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SOME POINTS OF MASONIC PRACTICE.

At the April meeting of the Installed Masters' Lodge of Wellington a very short paper was read, introducing two questions of pregnant interest, not only to that particular Lodge, but to the Craft in general. As it was proposed to take the discussion at the June meeting, we deferred making any comment; but at the June meeting of the Lodge the further consideration was indefinitely postponed, and, as we have received a number of enquiries on the issues raised, we here propose to offer a few brief remarks, not as with authority, but rather to direct attention to some aspect of the questions not previously considered. The first subject raised in the paper is the "Tyler's Toast," and it is stated that the main points are as to whether the toast should be given sitting or standing, and whether ordinary or silent fire should follow. There is a further minor issue involved—viz., as to whom it should devolve upon to propose the toast. But this query, in our opinion, may be summarily disposed of. The fact that it has always been designated "the Tyler's toast" should give that officer, if present, the pre-emptive right to propose it. In his absence, the W.M. would select a substitute. The practice of receiving and honouring the toast sitting appears to be an innovation of recent date, originating in some Lodges under the E.C., and the only reason adduced is "to mark its special distinction from all other toasts." We do not think this is sufficient warrant; and, further, it might give the suggestion that the toast is contemned. The last and most important issue is as to whether the toast should receive what is known as "silent" fire. It is stated, on the authority of a Bro. E. H. Cartwright, that "there is no justification for deviation from the customary practice observed with other toasts." But in this matter we cannot agree with Bro. Cartwright. His contention might be tenable provided the toast comprehended all "absent" brethren, but that is not the case. The toast is only applicable to all poor and distressed brethren, wherever they may be, and in that form it is an expression of deep sympathy in their distress, with added hopes for a speedy relief; and surely the silent honours are far more expressive of sympathy and feeling for distress than the rather noisy exuberance which accompanies toasts so entirely different in intention and character. As stated in the paper read, in Wellington—and, we might add, New Zealand—the silent form has been sanctioned by long custom, and, if that custom is departed from, it would be as incongruous as adopting jubilant honours accompanying a vote of condolence on the demise of a brother. With regard to the toast we cannot resist the temptation of again protesting against its wording. The intention is most worthy, but the construction of the toast is simply abominable, and is entirely unworthy of the institution of Freemasonry. The object is, we take it, to drink a libation to the immediate relief of all our poor and distressed brethren. Surely the all is sufficiently comprehensive, without the addition of the unmelodious jingle, "whether dispersed over the face of land or sea," which is crowned with the addition, "and a safe return to their native country if they so desire it." We do not presume to know if this marvellous diction gives much actual pleasure to the majority of those who honour it, but we do know that it gets on the nerves of quite a number of brethren who simply accept it on sufferance. The practice of repeating the words of the toast after it is given by the Tyler appears to be all wrong, as our early instruction and former custom sanctioned the toast being drunk in silence. If the toast was given somewhat on the following lines: "May all poor and distressed brethren find speedy relief from all their sufferings," though perhaps not the most elegant diction, it would be preserved from the charge of being positively ridiculous.

The second question raised in the paper is one about which there is a great diversity of opinion, and refers to the power or right of a visiting brother to offer H.G.W. on behalf of his Lodge, unless authorised by the W.M. The following is the case as presented in the paper: "It will surprise most brethren to hear that in many London Lodges it is considered improper for a visiting brother to give H.G.W. unless he is a visiting W.M. or comes with a special authority to do so. It appears that some eminent English brother has laid down that an ordinary member of a Lodge cannot, have an implied authority to give the H.G.W. of his Lodge. I am sure brethren will agree that it would be a great pity if this picturesque custom, as at present practised in this country, should be at all interfered with. One brother in 'Misc. Lat.,' gives what I think must be the true explanation of the anomaly, if there be one. This is that the original custom was that the visiting brother gave his own H.G.W., adding the name and number of his Lodge so as to identify his origin. According to this, the word 'from' has at first been mistakenly interpreted and then became general. This seems to me quite reasonable." It is fortunate that in this case—unlike the previous one—we have some guide in the opinions of

Masonic jurists, and we quote from one of the most modern, whose opinions were always treated with the greatest respect—the late Bro. Rev. J. T. Laurence—who said : “At the third rising the traditional courtesies are observed by visiting brethren; and at this point it may fitly be asked, what right has any brother to offer any H.G.W. but his own? The custom is all but universal, but in strict legality it has no constitutional foundation, and its traditional observance is not of such ancient date as to make it prescriptive. In strict law none but the W.M. and Wardens have the right to express the sentiments of their Lodge." Bro. Lawrence also applies the same reasoning to the Prov. G. officer, and says: ". . . . He frequently conveys the H.G.W. of his Prov.G.L., but he has no right whatever to do so. He is, as above stated, simply an ‘emanation.’ "From this it would appear quite clear that, though the practice is sanctioned by custom, no right is conferred either by written or unwritten law. But we still think that if the practice were adopted, as given by the " Miscellanea Latomorum " as " the true explanation of the anomaly," that the visiting brother give his own H.G.W., adding the name and number of his Lodge so as to identify his origin, it would be preferable. The irresponsible brother who offers H.G.W. in the Lodge not infrequently replies to the " visitors " in the refectory, and the result is not always happy. We have heard such reply from an unattached brother, who affected the responsibility on behalf of his last Lodge, with which it was quite evident he was not in complete harmony, which proves that the practice may be quite incongruous. The two points raised in this short paper, though not of any burning moment, are highly debatable, and at various times have exercised the minds of members in many Lodges.

A WORD TO PACIFISTS.

In this issue we publish a circular from the Supreme Confederate Council of the 33 deg. of the Ancient and Accepted Rite for Serbia, recently received by M.W. Bro. Niccol, G. See., and which has been sent to all Masonic bodies throughout the world—enemy nations presumably excepted. Considering the nature of the provocation, it is a most temperately worded document, but it puts the position most clearly as to the barbarism and tyranny put forth by the conquering nations and the dastardly inhumanity and spoliation of the conquered. Emanating from one of the deeply afflicted countries, whose gaping wounds call aloud for vengeance, one wonders at the moderation of the writer of the circular. He fully recognises that one of the greatest dangers at the present moment is the efforts of the pacifist section in all communities to end the war on almost any terms, and in addressing the Masonic world he makes the somewhat alarming statement that "it is among sincere Masons that pacifism originated. If this is so in sonic instances (though we cannot admit it is, so far as New Zealand is concerned) consideration must be given to two facts : Firstly, that the teachings of Freemasonry at all Limes breathe the doctrines of peace and harmony ; secondly, the war-weariness of the world. But the Serbian Confederate Council indicates by the facts so well marshalled in its circular what, would be the ultimate result of a premature peace. It shows quite clearly that the chief of the enemy nations has no honour, its bowels of compassion are dry, and its attested bonds are not worth the value of the paper upon which they are written. It demonstrates quite clearly that peace at any price would mean an absolute defeat for the Allies, and their ultimate ruin would commence from the date of such peace being signed; and, as so effectively put forth in the circular, if the efforts for immediate peace were successful on any terms, it would destroy all hope of the liberation, after so many centuries of slavery, of all those oppressed nations who are destined to a sure and complete annihilation in the event of pacifists obtaining the conclusion of a premature peace, Here the lines of Patrick Henry, the Virginian Mason, are once again distinctly *a propos* : —

" Is life so dear or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God ! I know not what course others may take; but, as for me, give me liberty or give me death."

AN INTERESTING OCCASION.

On 29th July, 1868, Bro. W. F. Brooking was initiated into Freemasonry in De Burgh Adams Lodge, New Plymouth, and he has remained an active member of the Lodge to the present day. During his long membership of fifty years he has filled many offices in the Lodge, and has been elected to the chair on five different occasions. On the 29th of the present month Bro. Brooking will have completed his jubilee in Freemasonry, and the members of the Lodge, to do honour to this long service and fittingly signalise the event, have again elected him to preside as W.M., and he will be installed into that office on the 29th of the

present month—the actual date of his admission into Freemasonry fifty years ago. Such an event is most unusual, and will, no doubt, be so fittingly celebrated as to form another milestone in the history of this old and well-known historic Lodge, one of the few remaining memories of the occupation of the North Island of New Zealand by British troops. There is no name that is held in greater public esteem to-day in New Plymouth than R.W. Bro. W. F. Brooking. In Freemasonry our brother has been, figuratively, a pillar of the Doric order, which denotes strength and implies that all his energies of mind have been devoted to the preservation of order and regularity and promoting the best interests and Welfare of his Lodge and the Craft. As a citizen he has filled his place in the community in which he has lived so long, and it may truly be said that whatever his hand has found to do he has done it with all his might. The CRAFTSMAN offers its most hearty congratulations to R.W. Bro. Brooking on his completion of such a glorious Masonic record, and may his bright example stimulate many craftsmen to a faithful performance of their duty. We hope to have the pleasure of offering our felicitations to Bro. Brooking *in propria persona* on the occasion of his installation.

News and Notes.

IN present issue we include Title Page multi Index of the 23rd Volume of the NEW ZEALAND CRAFTSMAN, which was crowded out of June issue.

LORD PLUNKET. in a letter to Colonel Barclay, President of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association, writes as follows am delighted to learn how successful have been the efforts made to bring New Zealand Freemasons into touch with each other at this side of the world. I congratulate you as President of the N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association on this happy result, and I can assure you that I shall never forget the kindness and consideration shown me in New Zealand by my brother Freemasons there. If I can be of any assistance at any time to the Association, pray command.—(Signed) Plunket, P.G.M., N.Z.

THE Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the G.R.A. Chapter of Kansas, in its last annual report, thus comments on the G. Chapter of New Zealand : "We desire to commend the felicity of language and wisdom of the judgment, displayed by the Sup. G. Chapter of New Zealand in its consideration and action in connection with the recognition of the G. Chapter of Alberta."

AT the last monthly meeting of Lodge Tutanekai, Wellington South, the attendance was quite abnormal, and the crush in the acute-rooms was very great. Presumably the immediate cause was the fact that the ceremony of initiation was announced to be worked by the Masters of the city Lodges, with M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams in the chair. Unfortunately, the latter brother was suffering from indisposition, and was not heard at his best. However, the occasion was most unique, and a most pleasant evening was spent. Visitors were present from all parts of the Dominion.

WE regret that a number of Lodge reports, etc., in this issue are shorn of their fair proportions, but hope that our correspondents will recognise the necessity which knows no law, except that of the printer, whose supply of paper is decreasing with each month of the war. We would point out that we have omitted some Lodge reports held during the month of May ; an interpretation of the verses from the 12th chapter of Ecclesiastes, kindly sent by an esteemed brother, but which have been published before in the CRAFTSMAN ; and also a country humorous incident, relating to a cow. We hope our reasons will be recognised, even if the action is not appreciated.

A WORTHY and esteemed brother, who is beloved by all who know him—and their name is legion—was unfortunate in losing a purse and bunch of keys at the annual communication of G.L. Should the finder be unable to locate the lost articles, information can be obtained from the manager of this journal.

M.W. BRO. O. NICHOLSON, P.G.M., has resigned the office of Mayor of Mount Eden Borough Council, which he has held during the past twelve years.

THE W.M. of Lodge Montrose, S.C., Gisborne, was present at the last meeting of Lodge Tutanekai, Wellington South.

THE M.W.G.M. has granted the prayer of a petition from a number of brethren resident in Kaponga,, Taranaki, for the establishment of a Lodge there. The new Lodge will bear the town name, and will be numbered 208 on the register of G.L. The new Lodge will have the advantage of the services of three P.Ms., and W. Bro. Horace Priestley, who is well known in Taranaki, will be the first Sec. It is proposed to open the Lodge about the middle of August, and there is a possibility that M.W. Bro. Herdman, G.M., will be present.

IN a letter received by the G.Sec. from R.W. Bro. Lieut.-Col. George Barclay, reference is made to the National Independent G.L. of France, and the writer of the letter expresses the hope that recognition will be accorded by the G.L. of New Zealand to the National G.L. of France. But up to the present time no application has been made to New Zealand by this G. body for recognition.

AT the first meeting of the B. of G.P., held in Wellington, the G.Sec. asked for instructions *re* the inclusion in the annual proceedings of a report on foreign G.Ls., when the Board decided not to incur the expense of such a report.

THE M.W.G.M. visited Lodge Civic, Christchurch, on 4th June ; Mawhera, Greymouth, on the 12th; and was due to arrive in Wellington about the end of the month.

LODGE LEINSTER (Petone) had a record attendance at its festival meeting on 15th June. G.L. was well represented, and the ceremonies and refreshment functions were most enjoyable. The W.M. justly earned the commendation he received for his earnest and excellent address. It breathed the spirit of true Freemasonry, and stamped Bro. Steffansen as eminently calculated to become a worthy leader in the Craft. A moving incident was his affectionate reference to his father, who occupied a seat in the east.

AT the annual meeting- of Lodge Turanganui, No. 1480, E.C., Gisborne, the sum of £61 was contributed in aid of the D.G.L. Benevolent Fund. Many other Lodges could follow this excellent example—if they choose.

VENERABLE Bro. T. A. Peterkin, P.D.G.M., was present at the annual meeting of Lodge Ulster last month, and took part in the ceremony. He is still as keen as of old for a "part."

ON the 28th ult. the chairs of Lodge Hinemoa were filled by the Secs. of the Wellington city Lodges, W. Bro. J. H. Worboys (Sec. of Lodge N.Z. Pacific, No. 2) occupying the chair. The ceremony was raising. A full report will appear in next issue of the CRAFTSMAN.

IT is probable that W. Bro. J. Skollowe Webb, D.D.G.M. of the E.C. of Otago and Southland, will be nominated for the office of Dist.G.M., in succession to the late Bro. T. S. Graham. Bro. Webb, of Dunedin, is a brother of the W.M. of Lodge N.Z. Pacific, Wellington.

