was a good attendance of members and visitors. The Lodge was opened

by W. Bro. Eastwood, W.M., who then handed the gavel to W. Bro. Watson, who was to assume the chair of K.S. The other officers were filled as follows :—S.W., W. Bro. Newburgh; J.W., W. Bro. Kestall; J.D., W. Bro. W. M. Robinson; S.D., W. Bro. R. Brighting ; D. of C., W. Bro. Smithson; I.G., W. Bro. R. L. Bush. The work consisted of the initiation of two candidates, additional interest being lent by the fact that one of the candidates was the son of the W.M. The W.M. was assisted by W. Bro. L. Watson, W.M. Tawera Lodge (Charge after I.), W. Bro. Kestall (W.Ts.), W. Bro. Smithson (Ex. and Prep.), W. Bro. Bush (Charge in N.E.), and W. Bro. Daltry, W.M. Conyers Lodge (Final Charge). This concluded the ceremonial work, and the brethren adjourned to the refectory, where the usual toasts were honoured, and an enjoyable time spent.

The June meeting was held on the 16th in St. Augustine Hall. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, the W.M., W. Bro. R. Eastwood, in the chair of K.S. Nominations for officers for the ensuing year were received. The ceremonial work consisted of the raising of two brethren. The W.M. was assisted during the ceremony by W. Bro. T. A. Kerr, W.M. St. Augustine Lodge (Charge after I.), W. Bro. Kent, acting-W.M. Conyers Lodge (W.Ts.), W. Bro. Bush and Bro. R. H. Taylor, S.W. (T.H.) W. Bro. Brighting, D. of C. (Extended S.), and Bro. T. Kirker, S.D. (Final Charge). After the Lodge was closed the usual pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tawera, No. 188.—The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Oxford, on 1st June. W. Bro. Lancelot Watson presided over a good attendance of members. The ceremonial work was to pass a brother to the Second Degree, which was done in a most impressive manner. The ceremony was made specially impressive by the evident earnestness and transparent sincerity of the candidate, who was obligated by the W.M. W. Bro. Jones, D. of C., communicated the Ss.; the S.E. Charge was given by W. Bro. Weld, I.P.M.; the W.Ts. were presented by Bro. R. F. Henderson, S.W.; and the Final Charge was given by Bro. W. G. Rudd, J.W. The W.M. gave an interesting epitome of the annual communication of G.L. A pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.

On 8th June an emergency meeting was held to initiate a candidate who had been unable at a former meeting to present himself, on account of illness. There was a good attendance, and W. Bro. L. Watson presided, and obligated the candidate. The Ss. were communicated by W. Bro. T. Heasley; Bro. R. F. Henderson, S.W., invested the candidate and gave the R. for Prep.. W. Bro. Weld, I.P.M., gave the Charity Charge ; and Bro. W. G. Rudd the Final Charge. In the refectory a pleasant hour was spent, and Bro. Rudd, J.W., was particularly happy in proposing the toast of the candidate.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WESTLAND.

Mawhera, No. 136.—The regular meeting was held in the Lodgeroom, Greymouth, on 13th May, W.M. Bro. Hales in the chair. The business was raising Bro. Wilson to the degree of M.M. W. Bro. Hales was assisted by W. Bro. Greenwood and W. Bro. Rundle. Congratulatory reference was made to the appointment of W. Bro. Richmond, of this Lodge, to the position of Prov.G.M. of the West Coast. The announcement of the appointment was received with gratification by Lodge Mawhera, and is most popular among all Masons on the Coast. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

NELSON AND MARLBOROUGH.

Victory, No. 40.—The annual installation took place under the most favourable circumstances on 27th May, when Bro. Alfred E. Hedges was installed into the highest office. The occasion was rendered more important by the acceptance of an invitation by the Lodges in the northern portion of our territory to do the whole of the work. This brought a large contingent of W. brethren from the Blenheim side, and the ceremony was carried out with much satisfaction. The Lodge-room was filled with a splendid representation of all district Lodges, including Southern Star of Christchurch, E.C. The installing ceremony was undertaken by R.W. Bro. W. E. Redman, Prov.G.M., and he was assisted by P.Ms. of Marlborough Lodges, W. Bros. G. Logan, P.G.S., R. Furness, G.B.B., C. H. Mins, F. Kirby, - P.G.St.B., M. McKenzie, G.S., G. Girling, and Lightfoot, P.G.St.B., W. H. Buckman, and W. A. Russell, representing Wairau, Unanimity, and Havelock Lodges. W.

Bro. G. Logan, P.G.S., carried out the duties of D. of C. Officers were invested as follows :— I.P.M., W. Bro. E. W. Rudman; S.W., Bro. J. L. Ching; J.W., Bro. H. P. Stephenson; Treas., R.W. Bro. W. Moyes; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles ; S.D., Bro. W. Widdowson; J.D., Bro. C. M. Whelan; D. of C., W. Bro. H. H. Johnston; Chaplain, W. Bro. A. E. Cresswell; Organist, Bro. A. G. Thompson; I. G., Bro. L. Reynolds; Tyler, Bro. C. W. Moore ; S.S., Bro. F. J. Lock ; J.Ss., Bros. A. G. Shrimpton and H. H. Edwards; Auditors, Bros. G. J. Robertson and D. H. Wilmot, The newly-installed Master gave an excellent address to the brethren. The Installing Master earnestly appealed on behalf of the War Benevolent Fund, and it was reported that Victory, would be sending its first quota of £30 in June. A collection on behalf of the W. and O. and A.M.. Fund realised £7. At the festive board the speeches and songs were largely of a patriotic nature, and the war was naturally the pivot on which everyone centred. Victory has the following brethren at the front :—W. Bro. Captain Jas. Houlker (Third Reinforcement), Bros. J. S. Nelson (First Expeditionary), P. C. McLaren, and J. V. Blake Huffam (Medical Section). On Thursday, 10th June, the new officers worked the Second Degree, and gave a good account of themselves. Two brethren were passed. There were two propositions for membership, and the 100 mark of membership is rapidly being reached.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Scinde, No. 5.—The installation of Bro. J. P. Thomson as W.M., and the investiture of officers; was held in the Masonic Hall, Tennyson Street, Napier, on 16th June. The W.M., W. Bro. C. H. Critchley, presided over a record attendance (there being visitors from as far north as Auckland and as far south as Invercargill), fully 180 being present, including Bros. H. K. Thomson, Hastings, D. Thomson, Feilding (brothers of the new W.M.) and Bro. J. Fisher, Otatau (nephew). The Lodge was opened at 4 p.m., and the ordinary business having been disposed of, the G.D. of C., W. Bro. C. L. Thomas, announced R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M., and G.L. officers, who were received with the customary honours. Amongst the G.L. officers were R.W. Bro. F. de Lisle, P.P.G.M., and W. Bro. C. L. Take, P.G. Chaplain, and the chairs were occupied by the following W. brethren — G.S.W., W. Bro. G. F. Roach ; Bro. J. Redshaw ; G. S.D., W. Bro. R. Chadwick ; G.J.D., W. Bro. T. Ritchie ; Bro. J. B. E. Bird, P.G.Purs. ; W. Bro. E. Basil Jones, P.G.S. The ancient charges were read by the Sec., W. Bro. L. Freedman, S.G.W. The W.M.-elect was then obligated, after which a B. of I.M. was formed, and Bro. J. P. Thomson installed into the chair of K.S. in due and ancient form. The Lodge was called off, and resumed in the evening, when the room was taxed to its utmost capacity. The W.Ts. were delivered by W. Bro. Freedman, S.G.D. W. Bro. Wilson (W.M. Lodge Lion, No. 114), and W. Bro. A. W. Kirk (W.M. Lodge Victoria, No. 21). The address to the W.M. was rendered by R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M., Wellington. The W.M. then invested his I.P.M., W. Bro. C. H. Critchley; S.W., Bro. R. Bishop; and J.W., Bro. J. Bowes. The Wardens were then addressed by R.W. Bro. F. de Lisle, P.P.G.M. W. Bro. Critchley invested the other officers as follows :—Sec., W. Bro. L. Freedman, S.G.D. ; Chaplain, V.W. Bro. C. L. Tuke, P.G. Chaplain; S.D., Bro. P. H. Harris; J.D., Bro. A. J. Turville; D. of C., W. Bro. C. L. Thomas; Organist, Bro. A. Hobson; LG., Bro. E. A. Williams ; Stewards, Bros. Louis Wood and Fred Cordingley; Tyler, Bro. T. M. Thornton. The brethren were addressed by R.W. Bro. Harston, Prov.G.M., and he also made a special appeal on behalf of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund, the result being a collection of £9 18. 6d. This amount will be subsidised from Lodge funds to make the total £21, W. Bro. Critchley, I.P.M., was presented by the Lodge with a handsome gold shield, having a replica of the Napier coat of arms, to fix to the P.M.'s jewel which he already possesses; also from the members of Scinde Lodge, on his leaving Napier to take over the "Waipawa Mail," a handsome silver-mounted oak tray and harlequin set of tea cups and saucers. Bro. T. W. Bear, on vacating the Treasurer's chair, which he has filled for the past 14 years, with honour to himself and usefulness to the Lodge was elected an honorary life member for eminent services, and on behalf of the members was presented with a cheque to buy himself a souvenir to mark their appreciation of his long and faithful work. The customary banquet was held in the Princess Hall, and the usual loyal and fraternal toasts were honoured, and songs and recitations were rendered, and an instrumental quartette by members of Heretaunga Lodge orchestra was greatly appreciated. On each plate was a floral button-hole and a card for donations towards the G.M. War Distress Fund. W. Bro. Thomson, W.M., presented to Lodge Scinde "The Hat" he had bought which had belonged to R.W. Bro. A. Peterkin, and which had been placed in a glass case donated by W. Bro. Baudinet, Sec. of Lodge Leinster. Bro. R. Bishop, S.W., returned the thanks of the Lodge for this historic memento of a notable occasion. R.W. Bro.

