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AUCKLAND.

MONDAY, 4th
Ara (I.C.)
TUESDAY, 5th
Ponsonby
WEDNESDAY, 6th
Maukara
Nau Aua
TUESDAY, 12th
Abercrombie
WEDNESDAY, 13th
Ara
THURSDAY, 14th
Albion
MONDAY, 18th
Waikanae
TUESDAY, 19th
St. Andrew
St. Walter Scott
TUESDAY, 20th
Hobson
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Alpha
Olmstead
Tuesdays
Pisces
Punket
THURSDAY, 21st
Beta-Waikato
Mangonui
Tauranga
Maitake
FRIDAY, 22nd
Hokitika
SATURDAY, 23rd
Otago
MONDAY, 25th
Whangarei
Walhi
TUESDAY, 26th
Te Anau
Auckland
Notofana
Tawhiti
THURSDAY, 27th
United Service
To be arranged
Waipā

HAWKES BAY.

TUESDAY, 6th
Ara
TUESDAY, 12th
Hecetauna
TUESDAY, 19th
Solide
Roahe
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Bedford
THURSDAY, 21st
Hawthorn
FRIDAY, 22nd
Maitake
MONDAY, 25th
Hecetauna
TUESDAY, 26th
Waikaremoana

TARANAKI.

TUESDAY, 5th
Hawera
WEDNESDAY, 13th
Baka Kil
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Stratford
FRIDAY, 22nd
Mokoro
TUESDAY, 26th
St. John
THURSDAY, 27th
Ngatutu

RUAPEHU.

THURSDAY, 7th
Hua
THURSDAY, 14th
Manawatu Kil
St. Andrew Kil
MONDAY, 18th
Manga-te-keke
TUESDAY, 19th
Rangitikei
Otahape

RUAPEHU—Cont.

THURSDAY, 21st
Otahape
Kimbolton
Ruapehu
FRIDAY, 22nd
Rangitikei
MONDAY, 25th
Wellington
Waimarino
TUESDAY, 26th
Te Anau
WEDNESDAY, 27th
Rangitikei
THURSDAY, 28th
Moutoa

WELLINGTON.

FRIDAY, 1st
Hawke's Bay
MONDAY, 4th
Leinster
WEDNESDAY, 6th
Hawke's Bay
FRIDAY, 8th
Greytown
Otago
SATURDAY, 9th
Hawke's Bay
MONDAY, 11th
Wairarapa
St. John
TUESDAY, 12th
St. Mark
WEDNESDAY, 13th
Masterton
Wairarapa
THURSDAY, 14th
Hawke's Bay
MONDAY, 18th
St. Andrew
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Wellington (N.C.)
Ulster
THURSDAY, 21st
Taranaki
Hawke's Bay
FRIDAY, 22nd
Eketahuna
Unaffiliated Masters
SATURDAY, 23rd
Coronation
MONDAY, 25th
N.Z. Pacific
TUESDAY, 26th
Otago
Pukekohe

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Forest
THURSDAY, 14th
Victory
TUESDAY, 19th
Wairarapa
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Hawke's Bay
THURSDAY, 21st
Unaffiliated
FRIDAY, 22nd
Hawke's Bay
SATURDAY, 23rd
St. Chubb's
FRIDAY, 29th
Wairarapa

WESTLAND.

SATURDAY, 2nd
Mokoro
WEDNESDAY, 6th
Aorangi
MONDAY, 11th
Kawakiri
THURSDAY, 14th
Hawke's Bay
SATURDAY, 16th
Totara
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Westland Kil
THURSDAY, 21st
Robert Burns
Advance
TUESDAY, 26th
Kumara
Rangitikei
Paele (N.C.)

* Installation meetings.

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CANTERBURY.

FRIDAY, 1st
Civic
MONDAY, 4th
Caledonian
TUESDAY, 5th
Unaffiliated
THURSDAY, 7th
Southern Cross
TUESDAY, 12th
St. Augustine
WEDNESDAY, 13th
St. George
THURSDAY, 14th
Wairarapa
Ashley
FRIDAY, 15th
Mairaki
MONDAY, 18th
Andrews
TUESDAY, 19th
Robert Burns
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Geraldine
St. Augustine
THURSDAY, 21st
Macdonald
FRIDAY, 22nd
Maitake
TUESDAY, 26th
Christchurch
WEDNESDAY, 27th
Concord

OTAGO.

MONDAY, 4th
Maori
THURSDAY, 7th
Otago Kil
FRIDAY, 8th
Hawke's Bay
TUESDAY, 12th
Otago
WEDNESDAY, 13th
Hawke's Bay
MONDAY, 18th
Nairn
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Wairarapa
THURSDAY, 21st
St. Bathans
Kunow
Otago
FRIDAY, 22nd
Palmerston
THURSDAY, 23rd
Teviot
TUESDAY, 26th
Dunedin
WEDNESDAY, 27th
Dunedin Kil

SOUTHLAND.

FRIDAY, 1st
Southern Cross
FRIDAY, 5th
Victoria
WEDNESDAY, 13th
Fortitude
THURSDAY, 14th
Orepuki
FRIDAY, 15th
Wallace
St. John
MONDAY, 18th
Arrow Kil
Taringatua
Wairarapa
TUESDAY, 19th
Lakes of Ophir
Winton
WEDNESDAY, 20th
Harvey
THURSDAY, 21st
Mokoro
MONDAY, 26th
Waikaka
TUESDAY, 26th
Aparima

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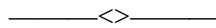
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THE CHARGE TO THE WOR. MASTER.



FREEMASONS must of necessity recognise the extreme beauty of Masonic ritual, and especially those portions which are devoted to the inculcation of the cardinal precepts of the Craft. There may be much that is anomalous, and there may be many discrepancies that are opposed to historical fact and Biblical reading, but the ethics of the institution are so clearly expressed that he "who runs may read," and those who desire to make a daily advancement in acts of morality and virtue will receive every assistance from the multitude of precepts so clearly and concisely promulgated in Masonic ritual.

The question arises as to whether the constant iteration does not have the effect of deadening the sensibilities, seeing that the aggregate results do not yield readily to anticipations. In the many beautiful addresses and charges it is difficult to make selection for illustrative purposes, but on reflection we submit the charge addressed to the W.M. upon his installation as the multum in parvo. In this brief address not only are his duties clearly defined, and the precepts he should inculcate most admirably set forth, but attention is drawn to some of the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, the essentials that are absolutely imperative for the maintenance of its position as the greatest moral institution of the age. At the very commencement the attention of the Master is directed to the onerous nature of his responsibilities, and the necessity of a faithful discharge of the duties annexed to the appointment. To know that the honour, reputation, and usefulness of the Lodge will depend upon his skill and ability will not tend to lighten the burden he has voluntarily assumed, and that upon the promulgation of the genuine principles of the Craft will depend the happiness of the brethren. The charge then draws an analogy from the most glorious luminary of nature—the sun — and

makes it a pattern for imitation in communicating light and instruction to the members of the Lodge. And here it is that we think the newly-installed Master rather confounds things, or slightly mixes them up. Invariably this instruction is construed to mean the ritual teaching and ceremonial. This is incorrect, as the ritual is for the especial benefit of the newly-admitted brother, while the light and instruction to the members of "your Lodge" should comprehend all that goes towards the making a daily advancement in Masonic knowledge. "Forcibly impress upon them the dignity and high importance of Freemasonry." Here we not only have a stern injunction to the W.M. for the inculcation of a great precept, but we also have one of the fundamental principles of the Craft. The "London Freemason" says :—"Every Mason should feel that he is personally responsible for the honour and dignity of the Craft. The worst enemies of Masonry are not those outside its pale, who sneer at and decry the Craft, but its own members who, in life and conversation, do not attempt to carry out its principles. A Mason may be letter perfect in his ritual, regular in his attendance at Lodge, but if outside his conduct is actuated only by selfishness, if he be unscrupulous in his business transactions, he is a stumbling-stone in the way of very many of his brethren, and a very potent argument against Masonry."

If we were jealous of the dignity and high importance of Freemasonry, our portals would be more carefully guarded, the institution would present a new and better aspect to its members, and it would have a greater share of esteem from those outside the pale than it has at the present time. How often are the brethren specifically admonished "never to disgrace it"? Indirectly, perhaps, through the ritual, on many occasions, but again we must contend that repetition begets callousness, not of a wicked heart, but a wearisomeness of disposition.

It is very much an intangible mystery why the Freemasonry of the Lodge cannot be taken into the outside world, not in the proclamation of its tenets from the housetops, but in the examples of our daily lives. Two instances of our meaning will be sufficient. The use of profane language is an offence against the laws of God and the ordinances of the realm. Yet it is not infrequently heard even in the ante-room of the Lodge. In many instances we do not believe the language is used with any desire to sin, but rather as the force of habit, or adding emphasis to a point in conversation. But the sin is just as much in evidence, and the world wonders where the morality of Freemasonry commences. Again, we are recommended to prefer a brother in all our dealings. But there is no suggestion that there should be any undue preference. In business one should neither wrong a brother or himself. But why, all things being equal, does not the brother in business receive fraternal support? It is common assertion that there is more fraternity in a certain non-fraternal institution than in Freemasonry. If there is any warrant for the assertion, then it does not redound to the credit of Freemasonry.

Did we but practice out of the Lodge those very excellent precepts we are taught in it, we should present the appearance of a united family, rather than a mystical institution of disintegrating atoms, and should more fully realise the full import of our great Masonic anthem, "Behold how good and pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." As a brother recently said in addressing a W.M. :—"I am not suggesting that you abjure ritual work in favour of long homilies and admonition on Masonic precept, but I am sure you will appreciate the value of Biblical advice, 'a word spoken in due season how good it is,' and that 'bread cast upon the waters will return again after many days.' It is the word of good intent spoken in due season that will prove more efficacious than the longest homilies; and the crumbs of human kindness scattered upon the waters of uncertainty may at any time return with the full knowledge that they have not been cast in vain."

GERMAN BARBARITY.

"The time has come when English Freemasonry should enter a further protest against the terrible tragedies deliberately planned and carried out by the Germans. We should cancel our representation to that infamous country, and call upon its Masonic representatives here to renounce their ambassadorship. To remain inactive in face of such atrocities as have been lately perpetrated is a distinct violation of our principles. How is it possible to preach brotherly love on behalf of the scoundrels who gloat over the murder of innocent women

and children? If the Freemasons of Germany are made to realise that they are among the outcasts of the world it may hasten the end of German atrocities.—`Freemason's Chronicle,' New Barnet, England."

We very much regret that we have to record our entire disagreement with our English contemporary and other fraternal journals in the advocacy of a course which is absolutely worse than useless. What possible good can be expected to accrue from entering further protests against the action of our German adversaries Our contemporary says :—" If the Freemasons of Germany are made to realise that they are among the outcasts of the world it may hasten the end of German atrocities." There is no power on earth that will make such realisation plain. The German Freemasons have suspended all relations with their brethren the enemy. Like every other section of the German country, they are solidly united in what is called " the defence of the Fatherland. And they will not admit any atrocities. Then what possible good can protests be ? When the war is over the German brethren may wish to extend the hand of fellowship ; but at the present time that hand has a gun in it, without sentiment of any kind influencing the use of the said gun. The aspect of the conduct of the war is just the point of view from which you look at it. A neutral writer recently expressed the opinion that England was fighting with kid gloves, and there are many who share the opinion. But there is no kid glove business with German Freemasons, and all the protests and invectives that can be hurled at them will not make them put gloves on. It would appear that the advocates of pacific protests have not yet realised that Germany is not fighting alone for its existence, but for the dominance of the world. Think of this and all that it means. The stake is the biggest ever contemplated, and though it had some parallel in the rise of the Roman Empire, the world was then a bagatelle compared with its magnitude to-day. What care the Germans, including " our brethren in Freemasonry," how such a result is attained? Who will arraign them for barbarous murders, or the atrocities of liquid fire, should that dominance result ? They laugh at the verdict of London inquests on victims to bombed towns; they waive the protests—even of neutral America—airily aside, always keeping the goal of their ambition steadily in view, and not until people generally awake to a full knowledge of the end sought to be won, will the full seriousness of the position dawn upon them, and then perhaps they will take off the kid gloves. The only protests that will be received with any respect at present will be those that are sent per medium of the latest thing in monster guns, with the most scientific form of destructive projectile.

ENGINEER-COMMANDER HARRY LASHMORE, R.N., who was one of two naval officers gazetted in the King's Birthday Honours List, was privately invested by the King at Windsor Castle a few days ago with the Insignia of Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath (Military Division). The new C.B., who was in the Falkland Islands battle, and also took part in the great bombardments of the Dardanelles forts, is elder son of Bro. Henry Lashmore, of Southampton, P.P.G.D. of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, who has received congratulations from brethren all over the country on the high honour bestowed on his gallant son by His Majesty.—Exchange.

News and Notes.

WE are asked to call the attention of brethren of Wellington City Lodges to the altered place of meeting of Whetu Kairangi Lodge on the night of installation. The meeting will be held in the Daniel Street Masonic Hall, which has kindly been lent by Hinemoa Lodge for the occasion. The meeting will take place on Saturday, 9th October, at 5.30 prompt time. Hereafter the Lodge will meet in its own room on the second Saturday in lieu of second Friday.

TWO presentations were made at the annual meeting of Waterloo Lodge, the first, by M.W. Bro. Williams, to the retiring Master, Bro. Moncrieff, and the second, by R.W. Bro. Peterkin—a Treasurer's jewel—to Bro. A. McL. Wilson. Felicitous speeches were made in each case, and feeling responses followed. In both instances they were thoroughly deserved.

AMONG some of the first of our brave boys who volunteered for active service was Mr. C. Cummins, son of the esteemed W. Bro. George Cummins, Treas. of Lodge Ruapehu, Marton. The sad news was received a

few days ago that he was missing or killed. The W.M., Bro. J. Robson, also has a son in the fighting line. Another Ruapehu member, Bro. Arthur Ross, is doing his share to uphold the old flag. Still another member, Bro. R. Hanger late of the Bank of New Zealand, who recently joined the Fiji contingent at Suva, is now on the way to the front.

THE installation of the Installed Masters' Lodge of Wellington will be held on Tuesday, 5th October. The retiring Master, W. Bro. H. B. Bridge, G.Lect., will conduct the ceremony, assisted by other members of the Lodge.

THE annual meeting of Wellington Rose Croix Chapter is always regarded as an exceptionally happy function. The attendance is always excellent, and the whole proceedings are usually most thoroughly enjoyed. E. and P. Bro. J. Reid is the M.W.S.-elect, and will receive the benefit of installation at the hands of Ill. Bros. H. J. Williams and Rev. T. Porritt, 30deg.

LODGE ROTORUA has an excess of assets over liabilities amount to £597 10s. 8d., and its membership on 30th June last was 69.

THE following card came to hand last month, and sufficiently bespeaks its nationality :—" Friday, 13th August. Arrived at the home of the G.Sec. this morning, Mary Catherine Boger, daughter of Arthur C. Boger and Flora Cutter Boger, weight 10 lbs. 'Hear Grandpa smile.' " (Illinois.)

M.E. COMP. REV. T. PORRITT was very heartily congratulated on his admirable conduct of the ceremonies in connection with Wellington Chapters' joint installation last month. He was letter perfect, and his delivery was most impressive. When it is considered that our venerable brother is nearly approaching four score years, the nature of his work will be appreciated.

THE present year is the jubilee of Lodge Waterloo, Wellington, and a talented P.M. of the Lodge is engaged in writing its history for the fifty years, which will be most interesting, especially in view of its earlier vicissitudes.

BRO. J. T. KIRKER was installed as W.M. of Lodge Mokoreta, and we regret being unable to accept his invitation for the occasion; but on the same evening the important ceremony of the joint installation of Principals of three Wellington Chapters took place, and the presence of G.S.E. was considered indispensable.

LODGE TARINGATURA, Lumsden, has an excellent Masonic library, containing 44 books, the works of some of the most noted Masonic historians and writers, and the esteemed Sec. of the Lodge, W. Bro. W. D. Clark, hopes to increase the number to at least 150 volumes before he retires from office.

LODGE WATERLOO at its annual meeting had the opportunity of welcoming one of its oldest P.Ms. in the person of W. Bro. A. Lindsay, who is practically the only surviving link of the long chain of veterans of the Lodge. One or two others are yet alive, but their interest in Freemasonry has long ceased.

A WARRANT has been granted for the establishment of a new Lodge at Avondale, Auckland, to be designated " Titirangi," No. 204. The new Lodge was opened by the G.M. on 28th ult., and " Pono " Dargaville, on the 30th -ult.

THE installation ceremonies in connection with Takahoa Chapter were held at Hawera on the 17th ult. This Chapter has a roving commission, and peregrinates between Pates, Hawera, and Eltham.

THE Installed Masters' Lodge of Wellington, having altered its by-laws, the installation will take place on the first Tuesday in October (5th) instead of the fourth Friday. The Saturday half-holiday has revolutionised Friday night meetings.

BRO. JAMES W. MATHEWS, P.A.G.D.C., representative of the G.L. of New Zealand in the G.L. of England, for many years manager for Charles Frohman at the Duke of York's Theatre, is leaving England to become manager of the New York Hippodrome. His Masonic friends assembled at the Restaurant Frascati on the 18th inst. and presented him with an illuminated address and a cheque. On the following day he was entertained to a farewell dinner by the Savage Club.—Exchange.

WAIRARAPA R.A. CHAPTER, which has had its habitat in Carterton for many years, will probably change its location to Masterton, owing to the larger number of members being resident in that town. The change will probably be made at the next meeting.

ADVICE has been received from M.W. Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, P.G.M., that he will be leaving London on the 19th November on his return to New Zealand, and will consequently arrive early in the New Year.

WE deeply sympathise with W. Bro. Sustens, W.M. of St. Mark's Lodge, Carterton, who recently received information that two of his sons were killed at the Dardanelles.

LOVERS of Dickens will be interested in the history of the Chigwell Lodge, No. 453, just published, which meets at the King's Head, Chigwell. This is the famous Maypole Inn of which John Willett was the host, and which hostelry played such an important part in "Barnaby Rudge."

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

The annual meeting of Aparima Lodge attracted a fair attendance of visitors. Regret was felt at the absence of many old and distinguished members of the Lodge. The installation ceremony was conducted by the Prov.G.M. The social in connection with the event was heartily enjoyed.

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Southern Cross R.A. Chapter paid a visit to Wallace Chapter during the month. R.E. Comp. J. J. Hiskens, G.Supt., was also present. The visitors received a right fraternal welcome, and, thoroughly enjoyed the outing.

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Lodges Southern Cross, St. John, and Victoria, joint owners of the Invercargill Masonic Hall, have agreed that from 1st October they shall be as one in the refectory and at installation banquets. This arrangement is timely, and will give the Lodges named a much better financial outlook and more freedom of action for philanthropic work.