WE thank W. Bro. Stiles, of Lodge Victory, Nelson for a copy of the annual report presented to the Lodge last May. It is a most interesting document, and shows the great progress made during the year by this up-to-date Lodge. Extreme pressure on our space prevents publication,

IN the last published proceedings of the G. Chapter for the State of Virginia, the reviewer publishes the address delivered by M.E. Comp. Ross at the annual convocation held in Dunedin in February, 1917, in *extenso*. Comp. Ross will, no doubt, appreciate the compliment.

THE "Victorian Craftsman" says : "At a big installation the other night not one single officer did the work letter perfect according to the ritual." The same charge might be made in New Zealand, but it might be followed with the query, "What ritual?" Judging by the variations the number is legion.

W. BRO. J. J. PICKETT, P.M., who has been Chief Postmaster at Gisborne for some years past, has been transferred to Timaru on promotion. We regret to learn that Mrs. Pickett's health is not too good, but we sincerely hope the more bracing southern climate may have beneficial results.

SOMETHING like a record was put up towards the end of May by two members of Manawatu R.A. Chapter (Comps. W. H. Smith, P.G.J., and J. Y. Oliver, Prin. Soj.] On the 23rd they officiated at the exaltation of ten candidates, and on the 28th they journeyed to Marton and worked the E.M. and R.A. Degrees, giving these to four candidates in Ruapehu Chapter. This Chapter, by the way, has made a splendid revival, these candidates being a P.M., an I.P.M., the W.M., and the S.W. of Ruapehu Lodge.

SOUTHLAND NOTES.

The month has been quite a feature one for Invercargill brethren—five installation meetings within the same number of weeks.

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Everything went happily with members of Lodge Victoria on the occasion of their visit to Lodge Aparima., Riverton. The motor trip each way was done in good time, and the visitors received a splendid welcome. With the W.M. resigned and four officers called up for military service, Lodge Aparima has certainly experienced a period of adversity. Amongst the P.Ms., who have realised the position and increased their energies in consequence thereof, W. Bro. A. E. Ward stands out conspicuously. W. Bro. J. Buchanan paid a special tribute to the work of the Acting-W.M., his remarks being well and favourably received by the

brethren. It was in consideration of the adverse circumstances surrounding Lodge Aparima that the brethren from Invercargill paid the visit, and Lodge Victoria is well worthy of commendation for turning out in such good number for the welfare of the sister Lodge. We trust that beneficial results will ensue.

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Amongst other visitors at an emergency meeting of Lodge Southern Cross was Bro. Wood, who extended H.G.W. from St. John's Lodge, No. 325, England. At the "fourth," Bro. Wood's remarks were indeed interesting ; his Lodge is limited to a maximum of seventy members; therefore, there is very little chalice of gaining admission, and the usual ritual ceremonies are few and far between, with the consequence that nearly all the members are old men. In answer to a question, Bro. Wood could not remember any members dying. Amongst other exhibits, Bro. Wood produced the monthly circular notice, a very attractive one, nicely printed in gold and blue on a good art paper. Three items of the business were "votes of ten guineas " to different institutions, and, as Bro. Wood had stated that the initiation fee was ten guineas and the annual subscription two guineas, one worthy brother asked : " How was it done?" The question itself was quite a reasonable one, but the tone in which it was put made the listeners think of some people in very lowly situations who run motor cars, etc. How is it done?

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Bro. Evan Lyon received a genuine surprise at Lodge St. John installation meeting when called up to the E., and presented with a P.Sec.'s jewel. His pleasure, however, overcame his surprise and natural modesty, when replying to the presentation, his speech being sincere and thoroughly appreciative. At the same meeting, W. Bro. Robison was presented with a P.M.'s jewel. Both recipients well deserved the recognition of their merit and usefulness.

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Referring to the foregoing, it has become the regular custom in some Lodges to present the I.P.M. at the close of the year with a jewel; in fact, the writer has heard the expression: "It is the regular custom in this Lodge to present, etc." Such being the case, surely the gift is lessened in value if given (as a custom) to all and sundry; but, on the other hand, when the jewel is presented as a reward for painstaking and faithful service, then its value is enhanced.

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The members of G.L. of the Otago District who came to Invercargill for the purpose of conducting the installation meeting of Lodge Southern Cross are well deserving of our gratitude. The interest in their visit was manifested by the large eaten& ance, and the number who remained long after the " last' car " until each of the visitors had spoken. R.W. Bro. Clark's speech was patriotic and optimistic—a message of good cheer and hope for the silver lining of the dark cloud overshadowing us, delivered with a flow of language and eloquence characteristic of our worthy brother. R.W. Bro. Ross was interesting and instructive, especially so to the older Freemasons and to those who are deeply interested in the general welfare of the Craft. His speech was pleasing, easy to understand, and nicely garnished with his native dialect. W. Bro. Cheyne cut his address rather short; we would have liked a little more from him: He, however, made up by contributing a song. W. Bro. Hay rose with vigour in his action and vim in his words; his speech was intensely human; he placed himself on no pedestal, but remained, as it were, on the " floor of the house," and spoke as a brother to his brethren. Bro. Hay made a good impression, sufficiently humorous, and yet showing a sterling seriousness of thought. The last, but by no means the least—R.-VV. Bro. Flett—proved his versatility and put everyone in good and easy humour. We were told that R.W. Bro. Ilasvcridge can tell a good story. That may be so, we don't know ; but we do know that Bro. Flett can. Though the visit was made during wintry climatic conditions, our brethren were given a warm reception, and during their short stay in Invercargill M.W. Bro. M. Thompson and R.W. Bro. A. C. H. Hoyles saw to the matter of their comfort and entertainment.

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At installation meeting of Lodge Fortitude, R.W. Bro. Steans, in investing W. Bro. Parker as Sec., was very complimentary, not only to the officer invested, but to the Lodge in having a worthy brother capable and willing to fill important offices, his zeal extending over such a long period of years, " ever since 1804." And then everyone smiled, except—Bro. Steans. It was fully twenty minutes later that Bro. Steans also smiled, when the Prov.G.M., before retiring, amongst other things, remarked on his surprise at hearing of W. Bro. Parker's record. Surely, R.W. Bro. Steans was drawing the long bow !

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If the brother from Lodge Southern Cross of full avoirdupois had patronised the special tramcar, he would have avoided the risk of an appearance before the S.M. for cycling on the footpath, and the further risk of broken bones when he took "header" over the handle-bars. 'Neff said.

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It was a merry party returning from the Bluff at midnight from the annual meeting. Songs and stories of varied description made the trip an all too-short one.

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The military call continues, and every meeting sees some brother in khaki on special or final leave. Last month we had with us Bros. Clark and MacEachern, both of whom will have left New Zealand before these notes appear. It would be well for brethren of the various Lodges to adopt the suggestion of R.W. Bro. T. Ross, who outlined a simple practice in vogue in some of the Dunedin Lodges, whereby every brother on active service is ensured of regular correspondence from his Lodge.

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Though there has been during the past year a slight improvement in contributions to G.L. Benevolence Funds, the sum total from Southland Lodges still falls far short of what it ought to be. This is no fault of the Prov.G.M., for R.W. Bro. Hoyles has never lost an opportunity of making an appeal on behalf of these funds; his appeals at all times have been earnest and sincere, and brethren who have heard him cannot have failed to realise their responsibilities. It is now the duty, and an urgent one, for the Masters to organise, each in his own way, a system whereby the Lodges of Southland will be able to look with pride, instead of humility, on the figures (representing their quota to the funds) published in 1919. It can be done, and should be done; the fault in the past has been that of procrastination—putting off till the end of the year that which should be done during all the year. The Masters and Wardens must get into personal touch with the irregular attenders, and into personal correspondence with those at a distance. The labour will be light if properly distributed, instead of being crowded into the last month or two.

RUAPEHU NOTES.

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A small event, but one that may have far-reaching effects, took place just before G.L. meeting. The delegates from Ruapehu District were called together by the Prov.G.M. for the purpose of allowing the representatives of that district to become better acquainted and to talk over matters of interest to their province. Every Lodge except two was represented, and the purpose of the meeting was so well fulfilled that it was decided that such meetings of representatives should take place annually at some central place—probably Marton—just prior to G.L. meeting.

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Such a meeting is an innovation in G.L. history, and it is strange that such have not been held before for the purposes mentioned. If all provincial Lodges approached the G.L. meeting so organised, and in the same spirit, it would have an effect on the annual communication that would tend to its general betterment.

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One question discussed was that of the formation of Prov. G.Ls, The matter was left in the hands of the Prov.G.M., W. Bro. D. McFarlane, who will collect data to be submitted to Lodges, with the idea of delegates being appointed, who will meet later and decide whether it is advisable to proceed further or not.

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At an informal meeting of visitors, held at Taihape after the installation meeting, the opportunity was taken of G.L. officers to have a chat. One prominent visitor, at the conclusion of the meeting, stated that he had learned more than he had done at many attendances at G.L. communication.

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At the conclusion of the installation ceremony at Otaihape the pleasing ceremony was performed by the Prov.G.M. of presenting Bro. Somerville, I.P.M. of Lodge Otaihape, and Bro. Firman, I.P.M. of Lodge Ngaruhoe, with P.Ms.' jewels.

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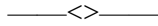
Rev. Bro. Stent impressively presented the four candidates who had been raised during the year with a copy of the V.S.L.

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The Dep.G.M. (R.W. Bro. J. H. Keesing) attended the installation ceremonies at Otaihape and Ngauruhoe on 27th and 28th May. He also gave addresses at each place, which were greatly appreciated by the brethren.

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Circular No. 3.—To all Supreme Councils, Grand Orients,
Grand Lodges, and Worshipful Lodges.

DEAR SIRs AND ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN Upon first perusal of the present circular, you may be inclined to think that it does not deal with a subject of Masonic interest. But if you will give it your full and brotherly attention, you will note that its publication is due to ideas and sentiments of a strictly Masonic order, to ideas and principles for which Masonry has fought in all countries since its existence. It is for this reason that the Supreme Council for Serbia considers that it is precisely among real Masons that the subject should be taken into consideration, and that it is in the Masonic Lodges that the conditions of a peace, in accordance with the desires of all Masons, should be discussed with a breadth of view surpassing by far the narrow limits of a circular.

The general interest of the subject authorises us to appeal to your benevolence so that this circular may be brought to the attention of your Worshipful Lodges and form the subject of a thorough debate. In making this appeal we are quite aware that it is among sincere Masons that pacifism originated. Earnest supporters of pacifism have, at all times, been found in Serbian Masonry, as in other Masonry. At the present juncture we feel justified in saying that all Serbian Masons, from the Supreme Council downwards, fully adhere to the lofty principles of pacifists.

However, although the signatories of this circular never lose sight of the fact that the actual world war is daily sacrificing precious lives, they nevertheless cannot refrain from expressing their sincere conviction that an immediate peace, a premature peace, before the achievement of complete victory for the just cause, which alone must guide our thoughts and actions, would not be a service rendered to the cause of humanity, and could not meet, in any way, the earnest desire of true Masonry.

In order to allow our brethren to grasp our arguments fully, and, at the same time to justify our point of view, we append, herewith, a brief review of facts which have forced us to adhere to the principle of a fight to the finish. To reach this conclusion, it is necessary for us to go back to the period just preceding this world war. Here is the *statu quo* that existed previous to the war in the four countries whom all the civilised nations have pledged themselves to combat and vanquish.

I.—IN GERMANY.

A continual increase in armaments on land and sea which has compelled nearly all the States of Europe, and outside of Europe, to almost court ruin in their desire to imitate Germany in a certain measure.

A system of spying and penetration into the national concerns of all nations, with the sole view of serving German interests.

An unprincipled economic, industrial, and commercial penetration in foreign lands, aided and abetted by the Imperial Government, its Diplomatic and Consular representatives, as well as by all sorts of private organisations, such as shipping companies, chambers of commerce, etc.

They were stayed neither by prevarication nor by corruption. Mention need only be made of the Delbruck Law, which recognises the right of any German to profess two nationalities.

A regime of education setting forth, upholding and spreading the lowest instincts of a race, glorifying war, conquests, militarism, brute force and violence, with but one end in view, to obtain predominance for "the chosen race of God," the Germans.

Unmitigated persecutions in the non-German provinces, in Alsace-Lorraine, and in the Polish provinces.

In spite of all the protests of the population, they never ceased persecuting the French language, and suppressing all French traditions and souvenirs so dear to Alsatians.

The Savern incident will suffice as an illustration.

The persecution of five million Poles has brought forth on many occasions expressions of indignation from entire humanity.

Mention need only be made of the land belonging to Poles having been entered as State property.

Enforced colonisation by Germans, and deportation of Poles in the West.

Prohibition to use their mother-tongue, not only in public life and in schools ; but it was even made obligatory for children over six years of age to recite their prayers in German under penalty of being flogged.

Now, is there a single Mason in the world who could with a clear conscience vote for the continuation of such a state of things?

Is it pacifism or humanitarianism to allow such crimes and violence to be continually perpetrated upon the seven million peaceful Alsatians and Poles who are oppressed under such a reign of brute force?

II.—IN AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY.

The political basis of Austria-Hungary is the complete subjection of two-thirds of the population to the interests of the two favoured races : the Germans and the Magyars.

The money extracted from the large majority of the population is used for the upkeep of a formidable army, for the assembling of a servile group of officials, whose duty it is to maintain omnipotence for the small minority, respect for the Monarch, and for all feudal traditions in private and public life.

In order to draw a true picture of the Hapsburg Monarchy, it would necessitate the enumeration of a series of crimes, corruption, treachery, and violence, during many centuries.