Peterkin then addressed the brethren, emphasising the necessity of subscribing liberally to the G.M. War Distress Fund, and played upon their feelings to such a tune that £130 was subscribed, of which amount Scinde Lodge members donated £80 and other Lodges £42, cash collected £8. The cards belonging to the various Lodges will be forwarded to their respective Secs., and amounts donated will be credited to the Lodges when collected. R.W. Bro. Peterkin also proposed an extra toast of thanks to the ladies who decorated the tables so handsomely, and provided the beautiful button-holes.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Victoria, No. 21.—The installation of Bro. A. W. Kirk took place in the Lodgeroom on 2nd -June, by R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, assisted by W. Bro. C. H. Critchley as D. of C., and a full complement of G.L. officers. There was a large attendance of brethren and visitors, including Lodges Scinde and Heretaunga, a striking feature in this connection being the attendance of several P.Ms. from distant Lodges, who greatly assisted in the beautiful ceremony. The address to the W.M. was most impressively given by W. Bro. J. D. Watson, and it is not likely to be soon forgotten by those brethren privileged to hear it. The address to the Wardens was also nicely given by W. Bro. J. W. Ritchie, as was also the address to the brethren by R.W. Bro. Harston. The W.Ts. in each instance were given by W. Bro. L. Freedman (Lodge Scinde), W. Bro. P. W. Tombs (Lodge Heretaunga), W. Bro. H. W. Whitton (Lodge Victoria), W. Bro. Gore (Lodge Bedford). , The W.M. invested his officers as follows :—S.W., Bro. H. Hill; J.W., W. Bro. W. A. Wilkie, P.M.. Treas., W. Bro. E. Chegwiddden, P.M.; Sec., W. Bro. J. Redshaw, P.M.; Chaplain, V.W. Bro. C. L. Tuke, P.M.; Organist, Bro. J. Rockell; S.D., Bro. W. Simpson; J.D., Bro. H. Bate; D. of C., W. Bro. J. B. Andrew, PM. I.G., Bro. W. J. Jarvis ; S.S., Bro. H. F. Funcke Bro. W. E. Yates ; Tyler, Bro. G. Robson, W. Bro. H. W. Whitton, who has held the office of W.M. for the past two years, was presented with a P.M.'s jewel by R.W. Bro. Harston. The Prov.G.M. asked the brethren to give liberally to the offertory in view of the special appeal by the G.M., and a liberal response was the result, After the Lodge closed the brethren repaired to the Foresters' Hall, where the installation banquet took place. The toast of the W.M. was proposed by W. Bro. Whitton; W. Bro. Kirk suitably responding. During the proceedings two photographs, W. Bro. Wundram and V.W. Bro. Canon Tuke, were auctioned in aid of the G.M.'s War Fund, and returned £20.—[Lodge Correspondent.]—[Many thanks for card.—ED.C.]

Bedford, No. 25.—The regular meeting was held in the Lodgeroom on 25th May. The W.M., Bro. W. F. Gore, was greeted by a full muster of officers, quite a number of brethren, and two visitors. The balance-sheet for the year ended 31st March, disclosing a small credit cash balance, and assets exceeding liabilities to the extent of £666, was read and adopted. Accounts amounting to £45 6s. 7d. were passed for payment. Two candidates were raised to the Third Degree, the work being distributed as under : Ob., Bro. Gore; Retro., W. Bro. Booth, I.P.M.; Raising and Entrusting, W. Bro. W. A. Chambers; Investiture; S.W.: Bro. Williams ; T.H., W. Bro. Elliott; W.Ts, J.W. Bro. Graham ; Final Charge, S.W. Bro. Williams. Two candidates for admission wore elected subject to initiation. A resolution to alter the regular date of meeting from Tuesday on or before full moon to the second Wednesday in each month was fully discussed, and in deference to the wishes of the country members it was finally resolved to meet on the Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. The installation meeting was fixed for the Thursday nearest full moon in April. W. Bro. Sec., reported that contributions to the Special War Benevolent Fund, in response to the G.M.'s appeal, were still coming to hand. Thereupon our delegate to G.L., W. Bro. W. A. Chambers, made a stirring appeal for a hearty response to this particular fund. He reminded the brethren that numbers of Freemasons from our shores were cheerfully laying down their lives in the terrible war now in progress in Europe, and stressed the necessity of making provision for relieving the suffering that is bound to follow. One candidate was proposed for admission. Our J.W., Bro. D. J. Graham, has received notice of transfer from the local Post Office to Eltham, and occasion was taken in the refectory to give expression to the very high esteem in which he is held by all the members of Bedford. Bro. Graham was particularly happy in his response to the very cordial good wishes tendered to him, and entertained the company by his excellent impersonation of well-known local brethren and citizens. A very pleasant evening was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Abercorn, No. 30.—The regular meeting was held on 31st May, when W. Bro. Williams, W.M., presided over a fair attendance of brethren. The ceremonial work consisted of passing a brother to the Second Degree. The ceremony was performed by the W.M., assisted by W. Bro. Hobin (Secrets and Charge in S.E.), Bro. Parkin (W.Ts.), and Bro. Pasco (Investiture and Final Charge). W. Bro. Watson, I.P.M., thanked the Lodge for its letter of sympathy, and feelingly referred to the loyalty shown by the brethren to himself and family during their recent sad bereavement. H.G.W. from Lodge Bedford was tendered by W. Bro. Wright, whom we were all pleased to have with us as a visitor. A quiet hour in the refectory brought a pleasant evening to a close.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 66.—The installation meeting was held on 26th May, the ceremony being conducted by W. Bro. F. Craven, P.M. R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M. for Hawkes Bay, and R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, P.P.G.-M., were also present. W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie, as D. of C., had everything thoroughly arranged, and every part of the ceremony went off without a hitch. The following W. brethren composed the B. of I.M. : — G.S.W., W. Bro. J. Brown; G.J.W. W. Bro. J. Craven; G. Chaplain, V.W. Bro. Nicholas; G.S.D., W. Bro. R. N. Blakiston; G.J.D., W. Bro. R. P. Soundy ; G.I.G., W. Bro. W. Haines; G.S.B., W. Bro. R. C. Chadwick. Our new W.M. (W. Bro. Wm. Snell) is a very highly esteemed officer, and is in every way fitted for the position he has attained, and no doubt he will have a very pleasant year's work, as he is well supported by good and intelligent officers, and a large number of P.Ms. to assist him. The Lodge is now in the happy position of having a substantial credit balance, so that the new W.M. will have no financial worries. Immediately after the new W.M. was placed in the chair he proceeded to invest the following officers, which he did in a very creditable manner :— D.M., W. Bro. J. Craven, P.M.; I.P.M., W. Bro. F. A. Butler-Harrison S.W., Bro. J. C. Davidson ; J.W., Bro. C. R. James; Sec., W. Bro. Thos. Paton, P.M.; Treas., W. Bro. J. Brown, P.M. ; D. of C., W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie, P.M. ; S.D., Bro. C. T. Brown ; J.D., Bro. W. Dobson; I.G., Bro. A. B. Mollgaard ; Organist, Bro. A. E. Savage ; S.S., Bro. G. Harris; J.S., Bro. L. G. Armstrong ; Tyler, Bro. A. H. Ross. W. Bro. F. Craven was ably assisted by the other officers of which the Board was composed. R.W. Bro. R. S. Chadwick, P.M. of Lodge Lion, addressed the W.M., R.W. Bro. T. Hobson addressed the Wardens, and R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston addressed the brethren, and he also presented the Charter. The collection for the Annuity Fund amounted to £10 5s. Before closing the Lodge the W.M. invited all present to partake of refreshments, which were arranged in the Town Hall Concert Chamber, and a very large number attended, a pleasant time being spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Heretaunga, No. 73.—The annual meeting was held on 9th June, at 3.30 p.m. for the installation of W. Bro. J. H. Cole-bourne, P.M., as W.M. for the ensuing year. The Prov.G.M. for Hawkes Bay, R.W. Bro. H. L. Huston, conducted the ceremony, ably assisted by R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, and W. Bros. Freedman, Hosking, Thomas, Grant, Hird, and T.W. Bro. Rev. Tuke, P.G. Chaplain. Bro. Sec. acted as D. of C. There was a very fair attendance at the afternoon ceremony, but when the Lodge resumed at 7.30 p.m. our capacious Temple was comfortably filled. There was a good attendance of members, and many visitors from all parts of the Dominion. After the visitors were admitted and G.L. officers were in their places, the Lodge was called on and the proclamations made in the three degrees. Then followed the investiture of officers very capably by the W.M. The addresses to the W.M, Wardens, and brethren were given by R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, W. Bro. Hosking, and the installing officer. The W.Ts. were presented to the W.M. by W. Bros. Thomas, Kirk, and Tombs. The following officers were invested :—I.P.M., W. Bro. P. W. Tombs; S.W., Bro. C. H. Martin; J.W., Bro. L. T. Cooper ; Treas., W. Bro. W. A. Carter; Sec., W. Bro. T. Morgan; Chaplain, W. Bro. J. W. Bates, P.M.; D. of C., W. Bro. J. B. Hird, P.M.; S.D., Bro. R. W. Jones; J.D., Bro. J. E. Jones; I.G., Bro. W. R. Wright ; Tyler, Bro. T. S. Dobson; S.S., Bro. J. Foot; J.S., Bro. T. P. Short. P.M.'s jewels were presented by the Lodge to W. Bros. Shaw and McGlashan, and a large framed photograph of officers for 1914-15 to W. Bro. Tombs from his officers. The recipients suitably replied. The whole function was a complete success, and a pleasant two hours were spent in the refectory, where very light refreshments were provided.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Albion, No. 45.—The installation meeting was held on 10th June, when there was a large attendance of members and visitors. The Master-elect, Bro. W. G. Allen, was installed by W. Bro. W. Coltman, the outgoing Master, who conducted the ceremony of installation in a very capable manner. The Prov.G.M., M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, accompanied by G.L. officers, paid an official visit. During the evening he invested W. Bro. D. Jameson as J.G.D., and W. Bro. H. D. Bunby as G.St.B. The address to the Master was given by R.W. Bro. M. McLean, P.D.G.M., that to the Wardens by R.W. Bro. Harris, J.G.W., and that to the brethren by M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, Prov.G.M. A very handsome P.M.'s jewel was presented to the retiring Master (W. Bro. W. Coltman) as a mark of esteem and appreciation of his year's work as Master. W. Bros. G. Reid and H. McRae acted as presenting officers, W. Bro. C. Hudson and W. Bro. F. S. F. Weir occupied the chairs of S.W. and J.W. during the Board, and W. Bro. Scott acted as I.G. Officers were invested as follows :—I.P.M., W. Bro. W. Coltman ; S.W., Bro. V. R. Anderson ; J.W. Bro. M. G. King ; Chaplain, W. Bro. E. Bartley ; Treas.' V.W. Bro. W. R. Goudie; Sec., W. Bro. F. H. Hounsell; D. of C., W. Bro. H. D. Bunby; S.D., Bro. P. W. McCallum; J.D., Bro. J. E. Hammond; Organist, V.W. Bro. W. C. Rolfe; I.G., Bro. H. A. Harris; S.S., Bro. C. L. Jewell; J.S., Bro. W. S. Trayes; Assist.Stewards, Bros. Bourne, Walker, Thornton, Scammell, and Hoverd ; Tyler, Bro. McMurtie. A very pleasant after meeting took place when the Lodge was closed, the usual patriotic and Masonic toasts being honoured, and a good programme of instrumental and vocal items given by various brethren, including two by our genial visitor, R.W. Bro. Harris, J.G.W.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Alpha, No. 81.—The regular meeting was held on 26th May, the W.M., W. Bro. A. A. Curtain, being in the chair. No degrees were conferred, but a pleasant evening was spent in discussing various matters of interest to the Lodge, chief of which was a motion by Bro. G. H. Ollard, Sec., "That as long as the present war lasts, this Lodge discontinue the use of alcoholic liquors at the usual monthly meetings." The motion was seconded by W. Bro. Ferguson, and after being heartily supported by W. Bro. Dr. E. E. Roberts, I.P.M., and several other brethren, was put to the meeting and carried unanimously. A letter from G.L. calling for support to the G.L. War Fund was dealt with. It was decided, in addition to the sum of £10 already voted from the Lodge funds, to call for volimitary subscriptions from the brethren, by which means it is hoped and fully expected that a contribution of at least £1 per member will be available very shortly. The W.M. gave a very interesting address on the proceedings of G.L., and at its conclusion was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tauranga, No. 125.—The regular meeting was held on 27th May, there being one candidate for the Second Degree. Before being examined Bro. C. Lowe delivered to the candidate the Final Charge of the First Degree. He was passed to the Second Degree by the W.M., Bro. T. H; Phillips, assisted by Bro. E. E. Hammond, S.W., who gave the address in the S.E.; Bro, C. H. Adam, J.W., presented the W.Ts.; and Bro. W. H. Poole delivered the Final Charge. It was proposed and carried that a levy of 2s. per month be made on members of the Lodge until the end of the war, the total proceeds of this to go to the Special War Fund.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