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Lodge Wallace is to be congratulated, on having wiped off the total debt on its hall.

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The list of library books in connection with Lodge Taringatura has been circulated among the members. There are 44 publications to choose from. A glance through the list shows that the management have been careful in the selection made. The books are by well-known authors, and will afford a wide range of information and study.

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Though there has been no great accession of new members during the year now ending, Lodge Taringatura can claim to have done good and useful work in other directions, not the least worthy being the substantial contribution of £50 to the M. W. G. M. 's War Fund.

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The installation meetings of Mokoreta Mark Lodge, No. 1, and Mokoreta Lodge took place on the 15th September. R.E. Comp. J. J. Hiskens, G.Supt., conducted the Mark ceremony, and R.W. Bin. Wm. Timpany, Prov.G.M., that of No. 63. The attendance was not large. The procession and other festivities in aid of the Wounded Soldiers' Fund held at Invercargill on the same date precluded the attendance of very many of the Craft. W. Bro. Winning is Master of Mark, No. 1, and W. Bro. Kirker of No. 63. As both of these brethren have had long experience of Masonic work, their respective Lodges should prosper under their guidance.

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The members of St. John's Lodge assembled in force in the social hall to bid "au revoir" to Bro. Fallow on the eve of his departure for Trentham. W. Bro. Hoyles, on behalf of the Lodge, presented him with, a handsome dressing case and with a Bible, containing the autographs of the officers, P.Ms., and many members of the Lodge. Bro. Hoyles in his remarks left no doubt of the nature of the feelings with which Bro. Fallow is regarded by his brethren of St. John's Lodge.

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News has just come to hand that the sons of R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany, Prov.G.M., W. Bro. Jos. Critchfield, and W. Bro. John Gray have been wounded at the Dardanelles. The Craft, in extending its sincere sympathy, hopes that the young fellows will make a speedy and permanent recovery.

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The deepest sympathy of the Craft is extended to R.W. Bro. W. W. de Castro and to Bro. T. Belworthy in the bereavement each has suffered in the death of a son at the Dardanelles. This is the fourth bereavement Bro. de Castro has suffered through the war, which makes our sympathy the more profound.

THE CRAFT AND THE CHURCH.

[An Address delivered in the INSTALLED MASTERS' LODGE OF WELLINGTON by W. BRO. C. W. NIELSEN.]

The neophyte who, after enquiry and test, has been permitted to make his initial entrance within the portals of the Lodge, must necessarily, if of a reflective turn of mind, be more particularly impressed by some one or other feature of his experience. It might be fair to assume that his attention would be specially drawn to the unequivocal request made of him for a statement of his position in relation to belief or non-belief in dependence upon a Supreme Deity, and to the fact that having declared his position without further reference he was permitted to progress. The question put would, to the atheist, have presented a sudden and unsolvable difficulty which, if he remained true to principle, would have interposed an insuperable obstacle to admission.

This brief introduction raises a general question of interest affecting the relation between Church and Craft in the remote and less remote past. The position during and subsequent to the medieval centuries is fairly well evidenced by reliable data and ascertainable by reference to Masonic and other records. The Mason organisation of the fourteenth and earlier centuries exhibited a strong religious tendency of a wholly Christian character determined by the creed of the period. The Regius M.S., after relating that the Craft came into England in good King Athelstan's time, instructed each brother that

" He must love wel God, and Holy Church algate
And hys master also, that he ys wythe."

The old scrolls invariably opened with an invocation or prayer, the York M.S. (No. 6) beseeching brethren at every meeting and assembly to pray heartily for all Christians, and the Aberdeen M.S. terming the invocation "a prayer before the meeting." The Edinburgh Kil. charges, presumed to originate in England, enjoined "that yee shall be true men to God and Holy Church; and that yee use no error nor heresie by your understanding or discretion ; be yee discreet men or wise men in each thing." In later times, the Warden-General of Scotland, Schaw, laid upon the Craft in terms its responsibility to the Church for the behaviour of its members, and required that a third of the unlaws should be employed to the godly uses of the Lodge. His Statutes of 1598 and 1599, it should be noted, were by no means of a revolutionary character, but were declaratory of existing usages and customs. In his second set of ordinances, he exhorted that it was thought to be expedient that the Wardens of every Lodge should be answerable to the presbyteries within their shiredoms for the Masons subject to the laws, anent all offences any of them might commit, and the third part of the unlaws should be employed to the godly uses of the Lodge where any offence might happen to be committed. He further declared that there should be trial taken by the Wardens and the most ancient Masters of the Lodge, extending to six persons, who should take trial of the offences, that punishment might be executed conformably with equity and justice, and good conscience and the ancient Order. Findel recalls that the Constitutions of the German Masons of Strasburg (1459) required all the Masters and Fellows of the Lodge, on the death of a member, to assist at and contribute to "a mass to be said for the repose of the soul of him who had departed." Fines levied upon offending brethren in Scotland were diverted to the upholding of the altars of the kirks of the respective boroughs, and even subsequent to the Reformation and the demolition of the Popish altars, the Scottish Kirk asserted the duty of associated bodies to maintain the outward fabric of religion, and contribute to the support of the kirk. After the Reformation Crafts acknowledged this principle, and devoted fines to " pious uses," when gradually they fell away from their old practices and applied them to secular and domestic purposes. The influence of the Church was by no means confined to the mason fraternity, but extended to other sections of the building trade, and the acquisition of burghal privileges was often made dependent on the performance of religious duties. This is evidenced by the terms of old grants to mason incorporations issued in the fifteenth century. The Magistrates and Town Council in 1475 incorporated the masons and wrights of Edinburgh as a joint body by a seal of cause, supplemented by a

grant of the aisle and chapel in St. Johns in St. Gile's Kirk. This action was subsequently ratified and confirmed by the Church, by Royal Charter, and by the Court of Session. The grant recited that the masons and wrights had presented their bill of supplication desiring assent to certain statutes made among themselves for the honour and worship of St. John, "in augmentation of divine service," in consequence of which their desires were granted, together with the aisle of St. John referred to. Numerous conditions and injunctions were imposed and made, amongst which might be noticed the following :—Any newcomer to the town engaged in a quest for work was first to be examined, and if admitted required to pay towards the reparation of the altar a mark. Apprentices on admission were to pay half a mark to the same object. Certain offences in connection with apprentices which, so far as I am able to judge, would appear to relate to their enticement away from service, were punishable on the first occasion " by the payment to the altar of one pound of wax," on the second by the provision of two pounds of wax, and a third offence was to be dealt with by the provost and baillies of the town.

That the medieval craft should have exhibited these strongly marked tendencies of orthodox sectarianism is not surprising, and indeed might well have been expected, for between it especially and the Church there was an intimate and peculiar connection. The masons were highly skilled workers employed in the designing and construction of edifices intended solely for religious purposes, and were habitually brought into the closest contact with Church dignitaries, and the work of erecting the fabrics, that were raised in various countries, would progress to the constant accompaniment of sectarian rites and ceremonies. We have it that craft guilds took part in church processions in honour of saints and on occasions of high church festivals, wearing the insignia of their trades, and carrying their distinctive banners. In the old records of these building times, the Lodge, or "Luge," is often referred to; it was held in close proximity to the edifice in course of erection, and was used for fraternal meeting purposes at meal times, and there stones were prepared in private for emplacement in the structure.

Apart, however, from these peculiar explanations of the religious attitude of the craft in those days, the general condition of things then existing would largely account for it. The medieval Church, in the zenith of its power and magnificence, was a vast maze of intricacy, and displayed a wide range of activity, secular as well as religious. The interweaving of civil and ecclesiastical government was inextricable, and the Church was essentially an international State. It formulated laws, established Law Courts, appointed law givers and lawyers, and exacted personal obedience by the application of physical force.

It did not scruple to pronounce the death sentence, although not without protestations of its abhorrence of its temporal task. When Luther invited his students who so chose to witness the burning of the theological theses, and issued his addresses, he hardly referred to religious matters, but attacked the social, economic, intellectual, and industrial conditions of the people. The influence of the Church then was all-pervading and deeply penetrating. By such general influence Masonry was, in common, affected, until the train which culminated in the upheaval of the Reformation was fired, and the slow and painful process of the divorce of temporal and spiritual power was begun, and ideas of the proper functions of Church and State began to change. That the Reformation exercised a strong influence upon the Craft, as well as other institutions, and prevalent ideas pertaining to it, is evident. A case is recorded of Schaw, previously referred to, investigating and deciding, in 1600, a case of breach of Masonic law on the part of the Warden of an ancient Lodge; and being assisted in his deliberations by one, John Boswell, a Scottish gentleman of substance. The discoverer of this case, in discussing it, states that the grafting of the non-operative element on the operative stem had its origin in Scotland at about the time of the Reformation, and might be largely ascribed to that upheaval. The spirit of the time was earlier evidenced by a document purporting to have been issued in Cologne in 1535, hence termed " The Cologne Charter," which apparently was intended to refute various charges and erroneous allegations alleged to have been made and circulated concerning the particular branch of the Order to which the signatories belonged, and to place on record the principles binding the institution, one of which was stated as follows :—" The principle on which we act, and all these our efforts, to whatever purpose and direction they may tend, are expressed in these two precepts : 'Love and regard all men as brethren and relations; render to God what is God's, and to Caesar what is Caesar's.' " "This document, it might be remarked, has been questioned, its authenticity being questioned by Findel, Kloss, and others, and supported by Mackay and Oliver.

In 1717 the foundations of the original G.L. were laid amid less disturbed conditions in Europe. The respective functions of Church and State had become better understood, and men's natural liberties more fully defined. In 1723, the newly-formed governing body declared : "But though in ancient times Masons were charged in every country or nation to be of the religion of the country, whatever it was, yet it is now thought more expedient only to oblige them to that religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular opinions to themselves; that is, to be good men and true, or men of honour and honesty by whatever denominations or persuasions they may be distinguished, whereby Masonry becomes the centre of union and the means of conciliating true friendship among persons that must have remained at a perpetual distance." This plainly involved the principle of the recognition of a Supreme Being determining the standard of conduct, and a declaration that in our system creeds have no place. Such a declaration involved matters of the gravest significance, and, indeed the determination of the cardinal principles of the institution. A system of ethics had been built up as a result of centuries, and rules of conduct formulated, the wisdom and beneficence of which were characteristic. To what source was to be ascribed human conduct ? Should any declaration or principle be made or laid down at all, and if so, what standard for determining rightness of action should be accepted ? It would not have been inconceivable for the founders to have adopted a basis excluding the necessity for the recognition of a Supreme Being, as various theories had from time to time been propounded accounting for the sources of human conduct. Ethics and morals, it has been said, both imply in their origin and etymology a way or law, guiding and governing human conduct and controlling moral conclusions. In all the workings of the moral nature, we have been told, there is implied a moral law which the agent is bound to obey, and rightness lies in obligatory conformity to this law. This law or supreme rule or conduct has been variously explained or interpreted as consisting in :-

- (a) The authority of the State, which would involve different standards of rightness in different States, and is not coextensive with the whole range of human conduct.
- (b) The nature of things. This standard was variously held to consist in : (1) Fitness in things themselves. (2) The truth of things, there being truth in everything which obligates men to regard and treat everything according to its nature, and those propositions being true which express things as they are. Following this, whatever action is opposed to facts, or the truth, is morally wrong, every action conformable to facts, or truth, being right. (3) Relations of things, meaning that there are constantly certain relations between all existing things, and there must be found the supreme standard and the true ground of obligation. We all stand in various and dissimilar relations to all sentient beings with which we are acquainted. The mind of man becomes conscious of its moral obligation connected with the conception of this relation, and conformity, or want of conformity, to these relations constitutes the difference between rightness and wrongness of action.
- (c) The nature of man. This theory caused varied discussion as to what it was in the nature of man that determined his conduct, Kant arguing for reason or an immediate intellectual intuition. He considered that conscience was simply the power of perceiving by intellectual intuition the great moral principles, and it was absolutely infallible. Others argued that man possessed an inner sense or feeling which gave moral distinctions, the mind possessing a peculiar faculty, or moral sense, whose office it was to perceive and discriminate moral distinctions. Hume said that virtue and vice were matters of taste or sentiment, right and wrong not denoting any independent quality in the object, but only an effect or sensation produced in our own minds. Another explanation of the theory that the nature of man is the determining factor lay in the moral emotions, our notions of right and wrong being stated to be derived therefrom. "The emotions spring directly from the contemplation of actions without any exercise of judgment or comparison by which the actions are referred to any previous notions of right or wrong. These moral emotions furnish the supreme rule."

As an alternative to these theories, all explaining conduct by a reference to a human or an artificial standard consisting in either the authority of the State, the nature of things, or the nature of man, there was the idea of man's accountability to a Supreme Being, responsibility to whom explained all action and provided the test for all conduct, and whose will furnished a definite, unchanging standard of rightness. The declaration of 1723, then, in plain effect rejected the philosophies as propounded to that time accepting a human standard of rightness, and stood for the institution's belief in, and recognition of, the will of a Supreme Being, and having done this, emphasised the liberty of its members to hold their own particular opinions as to matters of

denomination. This presented a definite transition from an association wholly Christian, reflecting the prevailing religious habit of the time and varying according to place and circumstance, to an association which rejected incidentals and non-essentials, and pledged itself to a policy broad and united, adapted to all countries, sects, and opinions. It ceased to be sectarian and provincial, and became catholic and universal.

The question frequently appears, Is Freemasonry a religion? and it appears to me that few questions are more incapable of being directly answered without qualification. Religion is a term indefinable in the ordinary sense, and much depends on the connection in which it may be employed. One definition explains the idea conveyed as being "the recognition of God as an object of worship, love, and obedience ; any system of faith." This definition might be held to be broad enough to include the principles of Freemasonry, as a system requiring belief or faith. In a narrower sense, and probably that more frequently used, the term denotes a particular creed or school of theological thought, which conveys an idea alien to the theory of the Craft. Masonry plainly does not attempt to provide a religion for men, but, as is evidenced in the B.A. Degree, assumes that they have one. In a general way, the reference to its ideals and functions, which has most appealed to me, referred to it as being "the science of humanity, the handmaid of religion, whose central idea is the existence of an all-powerful Creator, with a sense of our obligation to whom we perform our duties of life. Though based upon the fundamental idea of true religion, it is not itself strictly a religion. It is a school of morality prescribing to us our duties to ourselves, to our fellows, and to our God, impressing upon every initiate the importance of accepting every means of improvement, to fit himself as ' a stone polished after the similitude of a palace' for a place in the Lodge of the G.M. above."

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LIGHT.

[An Address by W. BRO. H. G. WILTON, W.M. LAZAR LODGE, 1689, E.C.]

In tracing the Divine wisdom and goodness, as displayed in the earth, the waters, the atmosphere, and other appendages of our globe, it may not be improper to advert for a little on the nature of light, as a striking display of wisdom and beneficence of the Creator.

Light is that ethereal matter, distributed throughout the immensity of the universe, by which objects are rendered perceptible by our visual organs. It is by the agency of this mysterious substance that we become acquainted with the beauties and sublimities of creation, and the wonderful operations of its Almighty

Author. Without its influence, no world could be inhabited, and no animated being could subsist in the manner that it now does. Although all the bodies in the universe could be supposed to exist as they do at present, yet without light a universal blank would be presented to every intelligence — " the blackness of darkness ' would surround them for ever, and no traces of the attributes and operations of an Almighty Being, awh as we now behold, could be perceived throughout the whole system of nature. What such a state of things would be, if we could suppose intelligent beings to exist, and the universe deprived of, the agency of light, it is scarcely possible for us to form a distinct conception. We have never known what it is to live in a world deprived of this delightful visitant, for in the darkest night we enjoy a share of its beneficial agency, and even, in the deepest dungeon its influence has been felt by those unfortunate individuals whom tyranny has shut up in prison houses deprived of the direct rays of the sun. The blind, indeed, do not directly enjoy the advantages of light, but its influence is reflected upon them, and their knowledge and happiness are promoted through the medium of those who have the full use of their visual organs. Were all the inhabitants of the world deprived of their eyesight, and consequently of the agency of light, neither knowledge nor happiness such as we now experience could possibly be enjoyed. An awful pause to human activity and enjoyment would instantly ensue, and a scene of confusion would be introduced among human beings such as has never yet occurred in the history of the world.

As light is an element in the material world of so much importance, so we find that arrangements have been made by the Almighty Creator for its universal diffusion in all the systems and worlds that exist throughout the vast amplitudes of creation. In our system the sun is the grand depository of light, from which luminary it diffuses itself over every region of our globe, to cheer and animate all its inhabitants, both sentient and intellectual. It also irradiates every planet connected with the solar system, even the most remote, though moving at a distance of 1,800,000,000 of miles from its source. If the earth and the other planets, however, had no diurnal rotations, its benefits would only be partially diffused, and the one-half of their surfaces would be deprived of its exhilarating and benign agency. But, in order that it may be equably diffused over every part of the surfaces of these globes, we find from observation that they revolve round their axes, presenting alternately every portion of their surfaces to the source of light, so that the inhabitants of every region may enjoy its benefits. We are not, however, involved in absolute darkness when the hemisphere in which we dwell is turned from the sun, for then distant luminaries shed their milder rays from the nocturnal sky, and direct our views to those far remote regions where suns unnumbered shine, and planets and comets run their solemn rounds. Even in the darkest and most cloudy evening the influence of light from the celestial luminaries is sensibly felt, by which the traveller is enabled to trace his path, and to pass on in safety.

Another mode of diffusing light is to be found in those arrangements by which satellites or moons are made to revolve around most of the primary planets, by which a mild radiance is reflected on their surfaces in the absence of the sun. The primary planets, likewise, reflect an immense quantity of light upon the surfaces of their satellites. The planet Jupiter will appear to his nearest satellite like an immense globe in the heavens, about 1,300 times larger than the apparent size of the moon, and will diffuse a vast quantity of light upon it. In like manner, when the sun is absent from that hemisphere of the moon which is next to us, the earth shines upon it with a face thirteen times larger than the moon presents to us. Another wonderful mode of diffusing light is to be found in the construction of Saturn's ring. This mighty arch will appear from the globe of Saturn to extend across the whole heaven, having a breadth equal to one hundred of our moons, and filling nearly the one-fifth of the visible sky with its lustre. All the stars which adorn the canopy of our sky may likewise be considered as so many fountains of light to irradiate numerous worlds within the sphere of their influence, as well as to illuminate and adorn the canopy of our terrestrial habitation. In short, all the arrangements of the Almighty throughout creation, so far as we have an opportunity of penetrating, appear to have this great end in view, to diffuse illumination and splendour throughout every region, and over all the bodies in the universe.