All the provinces of Austria and Hungary, whether it be Bohemia, Croatia, Bosnia, or Trentino, have been, from time immemorial, and even to the present day, the scene of shameless economic extortions and repulsive oppression.

The leaders of the oppressed peoples have almost all met their fate on the gallows or in the dungeons.

Emperor Charles, upon his accession to the throne, for reasons of interior policy, fearing a revolution, deemed it advisable to grant an amnesty, which resulted, in the one province of Bohemia, in the release of 4,500 political convicts. In this country, since the war, 2,500 political prisoners have been taken from the gaols and have met with capital punishment.

What a sorry picture we would have before our eyes if we were to add all the crimes committed in the twelve other provinces of the Empire, principally in Bosnia, Herzegovina, where the hangman has been most at work and where even college students were not spared, 85 boys under 18 years of age being victims.

The Magyars are noted for their violence. Not only have they excluded all non-Magyars from holding public offices (16,000 Magyars elect one deputy, and 850,000 Slovaks or Rumanians elect also one deputy), but they persecute them in their everyday life.

In Slovakia, children of both sexes under three years of age, belonging to poor families, are torn away, under offers of money, or by intimidation, and they are placed in Magyar Orphanages (Ovady) until they are 10 years old. They are then returned to their respective families, having completely forgotten their mother tongue (Count Apponyi law), and all at the expense of the devastated province.

In Bosnia, the lands of 4,800 Serbian families were seized simply because these people declared that they were of Serbian nationality.

A great quantity of literature has been devoted to the exposure of the crimes, oppression, and violence committed by the Magyars.

Well ; is there a single Mason, the world over, who would desire, from humanitarian points of view, that the eighteen million Austrians and Magyars should continue to hold in slavery the thirty-six million Serbo-Croatians, Tcheco-Slovaks, Rumanians, Poles, Russians, and Italians?

Can it be called Peace, when one witnesses each day bloody strife between the oppressor and the oppressed ?

III.— IN BULGARIA.

Ever since the foundation of this State at the Berlin Congress there has been in time interior of the country nothing but a succession of reigns of terror, directed not only against the foreign elements (30 per cent. of the

population are Turks, Greeks, Serbians, and Jews), but also against any Democratic or Liberal movement, whether under the reign of a Stambouloff or a Coburg.

The massacres of the Greeks at Varna, at Bourgas, and at Philippopoli resounded throughout the universe. The atrocities committed by the Comitadjis, a Bulgarian invention, have acquired universal notoriety.

The International Commission, instituted by the renowned philanthropist Rockefeller, unanimously bore witness to the fact that, during the Turkish War, the Bulgarians committed such terrible atrocities that the human mind was at a loss to grasp their meaning, and the crimes and cruelties perpetrated by all classes of Bulgarians (officers, soldiers, priests, school teachers, etc.), surpassed in callousness anything that had been done by the so-called bloodthirsty tribes of Asia Minor, incorporated in the Turkish Army.

The Bulgarian Red Cross, after two years of war, cannot account for 70,000 prisoners of war, mostly Serbians, for the simple reason that it is positive that they have massacred an equal number of defenceless men who had fallen into their power.

In addition to the recent massacre of 20,000 Serbians from Macedonia and Ancient Serbia, over 30,000 young women and girls were deported from these districts into Asia Minor, there to be bartered or given away as slaves.

This caused a violent debate in the Austrian Parliament when a deputy of the Austrian House denounced and enumerated all the cruelties and atrocities to which these unfortunate women and girls were exposed and which he had personally witnessed.

Now, is there a single right-hearted man, a single true Mason, who will tolerate that crimes of such a despicable character should remain unpunished and that, in future, a small nation devoid of all civilisation should be allowed to maltreat its Serbo-Croatian, Rumanian, and Greek neighbours ?

IV. — IN TURKEY.

The persecutions of Christians in Turkey since centuries, the periodical massacres of Greeks and Syrianns in Asia Minor, the atrocities committed upon the Armenians, which threaten to exterminate a civilised race of several millions, will allow us to pass over the details of the gruesome deeds of an abject reign, only too well known the world over.

We can only ask if there exists a single Mason in the whole world who could adhere to the principle of leaving these miserable populations under so loathsome an oppression.

Now, what are the war aims of the four depredatory nations in Europe, the Germans, the Magyars, the Turks, and the Bulgarians?

To strengthen their domination over the people, who, in the course of history, have fallen under their yoke, to subject those who bar their way in this intention; and, when secure, to attack the other free and independent nations of the world.

The prolongation of the present war, until the aims of the Entente have been attained, seeks to establish, on the contrary, the freedom of 60 million souls bound in slavery, to crush every attempt to govern nations against their will and against their ethnical interests, and to safeguard the liberty of those who still enjoy it to the full at the present day, thus bestowing a happy and prosperous life upon the majority of mankind.

It seems to us that no Mason, that no pacifist, that no honourable man of humane sentiments, should in any way baulk the aims of the Allied nations of the Entente.

In the name of the Serbians, Croatians, and Slovenes, as well as in the name of all other nations oppressed and subjected to the Germans—the Magyars, the Turks, and the Bulgarians—we address a most brotherly and pressing appeal to all our pacifist brethren to cease opposing, through their pacifist propaganda and their efforts for an immediate peace, the liberation, after so many centuries of slavery, of all these oppressed nations destined to a sure and complete annihilation and destruction in the event of the pacifists obtaining the conclusion of a pre, mature peace—an outlook that would force these nations to provoke new wars in the near future.

With cordial greetings, we remain, Dear Sirs and Illustrious Brethren, Yours most fraternally,

The Sovereign Grand Commander, Grand Allister,

GEORGES WEIFERT, 33 deg.

For the Grand Chancellor, Grand Secretary,

PERA CHREPLOVITCH, 33 deg.

Correspondence.

THE " FOURTH "(?) DEGREE.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—It is regrettable that the custom is growing of referring to refreshment as "the Fourth Degree." This expression was, no doubt, originated by some brother of a jocular disposition, but it is both incorrect and misleading—incorrect because it is not a degree, and misleading to the younger members of the Craft. The answer of the J.W. to the question as to his duty supplies the correct expression which should always be used. It is desirable that all expressions used in or about a Masonic Lodge should accord with the phraseology of our ritual, and with the derivation of the science from an operative art.—Yours fraternally,
PENTALPHA.

FLOOR MEMBERS AND RITUAL WORK.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO. ,—I read with some pleasure the remarks made by your Avon Lodge correspondent in his report of the March meeting regarding work being done from the dais, and I think your two correspondents who disagree with him in your last month's issue lose sight of the main points : What is the duty of the W.M. ? What did he promise at his installation? Did he not undertake to strictly conform to every edict of the G.L.—to perform the duties of his office faithfully, zealously, and impartially, and not to administer or cause to be administered any rite or ceremony contrary to or subversive of our Ancient Institution? Now, one edict of G.L. refers to our ritual, and therein it has been laid down exactly what should be said and done, and who shall say and do it. Of course, occasions arise when the W.M. is unable, through ill health or other causes, to do the work, or all the work ; and the B. of C. tells him that the I.P.M., in his absence, should take his place. Following this indication, the I.P.M. or some other P.M., who, as a ruler in the Craft, has been similarly bound to maintain, support, and uphold, pure and unsullied, the principles and tenets of the Craft, can rightfully and lawfully assist him. To go to the floor of the Lodge and ask a comparatively irresponsible brother to perform his duties for him is not only undignified and improper, but is distinctly failing to perform his pledge as W.M., and is a slight to his P.Ms. and a disrespect to the ceremony itself. With what respect can a Lodge listen to a brother, who has perhaps only been a few months ago initiated, giving a charge on the principles of the Craft and the duties of its members, which he has hardly yet been taught himself. If one part of the Master's work can be allotted to a floor member, why not another? or, to go further, why cannot the whole ceremony be divided up among floor members? As well may the phraseology be altered as the parts wrongly allotted, or as well ask the I.G. to take the chair and administer the Ob. Can a W.M. re-cast the parts allotted in the ritual as he likes? Is he performing his duties faithfully, zealously. and impartially, when he asks a floor member to do work which should be done by himself or a senior? and is he not causing to be administered a rite or ceremony contrary to the clearly laid down edict of G.L.? Depend upon it, the more strictly we adhere to both the letter and the spirit of our Obs., the less fear there will be of innovation, confusion, and jealousy.—Yours fraternally, C. J. W. GRIFFITHS, P.G.M.
Blenheim, 20th May, 1918.

[The foregoing letter was received before we went to press last. month, and was accidentally omitted. In justice to the very distinguished brother whose views are presented, it is here inserted.—ED. C.]

SOME INNOVATIONS.

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TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR AND BRO. ,— During recent visits to Lodges and Chapters it has been borne in upon me that many years ago, when I was installed in the Chair of K.S., I had to acknowledge that it is " not in the power of any man or body of men to make innovation," etc. Later on, in a higher degree, it was hoped that I would

transmit certain rites and ceremonies to my successors with the same scrupulous purity. It therefore seems to me that I should be failing in my duty if I did not protest against some of the new practices that have been recently introduced—no doubt, by brethren and companions actuated by the best motives, but who have not given due thought to their actions. For instance, in some Chapters the practice of turning to the east for the opening prayer has been adopted. This was, no doubt, first done by some member with ritualistic tendencies ; but it is reprehensible in any Masonic gathering, even in the P.M., where it is also sometimes adopted. It seems to be forgotten that a Chapter is a Jewish Sanhedrin, and the Jews do not turn to the east; and that all Craft Masonry, as well as R.A., is based on Jewish history and practice. Moreover, if it is necessary to turn to the east for prayer, why is this not done when the preliminary prayers at initiation, passing, raising, advancing, acknowledging, and exalting, are being offered up? Another R.A. innovation is that of giving the G.S. four times, asking for a fourth time, and in the refectory giving honours four times. This is absolutely incorrect, for the reason that three is the number running throughout the whole degree, the very emblem of which is the triangle or a combination of triangles—three Principals, three Sojourners, three stones, three halts, three arches, etc. ; indeed, the number three prevails throughout this, as well as the Craft working. The Masonic numbers are the uneven ones—particularly 3, 5, 7, 9, and the multiples of 3 and 9. The fact that in the M.M.M. there are four steps and four knocks, and in the E.M. six ditto, does not alter the case, because both are really mere side degrees, the one being " a section of the Second Degree " not recognised by the G. Chapter of England, and the other merely a preparatory ceremony worked under the name of "passing the veils." It has neither W.Ts. nor Final Charge, and its Ob. is the simplest possible. In the Craft working, one particularly objectionable innovation is the prancing method of advancing in the Second Degree—a sort of cross between the strut of a proud Highland piper and the way of a turkey along a pole. If the stair must be ascended, the foot should be kept up. But all that it is necessary to symbolise is the "winding" nature of the ascent, and this is all that was done when I was passed over forty years ago. Yet another innovation has given us "the going-down to Beth-horon," instead of " the valley of Rephidim," and Joshua instead of Moses. If you look up Exodus you will see that Moses did it, and that it was not done at Beth-horon. Also, remember that Joshua was not a priest, but a fighter ; and that, had he ventured to usurp the priestly functions, he might have suffered a similar fate to that of Korah, Dathan, and Ahiram.—Yours fraternally,

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OBITUARY.



BRO. JAS. YOUNG.

A very old and respected member of Lodge Robert Burns, No. 50, Reefton, in the person of Bro. Jas. Young passed away at Wanganui on 24th May. At the request of his Mother Lodge the brethren of Wanganui assembled to pay the last tribute of respect. R.W. Prov.G.AL Bro. D. M`Farlane conducted the Masonic burial service, assisted by W. Bros. R. W. Green, F. Symes, C. Bowater, and N. Svenson.

R.W. BRO. T. S. GRAHAM, D.G.M., E.C., OTAGO DISTRICT.

After being ill for two or three months, R.W. Bro. Thomas Sherlock Graham died at his residence in Dunedin on 3rd June, aged 80 years.

Born in Ireland, and educated at a collegiate school in the South of Ireland, he commenced his business experience as a clerk in the Provincial Bank. After several years' service in the City of Cork, he was appointed to the Union Bank of Australia, and came out to Melbourne in 1862. After some banking experience in Victoria, he was sent to Dunedin as an expert during the gold rush, when he joined the firm of Bing, Harris & Co., first as manager of the business, and subsequently as partner, and as such successfully conducted the business for many years. In 1879 R.W. Bro. Graham severed his connection with the firm, and joined Mr. R. A. Low in the old-established firm of Heymanson, Low & Co., wholesale boot and shoe importers; and on the closing up of that firm, about 1892, R.W. Bro. Graham undertook auditing and public accountancy work. He was chairman of the Chamber of Commerce for a time, and president of the Dunedin Cricket Club for many years. He filled at different times the offices of vice-president of the Dunedin Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, and trustee of the Benevolent Institution, and held office as secretary of the United Districts Charitable Aid Board and of the Hospital Board. He was secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for many years past. On the initiation of the Union Insurance (now Alliance) Company R.W. Bro. Graham was managing director in Dunedin. He interested himself in the Volunteer movement, and was captain of the Dunedin Irish Rifles for some time.