TARANAKI,

Hawera, No. 34.—The regular monthly meeting was held on 1st June, when a fairly good evening's work was got through. Bro. J. W. J. Harding, S.W., was elected as W.M. for the ensuing year, and W. Bro. Quin as Treas. The election of Tyler was held over, as the present Tyler had never been elected a member of the Lodge, and this was found to be necessary to enable him to be elected and invested. Three new members were elected, including a " Lewis," who was shortly proceeding to Trentham on active service. A dispensation had been obtained to waive some of the formalities in connection with the proposition, and he was duly initiated at this meeting, and at an emergency meeting on the 8th he was given the Second Degree. It having been one of the last wishes of his father, now at rest, for his son to become member of the Order, our members had no hesitation in availing themselves of the privilege accorded by the Constitution to make him a member and to accelerate his progress. We hope to have the opportunity of conferring the Third and so

make him a M.M. before the departure of the reinforcements. On the same evening he was passed one brother was raised to the degree of a M.M. He also has volunteered for active service, either in the ranks or in his professional capacity, and although his departure is uncertain, his Third was given in advance of some of the others so as to complete his Masonic degrees. At the meeting on the 1st there were one or two interesting items. The first was a resolution that we should present each brother going on service with some useful and appropriate present. So far we have presented wristlet watches, suitably inscribed, to Bros. Richardson, C. S. Smith, Bickford, J. G. Grant, and R. F. S. Craig. There are others to follow; and we feel proud of them all. A series of resolutions were submitted in the direction of economising without impairing efficiency, and the net savings to go to the relief funds. The first of these affected the refectory, which aimed at reducing the cost of refreshments, but making it purely a personal matter with each brother, yet still upholding the principles of charity in its broadest sense, and also temperance and prudence, An amendment, however, was proposed, which would have enforced prohibition on the Lodge as a whole, which after some little discussion, distasteful to many, was negatived. This decision practically upset the others, and we therefore continue "business as usual." Tome' correspondent is very pleased to learn from the Sec. that the subscriptions towards the G.L. War Relief Fund are coming in very well, and the Sec. is very pleased at the generous response. Many of the brethren have given twice to this fund, in addition to the many calls made upon them, local and otherwise. The total so far is about £120 from our Lodge, and our brother is hoping to see it £150 ere long, We are by no means a poor community. At the same time, we have no brethren of "rank and opulence" amongst its; therefore the result is somewhat gratifying. Still, we recognise, however much we may give, we yet fall far short of what is due to those who are giving their lives in the defence of their homes and Empire. Our installation meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6th July, when we look forward to a large attendance and a happy reunion of many old friends from other Lodges.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

Otaihape, No. 142.—The annual meeting took place at Taihape on 25th May, when a record muster of brethren attended, well over the century being present, St. Andrew's Kil., Rangatira, and Manga-te-weka being fully represented, and our Lodgeroom was taxed to its utmost, this being R.W. Bro. McFarlane's first installation since the creation of the new district "Ruapehu." W. Bro. H. J. Jaggard, G.S., was installed into the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom, R. W. Bro. McFarlane was assisted by R.W. Bro. Peterkin, Prov.G.M., Wellington, and R.W. Bro. J. H. Keesing, P.S.G.W. Our outgoing W.M., W. Bro. James made an appeal to our members on behalf of the Special War Fund, with the splendid result that over £200 was promised in the room, and we hope to make it close on £300 when the "absentees" forward their share. This is surely a record for any Lodge, let alone a "back block " Lodge. We were all delighted to see " Dad " with us once again. He was in great form, as usual, giving the addresses to the W.M. and brethren in his usual inimitable manner. The following officers were duly invested by R.W. Bro. McFarlane :— I.P.M., W. Bro. A. James, P.M.; S.W., Bro. G. Wrightson; J.W., Bro. F. W. Somerville; Chaplain, W. Bro. G. Bray, P.M.; Sec., W. Bro. T. Garratt, P.M.; Treas., Bro. Z. J. Davies; S.D., Bro. F. Varnam; J.D., Bro. N. E. Drayton; I. G., Bro. B. A. Fraser; O.G., Bro. L. B. H. de Lautour; S.S., Bro E. Loader; J.S., Bro. A. F. Anderson; Organist, Bro. P. E. Wakeman.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.—The monthly meeting was held on 3rd June, when, despite the keenness of the temperature, a very good attendance was recorded, One most pleasant feature consisted of the presence of W. Bros. Dawick and Clark, of Manawatu Kil., whose co-operation and assistance were duly appreciated. Three brethren were passed to the degree of F.C., which was performed satisfactorily. The W.M., Bro. Spooner, gave resume of the work or the business transacted at G.L., concluding by stating that the newly-installed Prov.G.M. purposes paying us a visit at an early date ; also informing us that the W.M. and officers of Lodge Waterloo propose paying us a fraternal visit shortly, both of which we sincerely trust and anticipate will eventuate as speedily as can be made possible by our illustrious brethren, as it will undoubtedly have a two-fold effect, namely, give an impetus to ourselves, also enable us to fraternise and reciprocate their cordiality, as it is recognised by one and all that such visits have a most beneficial effect on various Lodges.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