In these arrangements of the Creator we behold a striking display of Divine wisdom and benevolence, and an evidence that the happiness of every rank of His creatures throughout the material system is one great object of all His designs and contrivances. For light may be considered as little less than the life and enjoyment of all sensitive and intelligent beings. What advantage would it be to be partakers of life, what pleasure or comfort would it produce, were we doomed to live in all the horrors of perpetual darkness? How could we provide ourselves with food, or drink, or clothing? How could we transact the least business, or hold

correspondence with each 'other as social beings? How could we derive materials for the exercise of the mental powers, or form any just conceptions of the eternal Creator?

If light were annihilated, and the universe deprived of its agency, or, what would produce the same effect, were all the animated beings connected with our globe deprived of the organs of vision, the whole world would be thrown into a state of complete distraction and confusion. We might lose the organs of hearing and smelling, and yet mankind might go forward from generation to generation nearly in the manner they have always done. But if men, and all the other animals around them, were deprived of their eyesight, this globe would be unpeopled in the course of another generation. The air would be deprived of all the winged creatures that now fly through its different regions; the seas and rivers would be deserted of all the finny tribes that now skim through their waters; man would soon sink, in the midst of terrific gloom, into the grave. For he would be unable to cultivate the ground, to convey himself by land or water, or to carry on those transactions and intercourses which are essential to his subsistence, and even to his very existence, and all the tribes of the lower animals would be unable to search for that food on which their existence depends, and ere long this huge globe on which we tread would become one vast sepulchre, without life or animation.

But now, in the existing constitution of things through the medium of light, we can go with safety here and there, wherever pleasure or duty calls; we can transact every kind of business by day, and, by means of artificial light, by night. Light unfolds to us the expansive scenes of the universe, and the perfections of its Author as displayed in its structure and arrangements. It opens to our view the magnificence and glories of the heavens, the continents, islands, and oceans, the beauties of the flowery fields, the gay attire of the feathered tribes, the grand and beautiful landscapes with which most countries are adorned, and enables us to traverse every land, and to convey ourselves across oceans and continents to the uttermost ends of the earth. All creatures and objects, from the microscopic animalcule; to the magnificent globes which roll above us in the distant regions of creation, are laid open to our view through the medium of light. The property which it has of being refracted and reflected, and of forming images of objects when passing through lenses or reflected from mirrors, has enabled us to contrive telescopes by which objects in the heavens far beyond the reach of the unassisted eye may be distinctly perceived, and microscopes which have brought to view the latent beauties of the animal and vegetable kingdoms, and living beings 100,000 times less than a visible point. In short, it appears evident that that Almighty Being " who dwells in light inaccessible " has diffused light over the remotest spaces of creation, in order that every intellectual being, wherever existing, may feel its beneficent effects, and be enabled through its agency to trace His wonderful operations and the attributes with which he is invested. And, therefore, we have every reason to believe that could we fly with the swiftness of an archangel, for thousands of years, through the regions of immensity, we should never approach a region of absolute darkness, but should find ourselves every moment encompassed with the emanations of light, and cheered with its benign influence.

But, it may be asked, what is the nature of that substance we call light, which acts so important a part in the economy of nature? On this point there have been different opinions. It is either a subtle matter that fills the whole sphere of the universe, and receives from luminous bodies an impulse or agitation which is incessantly continued, and which by its vibratory motion enables us to perceive the objects of the visible creation. Or it is the emission or emanation of the particles of luminous bodies thrown out incessantly in every direction. But although we can say very little decisively respecting its nature, we are acquainted with many of its properties. It radiates from luminous bodies in straight lines. It moves with amazing velocity, at the rate of nearly twelve millions of miles a minute, which is more than one million times swifter than a rifle bullet flying with its utmost velocity. And in this rapid motion the wisdom of God is remarkably displayed. For if its motion were no swifter than a rifle bullet, it would take more than thirty years in its progress from the sun to the earth, in which case its vigour and energy would be impaired, its rays would be less penetrating, and darkness would be dissipated with greater difficulty. But in consequence of its prodigious velocity, it flies in a few minutes to distant worlds, penetrates every corner of creation, and secures to us every moment its cheering and beneficial influences. Its particles are almost infinitely small, and in this circumstance, too, the Divine wisdom is displayed. For if the particles of light were only the one-millionth part of a small grain of sand, when we consider their prodigiously rapid motion, every object on which they struck would be battered and perforated, till our globe were laid in ruins, and every living being destroyed. Again, light issues forth in all directions from every visible point of luminous bodies. Hence it follows that the sun illuminates in the

solar system, not only an immense plane, extending along the paths of the planets, from the one side of the orbit of Uranus to the other, but the whole of that sphere, or solid space, of which the distance of Uranus is the radius, and fills every point of it with its rays. Light, though extremely minute, has been considered, from certain experiments, as having a certain degree of force or momentum. From calculations founded on these experiments, it has been concluded that although the particles of light be considered as continually emanating from the sun, before his diameter could be shortened ten miles by this waste of his substance, it would require a period to elapse of above thirty-one million years.

The effect of light on the eye is not instantaneous, but continues for a short space of time, especially when it proceeds from very bright objects. Its intensity is diminished in proportion to the square of the distance from the luminous body. It is by light reflected from opaque bodies that most of the objects around us, and also the moon and planets in the heavens, are rendered visible. It is light which produces all the variegated colouring which we behold on all the different objects which compose a terrestrial landscape, without which they could not be distinguished. To this agent the flowers owe all their beauties, and the trees and shrubs their verdure. It is found that the green colour of all plants depends entirely on the solar light being allowed to shine upon them, for without the influence of the sun's rays they are always of a white colour. Experiments have been tried to ascertain whether a constant and strong light from a great number of lamps kept continually burning might have the same effect as the daylight, but the plants remained quite colourless as those growing in the dark. The greater part of living vegetables incline their stems toward the light. Most of the discous (dishlike) flowers follow the sun in its course, they attend him in his evening retreat, and meet his rising lustre in the morning with the same unerring law. They unfold their flowers on the approach of this luminary, they follow his course by turning on their stems, and close them as soon as he disappears. The refractions and reflections to which light is subjected in our terrestrial sphere present a variety of sublime and beautiful effects, and lead us to form some conceptions of the magnificent and diversified scenes which it may produce in other systems and worlds under the arrangements of the all wise and beneficent Creator.

Such are some of the properties and effects of light. Of all the objects which present themselves to the philosophic and contemplative mind, light is one of the noblest and most interesting. The action it exerts on all the combinations of matter, and the office it performs in what constitutes the life and enjoyment of all organised beings, lead us to consider it as a substance acting the first part in the economy of nature. It unfolds to our view the sublime spectacle of nature. It gives animation, beauty, and sublimity to every surrounding scene. It is universal in its movements and in its influence. It wings its way from the solar orb through the voids of space, along a course of ninety-five millions of miles till it arrives at the outskirts of our globe. It passes freely through the surrounding atmosphere, it strikes upon the clouds and is reflected by them, it irradiates the mountains, the vales, the forests, the rivers, the seas, and all the vegetable tribes, and adorns them with a countless assemblage of colours. It flies without intermission from star to star, and from sun to planets, throughout the boundless sphere of immensity, forming a connecting chain and a medium of communication among all the world within the wide empire of Omnipotence. In short, it is the symbol of the Divinity Himself, for God is Light, and in Him is no darkness at all. "He covereth Himself with light as with a garment, and dwells in light inaccessible and full of glory." It is a representative of Him who is exhibited in the sacred oracles as the Sun of Righteousness and the Light of the World. It is an emblem of the glories and felicities of that future world, where knowledge shall be perfected and happiness complete, for its inhabitants are designated the saints in light, and Scripture declares it to have been the firstborn of created beings, essential to the happiness of every creature that might afterwards be brought into existence.

So mote it be.

Correspondence.

M.W. BRO. LORD PLUNKET, P.G.M.

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6 Ormonde Gate, Chelsea, S.W.,
London, 10th July, 1915.

M.W. BRO. J. S. DOUGALL.

DEAR GRAND MA.STER,—The " N.Z. CRAFTSMAN " of 1st June arrived to-day, and I have been reading the account of your most successful " semi-jubilee " communication.

In the very interesting address you delivered on that occasion I read with pleasure the very generous tribute you paid to me, and I thank you sincerely for making it. I know myself that you have painted my services in too rosy a tint, but you did not exaggerate in saying that "the G.L. of New Zealand has a lifelong friend in Lord Plunket." May I also congratulate you upon the splendid results of your spirited appeal for the War Benevolent Fund.

I was very sorry to see that your son was among the wounded, and I earnestly hope by this he is quite well again.

I am chairman of the executive committee of the New Zealand War Contingent Association in England, which has managed to do a good deal towards providing comforts for the New Zealand Expeditionary Force in Egypt, and now at the Dardanelles. We shall be opening a New Zealand hospital on the bank of the Thames in about ten days, where we can put up 110 wounded New Zealanders. Up to the present they have been scattered all over England in the different military hospitals, and though all admit they have been kindly treated and well nursed, many were very lonely with none of their own people to talk to. Now we shall have them all together, and most of the doctors and nurses will hail from the Dominion too.—Yours sincerely and paternally.

(Signed) PLUNKET.

LODGE WAIROA. PROGRESSES.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—You will be pleased to hear that Lodge Wairoa, No. 55, is prospering at Ellerslie, its new home. We have now forty-four members, an increase of twenty-four since the transference of the Charter from Clevedon, twelve of this number being initiates and the remainder affiliated members. We have had our own Lodgeroom for some time now. We secured a section and removed the old hall from Clevedon, and re-erected and enlarged it. All the members are taking a keen interest in the Lodge and doing their best to make No. 55 a flourishing Lodge.—Yours fraternally,

H. NUTT, P.M., Sec., No. 55.

AN APPRECIATION.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—I shall be obliged if you will allow me space to acknowledge the following donations to the fund for the relief of the widow of our late R.W. Bro. R. Freke Gould.— Yours fraternally,

S. CLIFTON BINGHAM,
P.Prov.G.M. (Canterbury).

Christchurch, 20th September, 1915.

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MISPLACED CHARITY.

The following incident was told by a. Mason recently :— A few years ago in Belfast the Roman Catholics canvassed the Protestant population for subscriptions to enable them to build a chapel. Our brethren, thinking that by giving to this cause they might reduce the ill-feeling between the parties, contributed, and Bro. Sir Dan Dixon, Bro. J. P. Curry, Bro. Sir W. Crammond each gave £50, others of the Craft giving what they could. Ardoine Chapel was completed and Protestants invited to attend the opening. Our brethren attended, and when the officiating priest began his address he denounced Masonry and its members in very insulting terms, to such an extent that our brethren walked out. I think the moral of this incident is found in Matthew, vii, 6; also Rome boasts that " She never changes" (semper idem).

FRATERNAL VISITATION.

In fulfilment of a promise made at the consecration of the Egmont R.A. Chapter in March last, the companions of Wanganui visited Stratford last month and worked an Exal. Degree. About a dozen companions, including R.E. Comp. Palmer, G.Supt., the three Principals, and practically all the officers, made the journey from Wanganui, and as that means breaking into two days the self-sacrifice which ought always to be characteristic of R.A. Freemasonry was well exemplified. The companions of the Egmont Chapter were delighted to welcome the visitors, and their appreciation was appropriately expressed by V.E. Comp. Dobson. The work was well divided and well done; indeed, the smoothness of the work and the impressive manner in which V.E. Comp. Roulston and his officers went through the ceremony was a revelation to the local companions. The visit will rank as a great event in our first year, and will be remembered with pleasure by all who were privileged to attend.

AN APPRECIATION.

New Zealand Freemasonry is poorer to-day by the death of M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns, who was snatched away under tragic circumstances last month.

Bro. Binns joined the Craft almost half a century ago, and during the whole of his career he exemplified by precept and example what a good Mason should be.

In Capitular Freemasonry he bore his part well and worthily, having attained the office of Z. many years ago in one of the Wellington Chapters.

It was, however, as an earnest, indefatigable, and conscientious worker in Craft Masonry and in G.L. that Bro. Binns was best known and most widely appreciated. At the formation of the G.L. of New Zealand over twenty-five years ago his services to Masonry were recognised by conferring on him the rank of S.G.W.—Honoris Causa. Twelve years after Bro. Binns was entrusted with the direction and care of the Canterbury District, first of G.Supt., and latterly as Prov.G.M., with a Prov.G.L. This office he held for a period of nine years up till the day of his demise, with the exception of an interregnum of two years, when he filled the office of Prov.G.M., under the aegis of Lord Plunket as supreme head of the Craft.

As leader and guide of his district his efforts were ever on the side of promoting the truest interests of Freemasonry irrespective of Constitution. Thus it was he gained the respect and confidence of every Mason with whom he came in contact.

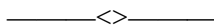
Ever ready when called on to lend a helping hand either in ritual work at installations and consecrations, or to grace the social side of our functions, we in Otago had a very warm feeling for Bro. Binns. His cheerful bonhomie, his pleasant way of expressing his wishes towards the due carrying out of the Masonic virtues, and his paternal method of extending to us friendly advice, made him at all times a welcome and honoured guest.

A kindly man and a good Mason, we shall miss him in the activities of Masonic life for many a day.

Adieu, old friend and fellow worker; at least one heart will keep a green spot for the memory of your gracious presence and noble work.

—T.R.

SERVICE OF SORROW.



[In Memory of the Late M.W. Biro. F. C. BINNS, P.G.M., Prov.G.M. of Canterbury.]

A Service of Sorrow was held in the Art Gallery, Christchurch, on Sunday, 5th September, at 3 p.m., under the auspices of the Prov.G.L. of Canterbury. V.W. Bro. John Thornton, D.Prov.G.M., presided, and amongst those present were ; M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, G.M. M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niece], P.G.M.; R.W. Bros. S.C. Bingham, P.Prov.G.M.; W. Gifkins, P.Prov.G.M.; W. Broadley, P.G.W. ; G. W. Hulme, P.G.W.; H. F. Arnold, P.G.W.; V.W. Bros. Rev. A. Mitchell, P.G.C. ; H. J. Otley, G.Treas.; E. D. Mosley, G.Reg.; T. W. Rowe, G.Lec.; and other present and past-officers of G.L. The Dist.G.L. of Canterbury, E.C., was represented by R.W. Bro. M. S. Brown, D.G.M., and W. Bros. G. H. Cooper, Dist.S.G.W., and W. C. Aitken, P.Dist.S.G.W.; and others. There was also a large attendance of present and past officers of Prov.G.L. A number of lady friends of the brethren were also present.

The proceedings opened with the hymn, " O God, Our Help in Ages Past," which was followed by prayer, V.W. Bro. Rev. A. Mitchell, P.G.C., acting as Chaplain. The first lesson was taken from Ecclesiastes xii, and the vocal solo, " Then Shall the Righteous," was rendered by W. Bro. R. D. Vincent, I.P.M., Lodge Avon. The impressive service round the catafalque, with the placing of evergreens and flowers, was participated in by R.W. Bros. S. C. Bingham and W. Gifkins, P.Prov.G.M., and V.W. Bro. J. Thornton, D.Prov.G.M., the impressive ritual being accompanied by soft music on the organ by Bro. A. L. Sutton, P.P.G.O. The Chaplain having again offered prayer, the hymn, "Days and Moments," was sung, and was followed by the reading of the second lesson, Isaiah xl, after which "The Long Day Closes " was beautifully sung by a double quartette of brethren. M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, G.M., then pronounced the following eulogium :-

BRETHREN AND FRIENDS,—

We are assembled to-day to honour the memory of one who was very dear to us all, of one who a few short days ago was living in our midst, an example of probity and righteousness for men to copy; of one who by the kindly geniality of his disposition, the uprightness of his character, and the integrity of his principles, stood as an exemplar of the qualities of rectitude, virtue, and charity. And now the Great Architect has taken him to his long home, leaving many aching hearts to mourn his loss, and the world the poorer of a good man. What shall we say of such an one? What tribute of words can we utter to his memory? How can we express our esteem, our respect, our sorrow ? Words of mine cannot adequately tell what we Freemasons feel at the present moment. All realise that a gracious preceptor, a sure guide, an unfailing friend, a sincere and ardent Freemason, a devoted husband, and a loving father has passed to the bourne from whence no traveller returns. A very pillar in the steadfastness of his faith and belief in Freemasonry, may we not say of him as is said of Christopher Wren, another honoured Freemason, " If ye seek his monument, look around." Just as St. Paul's Cathedral is a monument to Christopher Wren, so is the Freemasonry of Canterbury a monument to the memory of M.W.

Bro. Frederick Charles Binns, P.G.M. of the G.L. of New Zealand, the first and so far the only Prov.G.M. of Canterbury. Long and well he laboured for the Craft he loved so well. For over forty years of his life he devoted himself to the study of its mysteries. Quietly, but assiduously, he propagated its great principles, ever working with honesty of purpose and thoroughness of zeal. No man could have devoted himself more zealously or conscientiously to the task he so thoroughly performed than did our late lamented revered brother. With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gave him to see the right, he strove throughout his life to perfect his work in Freemasonry. In Canterbury he filled the Craft with his vitality, he guided and directed it with statesmanlike prescience. He ever tried to broaden men's views and to enlighten the mind. Although exceedingly diffident and never censorious in his admonitions, yet he failed not when criticism or even correction was deemed necessary. No thought of self, no dread of adverse opinion, ever deterred him from criticising and correcting that which he deemed a fault. If plain speaking were needed, he spoke direct and to the point. Still, his reproof was so kindly expressed, his action so genuine, his words so tactful and sincere, that the sense of perception was aroused and the erring one convinced that the reproof was merited. To few men is given the talent of reproving without unduly paining. Our late brother possessed that talent in a marked degree. He conscientiously endeavoured within the compass of his capacity to improve the morals and correct the manners of men. In European countries it is not unusual among Freemasons to confer past rank of high degree upon princes of the blood who honour our assemblies with their patronage and presence. New Zealand has no prince of the blood, but it possessed, and still possesses, some princes of moral worth and integrity. Such an one was Frederick Charles Binns, and because he was a prince among men Freemasons honoured him by conferring upon him the highest rank the Craft can bestow. He earned and deserved every distinction conferred upon him. Few men pass through life with such an unblemished record. Few men pass away so sincerely regretted. Time but endeared through years and years. And now he has gone, never to return. Never more will his kindly counsel be sought. Never more shall we linger on his words of wisdom. Never more shall we sit at his footstool and learn from his ripe experience. Although he was full of years and honours, and not altogether free from the ills that flesh is heir to, we had hoped to have him with us a few years longer. The Most High decreed otherwise. Without preparation, without warning, in the twinkling of an eye, he was torn from our midst and seized by the chilling hand of death. The tragedy of his passing is pitiful. The decrees of the Most High are inscrutable and beyond human ken. The will of the Most High must be obeyed, and we poor frail human creatures must bow to the inevitable. The Great Creator has been pleased, out of his infinite mercy, to remove our brother from the cares and troubles of this transitory existence, and thus has severed another link in the fraternal 'chain that binds us together. May we who survive him be more strongly cemented in the ties of union and friendship, and may we wisely and usefully employ our time in the reciprocal intercourse of kind and friendly acts, mutually promoting the welfare and happiness of each other.