R.W. Bro. T. S. Graham was one of the leading members of English Freemasonry in New Zealand. In 1881 he succeeded Bro. John Hyde Harris as R.W.G.M. of Otago and Southland, E.C., and held that office with conspicuous ability up to the time of his decease (37 years). He was D.G.M. for the South Island of the Mark Degree, E.C. He was a P.M. of Lodge Shamrock, No. 448, I.C. (Dublin), also of Lodge St. Patrick, No. 468, I.C. (Dunedin), and a member of several private Lodges. Bro. Graham was an honorary member of Lodge St. Mary's Chapel, Edinburgh, No. 1; Past Prior of the Priory of Otago (Knights Templar); Past Sovereign of the Knights of Rome and of the Red Cross of Constantine; and P.Z. of the Otago R.A. Chapter, E.C. He was one of the founders of the Knight Template, also of the 18th or Hose Croix Degree and the Consistory of the 30th Degree in Dunedin. He was also a member of the Veterans Association of San Francisco, and held a 33 Degree under the Supreme Council of Scotland, the latter being the highest degree obtainable under Masonic ritual. Bro. Graham was one of the very few who held the right in New Zealand.

Bro. Graham was married in 1874 to a daughter of Mr. C. H. Kettle, who surveyed and laid out Dunedin. This lady died in 1876, leaving one daughter. In 1888 Mr. Graham married a daughter of Mr. Low, and had as issue of this marriage two sons and one daughter. Of the sons, Nevill is on active service, and Malcolm is attached to the Defence Staff at Oamaru. One of the daughters is Mrs. George Felth, of Adelaide; the other is Mrs. Percy Haggitt, of Christchurch.

THE FUNERAL.

The wide respect in which the late Bro. T. S. Graham was held was evinced on the 5th June, when a very large concourse of friends assembled at his late residence to pay a mark of respect to his memory. The funeral cortege was a very lengthy one, including prominent business and professional men, members of the City Council, retired citizens, and members of Masonic and

other bodies. The Anglican Church (of which the deceased had been a member for over 40 years) was strongly represented, also the Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Dunedin Cricket Club (of which he was president for 25 years), and the Dunedin Chamber of Commerce. The Masonic fraternity was represented by 400 members, with the following officers :— V.W. Bro. Scottowe Webb, D.D.G.M., with officers and members of the E.D.G.L. ; R.W. Bro. Thos. Ross, P.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark, P.G.M., R.W. Bro. R. Hawcridge, Prov.G.M., R.W. Bro. A. W. Flett, P.Prov.G.M., and other representatives of the G.L. of New Zealand; R.W. Bro. D. Cooke, D.G.M., with officers and members of the Dist.G.L., S.C. ; R.W. Bro. G. Scott, P.P.S.G.W., with officers and members of the Prov.G.L., I.C.; V.W. Bro. W. I. Bolam, P.D.D.G.M., representing the Dunedin G. Chapter of R.A. Masons of N.Z. South, E.C., and also representing R.W. Bro. C. Dillworth Fox, D.G., M.M. of N.Z. South, E.C., and the W.Ms. and brethren of Lodges under the various Constitutions. The pall-bearers were : Mr. Malcolm Graham (son), Mr. Seaward Cantrell (brother-in-law), V.W. Bro. J. Skottowe Webb, D.D.G.M., E.C., R.W. Bro. D. Cooke, D.G.M., S.C., R.W. Bro. A. W. Flett, P.P.G.M. N.Z.C., and R.W. Bro. G. Scott, P.P.S.G.W., I.C. The service at All Saints' Church and also at the grave was conducted by the Ven. Archdeacon Fitchett, and the Rev. P. B. Haggitt, of Christchurch. The Masonic service at the grave was conducted by Bros. Revs. R. E. Davies and Canon Small.

W. BRO. W. H. BUCKMAN.

By the death of W. Bro. W. H. Buckman, which took place on 29th May, Lodge Havelock has sustained a great loss. Our late brother was a sincere and earnest Freemason, and rendered valuable services to his Lodge. He was a P.M. and for years Sec., giving up the latter office only when compelled by failing health. His genial nature endeared him to all, and his death was felt as a personal loss.

In accordance with his expressed wishes, a Masonic funeral was accorded to our late brother. This took place on 31st May, and the large attendance showed the high esteem in which Bro. Buckman was held. The members of the Lodge headed the procession, and the funeral service, in accordance with Masonic rites, was conducted by R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills, Prov.G.M., assisted by W. Bro. Girling, P.C. Supt. of W. The proceedings throughout were most impressive. At the conclusion of the ceremony the brethren returned to the Lodgeroom, and the Lodge was closed.

A SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE SYMBOLISM OF THE P.M.'s JEWEL.

[A Paper read before the Wellington Installed Masters' Lodge by V.W.

Bro. H. B. BRIDGE, P.M., P.G.Lect., P.G.S.]

The jewel of the P.M. is the geometric design representative of the 47th Problem of the First Book of Euclid. As we in this Masonic territory, in common with all English Masons, now have it, it takes the form of a square in gold, silver, or silver-gilt, pendant to which is, fashioned of the same material as the case may be, a presentment of the 47th Problem of the First Book of Euclid. But the P.M.'s jewel of English Freemasons was not until of comparatively late years of this design. It was formerly a square, with the arms resting on a quadrant. The American P.M.'s jewel is a pair of compasses, the points of which rest on a quadrant marking off sixty degrees, and the legs enclosing a presentment of that great luminary, the aim, with its effulgent rays. Those privileged to know will perceive that this design causes the emblem to pass beyond the strict limits of Blue Masonry and trespass on the symbolism of the higher degrees. For this reason it is not favoured by English Freemasons. The P.M.'s jewel now in general use among English Masons, as also in this territory, is eminently satisfactory in that it confines its design and symbolism solely to Craft Masonry, with which it is alone concerned, and because, while the square marks the Master's rank, the 47th problem is very appropriately emblematical of that super-excellence in Masonic art, skill, and knowledge which should necessarily be the dominating characteristic of one holding a rank of such pre-eminence and importance as that of P.M.

As far as my researches have been able to be prosecuted, however, the explanations given by Masonic writers of the symbolism of this jewel have been singularly inadequate and inappropriate. In no instance have I found a definition of the jewel which could be termed "popular" in the sense of, by its simplicity and

readiness of application, directly appealing to the intelligence of the brethren as a whole. Further, this jewel, with its accompanying symbolism, should, as do all other symbols, contain a moral and a lesson, easy, when explained, of assimilation by the Brotherhood. Doubtless it does so; but, save in two instances, I have been unable to discover even an attempt to deduce and explain anything of the kind. The first of these two instances is an explanation of the jewel by Bro. Rev. Gibson, the well-known Masonic writer. It is so lengthy and laboured as to be of no avail for memorisation. The other instance occurs in the address to the I.P.M., as given in a publication entitled "The I.M.'s Guide." It is highly imaginative writing, very involved in its composition, and might just as well apply to other geometric designs as to the 47th problem. If the brethren can intelligently follow it throughout, and read into the presentment of the 47th problem all that is there stated, I must confess they achieve more than I have been able to do after many a trial and much thoughtful consideration.

Now, my object in submitting this paper before the Lodge is to proffer a suggestion of what seems to be both a more legitimate and also a more simple symbolism, as conveyed in this 47th problem presentment, in so far as it is concerned as the emblem of the P.M.; and in that connection it is necessary briefly to review the reason of the importance of the 47th problem and its association with Masonry. This problem sets out to demonstrate that, given a rectangular triangle, the square on the side subtending, or opposite to, the right angle is equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides. We are told that this was discovered by Pythagoras. This is incorrect. Pythagoras may have originated the above definition of the problem, but the geometric principle involved was known to the Egyptian priesthood considerably before Pythagoras's time; and, though Euclid included it as a problem in his first book, Euclid flourished some hundred years after Pythagoras. The value of this 47th problem is that it constitutes the basis of plane geometry, and therefore represents the whole science of geometry, which investigates the relations, property, and measurement of solids, surfaces, lines, and angles; and it was so used by the Egyptian priests in their great buildings, such as their stadiums and pyramids. There is little doubt that Pythagoras learnt the great secret from the Egyptians when he was studying amongst them. The method was the 3, 4, 5 triangle, it being so proportioned, for 3 square equals 9, 4 square equals 16, and 5 square equals 25, and 9 plus 16 equals 25. It was from this very easy, whether the measurements were in cubits or otherwise, to extend the measurement by other simple geometrical devices, based on the same formula, to obtain accurately the measurements necessary. It may be of interest to state that this 3, 4, 5 rectangular triangle was the symbol of the Egyptians of Osiris, Isis, and Horus-or the two producers and the product. The whole subject is a large one, and a most instructive paper might be written thereon, but obviously I have neither time nor space to expatiate upon it.

Our interest this evening in the 47th problem is that, in common with other Euclidian geometric designs, it has been associated with Masonry and with distinctive symbolism. I am informed that its first public association with Masonry was its presentment on the cover of a Masonic work published about the year 1720, when, probably arising out of the old Operative Masonic Lodges, Euclidian or Geometric Masonry had a great vogue. Now, in Euclidian Masonry that is, the school of Masonry which held that geometry was-Masonry, and its teacher was Euclid, who was said to have been himself a Mason, the triangle symbolises the E.A.; the square, the F.C.; and the circle the M.M. The First Book of Euclid deals with triangles, the Second with squares, and the Third with circles; and there you have the three craft degrees. You will notice that the square symbolises the craftsman. Mackey says that the 47th problem is worn by a P.M. as a jewel to show his ability as a Mason-that is, as a craftsman-meaning this, of course, in an operative sense, since the Operative M.M., or Master of an Operative Lodge, would, to be efficient, have to be well acquainted with the science of geometry. I would suggest, therefore, that the P.M.'s jewel, the presentment of the 47th problem, has in its conception and adoption an Operative Masonic reference, and symbolises that its possessor, by the rank attained, may be regarded as the perfect craftsman-the artisan who has entirely mastered his art and trade. But it is its Speculative symbolism which is of most interest, for in it is contained the moral and lesson which the mere denoting of the super-craftsman does not altogether convey. I submit that, with its three squares of different size and proportion, its rectangular triangle, without which the square could not be formed, and its various triangles made by lines joining the angles of the squares, and the essential circle (not shown in the problem), without which the rectangular triangle could not be discovered or the problem as a whole have existed, this 47th problem symbolises the executive administration of the Craft Lodge. Thus the large square represents the W.M., the next in size the S.W., and the smallest the J.W.; the rectangular triangle represents the originating upright and conscientious E.A., multiplied in the various other triangles representing the members of the Lodge of the same degree, from whom evolve the future craftsmen and, it may be, the future principal officers of the Lodge. The W.M., in power, dignity, and authority, is shown to be greater than either the S.W. or the J.W., but equal to them combined, should his absence place them in temporary control of the Lodge. Further, the problem indicates that the W.M. is Masonically useless

without a S.W. and a J.W.; that each is necessary to the other and to the Lodge for its perfect working ; also that, while the proportion of the squares designates the relative importance of their offices, nevertheless, as in the case of the W.M., the S.W. and the J.W. most also be true types of the super-craftsman — one who is master of his art, its skill and knowledge. Hence we derive this moral and lesson : That, as the rectangular triangle is the basis of the problem, it is only from the earnest, upright, and zealous E.A. that the subsequent master craftsman can be evolved, fitted to take his place in the 3, 4, 5 proportioned squares of the executive. Thus, to produce the best and most finished result, the Mason must begin to act and to learn from his earliest E.A. days with such conscientious earnestness and zeal as shall fit him for the possible great and important duties of his future positions in Masonry ; that only those who have proved their skill, their knowledge, and their zeal for the institution should be elected to the higher offices ; finally, that it is only by the co-operation of the finished product as found in the super-craftsman — the W.M., the S.W., and the J.W. — that an accurate measurement can be assured of the Masonic value of the Lodge in carrying out, for the benefit of the Craft in general, the divinely approved tenets and principles of our time-honoured institution.

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CRAFT LODGES.

SOUTHLAND.

Southern Cross, No. 9.—The 1918 installation meeting will long be remembered by members and the large number of visitors who were present. The special attraction was the visit of G.L. officers from Otago for the purpose of conducting the installation meeting. This matter had been organised by R.W. Bro. R. Hawcridge, Prov.G.M. of Otago, and it was, indeed, unfortunate that at the last moment he was prevented by illness from making the trip. However, his kindly greetings by letter and telegram, as well as his messages of regret, conveyed by his brother officers, were received and accepted in the best spirit. R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark, P.D.G.M., conducted the ceremony, and closely associated with him were R. W. Bro. T. Ross, P.D.G.M. ; W. Bro. A. Cheyne, G.B.B. ; W. Bro. W. Hay, G.S.B., and R.W. Bro. A. W. Flett, P.Prov.G.M. Besides these brethren from Otago there were on the dais : M.W. Bro. M. Thompson, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. A. le H. Boyles, Prov.G.M.; R.W. Bro. W. Smith, P.D.G.M. ; R.W. Bro. W. Timpany, P.Prov.G.M. R.W. Bro. F. A. Steans, P.Prov.G.M. ; and other G.L. officers and W. brethren. R.W. Bro. A. W. Flett, as D. of C., was mainly responsible for the very excellent and dignified working. The whole of the ceremony was splendidly rendered. The address to the W.M. was given by R.W. Bro. T. Ross, that to the Wardens by R.W. Bro. J. J. Clark, and the address to the brethren by R.W. Bro. A. W. Flett. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. J.