St. Andrew, No. 32.—The regular meeting was held on 21st June at the Boulcott Street Hall, the Lodge being tyled at 7.30 p.m., and the W.M. (Bro. A. W. Rowlands) presiding over a good attendance of members. Visitors were subsequently received, including M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., and the W.Ms., officers, and brethren of Lodges Leinster and Whetu Kairanga. Various items of correspondence were considered and dealt with, and a ballot for admission into the Craft taken, which proved satisfactory. The ceremony of raising a candidate (who had responded to the examination test excellently) was conducted by the W.M., assisted by W. Bro. O. Neilson (Exhort.), Bro. A. Schmidt (15 F.Cs.), W. Bro. F. C. Broomhall (Invest.), W. Bro. J. Rod (T.H.), Bro. A. Greening (W.Ts.) Bro. W. Simpson (Final Charge). Before closing two propositions were announced, one of a joining brother and one of a proposed new entrant. H.G.W. being tendered, the Lodge was closed, and brethren retired for a brief period to the refectory, where the usual toasts were honoured. During the Lodge proceedings a letter from the M.W.G.M. was read acknowledging his receipt of the Lodge's communication regarding his son's wounding in the Dardanelles, in which he stated that his son was rapidly recovering from the injury to his foot; and would probably shortly resume his duties.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ulster, No. 62.—The installation, of W.M. and investiture of the various officers for the ensuing twelve months took place in the Masonic Hall, Petone, on Saturday, 19th June. The installing of the W.M., Bro. W. H. Richards, was entrusted to R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M., several members of G.L. being in attendance. W. Bro. H. Hobbs invested the various officers with their respective degrees. During the evening R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin presented W. Bro. G. D. McEwen with a P.M.'s jewel, and M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams presented Bro. R. H. Wilson with a Treasurer's jewel, the recipients in each case returning thanks. After the closing of the Lodge the brethren and visitors, of whom quite a large number were present, adjourned to the refectory for the usual installation banquet, when the usual toast list was duly honoured, interspersed by songs, etc. A most enjoyable and pleasant evening was brought to a close at 11.30.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetu, No. 176.—The monthly meeting was hold in the Masonic Hall, Lower Hutt, on 9th June, when there was a good attendance of brethren and visitors from Wellington and Trentham camp. After the usual business the W.M., W. Bro. Guinness, called upon the P.Ms. of the Lodge to fill the various chairs and work the First Degree. This they did, and considering the length of time which had elapsed since some of them were active members, they got through the work in a fairly satisfactory manner. W. Bro. Rishworth, acting as W.M., obligated the candidate and communicated the S., T., and W.; W. Bro. Anson, S.W., invested the candidate; R.W. Bro. Peterkin gave the N.E. Charge; W. Bro. Burns, S.D., presented the W.Ts.; and W. Bro. Hobbs, I.G., gave the Charge after Initiation. The W.M. and his officers then resumed their chairs, and on behalf of Lodge Waitaki passed Bro. Captain Vine to the F.C. Degree. This was done by special dispensation from the Prov.G.M. W. Bro. Guinness obligated and communicated the S. T., and W. Bro. McLachlan invested, W. Bro. Moncrieff gave the Charge after Investiture, W. Bro. Anson the S.E. Charge, and R.W. Bro. Peterkin presented the W.Ts. R.W. Bro. Peterkin also presented Bro. Trooper E. C. Hill, of Lodge Kurow, with his M.M. certificate. W. Bro. Guinness, on behalf of the brethren, presented Bro. Corporal Lowry, who was leaving for the front with the Stationary Hospital, with a safety razor. In a few well-chosen words the W.M. expressed the wishes of his brethren that Bro. Lowry would return safe and well at the close of the war. Nine brethren from the camp were present and were accorded a hearty welcome. Two propositions were received, and the Lodge closed at 10 o'clock. A pleasant hour was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge .Correspondent.]

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201.—The regular monthly mootng was held in the Methodist Church, Worser Bay, on 11th June, there being a fair attendance of brethren. All were pleased to see the genial face of R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, and to welcome the W.M. and officers of Lodge Tutanekai, as well as visitors from other

Lodges. W. Bro. Porritt, P.M., P.G. Chaplain, presided, and after routine business had been transacted, the ceremonial business—the passing of a brother—was proceeded with. The work was carefully and impressively performed by the W.M., assisted by R W. Bro. Peterkin (S., T., and W.), Bro. Fraser, Act. J.D. (S.E. Address), Bro. Williams, I. G. (W.Ts.), and Bro. Silvester, J.W. (Charge after Passing). At the conclusion of the Ceremony a very pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, R.W. Bro. Peterkin's account of his visits in the interests of the W.M.'s War Fund to country Lodges, and the success attending them, being listened to with great interest.—[Lodge Correspondent]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.—The regular meeting was hold in St. Augustine's Hall on 9th June, V.E. Comp. W. Broadley presiding. After the ordinary business of the Chapter, a Lodge of Mark Masters was opened by E. Comp. C. W. Bingham as W.M.M. ; V.E. Comp. W. F. McLean, S.W.; E.. Comp. W. H. Arrow, J.W.; E. Comp, J. A. Stables, S.D. E. Comp. O. Judd, J.D. ; E. Comp. G. Yemm, I.G.; E. Comp. A, K. Hollow, M.O.; V.E. Comp. T. W. Lee, S.O. ; E. Comp. J. Richardson, J.O. Bro. A. E. Humes was advanced to the honourable degree of Mark Master. E. Comp. C. W. Bingham obligated, V.E. Comp. W. F. McLean gave the Signs, V.E. Comp. W. Broadley presented the W.Ts., and V.E. Comp. T. W. Lee delivered the Final Charge. The work of advancement was conducted in a most efficient manner, making V.E. Comp. Broadley very happy and pleased to see such good work done. V.E. Comp. E. C. B. Bishop presented several companions with their diplomas. After H.G.W. Chapter was closed.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waterloo, No. 2.—The regular convocation was held at the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on 26th May, V.E. Comp. Russell, Z., presiding, and there was a fair attendance of members and visitors. A discussion took place regarding altering the by-laws to provide for proper trustees as suggested by the G.Reg. A notice of motion was tabled, and this will come up again at next meeting. The Act.-Treas., V.E. Comp. Schwartz, gave a report regarding the state of the Chapter finances, and he proposed that the sum of £10 10s. be voted to the Special War Fund of the G.L. of New Zealand, and this was unanimously carried, the companions being of the opinion that when the funds permitted it was only right that the Chapter should assist in this good work. There was no degree work, but two excellent papers were read by R.E. Comp. Parker, P.G.Supt. of Otago, and V.E. Comp. Bridge, Z. of Hinemoa Chapter. The 1st Prin., in conveying thanks to these two companions, expressed the hope that they would again favour this Chapter by reading papers. One member tendered his resignation, a brother was proposed for membership, and the Chapter was closed at 9.16 p.m.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waitaki Kil., No. 8.—The monthly convocation was held in the Masonic Hall, Oamaru, on 20th May, and was made notable by a fraternal visit of the V.E.Z., officers, and companions of the Rose and Thistle Chapter, No. 35, Ashburton, in return of a visit paid by this Chapter a few months ago. The degree of the evening was the Mark, and was worked by the Ashburton companions in a manner which gave much pleasure and satisfaction to all concerned. The Rose and Thistle is one of the youngest Chapters on the roll of Sup. Chapter, but under the able guidance and instruction of their V.E. 1st Prin., Comp. Rendle, who also fills the office of Mark Master, they have evidently made good use of their time, for their work would do credit to any Chapter. Where all were good, it is invidious to individualise, but the work of the Overseers and S.D. compelled hearty admiration and encomiums, and was an example which might well be followed. Like those of the Craft Lodges, fraternal visits of this character are of much benefit to all concerned, but more especially in drawing the attention of Craft members to the Chapter degrees, in which they have the privilege of completing the Masonic education they receive in the Craft Lodge. There was a large attendance of members of Waitaki Chapter and visitors, and on retiring to the refectory a very pleasant time was spent in fraternal conversation between visitors and visited, interspersed with some good speeches and songs, so that when the visitors departed, it was with the full resolution to repeat the visit in the early future.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victory, No.- 12.—The regular convocation was held on 17th June, when V.E. Comp. J. Bartlett presided, and there was a good attendance of companions and visitors. One brother was advanced by Bro. Wm. Moyes, W.M.M. One brother was also proposed for companionship. Two W. brethren from the Golden Bay Lodge, E.C., were to have been advanced, but wet weather prevented their attendance.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

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PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND, 44 LODGES.

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Ara, No. 1:—Founded 1842, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Princes Street, Auckland, second Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., W. Bro. Robert Gardner; S.W., Bro. A. G. Graham; J.W., Bro. H. Hemus; Sec., Bro. A. W. Robertson, P.M., 189 Queen Street.

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

United Service, No. 10:—Founded 1864, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Princes Street, Auckland, last Wednesday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. E. Edwards; S.W., Bro. Bro. H. G. Grimlinton; J.W., Bro. H. R. Harris; Acting Sec., R.W. Bro. A. W. Morris, King Edward Street, Mount Eden.

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

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

Coromandel, No. 17:—Founded (456, I.C.), 1872. Manukau, No. 24:—Founded 1876, meets in Masonic Hall, Princes-st., Onehunga, on first Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. H. E. Harrison; S.W., Bro. A. J. Pople; J.W., Bro. W. McKimming; Sec., W. Bro. A. C. Harrison, Box 10, Auckland.