To his sorrowing wife and family, who are most heart-stricken at the loss we have all sustained, we have but little of this world's consolation to offer. We can only sincerely, deeply, and most affectionately sympathise with them in their affliction and bereavement, and implore Him who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb to look down with infinite compassion upon the widow and the fatherless in the hour of their desolation ; and may the Great Architect fold the arms of His love and protection around those who put their trust in Him.

The Dead March in " Saul " was then played, and the Benediction by the Chaplain concluded a very solemn service.

OBITUARY.



BRO. E. CHEGWIDDEN, NAPIER, AGED 85.

Yet another of the old band of pioneers of Victoria Lodge, No. 21, has passed to his long rest to await the sound of the trump, in the person of Bro. Elias Chegwidden, sen., who passed peacefully away in the presence of his wife and members of his family on the afternoon of Friday, 3rd September, at the advanced age of 85 years. Our brother had been ailing for some time, and the end was therefore not altogether unexpected.

A Funeral Lodge was held on Sunday morning, 5th September. After the Lodge had been opened, the W.M. (Bro. A. W. Kirk) said :-

" Once more, brethren, are we met together to pay the last sad tribute to a worthy brother's memory, whom it hath pleased the Almighty Architect to call to the G.L. above. Owing to the unfortunate illness with which our late brother was afflicted to a greater or lesser extent for some years past many of the brethren, unfortunately, were debarred from becoming intimately acquainted with him; but I and brethren present who are older members of this Lodge than myself can also give you the assurance that our esteemed brother lived the life of Mason. As one of our old members said to me but yesterday, the late Bro. Chegwidden was a true Mason and a white man; and what higher tribute could be paid to any one? Such remarks as these, from brethren who were intimately acquainted with our late brother, have such a wealth of meaning in them to you and I, and it is only natural that we should mourn the loss of such a worthy brother.

It is right and truly Masonic that we should give expression to our sorrow, but not as those who sorrow without hope, for if we accept the lesson that the Almighty Architect would convey to us individually through these bereavements, fully realising that we must also obey the call to depart hence; if we live the life that it can be truly said of us that he was a true Mason—that is to say, that we have lived up to our profession, that we have lived not merely as Masons alone, but that we have played the game, that we have acted our part, that we have proved, you and I, by our conduct that our lives and actions are governed by that virtue which should be the distinguishing characteristic of every Freemason's heart ; then, my brethren, we have the blessed assurance in the V.A. that we shall meet again those departed brethren proved worthy in the G.L. above, where there is no parting. May you and I individually and collectively meet in that glorious Lodge, the G.L. above. So mote it be."

The funeral service was then commenced by the W.M., the responses being taken by W. Bro. Whitton. The hymn, "Abide with Me," was sung by the brethren, after which the brethren formed in procession and marched to the deceased's late residence, preceding the cortege to the cemetery, where the Church of England service was conducted by W. Bro. Canon Tuke. The Masonic service was concluded by the W.M.

The late Bro. Chegwidden was initiated in Victoria Lodge, No. 1577, RC., in 1885. He was admitted into R.A. in 1895. When Victoria joined the New Zealand Constitution and became No. 21, he continued as a member, and shortly was elected I.G., which position he occupied but a short time. Cataracts formed on his eyes, necessitating operations, which failed and left him practically blind for the past fifteen years. His eldest son is a member of a Wellington Lodge, whilst the youngest son, W. Bro. Elias Chegwidden, is a P.M. of Victoria, and has also held the position of Treas. for the past six years.

CHAPLAIN-MAJOR BRO. REV. W. GRANT.

The news of the death of Chaplain-Major Rev. William Grant, which was received in Gisborne on Monday, 6th September, caused a feeling of profound sorrow throughout the whole community, and it is almost impossible to estimate the loss which has been sustained by all who have sons and brothers at the front now that he has gone. The letters received from him by parents and friends of those who have been killed and wounded have been wonderful sources of comfort and consolation to the bereaved ones. We were privileged to read one of his letters to a mother and father who had lost their eldest son, and after describing the beautiful spot in which they had buried the boy the letter concluded by saying :—" Dear Mrs. W.,—An impulse made me kiss the boy for you before finally committing his body to the earth."

Bro. Grant, who was Minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Gisborne, was initiated into Freemasonry in Lodge Abercorn in 1907, and was elected Chaplain soon after. He remained in this office for four years, and was then elected to the S.W.'s chair, but war being declared our brother felt called on to volunteer as chaplain to the forces, and his services were accepted by the Government. He left for the training camp at Awapuni before the installation meeting of the Lodge, and his office was kept open for the whole of the year, his chair being temporarily filled by the various P.Ms. of the Lodge.

In August of this year the brethren re-elected him S.W., the intention being to place him in the Master's chair on the first opportunity after his return. By a strange coincidence the news of his having been killed in the trenches while ministering to the wounded has come during the interval between election and installation this year, and it is the wish of the brethren that the office of S.W. remain vacant for the ensuing twelve months out of respect to his memory. The Sec. of the Lodge received a letter from him from Gallipoli only a fortnight ago, in which he says :—" I regret to say that the Bible which the Lodge presented to me was lost with all my kit on landing here, so that I may trespass on your generosity to the extent of a second Bible one of these days when I return. I had hoped to take that Bible with me through the campaign, making it a minister of comfort to sick and wounded men; but it was otherwise ordained. Fortunately I had my Lodge certificate with me, and that is safe. There is no way of sending money from here, so I am asking a friend in Cairo to enclose a pound for the annual collection for the widows and orphans, which you will be having, I presume, at the installation service."

At the regular meeting of Lodge Abercorn, held on Tuesday, 7th September, the W.M. addressed the Lodge as follows :—" Brethren, before proceeding with the business it is my sorrowful duty to refer to the loss the Lodge has sustained in the death of our Bro. William Grant at the front. The sad news has swept a wave of sorrow over the whole community, and we of Abercorn are left to mourn the loss of a brother and a friend, and while we feel this loss we are yet proud in the knowledge that we have had the privilege of his friendship. The memory of that friendship will last during the lifetime of the present members of Lodge Abercorn, and tend to make better man of us. In proposing a motion of sympathy with Mrs. Grant and family, I would like to see no appointment made to the S.W. chair, to which we had just re-elected Bro. Grant, but that it should be kept vacant out of respect to his memory, and also that the Lodge., already in mourning for three months for M.W. Bro. Binns, should extend that period for six months for Bro. Grant."

Our late brother took a leading part in any patriotic movement during the short time which intervened between the breaking out of the war and his departure, and his farewell message to the Gisborne portion of the Main Body is worth repeating :—" This is not the time for words," he said. "It is a time for deeds; and how magnificently those deeds are being done in the world to-day. From North and South, from East and West, from frozen lands and tropical seas, our sons are marching or sailing out to the help of the old Motherland, and to defend our

possessions and our liberties. War at any time is horrible, and this war upon which we have entered is the most terrible war in all the ages, and deep damnation in the sight of God and man should be the portion of those responsible for it. That our sons and others' sons, the very flower of the manhood of Europe, should be set against one another without having any quarrel with one another is incredible, and one can only pray that this war may be the end of all wars in so far as civilised and Christianised countries are concerned. But to-day we desire not to dwell upon the sadness of farewell. We want to congratulate you men who are going to the front. We want you to remember that our thoughts and our prayers will go with you, and that we shall be thinking of you and praying for you when you are on the wide sea with its perils and when you are on land, and when you go into the test of battle. And we bid you, whether you see what you want to see or do what you want to do, to 'play the man,' so that whatever happens I we may be proud of you and remember you with love and gratitude. Many years ago I had the privilege of speaking to a great company like this in the open air, and I impressed on them then, as I wish to impress on you, the necessity for playing the game, if our Empire is to still stand, as it has done for ages past, for truth, for honour, and for justice."

After giving a stirring recital of "Play Up, Play Up, and Play the Game," Mr. Grant said 'We hope you will play the game-the game of life-that you will live clean, pure, straight, noble lives, and if you are put to the test of battle you will so play the game that the mother who bore you, although it break her heart, will be proud of you.'

A memorial service will be held in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday next, and will be conducted by Bro. Rev. J. A. Asher, who was one of Bro. Grant's closest friends. [Specially communicated by a Gisborne brother.]

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J. McPherson 2/6 (Timaru), J. S. Gannett (New Plymouth), J. E. Robinson, J. D. Webster, W. A. Harvey, T. Black (Auckland), W. E. Davis 20/- (Runiwhakau), J. L. Ching 10/- (Nelson), L. Reynolds 10/- (Stoke), J. T. Murphy 10/-, Wm. Henderson 10/-, G. Parkinson 4/5, W. Smart 4/5, Wm. Thawley 4/5, M. S. Montford 4/5, Jas. Pillar 4/5, W. J. Toll 12/6, R. Collighan, J. J. Hodgson, P. Strachane (Denniston), M. Geever 27/6 (Mangamomona), Thos. Myles 24/2, T. W. Bragge (Picton), Robt. McKay 33/- (Windonside), J. W. Harding (Hawera), P. G. Bowater, A. H. Dallaston 4/5, O. Gothard 20/-, J. H. Harkness 17/6, F. Hobbs 4/5, W. Todd, Wm. White 13/4, W. H. Bowater 14/2, Dr. E. D. Dunn 21/-, Wm. Panckhurst, M. Jorgeson, J. Madden (Westport), O. G. Jones, P. D. Mumm 20/- (Seddonville), Geo. Bowman 28/-, A. B. Franklin 4/4, Wm. McNarn, junr. 34/2, H. O. Webster 4/4 (Ngakawau), Win. Allison 20/-, Dr. O. Short 4/4, A. Williams 21/- (Gravity), Rev. Carew Thomas 10/- (Mataroa, Wanganui), C. D. Fraser 9/2 (Wanganui), J. W. Jack, T. H. Gill, A. E. Erskine 10/-, C. A. Ines 177/6, H. H. Seaton, J. J. Esson (Wellington), C. Phillips 12/6 (Cromwell), R. B. Cole 27/6, L. O. Baillie 58/4 (Flunterville), A. E. Rouse, J. A. Frostick (Christchurch), R. Wylie (Petone), — Markby, per Gordon and Gotch, R. V. Parker (Dunedin), Robt. Lochore, R. G. Morrison, W. H. Nicholas 25/-, M. Rivers 2/6, F. W. Robinson 4/5, Cyril Tolley 4/5 (Reefton), L. F. de Berry, H. N. Coulson, G. H. Chapman 4/4, Win. Houston, H. L. Michell, J. R. McNaughton 4/4, H. A. Thompson 13/4, J. Edgar Wade 17/6, F. H. Williams 4/4, A. Cowie 4/5, Win. Kellow, W. Shannon 4/5, (Hokitika), J. Cameron 9/1 (Arahura), G. T. Adamson 27/6, T. W. Bruce 25/-, G. Lopaz 10/- (Ross), R. H. Richmond 9/1, H. B. Chalk. 4/4, F. C. Wade, N. Gandell 4/5, E. T. Guinness, G. R. Harker, W. J. Holder, A. Naylor 4/5, C. M. Price 27/6, Jas. Ring 10/-, W. A. Rundle, J. Steer, E. F. Warnes, W. D. Peck 4/4, A. Talbot, 3/9, F. S. Wood 4/5, T. A. Edwards 28/4, A. S. Wright 41/6, Capt. S. Coiclough, H. G. Clear, A. W. Smith, H. Webb (Greymouth), J. R. Mylroi 9/2, S. H. Finch (Runanga), John Trotter 27/6 (Fairlie), T. D. Pearson 1/8 (Balclutha), E. H. Crabbe 25/- (Palmerston North), C. A. C. Hardy (Rakaia), W. Bullard 6/8 (Foxton), G. Burrows 1/8 (Clyde), C. E. Evenden 30/- (Kumara), J. Baillie 10/- (Hamilton), J. Burton 30/- (Brooklyn), R. C. D. Lightbourne (Eltham), H. 3. Richards 20/- (Levin), Winchester Lodge 17/6 (Winchester), C. M. Igglesden (Kelburn), C. L. Pont (Gladstone, Carterton), W. Ridgley (Mercer), C. N. Flyger 9d. (Frankton)

Junction), F. J. Robbins 20/- (Masterton), T. Parker 15/- (Napier), T. O. Fox (Seatoun), W. A. Gibson 10/ (Corndale, N.S.W.), G. S. Fleming (Birkenhead, Auckland).

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IN MEMORIAM.

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M.W. BRO. F. C. BINNS, P.G.M., Prov.G.M. OF CANTERBURY.

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The building's suffered shock, another pillar broken,
In one brief space a mighty void is caused;
But 'midst the wreck the loving words are spoken,
By the Supreme G.M.'s great command,
Go up higher."

After full forty years of Masonic life's devotion, '
Revered, with knowledge ripe, and full of years;
Earning the praise, well done ! which goes with life's promotion,
Waiting that last dread call with trembling fears,
" Come up higher."

In the brief evening of a long and well-spent life,
When hope looked forward to a sunset calm and clear,
In loving family ties and free from care and strife,
The silver cord is snapped and all is ended here :
Gone up higher.

Adieu, dear brother, the time will quickly come
When we shall join you on the distant shore;
Soon shall old Charon, o'er Acheron's dark flood,
Steer us to those who have but gone before;
May it be higher!

JOINT INSTALLATION OF THREE R.A. CHAPTERS.

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For some years past it has been the custom to hold a joint installation of the Principals, and investiture of office-bearers of Waterloo, Brooklyn, and Hinemoa R.A. Chapters in Wellington City, and the custom was renewed this year, the function being the most successful yet held. On Tuesday, the 14th September, a meeting of Principals and Past Principals was held for the purpose of conferring Principals' Degrees, in their entirety, and installing Mark Masters. The meeting was very largely attended, and M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt took charge of the conclave, and conducted the ceremonies most impressively. M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams took charge of the B. of I.M.M., and opened the Board in full form instead of by proclamation. At a short meeting held afterwards in the refectory the same companion read an excellent paper on " The Second Temple."

On Wednesday, the 15th, the companions of the three Chapters assembled in force in the Daniel Street Masonic Hall, which presented a most attractive appearance. V.E. Comp. Parsons, acting-Z. of Brooklyn Chapter, presided, and after the minutes of the three Chapters were read, M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt was announced by the G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. W. H. Jones, and on his admission assumed the chair of the Chapter, and was accorded the customary honours. M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams occupied the chair of H., and

V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton, G.Treas., that of J. The correctness of the minutes as to the election of Principals having been ascertained, the 1st Prins.-elect were presented and enthroned in their respective chairs, having been addressed by the Installing G.Z. on the insignia of their office. The 2nd and 3rd Prins. were then installed and addressed, and proclamation was made by the D. of C. The investiture of officers followed, V.E. Comp. G. Menzies being the investing Prin. The following is the list for each Chapter :-

Waterloo, No. 2.— 1st Prin., E. Comp. J. Rod; 2nd Prin., E.. Comp. C. P. Harton; 3rd Prin., E. Comp. C. W. Nielsen; S.E., V.E. Comp. G. Menzies; S.N., E. Comp. S. P. Curtis ; Tress., E. Comp. H. G. Claridge; 1st Soj., K. Camp. J. W. Ellison; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. J. McLachlan; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. A. T. Wells; Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. G. Russell; Organist, E. Comp. B. W. Blakely ; Janitor, E. Comp. A. E. Coiner.

Brooklyn, No. 24.— 1st Prin., E. Comp. J. B. Hopkirk; 2nd Prin., E. Comp. T. E. K. Burgess; 3rd Prin., E. Comp. S. J. Moncrieff ; S.E., E. Comp. G. F. L. Lenzini; S.N., E. Comp. F. J. Armstrong; Treas., E. Comp. M. S. Martin; 1st Soj., E. Comp. S. M. Arens; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. A. Schmidt; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. H. V. Futter ; Supt. of W., V.E. Comp. W. H. Jones; Janitor, E. Comp. J. W. Richardson.

Hinemoa, No. 25.— 1st Prin., E. Comp. J. Reid; 2nd Prin., E. Comp. E. C. Robertson; 3rd Prin., E. Comp. S. Martin; S.E., V.E. Comp. H. Ivory ; S.N. E. Comp. C. Paterson; Treas., V.E. Comp. H. W. Preston; 1st Soj., E. Comp. E. Morris ; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. Rev. G. Knowles-Smith; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. S. L. Russell; Supt. of W. V.E. Comp. H. P. Bridge; Organist, E. Comp. B. W. Blakely; Janitor, E. Comp. J. Melville.

At the request of the installing G.Z., the address to the 1st Prins. was delivered by V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton.; the charge to the office-bearers by V.E. Comp. C. H. Dement, and the address to the companions by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams. The 1st Prins. briefly returned thanks for their election, and solicited the attendance of companions for the conning year. Three presentations were then made by M.E. Comp. Williams. V.E. Comp. G. Russell, retiring Z. of Waterloo, a handsome P.Z. jewel; to V.E. Comp. H. B. Bridge, I.P.Z. Hinemoa, a bar of miniature jewels; and to V.E. Comp. Parsons,

Brooklyn Chapter, a silver tea service. E. Comp. S. M. Arens was also the recipient of a Past Scribe's jewel, at the hands of V.E. Comp. Seaton. H.G.W. having been offered, the Chapter closed at 9.15 p.m., and a very pleasant time was spent in the refectory. The great success of the meeting was admitted on all sides.—
[Specially Contributed.]

THAT GREATEST LANDMARK.

It should be accounted a privilege on the part of every W.M. that his year of office gives him the opportunity of instructing the brethren in the art of Masonry. Of this duty he is constantly reminded and, in the great majority of cases, he just as frequently disregards it. If only Masters would seek to be original, instead of mere copyists, the Craft could be made much more interesting in its regular meetings than is at present the case. It must be a very narrow and self-contained mind which considers there is nothing new to be said or done inside a Masonic Lodge. It is this prevalence of automatic reiteration which tends to weary the member who has no official duties to perform, and whose attendance seems to have no more effect than to add to that -imposing display which is only secured by a large attendance.

For some time past it has been urged in these columns that Masters should give more attention to the progressive aspect of Masonry. By this is meant such excursions beyond the confines of ritual and ceremony as are calculated to secure the interest of everyone who attends the Lodge. Wherever this has been tried it has been a success, and the invariable result has been a demand for more such innovations.