Lipscombe, J. Buchanan, and A. B. Edmonds. Bro. A. G. Kemp officiated as Organist. W. Bro. W. F. Irvine was duly installed as W.M., and the officers invested were : S.W., Bro. L. L. Padget ; ; J.W., Bro. H. J. Farrant ; S.D., Bro. B. J. Glancefield ; J.D., Bro. F. R. Padget ; Chaplain, R.W. Bro. F. A. Steans; Treas., W. Bro. E. B. Pitcher; Sec., W. Bro. C. H. Roberts; D. of C., W. Bro. H. D. Lowry ; I.G., Bro. C. Hawthorne : Tyler, W. Bro. J. Walker ; Ss., Bros. R. S. Cutfield, G. H. Brown, and J. M. Davies. At the conclusion of the ceremony a light banquet was held in the social hall, and was most enjoyable. The toast of the "Installing Master" was humorously proposed by R.W. Bro. W. Smith, and was responded to by each of the brethren from Otago, some very interesting information being conveyed in the excellent speeches of the visitors. "Our Brethren at the Front " was proposed by R.W. Bro. Hoyles. The harmony of the evening was contributed by W. Bros. A. Cheyne and I. Copeland, and Bros. Aldridge, Storrie, McCrostie, Watson, Alsweiler, and Hall-Jones.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Fortitude, No. 64.—W. Bro. R. C. Skipage was installed as W.M. of the Lodge on 12th June, before a large attendance of members and visitors. The Prov.G.M. (R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles) was Installing Master, whilst the duties of D. of C. were in the capable hands of W. Bro. W. R. Rusden. G. L. officers who assisted were : R.W. Bro. W. Smith, P.D.G.M. ; R.W. Bro. T. M. Rankin, P.Prov.G.M. ; R.W. Bro. F. A. Steans, P.Prov. G.M. ; R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany, P.Prov.G.M. The W.Ts. of the degrees were presented by W. Bros. W. D. C. Clark, W. F. Irvine, and J. Buchanan. The Wardens (Bros. R. C. Harbord and G. Steel) were invested by R.W. Bro. Timpany and addressed by R.W. Bro. Rankin ; the W.M. was addressed by R.W. Bro. Hoyles; and the brethren by R.W. Bro. Smith. Other officers invested were : Chaplain, W. Bro. J. C. Imlay ; Organist, Bro. J. H. Watson ; Sec., W. Bro. E. Parker : D. of C., W. Bro. W. R. Rusden ; S.D., Bro. G. J. Jory; J.D., Bro. W. Campbell; I.G., Bro. C. E. Giles; Tyler, Bite. W. Knowles; Ss., Bros. J. P. Svendsen and T. H. Lee. Bro. A. Sutherland was Trumpeter. The Invercargill Lodges were well represented, the W.M. of Lodge Southern Cross having the largest following. H.G.W. were received from quite a number of Lodges. Lodge Fortitude followed its usual custom of entertainment—viz. a social dance. The social dance was a splendid affair. Lady relatives and friends of the brethren had been busy preparing, and when dancing commenced there was absolutely nothing lacking. Altogether the installation meeting and social entertainment were full recompense for those brethren who had travelled long distances, and, without exception, every brother received his just due.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. John, No. 94.—This exceptionally fine meeting took place on 17th May, proceedings commencing at 6.45 p.m. After the admission of visitors the, Prov.G.M. and G.L. officers were received. R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles addressed the W.M.-elect. The Ancient Charges were read by W. Bro. J. M. Aitken. The B. of I.M. was then formed, and Bro. J. S. Lipscombe was installed W.M. of the Lodge. Then followed the Proclamations.

The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. W. D. C. Clark (Lodge Orepuki), W. Bro. A. Clapp (Lodge Wairaki) and W. Bro. A. G. Clark (Lodge Harvey). The presentation of the Charter, etc., and the address to the W.M. were undertaken by the Installing Master. The investiture of officers was also well and carefully distributed. Bro. Jas. Manson, S.W., and Bro. Robt. Hyslop, J.W., were invested by R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany, and addressed by R.W. Bro. Wm. Smith. Bro. E. Jackson, Chaplain, W. Bro. W. Robison, D. of C., and Bro. J. H. Aldridge, Organist, were each invested by W. Bro. E. Parker (Lodge Fortitude); the Treas. (R.W. Bro. T. M. Rankin) and the Sec. (W. Bro. F. Butterfield), by W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt (Lodge Waihopai) ; the S.D. (Bro. J. R. Fraser), J.D. (Bro. C. W. Wilson), I.G. (Bro. W. W. Murray), and Tyler (AV. Bro. Jas. Walker), by W. Bro. W. R. Rusden (Lodge Fortitude); Ss. (Bros. J. Stevenson, D. L. McLean, and W. C. Lawson), by W. Bro. A. Jones (Lodge Mokoreta). M.W. Bro. M. Thompson, P.G.M., addressed the brethren ; the W.M. replied. H.G.W. were received on behalf of G.L., and the Prov.G.M. retired. Thereafter H.G.W. were received from representatives of Lodges numerous present, and the Lodge was closed. The installation and investiture reflects the greatest credit on W. Bro. J. O. Clapp, D. of C. The after-meeting was most successful and enjoyable. W. Bro. Lipscombe was, pardonably proud and pleased, and made an excellent reply to the toast of his health. R.W. Bro. Rankin was especially fine in proposing the toast of "Brethren at the Front." All the speeches were good, likewise the harmony, and the installation of W. Bro. Lipscombe will long be remembered as one of the good things of the past.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Taringatura, No. 100.—At the regular meeting, held on 22nd April, sincere regret was expressed by the brethren to our much-respected Chaplain, Rev. Bro. D. K. Fisher, in his sad loss of another son, who lost his

life in France. A motion of sympathy was adopted, the brethren standing in silence. The Chaplain, Bro. D. K. Fisher, suitably acknowledged the expression of sympathy. The W.M. congratulated Bro. Johnson, P.M., on his being present again after having recovered from a very serious illness, and felt assured that all the brethren were pleased to have him back, and hoped that he would be soon fully restored to his usual state of good health. Bro. Johnson, P.M., thanked the W.M. for his very kind remarks, also for the many kind visits made by himself, officers, and brethren of the Lodge to the hospital during a long, serious illness ; also for the many kind enquiries made from time to time, which helped very considerably in cheering him up. Bro. Johnson also stated that he had visits from all the W.Ms. of the town Lodges, also many visits from P.Ms. and brethren of various Lodges, which was very cheering, Bro. Johnson remarking that he was not aware that he was held in such high esteem by the Craft, and wishing to thank all those brethren, through the CRAFTSMAN, for their many kind visits. Bro. Johnson, P.M., expressed his pleasure to the Lodge at having among them that evening a highly respected P.M. in the person of W. Bro. H. J. Riddell, an old member of Lodge Taringatura. Bro. Riddell, P.M., suitably replied, saying that he was pleased to make a visit to his mother Lodge. The Lodge was closed at 9 p.m.

At the regular meeting, held on 27th May, one brother applied for his demit. Letters from four brethren at the front were read. One brother (Bro. Wm. Chartres), since his letter reached us, has been reported missing. Very much regret is expressed by the brethren. Another brother (Bro. R. F. Hayles) is suffering from a gas attack. The other two brethren, according to their letters, were in good heart, health, and strength at their time of writing. A N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association pamphlet of a conference held in London was read, the W.M. explaining to the brethren the object of the Association. Several accounts were passed for payment. The acting-Sec. was instructed to write to the Sec. of the G.L. Reception Committee, Invercargill, for a refund of the money voted last year, which was not used. The ballot was taken for affiliation for a brother, also for a joining member, both ballots being satisfactory. The W.M. reported very fully on his visit to Wellington to attend the G.L. installation, informing the brethren of the business transacted. A vote of thanks was given to the W.M. for his able report. Three candidates were proposed for admission. The Lodge was closed at 9 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Victoria, No. 147.—The installation meeting was more than usually successful. There was a splendid attendance. A car-load of visitors came from Wyndham, and there were also brethren from Bluff and Orepuki. R.W. Bro. A. le H. Hoyles, Prov.G.M., was Installing Master, being assisted by G.L. officers. W. Bro. A. J. Geddes acted as D. of C. Bro. A. J. Storrie filled the position of Trumpeter. Bro. P. B. Macdonald was obligated and installed as W.M. The address to the W.M.-elect was delivered by the Prov.G.M., that to the Wardens by R.W. Bro. W. Smith, and to the brethren by R.W. Bro. W. Timpany. The Wardens were invested by R.W. Bro. T. M. Rankin, the Sec. and Organist by W. Bro. J. M. Aitken, the Deacons and D. of C. by W. Bro. W. A. Stout, the Tyler and Ss. by W. Bro. R. N. Todd. The officers for the year are : S.W., Bro. A. Greig; J.W., Bro. A. Derbies Treas., R.W. Bro. N. J. M. Rein ; Sec., W. Bro. N. J. Brokenshire ; Chaplain, W. Bro. J. K. Jameson; ; S.D., Bro. W. Fraser ; J.D., Bro. H. H. Geddes ; D. of C., W. Bro. A. D. Wilson ; Organist, Bro. D. Kingsland; I.G. Bro. T. W. Denton; Tyler, W. Bro. J. Walker; Ss., Bros. C. Ellis, A. A. Geddes, R. Buchanan. A feature of the evening was the hymn for brethren on active service. The brethren afterwards adjourned to the refectory, and a most harmonious couple of hours was spent. W. Bro. Brokenshire sang the special hymn (appearing elsewhere), and a collection was taken up, resulting in £6 8s. 3d. being subscribed for the hutment fund.—[Lodge Correspondent.] [We regret having to curtail above report, but if we reported all installation speeches and details of the festive board, 100 pages would be required.—ED. C.]

Waihopai, No. 189.—W. Bro. A. B. Edmonds was installed as W.M. on 20th May. The Lodgeroom was well filled with members and visitors. Bro. A. Sutherland capably filled the office of Trumpeter, and W. Bro. A. B. Haggitt that of D. of C. The Installing Master (R.W. Bro. Hoyles) and G.L. officers were received with honours. The address was delivered by the Installing Master, and the Ancient Charges by W. Bro. A. McNeil. A B. of I.M. having been formed, Bro. Edmonds was duly installed. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. Copeland, Lipscombe, and Buchanan. The W.M. was addressed by the Installing Master. The officers invested were : Bro. Thos. Bird (S.W.) and Bro. J. T. Conner (J.W.), invested and addressed by R.W. Bro. Wm. Timpany ; Bro. W. Bird (Chaplain), W. Bro. A. McNeil (Treas.), and Bro. C. J. Hewlett (Sec.), invested by W. Bro. W. R. Rusden ; Bro. R. W. Thompson (S.D.) and Bro. J. S. Anchor (J.D.), invested by M.W. Bro. M. Thompson; W. Bro. R. N. Todd (D. of C.) and Bro. A. G. Kemp (Organist) invested by W. Bro. I. Copeland; Bro. J. C. McLachlan (I.G.), Bro. F. Webb (Tyler), and Bros. Newman, Andrews, Menzies,

and Brandford (Ss.), invested by W. Bro. H. F. Drewe. The address to the brethren was delivered by R.W. Bro. Wm. Smith. W. Bro. A. B. Edmonds, in replying, thanked one and all for their presence and assistance. After G.L. had retired, H.G.W. were received, and the Lodge closed at 9.40 p.m. An adjournment was then made to the Parish Hall, where full justice was done to an ample supper provided. The usual toasts were honoured, interspersed with musical and elocutionary items.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

OTAGO.

Dunstan, No. 103.—The good wishes expressed at the installation meeting to W. Bro. Davidson seem likely to be fulfilled, the regular meetings being well attended and plenty of work in sight, and all the officers eager for work, even to Bro. Sec., who came but of his shell at Becks, this occasion being a raising of a Lodge St. Bathans brother by Lodge Dunstan. The W.M., accompanied by two full car-loads, paid the first official visit this Lodge has made to the sister Lodge, reaching Becks in time for a capital dinner, provided by host W. Bro. R. Mee ; and after doing justice to this, especially the S.D., who is always complaining of dental troubles, the Lodgeroom was sought, Lodge Dunstan taking over and working the Scotch Alternative Third, which was very instructive to the local brethren, as they work the ordinary. W. Bro. Davidson obligated and gave the T.H. ; Bro. Bringans, S.W. (Exhort.); Bro. McInnis (Light).; W. Bro. Menzies, D. of C. (Secrets.); W. Bro. Holden(W.Ts.) ; and Bro. Sec. Stevens (the Final Charge) — a most enjoyable evening in every way. The degree work went off perfectly, as could easily be seen by the pleased expression on the W.M.'s face. Another hour was spent among the good things provided by the St. Bathans brethren, interspersed with song and story. Both delegates to G.L. were present, and gave an account of the doings of that august body. I see in the last CRAFTSMAN where our delegate has been making speeches at Lodge meetings in Christchurch; he did not tell us that, but "your own" reads the CRAFTSMAN pretty well. The enjoyment of the Becks trip was added to by Bro. McArthur 's providing car fare, which made the sixty-mile trip a very cheap one. Bro. Sec. got a great hearing after doing no floor work for years, as he came out as I.G., gave a charge, proposed a toast, and sang two songs—a good night out. Constant chipping wears away the stone, so constant good work sells the CRAFTSMAN—three new subscribers this month. The brother who does not read it loses his best chance of keeping himself posted up in all matters Masonic.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

CANTERBURY.