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

Te Aroha, No. 52:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Te Aroha, Tuesday nearest full moon, 30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. S. Hanna; S.W., Bro. A. J. Clarke; J.W., Bro. C. H. Richardson; Sec., Bro. G. E. Lovegrove.

Ponsonby, No. 54:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Jervois Road, Ponsonby, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. F. A. Kornig; S.W., Bro. T. McNab; J.W., Bro. C. T. Haynes; Sec., Bro. H. R. Arthur, P.M., No. 31, Curran Street, Ponsonby.

Wairoa, No. 55:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Ellerslie, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. J. Wooler, P.M.; S.W., Bro. A. Clark; J.W., Bro. A. Hewson; Sec., Bro. R. W. Mears, P.M., Papakura.

Papakura, No. 56:—Founded 1885, meets in Masonic Hall, Papakura, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. D. W. Jones, P.M.; S.W., Bro. D. A. Reid, P.M.; J.W., Bro. W. M. McLean; Sec., Bro. H. Willis, P.M.

Franklin, No. 58: Hokitanga, No. 69:—Founded 1891, meets at Masonic Hall, Kohukohu, Friday nearest full moon. Installation November. W.M., W. Bro. R. G. Cochran; S.W., Bro. A. C. Wallace; J.W., Bro. A. A. Potter; Sec., W. Bro. H. A. Williams, P.O. Box 18, Kohukohu.

Abercorn, No. 76:—Founded 1886, meets in Abercorn Hall, Ormond Road, Gisborne, on first Tuesday in each month. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. F. J. Anderson; S.W., Bro. Rev. W. Grant; J.W., Bro. A. B. Gilmour; Sec., R.W. Bro. G. T. Bull, P.G.W.

Mangonui, No. 78:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Mangonui, on Thursday in each month nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., W. Bro. Watts; S.W., Bro. G. Wilkinson; J.W., Bro. A. Warburton; Sec., Bro. N. J. Ray, "Age" Office, Mangonui.

Alpha, No. 81:—Founded 1881, meets at Masonic Hall, Cambridge, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. E. Roberts; S.W., Bro. A. C. Curtin; J.W., Bro. J. G. Sowers; Sec., Bro. G. H. Ollard, Cambridge.

Auckland, No. 87:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Eden Terrace, fourth Tuesday each month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. J. Arnold; S.W., Bro. J. B. Crawford; J.W., Bro. W. G. Mason; Sec., Bro. W. S. Williams, P.M., Wynyard Road, Mount Eden.

Waikou, No. 90:—Founded 1893.

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

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

Ohinemuri, No. 107:—Founded 1897, meets in Masonic Hall, Paeroa, on Wednesday on or before full moon each month. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. D. Congalton; S.W., Bro. F. A. Cameron; J.W., Bro. E. H. Mackay; Sec., Bro. C. B. Gentil.

Waikato, No. 112:—Founded 1898, meets in the Masonic Hall, Waikato, Monday nearest full moon every month. Installation April. W.M., W. Bro. W. Geo. Wohlmann; S.W., Bro. R. Hay; J.W., Bro. A. J. Stapleton; Sec., W. Bro. A. T. Ellis, P.M., Waikato.

Tairāpiti, No. 118:—Founded 1900, meets in Masonic Hall, Huntly, on Wednesday nearest full moon in every month. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. A. H. Waring; S.W., Bro. J. Kinson; J.W., Bro. D'Arcy Low; Sec., Bro. W. A. Joll.

Waipa, No. 119:—Founded 26th September, 1901; meets in Masonic Hall, Te Awamutu, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. G. Bishop; S.W., Bro. J. Browning; J.W., Bro. A. K. Bushy; Sec., Bro. W. Jeffery.

Hobson, No. 120:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Aratapu, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation 29th January. W.M., W. Bro. D. Savident; S.W., Bro. S. L. Spanhake; J.W., Bro. J. E. Bergman; Sec., W. Bro. C. E. Smith, Te Kopuru.

Tauranga, No. 125:—Founded 1902, meets at Lodgeroom, First Avenue, Tauranga, Thursday on or next before full moon, 7.30 p.m. prompt. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. H. Phillips; S.W., Bro. E. E. Hammond; J.W., Bro. C. H. Adams; Sec., Bro. B. P. Andrews, Tauranga.

Hikurangi, No. 140.

Rotorua, No. 153:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Fenton Street, Rotorua, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. H. A. Goudie; S.W., Bro. Geo. Urquhart; J.W., Bro. J. W. Devine; Sec., W. Bro. W. Hill, P.M., P.O. Box 97, Rotorua.

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

Plunket, No. 163:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Te Kuiti, on Wednesday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. G. P. Finlay; S.W., Bro. J. Cochran; J.W., Bro. P. D. Hargreaves; Sec., Bro. B. Wolff, Te Kuiti.

Karioti, No. 165 (Raglan).

Tawhiri, No. 166:—Founded November, 1909, meets at Frankton on Tuesday after full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. T. Cameron; S.W., Bro. J. E. Herbert; J.W., Bro. G. H. Fletcher; Sec., Bro. C. N. Flyer, P.M., Frankton Junction.

United Masters, No. 167 (Auckland).

Maungawhau, No. 168:—Founded 1909, meets in the Lodgeroom, Woodside Road, Mt. Eden, on the third Thursday in each month. Installation November. W.M., W. Bro. C. Hudson; S.W., Bro. H. T. Surman; J.W., Bro. N. T. Williams; Sec., Bro. F. H. Mueller, P.G.R., P.O. Box 796, Auckland.

Marsden, No. 169 (Maungaturoto).

Waitakeri, No. 170 (Henderson).

Nau Mai, No. 177:—Founded 1910, meets in Lodgeroom, Haklaba Street, Taumarunui, first Wednesday every month. Installation November. W.M., W. Bro. N. A. Winter; S.W., Bro. E. T. Hughes; J.W., Bro. F. Panthorpe; Sec., Bro. A. S. Laird, P.M.

Waipa, No. 179.

Onewa, No. 182 (Northcote).

Te Marama, No. 186:—Founded 1911, meets at Ngauruhia, first Monday after full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. B. A. Smith; S.W., Bro. J. Counts; J.W., Bro. R. L. Thomas; Sec., Bro. T. Parker.

Tirau, No. 193:—Founded 26th March, 1913; meets in Masonic Hall, Tirau, on the Thursday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. W. H. Allen; S.W., Bro. W. King; J.W., Bro. A. J. Tonga; Sec., Bro. N. D. Clifford, Box 1, Tirau (Rotorua Line).

Whakatane, No. 198:—Founded 4th June, 1914. Sec., W. Bro. Ingram, Whakatane, Bay of Plenty, Auckland.

Takapuna, No. 202.

Irish Constitution.

Ara, No. 348, I.C.:—Founded 6th September, 1942; meets in Freemasons' Hall, Princes St., Auckland, first Monday each month (January excepted), at 7.30 p.m. Installation 24th June (St. John's Day), high noon. W.M., V.W. Bro. C. J. Schauer; S.W., Bro. S. Crookes; J.W., Bro. E. J. Lusher; Treas., V.W. Bro. E. H. Piggott, P.M.; Sec., W. Bro. W. H. Patterson, P.M., c/o P.O. Box 840.

PROVINCE OF HAWKES BAY: 10 LODGES.

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

Schide, No. 5:—Founded 1858, meets in Masonic Hall, Tennyson Street, Napier, third Tuesday each month. Installation Wednesday following the third Tuesday in June. W.M., Bro. J. P. Thomson; S.W., Bro. R. Bishop; J.W., Bro. J. Bowes; Sec., Bro. L. Freedman, P.M., Emerson Street, Napier.

Victoria, No. 21:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Munroe Street, Napier, first Tuesday every month (except December and January), 7.45 p.m. Installation first Wednesday in June. W.M., Bro. W. A. Kirk; S.W., Bro. H. Hill; J.W., W. Bro. W. A. Wilkie, P.M.; Sec., Bro. Jas. Redshaw, P.M., P.O. Box 190, Napier.

Bedford, No. 25:—Founded 1878, meets at Masonic Hall, Waipukurau, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. W. Gore; S.W., Bro. W. H. L. Williams; J.W., Bro. D. J. Graham; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. Elliott, P.M., Waipukurau.

Abercorn, No. 30:—Founded 1878, meets at Masonic Hall, Waipawa, H.B., on Monday on or nearest full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation second Monday in December. W.M., Bro. T. Williams; S.W., Bro. W. Pasco; J.W., Bro. A. Parkin; Sec., Bro. Geo. H. Hunt, Waipawa.

Rawhiti, No. 66:—Founded 1890, meets in Freemasons' Hall, High Street, Dannevirke, third Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. Snell; S.W., Bro. J. C. Davidson; J.W., Bro. C. R. James; Sec., Bro. Thomas Paton, Dannevirke.

Heretaunga, No. 73:—Founded 1878, meets in Masonic Hall, Hastings, H.B., second Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. L. Colebourne; S.W., Bro. C. H. Martin; J.W., Bro. L. T. Cooper; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, P.M., Box 3, P.O. Hastings.

Ruahine, No. 80:—Founded 1886, meets in Masonic Hall, Woodville, Tuesday before full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. Stevenson; S.W., Bro. J. H. Escott; J.W., Bro. G. D. Macfarlane; Sec., Bro. F. J. Hutchins, Box 40, Woodville.

Lion, No. 114:—Founded 1899, meets in Masonic Hall, Ormondville, Monday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation Wed. nearest to April full moon. W.M., Bro. B. Bagley; S.W., Bro. D. Wilson; J.W., Bro. C. F. Barker; Sec., Bro. H. N. Benson, Makotuku.