Quite recently we have been favoured with a booklet containing is lecture on "The Landmarks of Freemasonry," delivered before the Unity Lodge, No. 183, by Bro. A. J. Faulding, when he was W.M. It has afforded extreme pleasure to spend an hour in its perusal. Bro. Faulding has selected Mackie's list of twenty-five landmarks as the basis of his remarks, but disposes of twenty-four of these in a very few sentences, giving his whole attention to the nineteenth, which calls for "Belief in existence of God." He does not pretend to deal with his subject in a way which would appeal only to abstruse thinkers, but he takes that firm foundation for his superstructure which no Mason can deny to him. In dealing with such a delicate matter

most writers show a tendency to introduce denominational teachings. More especially is this the case in regard to preachers who conduct Masonic Sunday services, as it is exceedingly rare that they can keep to that line of dissertation which keeps them within the radius of Masonic teachings.

Bro. Paulding has made no such error. He fully grasps the Masonic idea and the method by which it is sown and developed during the passage of the initiate through the various degrees. So beautifully is this accomplished that it is impossible for the reader to discover in these pages what are the author's denominational tendencies. He is conscientiously Masonic, and writes in poetic prose of the G.A.O.T.U. and of mankind as the builders working under His direction, working though they know not how wisely and well they are fulfilling the great designs. There is a delightful touch of the mystic idea in the following quotation from page seventeen :—

" The Freemason who speculates on the G.A.O.T.U. cannot fail to concede that we are compassed about and assisted by a great cloud of witnesses; the spirits of just Masons made perfect, who, though unseen, still live for the better helping of those who are the living stones in the true temple of mankind. These, then, are some of the speculations which arise as one contemplates the basic statement found on these great landmarks, and we must all feel profoundly grateful to our Order for having given us the great joy of realizing the intimate concern of the Divine Creator with His universe ; that, though He is outside His work, as the human architect is apart from the building he designs yet superintends, so the G.A. is cognisant of all the details of His creative art, and will cease not in His scrutiny until the completion. Surely there has never been so satisfying a definition as that decipher on our landmark."

Such lectures as this confirm one in the most exalted views regarding the origin and purposes of the Craft, and do much to sweep aside misunderstanding and prejudice. —"The Freemason. "

Reports

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CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND,

Taringatura, No. 100.—The usual meeting on the 23rd August was well attended. In addition to ordinary routine business, two appeals were dealt with, and a resolution passed expressive of the high appreciation by the members of the sterling qualities and high Masonic character of the late M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns. Arrears were dealt with, and it was resolved that several brethren should be interviewed during the month. The Sec. reported the completion of the latest supply of books for the library, and it was resolved to print the list for circulation among the members. No special action was taken re the M.W.G.M.'s circular, as the Lodge last year resolved strictly to limit the refreshments of the Fourth Degree and the saving effected has already benefited the War Fund. H.G.W. were received from visiting brethren, and the Lodge closed at 9:30 p.m.—
[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Oceanic, No. 154.—The ordinary meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, St. Kilda, on the 15th ult., when there was an extra large attendance of both members and visitors. The R.W. Prov.G.M. (Bro. J. J. Clark) attended officially, being supported by R.W. Bro. A. Stoneham, P.P.G.M., and other G.L. officers. Two candidates were initiated, the work being distributed as follows :—Ob., the W.M.; Secrets, W. Bro. H.W.S. Hellyer ; N.E. Charge, Bro. W. Mills; Mode of Prep, Bro. H. Harris; W.Ts., Bro. A. McKenzie; and Final Charge, W. Bro. W. Jacobsen. The election of officers was then taken, and Bro. A. McKenzie, J.W., was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing year. The members of the Lodge decided to fall in with the

M.W.G.M.'s suggestion re the abolition of alcoholic liquors in the refectory during the war. The proceedings of the evening were somewhat sombre owing to the fact that since the last meeting the W.M. (Bro. J. A. Couchman) had received word that his son Victor had been killed at the Dardanelles, and during the evening letters were read from him and Mrs. Binns thanking the Lodge for letters of sympathy. The proceedings at the supper table were under the circumstances very quiet, but the brethren had the pleasure of listening to a stirring address from the R.W.Prov.G.M. on the duties of a Freemason to his country in the time of war.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Masters', No. 161.—The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, St. Kilda, on the 17th ult., there being over the average attendance. The W.M. (Bro. D. Harris Hastings) presided. In the unavoidable absence of the R.W.Prov. G.M., G.L. was represented by R.W. Bro. A. Stoneham, P.P.G.M., who paid an official visit, and was accompanied by R.W. Bro. G. Barton, S.G.W., and other G.L. officers. V.W. Bro. W. G. Mehaffey, G.Lect., was then announced and received. V.W. Bro. Mehaffey read an interesting paper on "Ancient Signs and Symbols," which will be published in the November issue of the CRAFTSMAN. His paper was followed by a fair amount of discussion, and in his reply V.W. Bro. Mehaffey cleared up one or two doubtful points which had been raised. Upon the motion of R.W. Bro. Stoneham, seconded by W. Bro. R. Hawcridge, the G.Lect. was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his lecture and the trouble he had been put to in coming from Invercargill to deliver it. The Lodge decided to adopt the suggestion made regarding the refectory by the M.W.G.M. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the W.M. and officers of Lodge Oceanic for the free use of their Lodgeroom for the meeting.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Clinton, No. 183.—The usual meeting was held on the 26th August. There was a good attendance, Bro. A. H. Chorlton, W.M., presiding. A motion of sympathy and condolence was passed to the widow and family of the late 31.W. Bro. Tilling, P.G.M., the brethren standing as a mark of respect to the late M.W. brother. The circular from the G.M. with reference to curtailing expenses at the "Fourth" was duly read and will receive due attention. Two circular general appeals from G.L. were received, and assistance granted in both instances. The W.M. presented two brethren with their M.M. certificates. One candidate was proposed for membership. The ceremonial work was the raising of three brethren. This was performed by the W.31., who obligated and gave the Secrets ; Exhort., J.W. Bro. W. McIndoe ; T.H., Bro. Wright, S.W.; W.Ts., I.G. Bro. Shepherd ; Final Charge, D. of C. Bro. R. McIndoe. After closing, a quiet and pleasant hour was spent at the " Fourth."— [Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

Unanimity, No. 3.—The September meeting was held on the 7th, the W.M. (W. Bro. Borthwick) presiding over a good attendance of members, and, what is always appreciated in Unanimity, a large number of visitors. A letter from the M.W.G.M., referring to the use of alcoholic liquors during the war, was received. Two candidates were passed, the W.M. being assisted in the ceremony by the W.M. of Canterbury Kil. Lodge (W. Bro. J. D. Plimmer), the W.M. of Civic Lodge (W. Bro. Hunter), and several P.Ms. of the Lodge. The W.M. of Ashley Lodge (Rangiora) has been invited to work the Third Degree at the next meeting, to be held on 5th October. A pleasant hour was spent in the refectory, several items being rendered by musical brethren.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Southern Cross, No. 6.—The monthly meeting was held at Kaiapoi on the 2nd September. The W.M., Bro. W. A. Gribble, presided over a good attendance of brethren. The Master made reference to the loss of M.W. Bro. Binns as the result of an accident, and as a mark of respect the brethren stood to order for a few moments. The degree work was the initiation of two candidates. The W.M. was assisted by W. Bro. Stanton, Ex. of Prep. W.Ts. by Bro. J. F. Garnett, J.D., and the Final Charge by Bro. R. H. Croft, Sec. The work was carried through in a very efficient and impressive manner, and reflects credit on the officers. After the Lodge was closed the brethren retired to the refectory, where a social half-hour was spent, but owing to the Lodge being in mourning for three months, the proceedings were of a very quiet nature.

On Thursday, the 9th, the W.M., accompanied by his officers and a number of brethren paid a visit to Lodge Ashley, Rangiora, and the visit was enjoyed by all who attended.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Concord, No. 39.—The regular meeting was held on 25th August in the Masonic Hall, Papanui, W. Bro. H. S. Wilson, W.M., in the chair. A brother was passed to the Second Degree. Amongst various business, the M.W.G.M.'s circular letter to Lodges, to the effect that Lodges should discontinue the use of alcoholic liquor at the "Fourth," and economise generally at the social board during the war, was read. W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs thereupon moved that the G.M.'s suggestion be adopted by the Lodge, which was carried by a big majority. Later on Bro. J. W. H. Francis, S.D., gave notice that he would move at our next meeting the following :— "That to carry to a conscientious and logical conclusion the purport of the motion already agreed to by the Lodge, i.e., 'The abolition of alcoholic liquor from the "Fourth" during the war,' this Lodge, to show its real self-sacrifice, agrees to do away with the 'Fourth' altogether during the duration of the war, and to devote the value saved thereby to the Masonic War Fund." There is considerable disagreement at present in this Lodge, and the feeling amongst members is far from being "Masonic."—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly meeting was held in the St. Augustine Hall on the 24th August, W. Bro. R. J. Thomas (Master) presiding over a good attendance of members. Sincere regret was expressed at the loss the Craft had sustained by the death of M.W. Bro. Binns, Prov.G.M., and a letter of condolence was sent to the bereaved family. The ritual work consisted of the raising of two brethren. The first part of the Exhort. was given by W. Bro. Henderson, the Secrets were communicated by W. Bro. Torrance, the Charge on Investiture by W. Bro. Tapping (Master Crown Lodge), the T.H. was related by W. Bro. G. Yemm, P.M., the T.B. was explained by W. Bro. J. W. Roberts, P.M., the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Vincent (Avon Lodge), the Final Charge being delivered by the S.W., Bro. Kiddey. Gratification was expressed at the recovery of W. Bro. Hopkinson (Sec.) from a serious illness. Nominations were also received for Prov.G.L. officers. The Lodge was then closed, and an adjournment to the refectory made, where a quiet hour was indulged in by members and visitors.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Augustine, No. 99.—The annual meeting for installation of officers took place on the 25th August, and was a most successful function, there being a record attendance of members and visitors. Owing to the recent demise of the late M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns, Prov.G.M. of Canterbury, the proceedings were somewhat shrouded, yet nevertheless a fine spirit prevailed. Prov.G.L. was represented by V.W. Bro. Thornton, D.Prov.G.M., P.G.B.B., W. Bro. Morgan Evans, Prov.G.S.W., W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.Prov.G.D. of C., as G.J.W., W. Bro. F. N. du Feu, Pres.B. of G.P., W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, P.G.D. of C., Prov.G.Sec., W. Bro. A. W. Well, Pres.B. of B., W. Bro. Alex. McPherson, Prov.G.S.D., W. Bro. Jas. Simpson, P.Prov.G.D. of C., as Prov.G.J.D., W. Bro. G. J. Wallace as Prov.G.D. of C, W. Bro. W. McBride, Prov.G.J.G., W. Bros. McKeown and Foden as Prov.G.Ss. The R.W.D.Prov.G.M., after greetings, made a feeling reference to the occasion of his occupying the chair that evening by reason of the recent bereavement sustained by the Lodges of Canterbury in the call from labour of their R.W.Prov.G.M., M.W. Bro. Binns. He spoke of his devoted labours in the Cause of Freemasonry, and referred to his wisdom in control and his personal qualities as a man and a brother. The B. of I.Ms. was composed of no less than 28 members, a sure record for Lodge St. Augustine. The ceremony of installation was concluded by the V.W.D.Prov. G.M. himself in a most impressive manner, and W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop presented the W.Ts. of the degree. On the admission of the brethren the W.Ts. in the respective degrees were presented by W. Bro. N. Hayes (of Lodge Kurow), W. Bro. W. J. Williams (of Lodge Pareora), and W. Bro. W. B. Oborn (of Lodge St. Martin). V.W. Bro. J. Thornton addressed the newly-installed Master. The Wardens were invested by W. Bro. Jas. Simpson, P.Prov.G.D. of C., and to the skilful hands of W. Bro. Morgan Evans was entrusted the address to the Wardens. W. Bro. Jas. Simpson conducted the investiture of the officers. W. Bro. du Feu gave the address to the brethren. Prior to the closing of the Lodge the new W.M. received the H.G.W. for a successful year of office from representatives of the following Lodges :— Nos. 29, 31, 33, 82, 93, 134, 162, 164, 187, 197, and Nos. 1137 and 1811, E.C. An adjournment, on the closing of the Lodge, was made to the rooms of Symons Bros., who catered very ably for the wants of the inner man. Necessarily, the toast list was limited, but a very

agreeable hour was spent in brotherly chat. The following is the list of officers :—W.M., Bro. T. W. Manchester ; I.P.M., W. Bro. J. Menzies ; S.W., Bro. James Manchester; J.W. Bro. C. R. Bateman; Chaplain, Bro. R. Creeser ; Treas., Bro. G. J. Shackleton, P.M.; Sec., W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.M.; S.D., Bro. E. R. Beckett; J.D., Bro. C. Manchester ; D. of C., W. Bro. A. Colville, P.M. ; I.G., Bro. James King; Organist, Bro. R. Steele ; Stewards, Bros. S. I. Fitch, G. H. Miller, J. S. McKenzie; Auditors, Bros. P. Grant, S. I. Fitch. — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Tawera, No. 188.—The monthly meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Oxford, on 7th August, when there was a good attendance, the W.M. (Bro. L. Watson) presiding. The Lodge was in mourning, and before proceeding to the ordinary business the W.M. referred to the death of the Prov.G.M. In a feeling manner and in choice phraseology he gave a warm eulogy on our departed G.M., and moved : "That this Lodge expresses its sorrow at the death of our beloved Prov.G.M., M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns, P.G.M. It records its appreciation of the valuable services he has rendered to Freemasonry in general and this Lodge in particular, and expresses its sincere sympathy with those nearest, and dearest to him in their affliction and bereavement." The motion was carried in solemn silence, the brethren standing with the sign of fidelity. The appeal of the M.W.G.M. was received and seriously considered. Two candidates were passed to the Second Degree. The Ob. was given by the W.M. ; Secrets by W. Bro. J. J. Heasley ; S.E. Charge by W. Bro. Weld, I.P.M. ; the W.Ts. were presented by the S.W.. Bro. R. F. Henderson ; and the Final Charge by the J.W.. Bro. W. G. Rudd.— [Lodge Correspondent.]

Koranga, No. 197.—The installation of Bro. D. McCaskill as W.M. and investiture of officers was held in the Caledonian Masonic Hall, Timaru, on 24th August. The W.M., Bro. R. C. Littlejohn, presided over an attendance of 100 members. The Lodge-room was draped, and the brethren appeared in mourning. The W. Dep.Prov.G.M., V.W. Bro. John Thornton, Pres. B. of B., and Prov.G.L. officers were received with the customary honours. Before proceeding with the installation, V.W. Bro. Thornton made very feeling reference to the sad and tragic death of M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns P.G.M., and the loss the Craft had sustained by his untimely death. The W.M.-elect was presented by W. Bro. R. C. Littlejohn, W.M., and the ancient charges were read by W. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop, P.G.Sec., after which a B. of I.Ms was formed, and Bro. D. McCaskill duly installed into the chair of K.S. by V.W. Bro. Thornton. The W.M. then invested his I.P.M., W. Bro. Littlejohn. The B. of I.M. closed. The following brethren were then invested :—S.W., Bro. J. W. Souter; J.W., Bro. A. McKenzie; Chaplain, Bro. W. Cooper ; Treas., Bro. F. J. Dunn; Sec., Bro. W. Gibb ; S.D., Bro. R. Hyman ; J.D., Bro. J. Moyes; I.G., Bro. G. Murdoch ; D. of C. W. Bro. G. J. Wallace, Prov.G.D. of C. ; Organist, Bro. A. C. Vine; Tyler, Bro. J. Forest; Stewards, Bros. M. Moss, G. Watson, and G. Whitehouse. The address to the W.M. was delivered by V.W. Bro. John Thornton, the address to the Wardens by W. Bro. Morgan Evans, Prov.S.G.W., and the address to the brethren by W. Bro. du Feu, G.D. of C. W. Bro: R. C. Littlejohn was presented by V.W. Bro. Thornton w'th a P.M.'s jewel. The collection for the W. and O. and A.M. Fund was then taken, and a good sum was obtained. A cheque for £17 to the war was also presented by the brethren of Koranga. Lodge, making a total of £40 10s. collected by the brethren of Koranga Lodge for the War Fund to date. H.G.W. were then received, and the Lodge closed.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON.

Victory Lodge, No. 40.—The regular meeting was held on the 12th August, when there was a large attendance of brethren, including many visitors. W. Bro. Hedges presided. Before any business was transacted reference was made to the fact that W. Bro. Captain Houliker had been killed in action, and sympathetic resolutions to Mrs. Houliker (his mother) and relatives, also to the firm of Messrs. Maginnity, Son, and Houliker were passed. Bro. Hon. A. T. Maginnity feelingly replied. A demit was granted with regret to R.W. Bro. W. W. de Castro (Invercargill). Two diplomas were presented to Bro. W. H. Thompson (Lodge Hinemoa Stratford, S.C.) and Bro. Sidford (Lodge Victoria, Invercargill), both now resident of Nelson. One guinea each was granted to the appeals made on behalf of Mrs. C. Fitzwilliam and Mrs. Johnson. Three

successful ballots were taken for affiliation, two P.Ms. and one M.M., whilst two new members were elected. Three candidates for the Third Degree were duly raised by the W.M., assisted by the following W. brethren:—Bros. Johnston, Rudman, Stiles, Orman, Harris, Moller, and R.W. Bro. Moyes. One candidate was proposed for membership. H.G.W. were expressed on behalf of Lodges Greymouth, Oceanic, Golden Bay, Southern Star, Ordnance (Woolwich), Hinemoa, and Victoria. The Lodge was draped on account of W. Bro. Houlker's death.

On the following Sunday the largest Masonic gathering ever held in Nelson took place, when all brethren assembled at the Freemasons' Hall and marched to the Cathedral to attend a memorial service to the late W. Bro. Houlker. In addition to the Masonic fraternity there were present a large number of Territorial officers and College old boys.