St. Augustine, No. 4.—The monthly meeting was held in the Christchurch Masonic Hall on 11th June, the ceremony being initiation. W. Bro. Redpath, W.M., was assisted by W. Bro. Hollow (Lodge Crown, No. 138), Charge after Initiation ; W. Bro. McGregor B. Wright-, P.G.B.B. (the proposer of the candidate), N.E. Charge; W. Bro. Nicholas (Lodge Concord, No. 39), W.Ts. ; and Bro. C. H. Duff, Charge after Initiation. W. Bro. Redpath made a concise and pithy report of his visit as delegate to G.L. communication, in the course of which he voiced a protest against brethren going on active service being asked to surrender their G.L. certificates before receiving the war certificate suggested. The Finance Committee's report, which contained much debatable matter, was ordered to be circularised to brethren, with a view of a full discussion at the July meeting. It was resolved to make the Lodge an associate member of the Masters' and P.Ms.' Lodge, No. 130, and United Masters' Lodge, No. 167. Two propositions for membership were received. W. Bro. G. F. Whiteside drew the W. M. 's attention to the report in the "American Freemason" of an addition to the ceremonial work, where, before closing the Lodge, special reference is made and prayer offered for those brethren " on active service," and suggested that this innovation was more worthy of a place than much of the extraneous ceremonial now apparently accepted as part of the work. The W.M. thanked W. Bro. Whiteside, and stated he would give the idea serious consideration, and pointed out that if the M.W.G.M. issued an instruction to Lodges a uniform ceremonial would be the result. The usual hour in the refectory passed all too quickly. The assistant-Ss. had for the evening given the veteran S.S. (Bro. S. Smith) a night off, and their essay was worthy of their tutor. R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham, Prov.G.M., added to the pleasure of the usual programme of music, song, and story one of his happy and instructive lecturettes.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Concord, No. 39.—The installation ceremony at Lodge Concord, No. 39, is one of the most pleasurable events of the Masonic year in Christchurch, and this year's function, which took place in the Masonic Hall, Papanui, on 22nd May, was no exception to the rule. The seating capacity of the Lodgeroom was taxed to the utmost, and the gathering was thoroughly representative of G.L., Prov.G.L., and the city and country Craft Lodges, whilst there was also present a number of visiting brethren from overseas Lodges. The ceremony of installing the W.M.-elect (Bro. Arthur James Nicholas) was carried out in an impressive manner by V.W.

Bro. Kenneth Mackenzie, Dep.Prov.G.M. of Canterbury, assisted by officers of Prov.G.L. The presentation of the W.Ts. was made as follows : I.Ms.' Lodge, W. Bro. J. J. Heasley, P.Prov.G.Sd.B. ; in the other degrees—W. Bros. C. P. Agar (Lodge Lincoln), D. Redpath (Lodge St. Augustine), H. G. Bailey (Conyers Lodge, E.C.). The address to the W.M. was given by R.W. Bro. C. J. Ronaldson, P.Prov.G.M. ; the Wardens were invested by V.W. Bro. Rev. A. H. Julius, G. Chaplain, and the officers by V.W. Bro. D. Manson, G.D. of C.. the address to the brethren being given by R.W. Bro. Clifton Bingham, P.Prov.G.M. The usual appeal on behalf of the Annuity Fund was made by W. Bro. J. E. Hood, Pres. Prov.B. of B., and resulted in a satisfactory donation to the fund. A solo by Bro. E. T. Lawn, of Civic Lodge, added materially to the musical portion of the ceremony. The subsequent proceedings in the refectory also taxed the seating capacity to the utmost, and the proceedings were of a most enthusiastic nature. Following is the list of officers : W.M., W. Bro. A. J. Nicholas ; S.W., Bro. J. W. Beanland; J. W., Bro. G. F. Drury ; Chaplain, W. Bro. J. N. Du Feu; Treas., W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs ; Sec., W. Bro. R. Baldwin ; S.D., Bro. J. M. Gow; J.D., Bro. G. Snoad ; Organist, Bro. L. E. Strachan ; D. of C., Bro. H. W. Giddings ; Bro. G. P. Turner ; Ss., Bros. A. P. Nicholls, F. H. Chester, C. B. Higgs; W. Beaumont, C. S. Thompson, and 'T. Taylor ; Tyler, Bro. R. A. Patrick ; Preceptor, W. Bro. H. S. Wilson.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Methven, No. 51.—The regular meeting was held one week earlier, on 15th May. There was a very large gathering, the occasion being the installation of Bro. J. F. Stone, J.W, as W.M. V.W. Bro. Bishop, assisted by the P. Prov. G.L., conducted the ceremony, the gavel being handed to him by W. Bro. H. H. Pawson. The music was ably rendered by the Organist, W. Bro. J. Carr. The working of the installation ceremony was ably carried out, and, after placing W. Bro. J. F. Stone in the chair, congratulations were given by several Lodges, including Erewhon, Amuri, Ashburton, and Canterbury. There was a war-time banquet held in one of the chief halls of Methven, to which a hearty invitation was given to the visitors. The musical portion of the evening was carried out in a mummer not often afforded to country Lodges. We were honoured by Christchurch's Masonic choir ; and the songs, duets, and choruses rendered delighted not only our new W.M., but all who had assembled to do him honour. V.W. Bro. Bishop is a happy man to be able to collect such a force and such quality for a motor journey of sixty-four miles. We were also favoured by a stirring address, and one of warning, by V.W. Bro. Rev. A. H. Julius, G. Chaplain. —[Lodge Correspondent.]

Christchurch, No. 91.—The monthly meeting was held in the Masonic Hall on 28th May, W. Bro. D. Sheffield, W.M., presiding over a good attendance of members. The report of the representative to G.L. annual conference was received, and a vote of thanks passed to him. The ritual work consisted of an initiation, the W.M. obligating the candidate. The Secrets were communicated by W. Bro. R. Torrance, P.M.; the Charge in the N.E. was delivered by W. Bro. A. Hobbs, P.P.G.W. ; the Charge after Investiture by W. Bro. Dr. Turnbull (W.M., Lodge Rotherham); the W.Ts. were explained by W. Bro. Scott (W.M., Lodge Avon); the Final Charge being delivered by R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham, P.P.G.M. The Lodge having been closed, a pleasant hour was spent in the refectory by members and visitors.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Mackenzie, No. 93.—The regular meeting, held on 23rd May, will long be remembered by the brethren as one of the most pleasant attended by them for some time. The-W.4 (W. Bro. W. J. Smith) announced that the P.Ms. of the Lodge had agreed to undertake the ceremonial work, and he accordingly handed the gavel to W. Bro. Saunders, who appointed his officers as follows : W. Bro. Caskey ; S.W., W. Bro. McLean ; J.W., W. Bro. Munro ; Chaplain, W. Bro. Trotter; S.D., W. Bro. Talbot; J.D., W. Bro. Halstead; D. of C., W. Bro. Macdonald ; Organist, W. Bro. Isitt; I.G., W. Bro. Piper. The work was the raising of three brethren, and W. Bro. Saunders and his P.M. officers gave a very fine rendering of the degree' specially interesting feature being the lecture on the 3rd T.B. by W. Bro. Talbot. W. Bro. Saunders thanked W. Bro. Smith, W.M., for the opportunity given to them to work a degree. W. Bro. Smith expressed the Lodge's pleasure at having so enthusiastic a band of P.Ms., who, instead of " rusting," could come forward at comparatively short notice and work an excellent Third. The three newly raised brethren were presented with the Vs.S.L. upon which they had been obligated. H.G.W. were tendered by visitors, and the Lodge closed in due form. A short-, but pleasant, time in the refectory brought a successful evening to a close.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

St. Augustine, No. 99.—The now annual function, the working of the Third Degree by the P.Ms. of the Lodge, took place on 22nd May. This ceremony is now worked according to rota, and this year the duties of the W.M. fell to the lot of W. Bro. A. J. Hoskins, who was supported by the following P.Ms. in the various

chairs : S.W., W. Bro. Garland ; J.W., W. Bro. Shackleton ; Chaplain, W. Bro. Lee ; S.D., W. Bro. D. A. Fulton; J.D., W. Bro. Thos. Manchester ; I.G., W. Bro. Jas. Manchester ; D. of C., W. Bro. Colville ; Organist, W. Bro. J. Menzies. The P.Ms. were received as a visiting Lodge. W. Bro. Bateman handed the gavel to W. Bro. Hoskins, and requested him and the P.Ms. to work the Third Degree. W. Bro. Hoskins having assumed the chair, two brethren were examined as to their proficiency. The work of raising was carried out with due form and solemnity by the W. brethren. The most striking feature in the ceremony was the exceedingly impressive manner in which W. Bro. Dyer rendered the emblems. Never has the writer heard them so feelingly rendered. It was a lesson to all who heard him. W. Bro. Hoskins, on behalf of the P.Ms., thanked Bro. Bateman for affording them the privilege of working the degree, and the officers of the Lodge resumed their chairs. The business following embraced the report of our representative (Bro. Jas. Manchester, I.P.M.) on the proceedings of the recent meeting of G.L.; one proposal to join and one to affiliate ; votes of condolence with Bros. Fitch, L.G., and W. Bro. Hoskins, Sec., who have each lost a brother in the recent fighting in France ; and one of sympathy and best wishes for recovery to Bro. Atwill (the "Admiral") in his present illness. Bro. Allan Shackleton (at the front), *per* his father, tendered H.G.W. It is most pleasing to record that there was a most notable attendance of the brethren of the Lodge, as fifty-eight signed the appearance book. H.G.W. were tendered by representatives of Lodges 134, 137, and 197; and 1137, 1916, and 1210, E.C. A very enjoyable time was afterwards spent in the refectory.

On Wednesday, 29th May, an emergency meeting for the purpose of passing three brethren was held, the work being 'distributed as follows: Ob., W.M. (Bro. Bateman); S.E. Charge, W. Bro. Menzies, P.M. ; Secrets, W. Bro. Fulton, ; W.Ts., Bro. C. Manchester, J.W. ; and Final Charge, W. Bro. Colville, D. of C.—[H.G.W., Mr. Editor, and long may your pen flow (Menzies Scripta).]—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Civic Lodge, No. 157.—The Lodge was specially favoured and honoured at its last meeting, held on Tuesday, 4th June, in receiving an official visit from M.W. Bro. Hon. Mr. Justice Herdman, G.M., who took the opportunity of paying his first official visit to the Freemasons of Canterbury. There was a very large attendance of brethren, most of the city Lodges being represented in large numbers. The G.M. was accompanied by M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, G.Sec., and a large following of G.L. officers. R.W. Bro. S. C. Bingham, P.Prov.G.M., representing Prov.G.L., was also attended by a large number of Prov.G.L. officers. It is worthy of special note that on the dais were the G.M. and two P.G.Ms. (M.W. Bros. J. J. Dougall and M. Niccol), which must be a rather unusual and rare occurrence at an ordinary Lodge meeting. W. Bro. L. Maffey, W.M., on behalf of his own Lodge and the Freemasons of Canterbury, heartily welcomed the G.M., and expressed the honour and pleasure he felt at being W.M. of Lodge Civic on such an occasion. In the course of his reply, M.W. Bro. Herdman laid great emphasis on the soundness and purity of the foundations and principles upon which Freemasonry was built, and stated that, by the beauty and purity of its principles and teachings and the character of its members (each brother being subject to a -rigid test of character before his admission), Freemasonry was, and would ever continue to be, a great influence for good in the community. Added interest was given to the meeting in the fact that the foundation members of Lodge Civic were present to work the Third Degree. The W.M. welcomed M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, who was the first W.M. of Lodge Civic, and the foundation members; and the officers were escorted to their several chairs as follows : W.M., M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, P.G.M. ; S.W., W. Bro. W. Brock, P.Prov.G.D. of C.; J.W., W. Bro. H. R. Smith ; S.D., W. Bro. A. S. Bruce, P.G.O. ; J.D., W. Bro. F. Steans ; D. of C. W. Bro. W. Bottrell, I.P.M. ; Organist, Bro. A. M. Owen ; I.G., Bro. A. J. Symons, P.S.W. The ceremony of raising was then conducted, and a brother was obligated by M.W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, P.G.M., The Exhort. was delivered by R.W. Bro. S. C. Bringham, P.Prov.G.M., who also imparted the Secrets. The Charge after Investiture was given by W. Bro. E. Nordon, P.G.P. An adjournment was made to the refectory, which had been nicely arranged and decorated for the occasion, and a splendid supper provided by the Civic brethren. -The principal toasts were the " G.M.," the "G.Sec.," and the 10 o'clock toast. The M.W.G.M. impressed everyone with his fitness and ability, and responded to his toast in a most interesting and able manner. That pattern of Lodge Secs. (M.W. Bro. M. Niccol, G.Sec.) received a very warm and hearty welcome. He carries his years wonderfully, looking as fit as ever, and he delighted everyone with his bright and cheery remarks. Vocal items were contributed during the evening by) Bros. Sidney Williamson, Mel. Orchard, and A. L. Cropp, Bro. Dr. F. A'Court acting as accompanist. A most enjoyable and successful meeting was terminated at 11 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Amuri, No. 184.—The regular meeting was held on 24th May, W. Bro D. W. Hunter, I.P.M., presiding over a good attendance. The ceremonial was raising. W. Bro. Hunter obligated, raised and addressed the brother

on the emblems; Bro. C. E. Derrett invested and presented the W.Ts. ; the Address after Investiture was given by Bro. P. R. Dunbar; W. Bro. Munro gave the T.H. ; the further Secrets being given by W. Bro. Hunter ; the Final Charge was given by Bro. H. R. Davison, J.W. The usual time was spent in the " Fourth."