Waikaremoana, No. 155:—Founded 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Wairoa, H.B., Tuesday nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. Bowen Millward; S.W., Bro. E. J. Green; J.W., Bro. J. A. Nilsson; Sec., Bro. C. Burridge, P.M.

Ruataniwha, No. 172:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Takapau, Friday on or before full moon every month, 7 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. M. Steffenson; S.W., Bro. R. A. Fraser; J.W., Bro. E. F. Stubbs; Sec., Bro. W. Hobson, Takapau.

PROVINCE OF TARANAKI: 7 LODGES.

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

Patea Kil., No. 18:—Founded 1873, meets second Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. McFarlane; S.W., Bro. E. E. Wells; J.W., Bro. B. Christensen; Sec., W. Bro. G. H. Stephenson.

Hawera, No. 34:—Founded 1880, meets in the Temple, Union Street, Hawera, on first Tuesday in every month at 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. W. G. Bishop; S.W., Bro. J. W. J. Harding; J.W., Bro. H. D. Caplen; Sec., Bro. T. B. Salmon, Princes Street, Hawera.

Ngamotu, No. 45:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Robe Street, New Plymouth, on fourth Wednesday in each month (except December, second Thursday) at 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. F. S. Johns; S.W., Bro. E. W. Garner; J.W., Bro. W. P. Nicoll; Sec., Bro. W. H. Haddrell, P.M., Westown, New Plymouth.

Stratford, No. 75:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Stratford, on Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. McAllister; S.W., Bro. C. H. Speck; J.W., Bro. T. E. Coleman; Sec., W. Bro. G. Smart, P.M.

St. John's No. 95:—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Eitham, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. H. Bleakley; S.W., Bro. J. L. Weir; J.W., Bro. A. N. Rogers; Sec., Bro. A. A. Stewart.

Moa, No. 110:—Founded 1896, meets Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, Taranaki, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. J. Allen; S.W., Bro. J. Roberts; J.W., Bro. — Bowman; Sec., Bro. A. E. Surrey, P.M., Inglewood.

Ikaroo, No. 115:—Founded 1896, meets at Lodge room, Opuake, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. A. Clarke; S.W., Bro. K. Cunneen; J.W., Bro. W. J. Todd; Sec., Bro. G. W. Rogers, P.M.

RUAPEHU DISTRICT: 15 LODGES.

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

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

Feilding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Temple, Feilding, Monday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., Bro. W. A. Bailey; S.W., Bro. N. G. Bray; J.W., Bro. R. H. Fisher; Sec., W. Bro. Gordon Elliott, P.M., Feilding.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Church Street, Palmerston N., second Thursday in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. C. S. Rush; S.W., Bro. H. Hopwood; J.W., Bro. W. Mundy; Sec., Bro. W. H. Collingwood, P.M.

Otagaki, No. 70:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Ashhurst, on Thursday before full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. G. R. Lovelock; S.W., Bro. H. Smart; J.W., Bro. C. Simms; Sec., Bro. J. T. Robson, Ashhurst.

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

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79:—Founded 1898, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday each month (excepting Dec., first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. A. Dolg; S.W., Bro. L. Craig; J.W., Bro. A. E. King; Sec., Bro. D. McFarlane, P.M., P.O. Box 12, Wanganui.

Kimbolton, No. 128:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Kimbolton, on Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. E. Nix; S.W., Bro. F. A. C. Baddeley; J.W., Bro. J. M. Turnbull; Sec., Bro. W. Beedie.

Rupenu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1895, meets in Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. Robson; S.W., Bro. H. J. Cameron; J.W., Bro. E. R. Galpin; Sec., Bro. J. Mogridge, P.M.

Te Awahou, No. 133:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Liddle Street, Foxton, Tuesday nearest full moon. Installation May. W.M., Bro. G. O. Barber; S.W., Bro. H. J. Berry; J.W., Bro. J. W. Stevenson; Sec., Bro. J. W. Hodgson.

Otaihape, No. 142:—Founded 13th December, 1905, meets in the Masonic Hall, Taihape, on Tuesday on or before full moon, at 7.45 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. James; S.W., Bro. H. Jaggard, P.M.; J.W., Bro. J. Kloth; Sec., Bro. T. A. Garratt, P.M.

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday after full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. McMin; S.W., Bro. E. T. Glover; J.W., Bro. R. M. Matheson; Sec., Bro. T. McGee.

Huia, No. 171:—Founded 1910, meets at Masonic Hall, Church Street E., Palmerston N., on first Thursday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. F. Spooner; S.W., Bro. W. C. Turner; J.W., Bro. A. W. Gallichan; Sec., Bro. C. J. Hewlett, Courthouse, Palmerston N.

Waimarino, No. 175:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Ward Street, Raetihi, on Monday nearest full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. E. Muirbridge; S.W., Bro. D. H. Grant; J.W., Bro. W. H. Tustin; Sec., Bro. A. Mabbott, Raetihi.

Manga-te-Weka, No. 178:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Mangaweka, on Monday on or before full moon in each month at 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. R. B. Turnbull; S.W., Bro. G. Kreger; J.W., Bro. J. D. Munro; Sec., Bro. D. Galloway, P.M., Mangaweka.

Moutoa, No. 195:—Constituted 24th April, 1913, meets Masonic Hall, Gonville, fourth Thursday in each month (excepting December, third Thursday). Installation fourth Thursday in April. W.M., Bro. J. D. W. McBeth; S.W., Bro. J. Fowler; J.W., Bro. G. L. McLean; Sec., Bro. F. Symes, The Avenue, Wanganui.

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON: 23 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M.)

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

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1866, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, on second Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. S. J. Moncrieff; S.W., Bro. A. McL. Wilson; J.W., Bro. W. C. Robinson; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., Box 811, G.P.O.

Masterion, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets in Masonic Hall, Bannister Street, Masterion, second Wednesday every month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. R. J. Young; S.W., Bro. J. L. Hughes; J.W., Bro. H. Dixon; Sec., Bro. F. J. Hunt, Box 31, Masterion.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1873, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the third Monday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. A. W. Rowlands; S.W., Bro. W. Simpson; J.W., Bro. A. Schmidt; Sec., Bro. J. B. Lea, P.O. Box 236, Wellington.

St. John, No. 37:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Wakefield Street, Featherston, on second Monday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. F. Henry; S.W., Bro. G. T. Baker; J.W., Bro. W. Tinney; Sec., Bro. F. E. Merlet, Featherston.

Leinster, No. 44:—Founded 1882, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, first Monday, each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. D. Ritchie; S.W., Bro. Fred. G. Cooper; J.W., Bro. Alfred Longmore; Sec., Bro. W. A. Baudinet, P.M., 17 Caroline Street. "Copper" collection each meeting for W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

St. Mark, No. 53:—Founded 1884, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, second Tuesday every month, 8 p.m. Installation April (St. Mark's Day). W.M., Bro. D. G. Sustens; S.W., Bro. R. Stout; J.W., Bro. G. S. Phillips.

Ulster, No. 62:—Founded 1888, meets in the Masonic Hall, Petone, third Wednesday every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. H. Richards; S.W., Bro. T. A. Strong; J.W., Bro. T. Mather; Sec., Bro. W. C. Burd.

Taranui, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets at Masonic Hall, Pahiatua, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. Scott; S.W., Bro. T. Bacon; J.W., Bro. T. Riddell; Sec., Bro. G. Moore, P.M.

Otaki, No. 72:—Founded 1891, meets in Masonic Hall, Otaki, on Tuesday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. A. Thorne; S.W., Bro. D. J. Howell; J.W., Bro. Eli Allen; Sec., W. Bro. Swabey, P.M.

Greytown, No. 74:—Founded 1877, meets at the Masonic Hall, Greytown, on second Friday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation St. John's Day (June). W.M., Bro. Alexander Murray; S.W., Bro. Sven Folsen; J.W., Bro. John B. Brickell; Sec., Bro. Edgar Larkin, P.M., Box 33, Greytown.

Eketahuna, No. 92:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Bengtson-st., Eketahuna, Friday nearest full moon each month (except May, Installation, on Thursday nearest full moon), at 7.30 p.m. W.M., Bro. W. M. Wilson; S.W., Bro. A. Rowden; J.W., Bro. J. Remment; Sec., Bro. T. M. Page.

Hinemon, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington South, on second Thursday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. J. Reid; S.W., Bro. F. Robinson; J.W., Bro. A. A. George; Sec., Bro. C. Foster.

Coronation, No. 127:—Founded 1902, meets at Masonic Hall, Johnsonville, Saturday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. O. Jerusalem; S.W., Bro. E. Harp; J.W., Bro. K. Turner; Sec., Bro. W. S. Radcliffe, Ngau.

Brooklyn, No. 132:—Founded October, 1903, meets in Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, on first Wednesday in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. S. M. Arcus; S.W., Bro. H. V. Futter; J.W., Bro. W. J. Westwood; Sec., Bro. W. P. Carter, 6 Crosby Terrace, Wellington.

Horowhenua, No. 135:—Founded 1906, meets in Druids' Hall, Levin, on Thursday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation Wednesday nearest in September. W.M., Bro. T. Brown; S.W., Bro. Wm. Jamieson; J.W., Bro. J. Bagrie; Sec., W. Bro. James McIntyre, D.H. School, Levin.