The day following the service the happy news came through that our supposed late brother had not been killed, but only wounded. Not only the Masonic brethren, but the whole community expressed its delight, and gloom has been turned into cheerfulness. W. Bro. Houlker is held in the highest esteem, and we all look to the day when we shall see him again in the fleet.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

Alpha, No. 81.—The regular meeting was held on the 25th August. Owing to the death of M.W. Bro. Binns, the Lodge went into mourning for three months, and the Sec. was instructed to forward letters of sympathy to the Dist.G.L. of Canterbury and to the relatives of our late M.W. brother. Two circular appeals were received through G.L., the sum of £2 2s. being voted to Lodge Beta-Waikato, and £1 1s. to Lodge Otaki. As there was no degree work, matters of general interest were discussed. W. Bro. Priestley gave notice to move that By-law No. 9 be rescinded, and that the election of the W.M. be held in accordance with Rule 97 B. of C. and Laws. On the motion of W. Bro. Lewis it was decided to go thoroughly into the Lodge by-laws at the next regular meeting. One candidate for initiation was proposed by the W.M. and seconded by W. Bro. Wallace. W. Bro. Ferguson gave an explanation of the 1st T.B. The Lodge was closed at 9.15 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tauranga, No. 125.—The installation meeting was held on 27th August, 1915. W. Bro. T. W. R. Philpotts, P.M., was installed as W.M. by M.W. Bro. O. Nicholson, assisted by G.L. officers P.D.G.M., Bro. M. McLean, and G.J.W., Bro. J. Harris. There was an exceptionally large attendance of visitors. The W.Ts. in the Third Degree were presented by W. Bro. W. H. Allen, Lodge Tirau; in the Second by W. Bro. A. E. Hammond; and in the First by W. Bro. T. Hall. The address to the W.M. was given by Prov.Dep.G.M., Bro. M. McLean, and the address to the Wardens by J.G.W., Bro. M. J. Harris. The following officers were invested by the W.M., assisted by the I.P.M., Bro. T. H. Phillips :—S.W., Bro. W. H. J. Poole ; J.W., Bro. C. H. Adams; Chaplain, W. Bro. T. Hall ; Trees., Bro. H. C. Fox ; Sec., Bro. C. Lowe; S.D., Bro. H. L. Foxcroft; J.D., Bro. A. Brown ; Organist, Bro. H. Crump ; I.G., Bro. B. P. Andreas; S.S., Bro. H. J. Harrison; and Tyler, Bro. B. G. Armstrong. The collection in aid of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund realised £5 5s. The ceremony was very well conducted, and was instructive in Masonic procedure to all present. Lodge was closed by the newly installed W.M. at 9.55 p.m., and all adjourned to "another place," where a most enjoyable repast was partaken of. The social pleasures were considerably modified in consideration of a notice received from G.L. prescribing a period of mourning in memory of the late M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns, P.G.M. The usual toasts were given and honoured, and a few musical items and interesting recitations enjoyed.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Bedford, No. 25.—On the 25th August last the P.Ms. of Bedford were privileged, through the goodwill and consent of the W.M., Bro. F. W. Gore, to conduct the ceremony of passing two brethren. There were nearly 40 brethren present, including the W.M. of Lodge Abercorn, Waipawa, who was accompanied by quite a number of his officers and brethren. Bedford P.Ms. rolled up in force, and were placed under the direction of

our veteran, W. Bro. J. Scholes, who assumed the chair. Only two of the officers were absent, and one of these was transferred some time ago to another district. It was decidedly refreshing to see such a full muster, and it goes without saying that the visitors especially received a wholehearted welcome. The M.W.G.M.'s circular letter counselling Lodges to exercise the strictest economy in view of the severe financial stringency which experts agreed will soon arise as a direct result of the present war was read, and the question of abolishing the use of alcoholic liquor for the term of the war was referred to the W.M. and his Wardens for consideration and report at next meeting. Two guineas were voted to circular general appeals, and accounts amounting to £23 19s. 1d. were passed for payment. W. Bro. Scholes then appointed the following P.Ms. to assume the offices named :—S.W., W. Bro. W. A. Chambers; J.W., W. Bro. Storah; S.D., W. Bro. Hartley ; J.D., W. Bro. J. Hobson ; Chaplain, W. Bro. Rev. A. W. Stace; I.G., W. Bro. W. H. Booth. The Lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and W. Bro. Wright occupied the chair and obligated one candidate. W. Bro. Chambers explained the Secrets, and the candidate was conducted to a seat. The gavel was then placed in the hands of R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, P.Prov.G.M., who obligated and entrusted the second candidate. Both brethren were invested by W. Bro. Chambers, W. Bro. Scholes delivered the S.E. Address, and the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. Wright. The Lodge was called off. On resuming W. Bro. Booth gave the final address. Before closing W. Bro. Scholes and Bro. A. D. Gibson were elected as Bedford's representatives to the Central Board of Enquiry. Another candidate for admission was proposed. The usual hour in the refectory was thoroughly enjoyed. P.Ms. expressed their appreciation of the privilege accorded them, and trusted that this P.M.'s night would prove to be the forerunner of many other foregatherings of the veterans of Bedford. — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 66.—The regular meeting, held on the 19th August, was well attended, also a good few visitors were present. After the ordinary business, one brother for affiliation was elected. The other ceremonial work was the raising of one brother. The W.M. (Bro. W. Snell) gave the obligation, and he also entrusted the candidate with the Signs and Secrets. Bro. Davidson, S.D., invested the candidate. The T.H. was given by Bro. Dobson, J.D., and W. Bro. Gillespie. W. Bro. Smith gave the W.Ts., W. Bro. Paton the Final Charge, and W. Bro. Soundy presented the V. of S.L. It was decided to go on with the improvements to the adjoining rooms of the Lodge, and the successful tenderer has made a start with the work, and when finished will make the rooms much more comfortable. During the evening the W.M. presented the I.P.M., W. Bro. Harrison, with his P.M. certificate. The Lodge closed at 10 p.m., after which a pleasant time was spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ruataniwha, No. 172.—The installation of Bro. R. A. Fraser as W.M., and the investiture of officers, was held in the Masonic Hall, Takapau, on 20th August. The W.M., W. Bro. M. Steffensen, presided over an excellent attendance, upwards of 60 being present. The Lodge was opened at 7.30 p.m., and the ordinary business having been disposed of, the G.D. of C., W. Bro. J. Hobson, 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. T. Hobson, P.P.G.M., W. Bro. P. F. Wall, S.W., W. Bro. R. S. Chadwick, J.W., W. Bro. T. W. Effingham, S.D., W. Bro. W. Chambers, J.D., W. Bro. J. Brown, I.G., W. Bro. J. D. Watson, W. Bro. E. Basil Jones, G.S.B. The ancient charges having been read by the Sec., Bro. W. Hobson, the W.M.-elect was then obligated. A B. of I.M. was formed, and W. Bro. R. A. Fraser duly installed by R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M. The W.Ts. were delivered by W. Bro. Gore (Lodge Bedford, No. 25), W. Bro. Snell (Lodge Rawhiti, No. 66), and W. Bro. Wilson (Lodge Lion, No. 114). The address to the W.M. was given by W. Bro. Watson (Lodge Lion, No. 114). The W.M. then invested his I.P.M., W. Bro. M. Steffensen. W. Bro. Caughley invested the Wardens, Bro. E. F. Stubbs, S.W., Bro. A. Chishohn, J.W. The Wardens were then addressed by W. Bro. Wall (Lodge Bedford, No. 25). W. Bro. Caughley, on behalf of the officers, invested the officers: — W. Bro. W. Hobson, Treas. ; Bro. H. H. Weston, Sec. ; W. Bro. Scholes, P.G.D., Organist; Bro. J. W. Watkins, S.D. ; Bro. J. W. Thompson, J.D. ; Bro. A. Black, S.S. ; Bro. W. Effingham, J.S. ; Bro. A. W. Cook, Tyler. R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M., addressed the brethren, making a special appeal on behalf of the W. and O. Fund, which received a hearty response. R.W. Bro. Harston also, in an impressive speech, referred to the late M.W. Bro. Binns, and moved that a vote of condolence and sympathy be accorded, which was carried in the usual Masonic custom. During the evening W. Bro. M. Steffensen was

presented by the Installing Master, on behalf of the Lodge, with a P.M.'s jewel, not only as a token of appreciation of his year's work as Master, but also of the sincere esteem and regard of his officers and brethren. Before closing the Lodge the W.M. invited all present to join him in the Town Hall, where refreshments of a substantial nature were provided. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured, W. Bro. Chambers making a delightful speech on the aims and objects of Freemasonry and, W. Bro. Watson created a deep impression by his reference to, and observations on, the position of those brethren who are so nobly giving their life and services at the front. The visiting brethren contributed mainly to the musical programme, and a very pleasant and enjoyable evening was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79.—The monthly meeting was held on the 9th ult., W.M. Bro. Craig presiding. There being no degree work set down for this meeting, the opportunity was taken of hearing Bro. J. D. Anderson give a very complete rendering of the 1st T.B. Lecture. This was immediately followed by an address by Bro. Andrew on "The Hidden Meanings of the First Degree." The two lectures were much appreciated and enjoyed by the brethren. During the evening Choirmaster Bro. Sperring sang the solo, "Lead, Kindly Light." A motion of sympathy with Chaplain-Major Bro. Luxford in the sad affliction which had befallen him whilst serving his King and Country at the Dardanelles was carried, several members expressing their sorrow and sympathy with our former Chaplain. Owing to the Lodge being in mourning on account of the death of M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns, P.G.M. the meeting in the ante-room after Lodge closed was conducted in a more subdued manner than usual. The occasion was taken advantage of by W. Bro. Armstrong to congratulate Bros. Anderson and Andrew on their excellent evening's work.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ruapehu, No. 128.—The regular meeting, held on the 26th August, attracted an unusually large attendance of members and visitors, due in a great measure to the first official visit of R.W. Bro. David McFarlane, the recently-appointed Prov.G.M. of the new district, Ruapehu. Our distinguished brother was accompanied by a number of Wanganui brethren. The Prov. G.M. having been received with the usual honours, was addressed by the W.M., who on behalf of himself, officers, and brethren of Ruapehu congratulated R.W. Bro. McFarlane on his appointment. The work was an initiation. The ceremony was conducted in a capable and painstaking manner, the Prov. G.M. and R.W. Bro. Keesing assisting. Acting on the request of the M.W.G.M., a resolution was passed unanimously to abolish alcoholic liquor from the refectory. Two appeals were voted 21s. each. Sympathetic references were made to the death of the oldest P.M. of Lodge Ruapehu (Bro. V. Mangham), who died at Rotorua on the 2nd August, and to the tragic death of M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns. A proposal to make a presentation to an esteemed and enthusiastic member of the Craft was favourably received, and a sum duly voted to assist the project. One candidate for initiation was proposed and one for affiliation. After the Lodge was closed the brethren were entertained for an hour in the refectory. In responding to the toast of the visitors R.W. Bro. Keesing (of Wanganui) "let himself go," and rendered one of the most impressive addresses on Freemasonry ever listened to within the walls of Ruapehu. It was quite an impromptu effort, and was highly appreciated by all who were privileged to listen. After acknowledging the toast of "The Visitors," the speaker referred to the present war, the sorrow brought into many homes, the misery caused by the insane ambition of Germany to rule the world. Freemasonry, he maintained, was the most unselfish institution in existence, and if a huge congress of Freemasons from all parts of the world could be convened, what an immense power for good would result! War and its horrors could be abolished, and the Brotherhood of Man established! — [Lodge Correspondent.]

Huia, No. 171.—The current month has been a busy one for this Lodge, the ordinary meeting being held on 2nd September, when the long-looked-for visit of the P.G.M., R.W. Bro. MacFarlane, eventuated. The work performed consisted of raising a brother, which was allocated as follows :—Obs. by the W.M. Bro. Spooner ; Secrets by the I.P.M. W. Bro. Smith ; Retro., W. Bro. Stone ; W.Ts., R.W. Bro. E. Hosking ; T.H. by the P.G.M., R.W. Bro. MacFarlane ; Final Charge by the W.M. Two ballots were taken and proved clear. At the conclusion of the work the P.G.M. replied briefly on behalf of G.L., reminding us that he would avail

himself of the opportunity to speak later on, which, by the way, he did in the refectory, and in a most incisive and convincing style, by stating it was not his intention, nor was it advisable, to employ old time-worn platitudes, consisting of mere flattery ; he had come to make our acquaintance and to view the work and judge it on its merits, which he stated (with emphasis) was exceptionally well rendered. Also he stated we need not fear for holding our own in competition with other Lodge work in the district ; therefore do not relax, but let it rather be an incentive to maintain the high standard attained, was the verdict and advice he announced.

In addition to the above, the Lodge, by special request from Lodge Waitaki, held an emergency meeting on the 10th of the month to pass a military brother stationed at the Rangiotu camp, a good attendance being recorded. It is also quite probable that another emergency meeting will be held on the 30th to confer the final degree on our brother. A large number of brethren from the camp have expressed a wish to have the privilege of attending prior to their departure for the front. The officers and members of the Lodge consider it a high compliment to have such a privilege granted to them.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Waterloo, No. 13. — The annual meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on 13th September, W.M. Bro. S. J. Moncrieff presiding. There was a very full attendance, and a large number of Lodges were represented. R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, Prov.G.M., was present, and was accompanied by R.W. Bro. H. H. Seaton, P.G.W., W. Bro. H. Hobbs, and other brethren. W. Bro. A. Erskine, P.M., was presented by the D. of C., W. Bro. R. A. Scott, and obligated by W. Bro. Moncrieff, after which the chair was taken by M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M., who installed W. Bro. Erskine into the chair for the current year. On the re-entrance of the brethren proclamations were made by the D. of C. and W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. R. A. Scott, A. Wyatt, and C. B. Harton. A vocal quartette, " Integer Vitae," was excellently rendered by Bros. Thomson, Longmore, Connell, and Smith. The Prov.G.M. presented the Warrant, Constitution, and By-laws, and W. Bro. J. Godber invested the following officers :— S.W., Bro. W. C. Robinson, J.W. ; J.W., Bro. W. A. Parton, S.D. ; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M. ; Treas., Bro. A. W. Press ; D. of C., Bro. A. Veitch, P.M. ; Chaplain, Bro. J. Mowatt, P.M. ; S.D., Bro. J. Gordon, J.D. ; J.D., Bro. F. E. Godber, I.G. ; I.G., Bro. F. H. Mather, S.S. ; S.S., Bro. W. Berry, J.S. ; J.S. Bro. E. B. Atwood ; Assist-Stewards, Bros. Gannaway and Wallace; Tyler, Bro. A. E. Colmer. The address to the W.M. was given by M.W. Bro. Williams, the charge to the Wardens by W. Bro. G. E. Smith, and the brethren were addressed by R.W. Bro. Peterkin. The W.M., in addressing the Lodge, deeply deplored the necessity which had prevented the S.W., Bro. A. McL. Wilson, from going forward, but expressed the sincere hope that he would still fill the chair on some subsequent occasion. A collection was made in aid of the G.L. Annuity Fund, and feeling reference was also made to the death of the late M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns. The supper-room was reached before 10 o'clock, and a pleasant hour was spent, though all too short for the leisurely completion of the toast list.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tutanekai, No. 156.—The regular meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Adelaide Road, on the 2nd September. The W.M., Bro. E. D. Alexander, presided over a good muster of brethren. The night was very cold, but the heat from the radiators which have been so generously presented and installed by the brethren made the Lodgeroom very comfortable. The ceremonial work consisted of passing two brethren. The W.M., assisted by W. Bro. Watt, I.P.M., gave the Ob. and communicated the Secrets; W. Bro. Rowell, D. of C., Charge after I. ; S.E. Address, Bro. C. Martin, J.D. ; W.Ts., the W.M. The S.W. and J.W. each explained their respective jewels. The Final Charge was delivered by Bro. J. W. Sexton, J.W. The Lodge was then closed in the F.C. Degree, and a lecture on the 1st T.B. was given by Bro. A. A. Whitelaw, S.W. The brethren decided to carry out the G.M.'s wishes in curtailing expenses in the refectory, and a motion was passed that we abolish liquor during the war. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to W. Bro. Rowell for his gift of refreshments until the end of the year. Two circular appeals were received, the sum of £2 2s. being voted to each. The Lodge being closed, a quiet time was spent in the refectory ; the usual toasts were proposed and replied to.

On the 19th August a special meeting was held to discuss the best means of paying off the balance of the second mortgage on the hall property. After a short discussion the sum of over £50 was collected in a few minutes.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Waiwhetu, No. 176.—The usual meeting was held on the 8th September, and it being the last ordinary meeting of the year great interest was displayed by the brethren, who rolled up to the number of 40, and W. Bro. Guinness can well be congratulated on the finishing meeting of a very successful and prosperous year, and if the newly-elected Master can only keep up to the reputation which W. Bro. Guinness has earned everybody will be well satisfied. A ballot was taken for a candidate, which proved clear. Two candidates, one of whom had journeyed from the camp at Rangiotu, were initiated into Freemasonry. W. Bro. Guinness obligated, W. Bro. Ayson communicated the Secrets, W. Bro. Rishworth the N.E. Charge, Bro. McLachlan invested, W. Bro. Hobbs presented the W.Ts., and Bro. Leighton the Charge after Initiation. R.W. Bro. Peterkin presented Bro. Hartley with his M.M. certificate. The election of officers then took place, and our genial S.W., Bro. McLachlan, was unanimously elected Master for the ensuing year. After ballots were taken for S.W., S.D., and I.G., all this year's officers went up a step. A committee consisting of P.Ms. and Wardens was set up to arrange for the installation, for which a levy of 5s. was struck. W. Bro. Ayson presented the Lodge with an I.P.M. collar and jewel, and Bro. Surtess a seat, for which they were both thanked. The sum of £3 3s. was voted to the Organist for services rendered. After a good discussion the G.M.'s circular re doing away with liquor at the "Fourth" was agreed to. The Lodge was in mourning out of respect to M.W. Bro. F. C. Binns. The Lodge was then closed at 10.15, and a pleasant hour spent in the refectory.—[Lodge Correspondent]

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201.—The monthly meeting was held the Methodist Church, Worsley Bay, on the 10th September, W Bro. Porritt, P.M., P.G. Chaplain, presiding. The weather was not of the best, and the attendance in consequence was rather scanty, but we were pleased to welcome the W.M. and brethren from Lodge Tutanekai, also brethren from Lodge St Andrew. Bro. Boon's motion, altering the day of the monthly meeting from the second Friday in each month to the second Saturday in each month, was confirmed, so that, subject to confirmation by G.L., the Lodge will meet in future on the second Saturday in each month at 7 p.m. The election of officers for the ensuing year was taken, and the result will appear in the report of the installation. It was resolved to fall in with the G.M.'s wishes by reducing the expenditure on alcoholic liquors to the lowest minimum, it being felt that the good sense of the brethren was quite sufficient to keep any excess in check. A letter was received from Lodge Hinemoa offering the use of their Lodgeroom for the installation meeting on the 9th October. This handsome offer was accepted with the Lodge's warmest thanks, as the restricted space and lack of conveniences make it almost impossible to hold the ceremony in the Lodgeroom. Will members of sister Lodges please note that our installation will be held in the Lodgeroom Lodge Hinemoa, Daniel Street, on Saturday, 9th October. On the Lodge being closed a happy time was spent in the supper room before guests and brethren left for cars and home.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1.—The monthly meeting was held in St Augustine Hall on 8th September, V.E. Comp. W. Broadley presiding, who made reference to the sad loss the Craft had sustained by the death of V.E. Comp. F. C. Binns. A motion of condolence was passed, all the companions standing as a mark of respect. V.E. Comp. W. Broadley expressed his pleasure in having E. Comp. Hopkinson with us again, and hoped that he (Comp. Hopkinson) had fully recovered from his long illness. Comp. Hopkinson returned thanks for the good wishes expressed. A ballot was taken for W. Bros. A. Cookson, J. Graham, and C. W. Suckling, P.Ms. of Lodge Lincoln. They were duly elected. The balance-sheet was read and adopted.