An invitation by Lodge Amberly, No. 2007, E.C., to visit and conduct the ceremony of raising on 27th May was availed of by ten members. W. Bro. Hunter, being in the chair, obligated, raised, and explained the Emblems to the candidate ; Bro. C.E.Derrett, S.W., invested and presented the W.Ts. ; the Address after Investiture was given by Bro. P. R. Dunbar ; W. Bro. Munro gave the T.H. : the further Secrets being communicated by W. Bro. Jackson (Lodge Amberly); the Final Charge being given by Bro. H. R. Davison. Amberly's usual "Fourth," which is well known, was enlivened with song and story. Amuri members left for home at midnight, arriving safely, being braced with a keen wind and white frost, the season being too far advanced to make the trip as pleasurable as desired.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Avon, No. 185.—The last regular meeting was held 6th June, when the Lodge, was opened by the W.M. (W. Bro. W. E. Scott). Reference was made to the death of Bro. W. H. Arrow, J.D., the Lodge being in mourning for this meeting. After the usual business, W.M. handed the gavel to W. Bro. W. G. Cookson, and the P.Ms. of the Lodge worked the Third Degree. The Lodge was officered as follows : Acting-W.M., W. Bro. W. C. Cookson; I.P.M., W. Bro. F. M. Collins ; S.W., W. Bro. S. P. Smith; J.W., W. Bro. Dr. T. L. Cooke; S.D., W. Bro. N. Wood; J.D., W. Bro. D. Main ; I.G., W. Bro. J. R. Buchanan ; D.C., W. Bro. L. B. Hart. Two candidates were raised to Third Degree, and the acting-W.M. (W. Bro. Cookson) gave the Ob. and Exhort. The raising was done by W. Bro. J. E. Hood, assisted by W.M. (W. Bro. W. E. Scott); W. Bro. H. Owen, 12th Eccles. ; and the acting W.M. communicated the Signs and Secrets. Bro. A. L. Cropp sang "Thou art Passing Hence, my Brother," in memory of our late Bro. Arrow. After being invested by the S.W., the candidates were addressed by W. Bro. Myrhre, the T.H. by W. Bro. S. P. Smith and W. Bro. Owen. The further Signs and Secrets were explained by acting-W.M. ; W. Bro. Chrystall presented the W.T. ; and the Final Charge was delivered by Bro. F. M. Collins. The W.M. (Wor. Bro. W. E. Scott) presented the V.S.L. After prayers were offered for our brethren at the front, the Lodge was then closed. The brethren then adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant hour was spent.

An emergency meeting Was also held 10th June, when two candidates were raised to the Third Degree by the W.M. (W. Bro. W. E. Scott), assisted by W. Bro. L. B. Hart, I.P.M. The Address after Investiture was given by W. Bro. Conell (W.M., Lodge Unanimity); the T.H. by W. Bro. Cookson ; further Signs and Secrets by W. Bro. Nordon ; the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. J. L. Danks (W.M., Lodge Canterbury) ; and the Final Charge was then given by W. Bro. A. H. Hobbs (Lodge Concord). W. Bro. F. M. Collins presented the V.S.L. The meeting then adjourned to the refectory, where a pleasant hour was spent.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON.

Victory, No. 40.— The annual installation took place on 23rd May at the Masonic Hall. There was a large gathering of brethren, including visitors from all parts of the district, all Lodges being represented, and 36 P.Ms. attended. The ceremony of installing Bro. C. M. Whelan as W.M. was conducted by R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills (Prov.G.M. of Nelson and Marlborough), assisted by R.W. Bro W. Noyes, W. Bros. R. P. Furness, J. M. Lightfoot, W. H. Short, and T. D. Milne. W. Bro. J. L. Ching acted as D. of C., and Bro. H. S. Claughton as Organist and Choir Master. The following is a full list of officers for the ensuing year :—W.M., W. Bro. C. M. Whelan ; I.P.M., W. Bro. H. P. Stevenson ; S.W., Bro. L. Reynolds ; J. W., Bro. A. G. Shrimpton ; Treas., R.W. Bro. W. Moyes ; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles ; S.D., Bro. H. H. Edwards ; J.D., Bro. G. J. Robertson; D. of C., W. Bro. J. L. Ching; Chaplain, W. Bro. W. H. Short; Organist, Bro. H. S. Claughton; I.G., Bro. G. A. Edmonds; S.S., Bro. A. E. Davies ; J.S., Bro. J. Morgan; Assist.-Ss., Bros. H. Collins, L. M. Estcourt, T. Houlker, A. Sievwright ; Tyler, Bro. C. W. Moore ; Auditors, Bros. W. C. Hyde and C. G. M. Boyce. A collection was made on behalf of the Annuity Fund and amounted to £10 5s. 9d. The W.M. gave a splendid address. Fifteen telegrams of congratulation were read, and representatives of Lodges tendered greetings. At the conclusion of the ceremony several loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. In addition to those mentioned above, the following W. brethren took part in the installation acting -G. officers :—S.W., W. Bro. T. Eastcott ; J.W., Bro. B. H. Moller ; S.D., Bro. C. B. Harton ; J.D., Bro. H. A. Hobbs ; Ss., Bros. A. E. Cresswell and T. D. Milne; and S.B., Bro. R. W. Stiles. During the evening the Prov.G.M., on behalf of Lodge Victory, presented W. Bro. Stiles, who has been Sec. of the Lodge for a number of years, with a beautiful solid gold Sec.'s jewel, and a silver entree dish for Mrs. Stiles. The P.G.M. congratulated the Lodge

on having at its disposal the services of so capable and energetic a Sec. The recipient of the pleasant "surprise packet " made grateful acknowledgement of the Lodge's considerate token of goodwill. The following is the Lodge's roll of honour :—Bro. Staff Sergt. P. C. McLaren. Main Body ; Bro. Corpl. J. S. Nelson, Main Body ; W. Bro. Major James Houlker, 3rd Reinforcements (died of wounds) ; Bro. Pte. V. J. Blake-Huffam, 5th Reinforcements; Bro. Gnr. J. M. Burlinson, Australian Reinforcements ; W. Bro. Sergt. A. E. Hedges, 26th Reinforcements (died of wounds); Bro. Lieut. J. V. Roebuck, 32nd Field Artillery, Perth ; Bro. Capt. W. D. Stoney Johnston, 33rd Reinforcements. In addition to the above thirteen others have been called up.

The first working of this Lodge under the newly-installed Master (Bro. C. M. Whelan) took place on 13th June, when forty-two braved the wretched wet night to assist in the ceremony of "passing" three candidates. W. Bro. Hobbs gave the Secrets, W. Bro. Short the S.E. Corner Address, and R. W. Bro. Moyes the Final Charge. The annual balance-sheet was presented, showing the Lodge to be in a good financial condition. The report, which followed the balance-sheet, was ordered to be forwarded to THE CRAFTSMAN, to indicate the volume of work performed during W. Bro. Stephenson's year. One candidate for affiliation was accepted, and four others received an "all clear " for initiation. It was reported that the Grand Master intended to pay an official visit to the Lodge on 21st June, and arrangements were made that all Lodges on the Nelson side should take part in the reception. Three further candidates applied for affiliation and two for membership.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

HAWKES BAY.

Scinde, No. 5.—The regular meeting was held on 21st May, the W.M. (W. Bro. Bowes) presiding. The W.M. called on W. Bro. Freedman to give the Lecture on the 1st T.B. W. Bro. Freedman responded in his very best style, his efforts being followed by the large gathering of brethren present with keen enjoyment and the closest attention. The W.M. then proceeded with the election of officers. There being more than one nomination for two offices, ballots were taken, resulting in Bro. R. V. C. Harris being elected as J.W. and Bro. H. E. K. Bourgeois as J.D. The remaining business being of the ordinary character, the Lodge was then closed, and an adjournment made to the refectory. Later W. Bro. Bishop recalled many interesting incidents and happenings in connection with the history of Lodge Scinde, and drew from statistics prepared by him many peculiar, if somewhat unreliable, comparisons, relating to attendances at ordinary and annual meetings extending over a number of years, to which the brethren listened with interest and pleasure. The usual toasts having been honoured, the Tyler's toast concluded an excellent meeting and the largest gathering of the year.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Victoria, No. 21.—The installation meeting was held on 5th June, when there was a record attendance of brethren and visitors. The presiding officer was R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov.G.M. of Hawkes Bay, who was assisted by the following acting-G.L. officers : G.S.W., W. Bro. R. S. Chadwick, P.G.S.B. ; G.J.W., W. Bro. J. A. Miller ; G.S.B., W. Bro. Z. Wright ; G.S.D., W. Bro. W. H. Hobin, G.B.B.; G.J.D., W. Bro. D. Wilson, G.S. ; G.I.G., W.B. W. A. Carter, P.G.S.D. W. Bro. C. H. Critchley filled the office of D. of C. with great credit. A prominent feature of the installation ceremony was that all the acting-G.L. officers were outside of Napier, some of them having travelled over seventy miles to, assist. This speaks well for our up-country brethren and their personal sacrifices. The Installing Master addressed the W.M.- elect. The Ancient Charges were read by W. Bro. Jas. Redshaw. A B. of I.M. was opened, and Bro. W. G. Jarvis was installed in the Chair of K.S. The W.Ts. of an I.M. were presented by W. Bro. W. H. Hobin, G.B.B. After the usual proclamations the W.Ts. were presented by W. Bro. R. Bishop. (Lodge Scinde), W. Bro. L. T. Cooper (W.M., Lodge Heretaunga), and W. Bro. Jas. Bowes (W.M., Lodge Scinde) respectively. The address to the W.M. was given by W. Bro. E. Hosking, P.G.O. The following officers were invested for the ensuing term : S.W., Bro. H. Bate; J.W., Bro. H. F. Funke; Treas., W. Bro. E. Chegwidde; Sec., W. Bro. J. Redshaw, P.G.S. ; Chaplain, W. Bro. A. W. Kirk ; D of C., W. Bro. H. W. Whitton; Organist, Bro. J. Rockell; S.D., Bro. Geo. Bennett ; J.D., Bro. W. A. Gibbs ; I.G., Bro. F. W. Wiseman; S.S., Bro. J. H. W. Epps; J.S., Bro. J. W. Stewart ; Tyler., Bro. Sam. Gempton, sen. The address to the Wardens was given by W. Bro. W. A. Carter, and to the brethren by the RW. Prov.G.M. W.Bro. E. Chegwidde, P.M., was presented with a P.M.'s jewel. The collection in aid of the Annuity Fund resulted in a sum of over £7. An excellent supper, provided by W. Bro. J. B. Andrew, awaited the brethren at the close of their labour, in the Foresters' Hall, when ample justice was done to the menu. The usual toasts, speeches, songs, etc., followed, when a very successful function was brought to a close about midnight.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Lodge Rawhiti, No. 66.—The installation meeting was held on 29th May, when, despite unfavourable weather, there was a record attendance, 132 brethren signing the attendance book. There were seventy-five visitors, representing nearly every Lodge within the Hawkes Bay and Manawatu districts, a fact which must have been especially pleasing to the outgoing W.M. (W. Bro. C. B. James), who during his year of office has established a record for visiting sister Lodges. The ceremony of installation was carried out by R.W. Bro. H. L. Harston, Prov. G.M. W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie officiated as G.D.C. in his usually efficient manner. Bro. Carl Thomsen was duly installed in the chair of K.S. The W.Ts. in the several degrees were explained by W. Bro. H. N. Benson, Lodge Lion ; S.W. Bro. Fraser, Lodge Ruahine;; W. Bro. H. Thomas, Lodge Puketoi. The address to the W.M. was delivered by R.W. Bro. T. Hobson, P.Prov.G.M., and that to the Wardens by W. Bro. Ritchie. The following are the office-bearers for the ensuing year : W.M., W. Bro. Carl L. Thomsen ; I.P.M., W. Bro. C. R. James ; D. M., W. Bro. W. Snell ; S.W. , Bro. D. N. Wilson; J.W., Bro. W. Dobson ; Treas., V. Bro. F. Craven : Sec., Bro. C. T. Brown ; D.C., W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie; S.D., Bro. G. Harris; J.D., Bro. J. J. K. Gilmour: I.G., Bro. J. Carston ; Organist, Bro. T. Kerr ; Ss., Bros. H. Parker, R. Hendy, J. Trotter ; Tyler, Bro. C. Hansard. After the completion of the ceremony an adjournment was made to the Town Hall, where an enjoyable hour was spent, and the newly-installed W.M. (Bro. Thomsen) was the recipient of many congratulations on his elevation to the Master's Chair, and hopes were expressed that Lodge Rawhiti would experience a happy, a prosperous, and a harmonious year. Bro. Peter Hoy, who has been absent on active service, has returned, having been wounded; unfortunately he has been compelled to go to Rotorua on a health recruiting mission, but his brethren are looking forward with pleasure to the honour of welcoming him on his return.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

AUCKLAND.