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

Waihenga, No. 150:—Founded October, 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Martinborough, on first Wednesday in each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. D. McLeod; S.W., Bro. W. McKay; J.W., Bro. A. Wright; Sec., Bro. H. Kershaw, P.O. Box 12, Martinborough.

Tutanekai, No. 156:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Adelaide-rd., Berhampore, first Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. P. C. Watt; S.W., Bro. E. D. Alexander; J.W., Bro. A. A. Whitelaw; Sec., Bro. J. P. Shand, P.M., Cuba-st., Wellington.

Waiwhetu, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Huia Street, Lower Hutt, on second Wednesday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. E. J. Guinness; S.W., Bro. J. McLachlan; J.W., Bro. R. E. Leighton; Sec., Bro. H. Hobbs, Hantana Square, Lower Hutt.

Otari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Ngaio, second Friday, each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. S. P. Curtis; S.W., Bro. J. H. Jerram; J.W., Bro. D. J. Watson; Sec., Bro. W. A. Tanner, Khandallah.

Installed Masters Lodge, No. 194:—Founded 5th October, 1912. Meets in Freemasons' Hall on fourth Friday in November, "February," April, June, August, October. Installation in October. W.M., Bro. H. B. Bridge; S.W., Bro. P. Levi; J.W., Bro. A. Erskine; Sec., Bro. Morris Fox. ("Open to visiting M.Ms.")

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201:—Founded 1914, meets at Methodist Church, Worcester Bay, on second Friday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., W. Bro. Rev. T. Porritt, D.G.C.; S.W., Bro. Thos. Boon; J.W., Bro. C. Silvester; Sec., Bro. F. Aston, Karaka Bay.

SOUTH ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON: 8 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. Dr. W. E. Redman, Prov.G.M.)

Victory, No. 40:—Founded 1881, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Collingwood-st., Nelson, second Thursday every month (except May—fourth Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. E. W. Rudman; S.W., Bro. A. E. Hedges; J.W., Bro. J. L. Ching; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, Box 105, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42:—Founded 1881 (formerly 663, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890); meets Masonic Hall, Andrew Street, Blenheim, Tuesday before full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. N. Paton; S.W., Bro. J. McKinley; J.W., Bro. J. Reid; Sec., Bro. W. C. Lucas, P.M., Redwood Street.

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

Marlborough Unanimity, No. 106:—Founded 1889 (formerly 1236, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1896; meets Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, Thursday nearest full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. C. H. Mills; S.W., Bro. C. A. Eckford; J.W., Bro. A. Weaver; Sec., Bro. S. A. Edinger, Blenheim.

Waitohi, No. 111:—Meets Masonic Hall, Pictou, last Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation last Friday in April. W.M., Bro. J. W. Burgess; S.W., Bro. H. A. S. Martin; J.W., Bro. J. E. Atkins; Sec., Bro. R. C. Branch, P.M.

Forest, No. 116:—Meets at Wakefield on second Monday in month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. Fawcett; S.W., Bro. H. Franklin; J.W., Bro. A. D. Syder; Sec., W. Bro. F. B. Peart.

Motueka, No. 117:—Founded 1900, meets in Lodgeroom, Motueka, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. K. H. Shaw-Thompson; S.W., Bro. J. A. Wallace; J.W., Bro. W. E. Poole; Sec., Bro. L. E. Rhodes.

St. Cuthbert's, No. 144:—Founded 1905, meets in Masonic Hall, Collingwood, on Saturday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. W. J. Shaw; S.W., Bro. J. Phillips; J.W., Bro. R. C. Cartner; Sec., Bro. R. H. Lash, P.M., Rockville, Collingwood.

PROVINCE OF WESTLAND: 12 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. J. H. Harkness, Prov.G.M.)

Robert Burns, No. 50:—Founded 1883, meets in Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly-st., Reefton, third Thursday each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation 25th Jan. W.M., Bro. W. H. Nicholas; S.W., Bro. R. Tudhope; J.W., Bro. F. S. Willis; Sec., Bro. Roy Liddelow.

Advance, No. 61:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Brunner-ton, Thursday on or nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation January. W.M., Bro. John Cook; S.W., Bro. W. Dando; J.W., Bro. A. C. Angel; Sec., Bro. F. Jacobs.

Kumara, No. 65:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon-st., Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. W. E. Richards; S.W., Bro. S. T. Peters, P.M.; J.W., Bro. J. Steel; Sec., Bro. W. H. Evenden, P.M.

Westland Kil, No. 88:—Founded 1867, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Hokitika, on Wednesday, nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. W. H. Shannon; S.W., Bro. H. A. Thompson; J.W., Bro. J. Cameron; Sec., Bro. J. McMillan, P.M.

Aorangi, No. 89:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Denniston, on first Wednesday in every month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. Thawley; S.W., Bro. W. Henderson; J.W., Bro. W. Cooper; Sec., Bro. T. Peacock, P.M.

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

Torea, No. 121:—Founded 1909, meets at Masonic Hall, Granity, third Saturday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. A. B. Franklin; S.W., Bro. H. G. Webster; J.W., Bro. J. Taggart; Sec., Bro. W. S. McEwan.

Mawhera, No. 136:—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Tainui Street, Greymouth, second Thursday each month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. J. Hales; S.W., Bro. E. F. Guinness; J.W., Bro. E. P. Peters; Sec., Bro. J. C. Duncan.

Kawaitiri-Westport, No. 137:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Russell Street, Westport, second Monday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. Panchhurst; S.W., Bro. S. Paul; J.W., Bro. D. T. Gibbard; Sec., Bro. A. Clifford, P.M.

Runanga, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddon-st., Runanga, on Tuesday nearest full moon in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. W. Hall; S.W., Bro. W. Wick; J.W., Bro. T. Latimer; Sec., Bro. A. A. Shannon.

Ware, No. 173 (Blackball).

Connaught, No. 187 (Karamea).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 35 LODGES.

(M.W. Bro. F. C. Bunns, Prov.G.M.)

Unanimity, No. 3:—Founded October, 1861, meets at Masonic Hall, Sumner Road, Lyttelton, first Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. A. Borthwick; S.W., Bro. A. R. W. Prestney; J.W., Bro. D. E. L. Collett; Sec., Bro. W. H. Brown, Box 34, Lyttelton.

St. Augustine, No. 4:—Founded 1892, meets in St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Christchurch, second Tuesday every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., W. Bro. T. H. Ker, jun.; S.W., Bro. H. H. Wauchop; J.W., Bro. J. A. Stables; Sec., W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, Box 372, Christchurch.

Southern Cross, No. 6:—Founded 1858, meets in Masonic Hall, Kaiapoi, on first Thursday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. A. Gribble; S.W., Bro. T. Hoskin; J.W., Bro. W. C. McPherson; Sec., Bro. R. H. Croft, Box 13, Kaiapoi.

Caledonian, No. 16:—Founded 1871, meets in Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia Street, Timaru, first Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. R. McAnagney; S.W., Bro. A. Kennedy; J.W., Bro. W. Cranston; Sec., Bro. James Simpson, 136 North Street, Timaru.

Progress, No. 23:—Founded 1876, meets at Masonic Hall, Southbridge, Tuesday on or before full moon in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation regular night in December. W.M., R.W. Bro. R. B. Willis, P.G.D.; S.W., Bro. E. J. Hannah; J.W., W. Bro. J. S. Inwood; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. A. Walker, District High School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil, No. 23.

Geraldine, No. 27:—Founded 1890, meets in Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday each month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. T. Borrell; S.W., Bro. A. Wilkinson; J.W., Bro. A. Keattie; Sec., Bro. B. R. Hogg.

Ashley, No. 28:—Founded 1878; meets in the Masonic Hall, Rangiora, on second Thursday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. B. A. McKeown; S.W., Bro. T. J. Withers; J.W., Bro. N. W. Pavitt; Sec., Bro. Thos. Hills, P.O. Box 12, Rangiora.

St. George, No. 29:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Wilkin Street, Temuka, on second Wednesday in each month. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. Trigane; S.W., Bro. F. A. Joynt; J.W., Bro. Geo. Tate; Sec., Bro. A. Calder.

South Rakaia, No. 31:

Lincoln, No. 33:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, Tuesday on or before full moon in each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. W. Kime; S.W., Bro. C. J. Morland; J.W., Bro. W. T. Street; Sec., W. Bro. Jno. Graham, P.M., P.O., Lincoln.

Concord, No. 39:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Hall, Papanui, fourth Wednesday every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. S. Wilson; S.W., Bro. L. H. North; J.W., Bro. H. M. Gilkes; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, P.M., 72 Ackman's Road, Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa):

Methven, No. 51:

Kaikoura, No. 60:

Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1893, meets in St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, on fourth Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. G. H. McLean; S.W., Bro. J. Thomas; J.W., Bro. W. Kilday; Sec., Bro. H. Hopkinson, P.M., 33 Clifton Street, Addington, Christchurch.

MacKenzie, No. 93:—Founded 1894, meets in Masonic Hall, Fairlie, on Thursday nearest full moon, at 8 p.m. Installation third Thursday in October. W.M., Bro. E. Saunders; S.W., Bro. C. Askey; J.W., Bro. W. J. Smith; Sec., Bro. J. H. Southwick, Fairlie.

St. Augustine, No. 99:—Established 1875, Meets Lodgeroom, Leonard Street, Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation August. Acting-W.M., W. Bro. J. Menzies; S.W., Bro. W. Manchester; J.W., Bro. Jas. Manchester; Sec., Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.M.