S.E. read his annual report, which was ordered to be attached to the minutes of the meeting. Officers for the ensuing year were elected. (Names will appear in installation report.—ED.C.) W. Bros. A. Cookson, J. Graham, and C. M. Cookson were admitted and advanced to the honourable degree of Mark Masters. W.M.M. Bro. Broadley obligated, W.M.M. Bro. F. C. B. Bishop gave the Secrets and Signs, W.M.M. Bro.

Cocksley presented the W.Ts., and W.M.M. Bro. Robertson delivered the Final Charge. Lodge was then closed and Chapter resumed. M.E. Comp. S. C. Bingham presented Comp. Humes with his R.A. diploma, Comps. Hopkinson, Gribble, and Turner with their Ark Mariner's certificates, also Comps. Gribble and Turner with their Red Cross certificates. Two companions drew their clearance. After H.G.W. the Chapter closed at 9.45 p.m.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wairarapa, No. 10.—The annual convocation was held at Carterton on the 17th September, V.E. Comp. Foss, Z., presiding. M.E. Comp. Rev. T. Porritt, G.Supt., conducted the ceremony of installation, being assisted by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, V.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff, P.G.Soj., and V.E. Comp. W. Moore, P.G.Soj. V.E. Comp. Phillpotts acted efficiently as D. of C. V.E. Comp. W. N. Dampsey, P.Z., was again installed as 1st Prin., E. Comps. C. W. Perrin, H., and C. E. King as J., Comp. J. Milne, S.E., Comp. J. B. Bairstowe, S.N., V.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff, Treas., Comps. Hunn, Pragnill, and R. J. King, Sojourners. The address to the 1st Prin. was given by M.E. Comp. Porritt, to the officers by V.E. Comp. J. Moncrieff, and to the companions by M.E. Comp. Williams. A number of resolutions were adopted to give effect to the change of location of the Chapter, which will in future meet in Masterton. Light refreshments were served in the refectory, and in responding to toasts most of the speakers referred to the change of location, the reasons that had dictated it, and the anticipated result.—[Chapter. Correspondent.]

Manawatu, No. 11.—The annual meeting was held on the 16th ult., the attendance of members being sparse, owing in a measure to the constant demands upon the time of many companions, who are called upon to assist on the various sub-committees and local bodies who are keen workers in assisting to raise funds for patriotic purposes. However, notwithstanding the foregoing a very harmonious spirit prevailed. The routine business included a ballot for exaltation, also for two joining members, all being successful. The installation and investiture of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, the ceremony being conducted by R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer, G. Supt., assisted by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E., representing Sup.G. Chapter, V.E. Comp. MacIndoe, P.Z., acting as D. of C., the following being the order :—V.E. Comp. E. Hocking as Z. E. Comp. J. Stone as H., E. Comp. A. J. Gallichan as J. ; Comp. W. F. Durward ; S.N., Comp. H. J. Canton ; Trees., Comp. W. Smith; 1st Soj., Comp. E. R. B. Holben ; 2nd Soj., Comp. E. J. Hewlett ; 3rd Soj., Comp. I. J. Oliver; Organist, Comp. C. W. Naylor; Janitor, Comp. H. Ehrhon ; Auditors, V.E. Comp. E. Grove and S. Comp. C. J. Hewlett. The various officers were addressed by R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer, G.S., V.E. Comp. Hosking, Z., R.E. Comp. W. Dawick ; the address to companions by M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E. In addition, we must not omit the attendance of visiting officers and companions of Rawhiti Chapter, who we were delighted to welcome. At the conclusion three candidates were proposed for admission to the Chapter. We regretted the inability of M.E. Comp. Rev. Porritt, P.G.Z., to be present, he being engaged elsewhere. An adjournment was made to the refectory, where the usual toasts were honoured, also a most interesting and instructive address by the Sup.G. Chapter representatives on matters appertaining to the welfare of the R.A. Chapter, and its aspects towards the national crisis, the whole of which was much appreciated by all assembled ; and if a congenial spirit or good comradeship is of any value, then it is safe to assume that this Chapter is on a sound basis, and the prospects for the ensuing years will produce good results.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Victory, No. 12.—The regular convocation was held on 19th August, V.E. Comp. J. Bartlett presiding. Motions to adopt the G.Reg.'s suggestions re Chapter Trustees were carried, as was also one nominating officers in August, electing in September, and installing in October, One candidate was elected by affiliation, and three companions were duly exalted, the work being carried out by the 1st Prin. and V.E. Comps. Moller and Bolton, the latter also giving the lecture on the Sacred Pedestal. E. Comp. Widdowson acted as Conductor. The arrangements for officers for the Mark and Excellent Degrees were left with the past and incoming Principals.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Waimate, No. 16.—The installation of officers took place on the 15th September. Owing to the lamented demise of our late H., E. Comp. S. Bird, who would naturally have gone forward to the chair of Z., the reigning Z., V.E. Comp. D. A. Fulton, was asked to continue office for another term. No less than five nominations for membership were brought forward. When it is considered that the membership of this Chapter is drawn from one Lodge, St. Augustine, No. 99, such a fact speaks well for Masonic keenness of the brethren of the Lodge. There is, therefore, a splendid vista of work opening for our 1st Prin. and his officers, and there is every prospect of others coming forward later. Roughly, the membership of our Chapter is about 40 per cent. of that of the Lodge, a proportion your scribe thinks very good. R.E. Comp. C. Flavell, Supt. of the Canterbury District, was received and saluted. The D. of IC. then announced M.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews, G.Z., and his officers. Having been received and saluted the G.Z. handed the Sceptre to R.E. Comp. Flavell, in whose hands lay the work of the evening. A conclave being formed, E. Comp. Fulton was re-obligated on the throne by the R.E. Supt., and was addressed by the G.Z. E. Comp. T. W. Manchester was obligated, invested, installed, and addressed by V.E. Comp. A. J. Hoskins, P.G.St.B. E. Comp. James Manchester was obligated, invested, installed, and addressed by V.E. Comp. W. McLean. V.E. Comp. Menzies was entrusted with the investiture of officers. V.E. Comp. F. C. B. Bishop addressed the officers, and R.E. Comp. C. Flavell addressed the companions. After the G.Z. and the R.E. Supt. had retired, H.G.W. were tendered by V.E. Comp. Burns, of Chapter No. 15, Timaru, and by his own Chapter. The usual adjournment was made to the refectory, where a quiet but enjoyable time was spent. The following is the list of officers : — Z., V.E. Comp. D. A. Fulton; H., E. Comp. T. W. Manchester ; J., E. Comp. Jas. Manchester (Manchester Bros.); S.E., E. Comp. J. W. Manchester ; S.N., E. Comp. Coventry; Treas., V.E. Comp. Shackleton; 1st Soj., E. Comp. C. Bateman; 2nd Soj., Comp. C. Manchester ; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. J. Atwill; D. of C., V.E. Comp. N. Colville; Organist, V.E. Comp. Menzies; Stewards, Comps. R. Brain and E. R. Beckett; Auditors, V.E. Comps. Hoskins and Lee; W.M.M., V.E. Comp. Shackleton; W.E.M., V.E. Comp. Hoskins.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wanganui, No. 23.—During the past year increasing interest has been shown in this Chapter. Besides the work entailed in connection with candidates, time has been found to work the side degrees. The installation of officers on 2nd September was in keeping with the progress of the year. R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer, G.Supt. of W., upon whom the greater part of the work fell, carried the impressive ceremony, ably assisted by acting-G.D. of C., V.E. Comp. J. G. Swan, P.Z. It was with regret and sympathy that we received the apology of M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams, G.S.E., who was absent through illness. The interest of the evening naturally centred round the installation of V.E. Comp. G. G. Bullock as 1st Prin., E. Comp. E. Runnerstrum as 2nd Prin., and E. Comp. A. W. Larsen as 3rd Prin. For the other offices the following E. companions were invested :—I.P.Z., V.E. Comp. N. Roulston ; Z., V.E. Comp. G. G. Bullock; H., E. Comp. E. Runnerstrum ; J., E. Comp. A. W. Larsen ; S.E., E. Comp. F. Stevens ; S.N., E. Comp. C. P. Bates; Treas., R.E. Comp. G. W. Palmer; 1st Soj., E. Comp. C. C. Moutray ; 2nd Soj., E. Comp. F. Symes; 3rd Soj., E. Comp. E. C. Fletcher ; Janitor, E. Comp. J. K. Revell. A pleasing feature of the convocation, besides the presence of local visitors and several members who had not for some time been able to attend, was the official visit of the young and enthusiastic Egmont Chapter. It is but a few weeks since the local Chapter journeyed to Stratford, and the keenness we observed there augurs well for their future. We look forward to their promised visit in February, when the Mark Degree will be worked by them. During the subsequent pleasant hour in the refectory reference was made to the sincere work of the T.P.Z., V.E. Comp. N. Roulston.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

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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. McIlvride; S.W., Bro. A. L. Read; J.W., Bro. W. E. Haie; 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. McSkimming; 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. Housell, P.M., 68 Campbell 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.

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Papakura, No. 56:—Founded 1855, 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: Hokitika, No. 60:—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. 78:—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. Wilkison; 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. Curtain; J.W., Bro. J. G. Sowers; Sec., Bro. G. H. Ollard, Cambridge.

Auckland, No. 87:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Eden Terrace, fourth Tuesday each month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. B. Crawford; S.W., Bro. W. G. Mason; J.W., Bro. F. Mason; Sec., Bro. W. S. Williams, P.M., Wynyard Road, Mount Eden.

Waikato, No. 90:—Founded 1893.

Ohaukai, No. 101:—Meets in the Masonic Hall at Ohaukai 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. Struquell; S.W., Bro. E. R. McLeunan; 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.

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

Taupiri, 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 25th September, 1901; meets in Masonic Hall, Te Awamutu, first Friday after 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, Ararat, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation 29th January. W.M., W. Bro. D. Savident; S.W., Bro. S. L. Spanhake; J.W., Bro. J. H. Bergman; Sec., W. Bro. C. E. Smith, Te Kopuru.

Tauranga, No. 125:—Founded 1902, meets at Lodgeroom, First Avenue, Tauranga, Thursday on or next before full moon, 7.30 p.m. prompt. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. W. R. Philpotts; S.W., Bro. W. H. J. Poole; J.W., Bro. C. H. Adams; Sec., Bro. C. Lowe, 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 27, Rotorua.

Plato, 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. Gummer; S.W., Bro. A. H. Atkin; J.W., Bro. A. H. Humphreys; Sec., 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. R. Wolf, Te Kuiti.

Kariol, 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. Flyger, 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.

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Waipu, No. 179.

Onewa, No. 182 (Northcote).

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

Tirau, No. 193:—Founded 20th 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. Tong; Sec., Bro. N. D. Clifford, Box 1, Tirau (Rotorua Line).

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Ara, No. 348, I.C.:—Founded 6th September, 1842; 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., W. Bro. S. I. Crookes; S.W., Bro. E. J. Lusher; J.W., Bro. W. Wilson; Sec., W. Bro. W. H. Patterson, P.M., care P.O. Box 340.

PROVINCE OF HAWKES BAY: 10 LODGES.

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

Scinde, No. 5:—Founded 1858, meets 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, Munro 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., Bro. W. W. A. Wikie, P.M.; Sec., Bro. Jas. Redshaw, P.M., P.O. Box 196, 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. I. T. Cooper; Sec., Bro. T. Morgan, P.M., Box 5, 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. J. H. Escott; S.W., Bro. G. D. Macfarlane; J.W., Bro. J. A. Fraser; 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. 158:—Founded 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Waikare, H.B., Tuesday nearest full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. J. Green; S.W., Bro. J. A. Nilsson; J.W., Bro. J. O. Scott; Sec., Bro. C. Burridge, P.M.

Ruataniwha, No. 172:—Founded 1910, meets in Masonic Hall, Takapau, Friday on or before full moon every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. R. A. Fraser; S.W., Bro. E. F. Stubbs; J.W., Bro. A. Chisholm; Sec., Bro. H. H. Weston, Orua Waharo, Box 30, Takapau.

PROVINCE OF TARANAKI: 7 LODGES.

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

Patea Kil., No. 38:—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., W. Bro. J. W. Harding; S.W., Bro. H. D. Caplen; J.W., Bro. G. J. Sheppard; Sec., Bro. F. G. Kimbell, P.M., High St., Hawera.

Ngamotu, No. 48:—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. F. 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, Eltham, 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. 119:—Founded 1896, meets Freemasons' Hall, Inglewood, Taranaki, Friday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. C. J. Alleman; S.W., Bro. J. Roberts; J.W., Bro. — Bowinan; Sec., Bro. A. E. Surrey, P.M., Inglewood.

Ikarua, No. 115:—Founded 1896, meets at Lodgeroom, Opuake, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. A. Clarke; S.W., Bro. K. Cannell; 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., W. Bro. N. G. Bray; S.W., Bro. E. H. Fisher; J.W., Bro. D. S. Thomson; Sec., Bro. B. E. Murphy, P.O. Box 11, Feilding.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets in 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. Hayden 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 1868, meets Freemasons' Hall, Wanganui, second Thursday each month (excepting December, first Thursday). Installation second Thursday in July. W.M., Bro. I. Craig; S.W., Bro. A. E. King; J.W., Bro. R. W. Green; Sec., Bro. N. G. Armstrong, P.O. Box 290, Wanganui.

Kimbolton, No. 123:—Founded 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Kimbolton, on Thursday nearest full moon. Installation Feb. W.M., Bro. P. A. C. Raddley; S.W., Bro. J. M. Turnbull; J.W., Bro. W. McKay; Sec., Bro. R. P. Edwards.

Ruapehu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, 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, 1906, meets in the Masonic Hall, Taihape, on Tuesday on or before full moon, at 7.45 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. H. J. T. Jagard, G.S.; S.W., Bro. G. Wrightson; J.W., Bro. F. W. Somerville; 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. Mugridge; S.W., Bro. D. H. Grant; J.W., Bro. W. H. Tustin; Sec., Bro. A. Malbott, 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. Ereger; J.W., Bro. J. D. Munro; Sec., Bro. D. Galloway, P.M., Mangaweka.

Moutoa, No. 195:—Constituted 24th April, 1913, meets in 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: 28 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. E. Norton; S.W., Bro. A. Scott; J.W., Bro. J. Tamblin; Sec., Bro. J. A. Worboys, P.M., Kilmorie.

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1860, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington, on second Monday every month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., W. Bro. Erskine; S.W., Bro. W. C. Robinson; J.W., Bro. W. A. Parton; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., Box 811, G.P.O.

Masterton, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets in Masonic Hall, Bannister Street, Masterton, 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 13, Masterton.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1879, meets in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the third Monday in every month, at 7.50 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. F. G. Cooper; S.W., Bro. A. Longmore; J.W., Bro. A. McLaren; Sec., Bro. W. A. Raudinet, 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; Sec., Bro. Arthur Phillipotts, P.M.

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.

Tararua, 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. 73:—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. E. H. 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. S. Polson; S.W., Bro. J. B. Brickell; J.W., Bro. H. Morrison; Sec., Bro. Edgar Larkin, P.M., Box 32, 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. Renment; Sec., Bro. T. M. Page.

Hinemoa, No. 132:—Founded 1901, meets in Masonic Hall, Wellington South, on second Thursday, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. F. Robinson; S.W., Bro. A. A. George; J.W., Bro. Rev. G. Knowles Smith; 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. H. E. Harpar; S.W., Bro. R. Turner; J.W., Bro. A. H. Millican; Sec., Bro. W. S. Radcliffe, Rona Bay.

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 in 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. Souness, 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 Road, Berhampore, first Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. E. D. Alexander; S.W., Bro. A. A. Whitelaw; J.W., Bro. J. W. Sexton; Sec., Bro. J. P. Shand, P.M., Cuba Street, 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. H. E. Leighton; Sec., Bro. H. Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.

Otari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets in the Freemasons' Hall, Ngaio, second Tuesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., W. Bro. J. H. Jerram; S.W., Bro. D. J. Watson; J.W., Bro. E. Meek; Sec., Bro. J. T. Mair, Khandallah.

Installed Masters Lodge, No. 194:—Founded 5th October, 1912. Meets in Freemasons' Hall on first Tuesday 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. G. Menzies, 90 Abel Smith Street, Wellington. (*Open to visiting M.M.s.)

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201:—Founded 1914, meets at Methodist Church, Worsley Bay, on second Saturday 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 1899 (formerly 1236, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1896, meets in the Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, second Thursday in each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. C. A. Eckford; S.W., Bro. A. Weaver; J.W., Bro. F. Bull; 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 Lodge room, 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 Liddlelow.

Advance, No. 61:—Founded 1871, meets in Masonic Hall, Brunton, 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 Street, Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. S. T. Peters; S.W., Bro. J. Steel; J.W., Bro. A. B. Glen; Sec., Bro. W. H. Evenden, P.M.

Westland Kil, No. 88:—Founded 1897, 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 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Dennistown, on first Wednesday in every month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. Henderson; S.W., Bro. W. Cooper; J.W., Bro. R. Fox; 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 1900, 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. R. F. Guinness; J.W., Bro. E. P. Peters; Sec., Bro. J. C. Duncan.

Kawatiri-Westport, No. 152:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Russell Street, Westport, second Monday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. W. Panckhurst; S.W., Bro. S. Paul; J.W., Bro. D. T. Glibbard; Sec., Bro. A. Gifford, 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.

Waro, No. 173 (Blackball).

Connaught, No. 187 (Karamea).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 36 LODGES.

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

Unanimity, No. 3:—Founded October, 1851, 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. G. W. Pearson; J.W., Bro. D. E. L. Collett; Sec., Bro. W. H. Brown, Box 34, Lyttelton.

St. Augustine, No. 4:—Founded 1852, meets in St. Augustine's 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. E. McAnarguey; S.W., Bro. A. Kennedy; J.W., Bro. W. Crane; Sec., Bro. James Simpson, 136 North Street, Timaru.

Progress, No. 22:—Founded 1870, 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. B. Willis, P.G.D.; S.W., Bro. R. 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. A. Readdle; Sec., Bro. B. E. 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. Trigune; S.W., Bro. F. A. Joynt; J.W., Bro. Geo. Tate; Sec., Bro. A. Calder.

South Rakaiia, 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 1883, 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., 73 Ackman's Road, Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa):

Methven, No. 51:

Kaikoura, No. 60:

Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1885, 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. Kidley; 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 Lodge room, Leonard Street, Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation August. W.M., W. Bro. T. W. Manchester; S.W., Bro. J. Manchester; J.W., Bro. C. R. Bateman; 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. F. H. Early; S.W., Bro. D. Arnot; J.W., Bro. H. Garrett; Sec., Bro. E. W. Cooper, P.M.

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

Crown, No. 138 (Christchurch): Robert Burns, No. 139:—Meets at St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on third Tuesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. R. H. Taylor; S.W., Bro. T. Kirker; J.W., Bro. A. Hunter.

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. W. J. Hunter; S.W., Bro. W. T. V. I. Bottrill; J.W., Bro. L. D. S. Maffey; Sec., Bro. T. H. Williams.

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

Ahurewa, No. 181:—Founded 1911, meets in Schoolroom, Dunsandel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation Oct. W.M., Bro. F. Lill; S.W., Bro. T. Wraight; 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. 196 (Timaru):

Koranga, No. 197:—Founded 1913, meets in Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, fourth Tuesday every month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., W. Bro. D. McCaskill; S.W., Bro. J. W. Souter; J.W., Bro. A. McKenzie; Sec., Bro. W. Gibb, Rhodes St.

Erehwon, 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 8 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. E. 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 1860, 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. Peebles, 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. Latimore; 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 1878, meets in Masonic Hall, Palmerston South, Friday on or before full moon every month, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. H. Hopkins; S.W., Bro. D. Guffie; J.W., Bro. T. Sneedon; Sec., Bro. Wm. McGregor.

Heracles, 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. Gillies; 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. 65:—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, Mosgiel.

Mount Ida, No. 87:—Founded 1868 (originally No. 1263, 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. 635, S.C.):—Meets in Lodgeroom, Melmore Terrace, Cromwell, on Wednesday nearest full moon, at 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. R. M. Ray; S.W., Bro. W. Campbell; J.W., Bro. D. S. Middleton; Sec., W. Bro. W. J. Mitchell, Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 103 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1869, joined N.Z.C. 1895; 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. R. 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. Hanlon; S.W., Bro. A. H. Crawley; J.W., Bro. Robt. Page; Sec., Bro. E. Tomkinson, Harbour Board, Dunedin.

Manukerika 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. R. Arnott.

St. Bathans, No. 126:—Founded 11th Nov., 1902, meets in Masonic Hall, Becks, on Thursday nearest full moon every month, at 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. Thos. Sheppard; S.W., Bro. Robt. Meek; J.W., Bro. R. L. Smith; Sec., Bro. R. 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. Watia, P.M., 43 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. E. 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. Conchman; S.W., Bro. A. Cannon; J.W., Bro. A. McKenzie; 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. C. F. J. Bell; S.W., Bro. D. E. Booth; J.W., Bro. J. M. Rodgers; Sec., Bro. A. W. Field, 149 Queen Street, Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161:

Kurou, No. 164:—Founded May 13, 1909, meets in Masonic Hall, Kurou, 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., Kurou.

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. Alex. Williams; S.W., Bro. Chas. Latta; J.W., Bro. A. T. Heydon; 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. B. Charlton; S.W., Bro. J. Wright; J.W., Bro. W. Melndoe; Sec., Bro. J. C. Hortwick, P.O. Box 26.

Ionic, No. 191 (Green Island).

Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington).

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

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

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

Southern Cross, No. 9:—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, first Friday each month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. Geo. Kelly; S.W., Bro. W. A. Stout; J.W., Bro. I. Copeland; Sec., Bro. S. Clark, Box 62.

Harvey, No. 49:—Founded 1885, meets in Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., W. Bro. E. C. Smith; S.W., W. Bro. J. Boyne; J.W., W. Bro. J. C. Hay; Sec., Bro. D. D. Stendman, East Gore.

Mokorela, 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. Hislop; S.W., Bro. S. Rice; J.W., Bro. J. T. Kiker; Sec., Bro. W. D. Palmer, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64:—Founded 1888, meets at Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. E. Johnson; S.W., Bro. C. W. Bradshaw; J.W., Bro. G. Hast; 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. A. E. Ward; S.W., Bro. W. J. Robinson; J.W., Bro. E. R. J. Stevens; Sec., Bro. J. E. Robins, Riverton.

Lake Lodge of Ophi, No. 85:—Founded 1894, 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. Curran; 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. Robison; J.W., Bro. Frank Bonifant; Sec., Bro. Chas. H. Poole, 109 Teviot Street.

Taringatura, No. 109:—Founded 1887, meets at Masonic Hall, Lumden, 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. Instruction meetings every Friday. 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.

Orepuki, No. 137:—Founded 1905, meets at Masonic Hall, Orepuki, second Thursday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. W. H. E. Fortune; S.W., Bro. F. D. Fortune; J.W., Bro. C. C. Nicholas; Sec., Bro. L. F. Clapp.

Wairaki, No. 145 (Nightcaps):

Victoria, No. 147:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, second Friday every month. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. J. Yule; S.W., Bro. G. O. Joyce; J.W., Bro. John Kerse; Sec., Bro. N. J. Brokenshire, Box 95.

Waikaka, No. 151:—Founded 1907, meets in Lodgeroom, Waikaka, Monday nearest full moon. Installation June. W.M., Bro. G. S. Rees; S.W., Bro. D. Cameron; J.W., Bro. R. H. Newman; Sec., Bro. A. G. Thomas, P.M. Matura, No. 174.

Waihopai, No. 189:—Founded 1912, meets in Masonic Hall, Grey Street, Gladstone, Invercargill, on the third Monday in each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. R. N. Todd; S.W., Bro. C. W. Tonkinson; J.W., Bro. G. A. Gilchrist; Sec., Bro. A. B. Edmonds, Box 188, Invercargill.

ENGLISH CRAFT LODGES.

Pacific Lodge, No. 1453, E.C., Reefton:—Founded 1873, meets in the Masonic Hall, Reefton, on the Tuesday nearest full moon in every month. Installation in July. W.M., Bro. T. J. M. Ferens; S.W., Bro. H. Smith; J.W., Bro. R. Barley; Sec., Bro. Nicholas Lawn, Walsh Street, Reefton.

Wellington, No. 1321:—Founded 1874, meets at the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on third Wednesday in each month except in January, February, and March. Installation June. W.M., Bro. F. J. Courtney; S.W., Bro. S. P. Andrew; J.W., Bro. T. Sprots; Sec., Bro. E. E. Coghlan, Box 819, Wellington.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE.

GRAND LODGE OF FRANCE.

Veritas, No. 394:—Founded 1907, meets at the Freemasons' Hall, Mission-street, Papeete, on fourth Saturday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. J. Randall; S.W., Bro. G. Lamprecht; J.W., Bro. C. Brown; Sec., Bro. G. Largarde. [This Lodge, working in English, cordially invites brethren from New Zealand.]

L'Oceanic Française, No. 360:—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Mission-street, Papeete, on first Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. H. Langomano; S.W., Bro. Allain; J.W., Bro. G. Verbaeghe; Sec., Bro. M. Eua.

SUPREME G.R.A. CHAPTER OF NEW ZEALAND.

(With jurisdiction over 84 active R.A. Chapters and 1 Mark Lodge.)

Annual convocation January or February. I.P.G.Z., M.E. Comp. J. J. Eason (No. 2); G.Z., R.E. Comp. A. C. Andrews (No. 1); G.Z., R.E. Comp. T. Ross (No. 7); G.H., R.E. Comp. M. J. Harris (No. 9); G.J., R.E. Comp. E. Dacre Dunn (No. 18); G.S.N., M.E. Comp. H. J. Williams (No. 2); G.S.N., Comp. W. M. Hindmarsh (No. 15); G. Treas., V.E. Comp. H. H. Seaton (No. 2); 1st G.Sol., Comp. T. Hobson (No. 4); 2nd G.Sol., Comp. W. G. Alexander (No. 7); 3rd G.Sol., V.E. Comp. G. S. Gordon (No. 23); G.Reg., V.E. Comp. C. W. Nelson (No. 2); G.Chane, Comp. M. Blair (No. 9); G.Supt. of W., Comp. N. J. A. Brokenshire (No. 31); G.D. of C., Comp. G. J. A. Shaktleton (No. 16); G.Sd.B., Comp. W. H. Jones (No. 24); G.St.B., Comp. T. Gilmour (No. 33); G.Organist, Comp. A. W. Vine (No. 15); Asst.-G.D. of C., Comp. D. M. Jack (No. 17); Asst.-G.Sd.B., Comp. W. T. Simmonds (No. 32); Asst.-G.St.B., Comp. C. H. Dement (No. 25).

Supreme G. Committee.

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G. Superintendents.

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Canterbury—R.E. Comp. V. Flavel.
Otago—R.E. Comp. E. Lane.
Southland—V.E. Comp. J. J. Hiskins.
Westland—R.E. Comp. Dr. E. D. Dunn.

NEW ZEALAND CHAPTERS.

St. Augustine, No. 1:—Founded November, 1869, meets in the St. Augustine Hall, Christchurch, on second Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m. Installation October. Z., Comp. W. Broadley; H., Comp. R. McFarlane; J., Comp. C. W. Bingham; S.E., Comp. J. W. Piper, 537, Hereford Street, Linwood.

Waterloo, No. 2:—Founded 1875, meets in Masonic Hall, Boulcott Street, Wellington, fourth Wednesday in each month. Installation September. Z., Comp. J. Rod; H., Comp. C. P. Harton; J., Comp. C. W. Nelson; S.E., Comp. G. Menzies, 90 Abel Smith Street.

Southern Cross, No. 3:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Invercargill, on fourth Friday in each month, excluding December. Installation September. Z., Comp. R. Prentice; H., Comp. W. T. Waters; J., Comp. J. Critchfield; S.E., Comp. G. Gilchrist, Invercargill.

Victoria, No. 4:—Founded 1879, meets in Masonic Hall, Munroe Street, Napier, last Thursday each month, except December. Installation September. Z., Comp. H. L. Harston; H., Comp. H. W. Whittton; J., Comp. R. Bishop; S.E., Comp. J. Redshaw, P.Z., Box 190.

Albert Edward, No. 6 (Lyttelton):—Meets third Monday in September, November, January, March, May, and July. Installation September. Z., Comp. G. Hill; H., Comp. A. H. Thorpe, P.Z.; J., Comp. L. A. H. Gogoll; S.E., Comp. R. Eliot Chambers.

Otago, No. 7:—Meets in Oceanic Masonic Hall, St. Kilda, Dunedin, first Wednesday every month except December and January. Instruction meeting Friday before each meeting. Installation November. Z., V.E. Comp. H. C. Anderson; H., E. Comp. R. V. Parker; J., E. Comp. G. T. Lumden; S.E., R. Comp. M. J. Pierce, 39 Dowling Street, Dunedin.

Waikaki Kil., No. 8 (being Otago Chapter, No. 8, and Waikaki Chapter, No. 13, which were amalgamated 9th October, 1901):—Meets in Masonic Hall, Wansbeck Street, Oamaru, every second Wednesday after full moon. Installation September. Z., Comp. W. J. Hill; H., Comp. J. A. Peebles; J., Comp. D. Miller; S.E., M.E. Comp. J. M. Brown, P.G.Z.

Auckland Prov. No. 1.—Founded 1892, meets third Wednesday every month, except December and January. Installation September. Z. Comp. R. White; H. Comp. A. I. Farmer; J. Comp. J. Coo; S. B. Comp. A. E. Duggan.

Wairarapa No. 10.—Founded 1892, meets in the Masonic Hall, Masterton, on third Friday in January, March, May, July, September, and November. Installation 23rd September. Z. Comp. W. N. Dempsey; P. Z. H. Comp. C. W. Perna; A. G. Comp. C. D. King; S. E. Comp. Jas. Milne.

Manawatu No. 11.—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Palmerston North, third Thursday each month. Z. Comp. E. Hosking; P. Z. H. Comp. J. Stone; P. Z. Comp. A. W. Gallachan; S. E. Comp. W. J. Dwyer; Palmerston North.

Victory No. 12.—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Nelson, on third Thursday in month as required (except in December and January). Installation October. Z. E. Comp. J. Bartlett; H. E. Comp. J. L. Ching; J. E. Comp. Jas. Boulker; S. E. V. E. Comp. R. W. Stiles, Nelson.

Marlborough No. 14.—Founded 1892, meets in Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Blenheim, on Thursday nearest new moon in October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation 23rd September. Z. H. Comp. G. J. Logan; H. B. Comp. M. McKenzie; J. Comp. C. A. Eckford; S. E. Comp. W. Nosworthy; P. Z.

Tinianu No. 15.—Founded 1891, meets in St. Augustine Masonic Hall, Waimate, on first Wednesday after full moon in the months of September (Installation), November, January, March, May, and July. Z. Comp. D. A. Fulton; H. Comp. T. W. Manchester; J. Comp. J. Manchester; S. B. Comp. J. W. Manchester.

Otago No. 17.—Founded 1903, meets in Masonic Hall, Paeroa, first Wednesday after full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation September. Z. E. Comp. S. S. Allen; H. E. Comp. H. O. Beale; J. Comp. W. G. Wolfmann; S. E. Comp. V. E. Allen.

Tanganika No. 18.—Founded 1892, meets in Burns Masonic Hall, Kelly Street, Reefton, on second Tuesday in each month. Installation September. Z. V. E. Comp. J. Banks; P. Z. H. V. E. Comp. E. A. Stewart; J. Comp. D. Tudhope; S. E. E. Comp. W. H. Thompson.

Ruapehu No. 19 (dormant).

Cromwell Coronation No. 20.—Founded 30th November, 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Alexandra, South, third Thursday in January, March, May, July, September, November. Installation September. Z. Comp. J. J. H. Dunsday; H. Comp. J. D. Thompson; J. Comp. A. H. Spooner; S. E. Comp. T. Adams.

Kawaiti No. 21 (Westport).—Founded 1894, meets in Masonic Hall, Westport, on the third Wednesday in each month. Installation September. Z. E. Comp. Geo. H. Gotthard; H. E. Comp. D. Darach; J. Comp. A. T. Peter; S. E. V. E. Comp. J. H. Harkness; P. D. G. Z.

Waikato No. 22.—Founded 30th January, 1905, meets Masonic Hall, Hamilton, Tuesday or before full moon in September, October, December, February, April, June, and August. Installation September. Z. Comp. J. C. Williams; H. E. Comp. H. E. Tristram; J. Comp. C. Speight; S. E. Comp. J. E. Herbert.

Wanganui No. 23.—Founded 1900, meets in Masonic Hall, Wanganui, first Thursday in November, February, April, June, and August. Installation fourth Thursday in September. Z. Comp. G. G. Bullock; H. Comp. E. Rimmer; J. Comp. A. W. Larsen; S. E. Comp. J. Stevens; Wanganui.

Brooklyn No. 24.—Founded 1903, meets in Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, on second Wednesday in July, September, November, January, March, and May. Installation September. Z. Comp. B. Hopfner; H. Comp. L. B. K. Burgess; J. Comp. S. J. Moncreff; S. E. Comp. G. E. L. Penning.

Hinchin No. 25.—Founded 1906, meets in Masonic Hall, Daniel Street, third Thursday every month. Installation September. Z. Comp. J. Reid; H. Comp. D. G. Robertson; J. Comp. S. Martin; S. E. Comp. H. Ivory; Box 35, G. D. O. Wellington.

Whangarei No. 27.—Founded September, 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, John Street, Whangarei, fourth Thursday in February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, and November. Installation September. Z. Comp. A. M. McLeod; H. Comp. E. Worner; J. Comp. J. Eccles; P. Z. S. E. Comp. C. McKinnon; Box 17, P. O. Whangarei.

Maori No. 28.—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Havanahourne, on fourth Friday in every month. Installation September. Z. Comp. S. C. Hanton; H. Comp. J. W. Hutton; J. Comp. L. O'Donoghue; S. E. Comp. T. Ross; P. Z. Ravensthorpe.

Westland Kil. No. 29 (Hokitika).—Founded 1904, meets in Masonic Hall, Dannevirke, on first Monday each month at 7.30 p.m. Installation September. Z. Comp. J. Craven; H. Comp. F. Craven; J. Comp. D. J. Gardiner; S. E. Comp. W. Dobson; P. Z.

Prince of Wales No. 31 (Christchurch).—Founded 1912, meets on the third Thursday in each month at Patea, Eltham, and Hawera alternately. Installation September. Z. Comp. T. F. Hamerton; H. Comp. J. Phillips; J. Comp. F. G. Kimbell; S. E. Comp. H. Priestley; P. Z. Box 34, P. O. Waverley.

Waikanae No. 33 (Balcitha).—Founded October, 1912. Z. Comp. H. A. Munro; H. Comp. W. Henderson; J. Comp. B. Welling; S. E. Comp. T. D. Pearson; P. O. Box 34, Balcitha.

Wallace No. 34 (Otagau).—Founded 1912, meets in Ashburton. Z. Comp. H. A. Munro; H. Comp. W. Henderson; J. Comp. B. Welling; S. E. Comp. T. D. Pearson; P. O. Box 34, Balcitha.

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Inspector-General of New Zealand Ill. Bro. Malcolm Nicol, 33deg.

Wellington Chapter, No. 11.—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on the third Friday in the months of January, April, July, and October, or as near those dates as possible. M. W. S. II. Bro. W. H. Jones; High Priest, E. and P. Bro. J. Reid; Recorder, E. and P. Bro. G. L. Smith; P. M. W. S.

Tatham Chapter, No. 13.—Meets in the Masonic Hall, Wanganui, on the fourth Tuesday in the months of February, April, June, August, and November, or as near those dates as possible. Installation November. M. W. S. II. and P. Bro. H. A. O. Hamington; P. M. W. S. and P. Bro. H. R. Hetherly; P. M. W. S. Recorder, E. and P. Bro. G. W. Palmer; P. M. W. S. J. Purnell Street, Wanganui.

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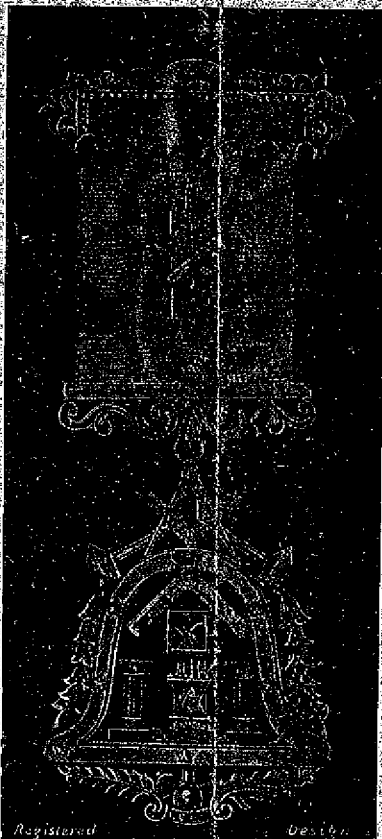
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