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

Cheviot, No. 124:

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

Mairaki, No. 131:—Founded 1903, meets at Masonic Hall, Cust, third Friday in each month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. H. J. Howell; S.W., Bro. F. H. Early; J.W., Bro. B. Yates; Sec., Bro. J. Forbes, P.M.

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

Crown, No. 138 (Christchurch):

Robert Burns, No. 139:—Meets at St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on third Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. R. W. S. Eastwood; S.W., Bro. R. H. Taylor; J.W., Bro. T. W. N. Wilson; Sec., W. Bro. H. Wyatt, 93 Worcester Street, Christchurch.

Waihora, No. 141:—Founded 1905, meets Oddfellow's Hall, Leeston, second Thursday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. B. C. Jacobs; S.W., Bro. F. J. Lemon; J.W., Bro. G. W. R. Osborne; Sec., Bro. J. E. Carter, P.M.

Civic, No. 157:—Meets at St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, first Friday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. F. Steans; S.W., Bro. W. J. Hunter; J.W., Bro. W. Bottrill; Sec., Bro. T. H. Williams.

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

Ahurewa, No. 181:—Founded 1911, meets in Schoolroom, Dunasadel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. F. Lill; S.W., Bro. T. Wright; J.W., Bro. J. Macpherson; Sec., Bro. G. Stapleton.

Amuri, No. 184:—Founded October, 1911; meets Masonic Hall, Rotherham, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. C. Thomson; S.W., Bro. J. J. Goulding; J.W., Bro. D. W. Hunter; Sec., Bro. Fred. R. France, Culverden.

Avon, No. 185 (Christchurch).

Tawera, No. 188 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 190 (Timaru).

Koranga, No. 197 (Timaru).

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

PROVINCE OF OTAGO: 27 LODGES.

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

Otago, No. 7:—Founded 1860, meets at the Freemasons' Hall, King Street (opp. Museum), Dunedin, on second Wednesday in each month, at 5 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. R. Rogerson; S.W., Bro. E. T. Moller; J.W., Bro. J. W. Hardie; Sec., Bro. D. C. Cameron, P.M., 27 Manor Place, Dunedin.

Waitaki, No. 11:—Founded 1869, meets in Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, Wednesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. M. Roxby; S.W., Bro. F. W. Kibblewhite; J.W., Bro. A. W. Woodward; Sec., Bro. J. A. Pochles, Newborough, Oamaru.

Clutha, No. 14:—Founded 1866, meets in the Masonic Hall, Douglas Street, Balclutha, second Tuesday in the month, at 8 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. A. R. Lattimore; S.W., Bro. A. McDonald; J.W., Bro. J. H. Guest; Sec., Bro. B. Whiting, P.M., Box 18, P.O., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 26:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston South, Friday on or before full moon every month, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. Geo. B. Smith; S.W., Bro. R. M. Pentie; J.W., Bro. T. Harrison; Sec., Bro. W. Diack.

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

Hiram, No. 46:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Cargill Road, South Dunedin, on fourth Tuesday in month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. R. V. Parker; S.W., Bro. George R. West; J.W., Bro. G. T. Lumsden; Sec., Bro. J. A. P. Frederic, 19 Leckhampton Court, Caversham Rise, Dunedin.

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

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

St. Thomas Kil, No. 83 (Kaitangata).
St. John, No. 84, Moulgiel.

Mount Ida, No. 97:—Founded 1898 (originally No. 1262, E.C.), meets in the Masonic Hall, Naseby, on Wednesday nearest full moon in each month. Installation February. W.M., Bro. D. Rankin; S.W., Bro. Geo. W. Bell; J.W., Bro. A. E. Brown; Treas., Bro. F. P. Christopher; Sec., Bro. A. E. Brown.

Cromwell Kil, No. 98 (originally No. 535, S.C.):—Meets in Lodgeroom, Melmore Terrace, Cromwell, on Wednesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. K. M. Hay; S.W., Bro. W. Campbell; J.W., Bro. D. S. Middleton; Sec., W. Bro. W. J. Kitchin, Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 103 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1869, joined N.Z.C. 1896; meets in Town Hall, Clyde, on Tuesday on or nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. H. McKean; S.W., Bro. J. E. Menzies; J.W., Bro. R. Holden; Sec., Bro. H. E. Stevens.

Maori, No. 105:—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. S. C. Hamilton; S.W., Bro. A. H. Crawley; J.W., Bro. Robt. Page; Sec., Bro. E. Tomkinson, Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Maunderikia Kil, No. 109:—Founded 1896, meets in the Masonic Hall, Alexandra South, on Friday on or nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. R. D. Cox; S.W., Bro. G. Asquith; J.W., Bro. G. Smith; Sec., Bro. J. B. Arnott.

St. Bathans, No. 126:—Founded 11th Nov., 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Becks, on Thursday nearest full moon every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation Nov. W.M., Bro. T. H. Mee; S.W., Bro. C. Alexander; J.W., Bro. T. Sheppard; Sec., Bro. E. Wilson, P.M., Becks.

Otago Kil, No. 143:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Moray Place, Dunedin, on first Thursday each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. G. Hay; S.W., Bro. G. G. Adess; J.W., Bro. J. Sinton; Sec., Bro. G. Watie, P.M., 53 Clyde Street, Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 148:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Roxburgh, on the Saturday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. D. A. Mitchell; S.W., Bro. Wm. Donnelly; J.W., Bro. S. K. T. Vernon; Sec., W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Gilmour, P.M., Box 18, Roxburgh.

Oceanic, No. 154:—Meets in St. Kilda Masonic Hall, Dunedin, third Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Couchman; S.W., Bro. A. Cannon; J.W., Bro. A. McKenney; Sec., Bro. D. H. Hastings, P.M., 33 Moreau Street, St. Kilda.

Haeremai, No. 155:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Great King St. (opp. Museum), Dunedin, second Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. J. W. Raffles; S.W., Bro. C. F. J. Bell; J.W., Bro. D. R. Booth; Sec., Bro. A. W. Flett, 149 Queen St., Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161.

Kurow, No. 164:—Founded May 13, 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Kurow, on Thursday on or before full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. N. Hayes; S.W., Bro. S. M. Taylor; J.W., Bro. C. L. Ayson; Sec., Bro. R. H. Appleby, P.M., Kurow.

Owaka, No. 180:—Founded 1911, meets in Masonic Hall, Owaka, on Thursday nearest full moon in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. McLean; S.W., Bro. W. H. Bailey; J.W., Bro. A. Williams; Sec., Bro. Dr. J. S. Stenhouse, P.M., Owaka.

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

Ionic, No. 191 (Green Island).

Morning Star, No. 192 (Morrington).

Strath-Taleri, No. 199:—Middlemarch, Otago Central.

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany, Prov.G.M.)

Southern Cross, No. 91:—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, first Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. Critchfield; S.W., Bro. Geo. Kelly; J.W., Bro. W. A. Stout; Sec., Bro. S. Clark, Box 62.

Harvey, No. 49:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. L. Fretwell; S.W., Bro. B. Paterson; J.W., Bro. E. C. Smith; Sec., Bro. Walter Gee, Box 33, Gore.

Mokoreta, No. 63:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Temple, Wyndham, on third Thursday in every month, at 8 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in September. W.M., Bro. W. C. Hishop; S.W., Bro. S. Rice; J.W., Bro. J. T. Kirker; Sec., Bro. W. D. Palmer, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. R. Rudden; S.W., Bro. E. Johnson; J.W., Bro. C. W. Bradshaw; Sec., Bro. E. Parker, P.M., Hazelwood, Bluff.

Aparima, No. 77:—Founded 1876, meets in Masonic Hall, Riverton, Tuesday nearest full moon each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation Aug. W.M., Bro. H. Akhurst; S.W., Bro. T. H. McIntyre; J.W., Bro. A. E. Ward; Sec., Bro. J. C. Robins (acting).

Lake Lodge of Ophi, No. 85:—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Queenstown, third Tuesday each month. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. J. McNeil, P.M.; S.W., Bro. A. Fraser; J.W., Bro. L. Curtis; Sec., Bro. W. D. Warren, P.M., Queenstown.

Arrow Kil, No. 86:—Meets at Masonic Hall, Arrowtown, Monday on or before full moon. Installation February, same day as No. 85. W.M., Bro. John Duncan; S.W., Bro. E. H. Graham; J.W., Bro. A. J. Campbell; Sec., Bro. John Jenkins, P.M.

St. John, No. 94:—Meets at Masonic Hall, Invercargill, third Friday every month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. Robert Smith; S.W., Bro. Wm. Robinson; J.W., Bro. Frank Bonifant; Sec., Bro. Chas. H. Poole, 129 Teviot Street.

Taringatura, No. 100:—Founded 1887, meets at Masonic Hall, Lumsden, on Monday on or before full moon in each month. Installation third Wednesday in November. W.M., Bro. Henry Graham; S.W., Bro. D. Walker; J.W., Bro. H. Beer; Sec., W. Bro. W. H. Clark.

Winton, No. 108:—Founded 1896, meets at Masonic Hall, Park-st., Winton, on Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. T. Walker; S.W., Bro. W. D. Cowie; J.W., Bro. J. R. Hamilton; Sec., Bro. J. A. Broom, P.O. Box 3, Winton.

Wallace, No. 129:—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Otautau, on third Friday in every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Anderson Stewart, M.D.; S.W., Bro. James Thomson; J.W., Bro. William Bird; Sec., Bro. E. Matheson, Box 10, Otautau.

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