Lodge Maniapoto, No. 26.—The regular meeting was held in the Lodgeroom on 21st May. The work was the raising of one candidate to the Degree of a M.M. The Ob. being given by W. Bro. Cook, the Investiture by Bro. Miller, the Exhort. and Charge by Bro. Heerdegen, the Sub., Ss. and T.H. by W. Bro. Cook, the Further Secrets by Bro. Lord, the W.T. by Bro. Miller, and the Final Charge by the W.M. (W. Bro. H. Benner). At the conclusion of the ceremony W. Bro. Benner presented the newly raised candidate with the V.S.L. The resignation of Bro. Bowie, one of the charter members, was received with regret. A ballot for an affiliation proved clear. A resolution of sympathy and condolence with Bro. J. Willis on the loss of his son, who was recently killed in action, was passed in silence, all the brethren standing. A person was proposed for initiation. The Lodge closed at 9.35 p.m., after which an enjoyable hour was spent in the "Fourth. " —[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ponsonby, No. 54.—The regular meeting was held on 4th June, W.M. (Bro. Haynes) presiding. The business was Third Degree and election of officers. The W.M. raised one brother and W. Bro. Hamann raised another, and they were assisted by W. Bros. J. W. Swales, T. McNab, C. R. Munro, Bros. Stancombe, C. E. Dutton, and W. Bro. Gallagher: The names of the officers will be announced in report of installation meeting.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Lodge Turanganui, No. 1480, E.C.—The installation of W. Bro. M. G. C. Pasco. P.M. and P.D.J.G.W., of Otago, and Southland, as W.M. of the above Lodge by W. Bro. W. W. Daw, P.A.G.D.C., England, D.G.Sec., took place on the 27th May in the presence of upwards of 140 members of the Craft, including forty-five P.Ms. The Installing Master was assisted by W. Bro. C. Blackburn (W.M., Lodge Abercorn, No. 76) and W. Bro. Lissant Clayton (W.M., Lodge Montrose, No. 722, S.C.), who kindly acted as presenting officers; and by W. Bro. E. D. Smith, P.D.S.G.D. ; W. Bro. W. A. Smith, P.D.G.S.W., Otago; W. Bro. G. W. Primrose, P.D.G.S.B. ; W. Bro. J. J. Uridge, D.G.S., and W. Bro. Long, I.P.M. The following officers were invested by the W.M.: I.P.M., Bro. G. F. Long ; S.W., Bro. H. E. Bright ; J.W., Bro. A. J. Nicol; S.D., Bro. G. K. Miller ; J.D., Bro. J. T. Ranger; Ss., Bros. T. Leslie and C. G. Bayliss ; Organist, Bro. W. J. Sinclair; Chaplain, Bro. J. Chrisp, D.G.S.B. ; Treas., W. Bro. Skeet, P.D.J.G.W. ; Sec., W. Bro. R. Robertson, P.D.S.G.W. ; D. of C., W. Bro. E. D. Smith, D.G.J.D. After the investiture the D.G.Sec., on behalf of the Lodge, presented W. Bro. Uridge with a P.M.'s Jewel ; and the W.M. presented W. Bro. De Costa with an Organist's Jewel as a memento of his many years' service in that capacity. An earnest appeal by the W.M. on behalf of the D.G. Lodge Benevolent Fund was liberally responded to, £61 being contributed, which easily constituted a record for the Lodge; and in accepting the amount the D.G.Sec. feelingly expressed his gratitude to the Gisborne

fraternity. The ceremony was much brightened by appropriate harmony, artistically led by the Lodge orchestra. A lengthy toast list was subsequently honoured, and proceedings terminated shortly after midnight. One noticeable feature at the supper was the curtailment of the usual spread. The W.M. explained that this had been decided upon in consideration of our brethren who are fighting for us; and the monetary saving was to be included in the D.G. Lodge Benevolent Fund.—[District Correspondent.]

TARANAKI.

Hawera, No. 34.—There is nothing to report of the doings of this Lodge of late excepting that they are still making members and have quite a budget of propositions for membership under consideration, but the members are now getting busy preparing for the forthcoming installation, which has been fixed for Thursday, 4th July, and, being Winter Show week, we are preparing for a good number of visiting brethren, including the Dep.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. Keesing.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

RUAPEHU.

St. Andrew Kil., No. 79.—Emergency meetings are the exception in St. Andrew Kil., but in order to confer flue M.M. Degree on a brother before leaving with the Expeditionary Force one was held on Saturday, 25th May. The brethren attended in extra large force, seventy-two being present, including R.W. Bro. J. H. Keesing, Deputy G.M. ; R.W. Bro. D. McFarlane, Prov.G.M., Ruapehu; and several visitors. The feature of the evening was the working of the Degree by local Territorial officers, W. Bro. Lt.-Col. R. Hughes, P.M., occupying the chair. The other officers were : W. Bro. Capt. L. Craig ; W. Bro. Capt. S. M. Dixon, J.W. ; Bro. Lieut. F. M. Spurdle, S.D.; Bro. Lieut. Crampton, J.D. ; .Bro. Lieut. N. C Staveley, I.G. W. Bro. Lieut. N. G. Armstrong and W. Bro. J. D. W. McBeth also assisted in a very impressive ceremony. The "Fourth" was also given a military flavour, patriotic songs and speeches being the order of the programme, and a very pleasant evening was spent. As a result of the meeting a suggestion is now afoot that all the winter Lodge meetings should be held on Saturday nights. A motion will probably come before the Lodge to test the matter. The Lodge is now entering upon a very busy period, as the work in front at the present moment totals thirty Degrees to be conferred. Probably several more emergency meetings will be called in order to cope with the pressure. The regular June meeting took place on 13th inst. Being election night, the attendance was very large, besides being augmented by the official visit of Lodge Tongariro, E.C. Bro. J. E. M. Rose, S.W., was elected W.M. for the ensuing year. The usual keen contest for the position of I.G. took place, Bro. J. D. Anderson, S.S., being successful in the ballot. The business was an initiation. The proposal to raise the subscription has again been held over.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Lodge Huia, No. 171.—The monthly meeting was held on 6th June, a very large attendance being recorded, included being an official visit from the W.M., officers, and brethren of United Manawatu, E.C., also representatives of several other lodges. The routine work included a ballot for a joining member, also a short resume of Grand Lodge Hutment Scheme, delivered to us by W. Bro. Gallichan, I.P.M. An initiation of a candidate constituted the ceremonial work. The candidate was obligated by the W.M., who was further assisted by W. Bro Webb (Manawatu Kil.), Address in the N.E. ; S. and T. by W. Bro. Graham, the W.Ts. by W. Bro. Moodie, W.M. (United Manawatu,E.C.); Ex. of Prep. by Bro. Lachlan, J.W. ; Final Charge by W. Bro. Gallichan, I.P.M. In the refectory, which was taxed to its utmost seating capacity, an unusual number of toasts were honoured, including the important one, " Absent Brethren."—[Lodge Correspondent.]

WELLINGTON.

Waterloo, No. 13.—The regular meeting was held on 13th May, the W.M. (Bro. J. Gordon) presiding. There was a very large attendance of visitors, particularly of those overseas; there was an especially large muster of P.Ms., the dais being completely filled. There was also a fine muster of brethren of Lodge Waterloo. The ceremonial work was "raising," and the work was excellently done by the W.M. and his officers ; the Prayers were given by W. Bro. J. Mowat, Chaplain ; the W.M. obligated the candidate and performed the initial part of the ceremony ; the Exhort. was given by W. Bro. A. Erskine; the Secrets by W. Bro. R. A. Scott ; Charge after Investiture by W. Bro. W. C. Robinson; T.H. by W. Bro. G. E. Smith; W.Ts. by Bro. F. E. Godber, J.W. ; and Final Charge by Bro. W. A. Parton, S.W. The candidate was briefly addressed by the W.M. and welcomed as a M.M. The W.M. announced that a very handsome honours board had been presented to the Lodge by Bro. T. R. Wallace, I.G., and called on Bro. H. F. Davis, one of the oldest members of the Lodge,

who was represented at the front by his son, Bro. Capt. J. B. Davies, to perform the ceremony of unveiling. Bro. Davis referred briefly to the earlier stages of the war and circumstances that compelled the British nation to take up arms, and testified to the fine response by the manhood of the Dominion, and especially of our brethren; feeling reference was made to those who had made the supreme sacrifice, especially remembering a brother of the Lodge and another who had been badly wounded. The brethren then rose at the request of the W.M. and stood to order as a mark of respect. The War Hymn was then sung. Two proposals for membership were received, one as a joining member, and one for initiation. The Lodge was then closed after the H.G.W. had been tendered by the numerous Lodges represented, and an adjournment was made to the refectory, where the toast of the candidate was honoured ; also the visitors, the replies to which were very interesting. The toast of "Our Brethren on Service" was very ably handled by Bro. W. Earnshaw (whose son is serving on one of H.M. ships as naval engineer lieutenant and is also a member of Lodge Waterloo). Bro. Earnshaw was very interesting in the matter of his speech in proposing the toast, which was heartily received, accompanied with musical honours. Several brethren subsequently commented on the toast. The receiving of the Tyler's toast and singing of the National Anthem brought an exceedingly fine meeting to a close.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Masterton, No. 19.—The annual meeting was held on 16th May. The Lodge was tyled at 3.30 p.m., W. Bro. T. A. H. Dixon presiding over a large attendance of brethren and visitors. R.W. Bro. Ellison, Prov.G.M., accompanied by G.L. officers, acted as Installing Master. Bro. O. N. C. Pragnell, W.M.-elect, was installed according to ancient custom. The W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. M. H. Kendall (St. John No. 37), J. B. Bicknell (Greytown No. 74), J. Rayne (St. Mark No. 53). W. Bro. A. W. Chapman invested the following officers : S.W., Bro. C. W. Perrin; J.W., Bro. S. Dunstan Pearce ; Chaplain, Bro. H. Morton ; Treas., Bro. T. Wagg ; Sec., W. Bro. R. J. Young, ; Assist. Sec., Bro. R. S. Gerrand ; D. of C., W. Bro. R. J. King, P.M. ; S.D., Bro. S. H. Corder ; J.D., Bro. T. Mannell ; I.G., Bro. G. Blane; Ss., Bros. G. Hutchinson and A. Young ; Tyler, Bro. Stokes. The Address to the W.M. was given by W. Bro. J. B. Henry, P.M. to the Wardens by W. Bro. J. L. Hughes, P.M. ; to the brethren by W. Bro. R. J. Foss, P.M. W. Bro. R. J. King presented W. Bro. T. A. H. Dixon, LP.M., with a P.M.'s Jewel as a token of esteem from the brethren. The collection in aid of the W. and O. and A.M. Fund amounted to £10. W. Bro. Pragnell returned thanks to the brethren for the honour they had conferred on him. A pleasant time was spent in the refectory, the Masterton Choir rendering several vocal items and part songs. Other brethren also assisted. Lodge Masterton is fortunate in having brethren gifted with talents, the vocal and instrumental music being much appreciated. The W.M. took occasion to welcome W. Bro. F. Hunn., P.M., our former genial secretary, who is back in our midst, and who has always proved himself a tower of strength to Lodge Masterton. We predict a happy and useful year of office to our new W.M., assisted by a fine body of able P.Ms.

The regular meeting was held on 12th June, W. Bro. O. N. C. Pragnell presiding over a large attendance of brethren and visitors. A pleasing feature was the number of soldier brethren from the camp, who are always heartily welcomed. Routine business over, the W.M. handed the gavel to W. Bro. Henry, P.M., and requested him to conduct the ceremony of initiation. The following P.Ms. assisted in the work : W.M., W. Bro. J. B. Henry, P.M. ; S.W., W. Bro. C. D. King ; J.W., W. Bro. R. J. King ; S.D., W. Bro. A. W. Chapman ; J.D., W. Bro. R. J. Young ; Chaplain, W. Bro. T. A. H. Dixon ; I.G., W. Bro. L. J. Hughes ; Secrets, W. Bro. G. Hyde; Ex. of Prep., W. Bro. A. E. Winzenberg ; W.Ts., W. Bro. R. J. King ; Address N.E. Corner, W. Bro. F. J. Hunn ; Final Charge, W. Bro. C. D. King. A short lecture, entitled "Some Principles of Freemasonry" was delivered by W. Bro. T. Bacon, P.M., and received an attentive hearing. A soldier brother from the camp was initiated by dispensation. Our soldier brethren had to leave before the meeting was concluded in order to catch their train. We hope on future occasions to be able to spend a short time with them in the refectory. W. Bro. Pragnell thanked the P.Ms. for working the Degree, and expressed his pleasure at the large attendance. A highly successful meeting was closed at 10.30 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Ulster, No. 62.—The annual meeting was held on Saturday, 15th June, W. Bro. T. Mather presiding. The Lodgeroom was crowded to overflowing, and at 6 p.m. R.W. Bro. J. W. Ellison, Prov.G.M., was received with honours. There was a large attendance of G.L. officers, including M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, P.G.M. ; R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, P.D.G.M.; R.W. Bro. A. Veitch, P.G.W. ; V.W. Bro. Rishworth, P.G., D. of C. V.W. Bro. G. Russell, G.D. of C., fulfilled the duties of his office. In due course Bro. A. G. Steffensen was installed as W.M. by the Prov.G.M. R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin presented the W.Ts. in the B. of I.M., and later presented the Charter, Constitutions, and By-laws. The Proclamations were made by the G.D. of C., and then W.Ts. were presented by W. Bros. McLaren (Lodge Leinster), Mildenhall (Lodge Coronation), and Teagle

(Waiwhetu), The following officers were invested by V.W. Bro. J. J. Esson : S.W., Bro. Y. G. Carner ;J.W., Bro. P. Bacbride; Chaplain, W. Bro. F. L. Matthews; Treas., Bro. D. M. Armstrong ; Sec., W. Bro. R. Wylie; S.D., Bro. R. A. Scott ; J.D., Bro. W. H. Melhuish D. of C., W. Bro. W. Cox ; Acting-Organist. Bro. B. W. Blakeley ; I.G., Bro. H. Appleyard; S.S., Bro. T. A. King ; J.S., Bro. R. W. Jenkins; Tyler, Bro. H. Steinmuller. The Address to the W.M. was delivered by R.W. Bro. A. Veitch, the charge to the Wardens by W. Bro. Hobbs, and the concluding Address to the brethren by R.W. Bro. T. A. Peterkin, in the absence of M.W. Bro. M. Niccol, G.S., through indisposition. The W.M. briefly addressed the brethren, and a P.M.'s Jewel was presented to the retiring Master by the Prov.G.M. The Chaplain (W. Bro. F. L. Matthews), who was invested for the seventh term, was presented with a Chaplain's Jewel by M.W. Bro. Williams, who claimed long Masonic acquaintance with the recipient. Both brethren tendered their acknowledgements. The usual collections were taken up for the G.L. Annuity Fund. An adjournment to the refectory was made in good time, when some excellent speeches were made, the honours falling to M.W. Bro. H. Williams.

An emergency meeting was held on 19th June, when a candidate was passed as a F.C. The ceremony was conducted by W. Bro. A. G. Steffensen, W.M., who was assisted by Bro. W. H. Melhuish, J.D. (Address in S.E.), Bro. P. Macbride, J.W. (W.Ts.), and Bro. Y. G. Carver; S.W. (Final Charge). The lecture on 1st T.B. was given by W. Bro. W. H. Richards, and, on the 2nd by W. Bro. R. Wylie, Sec. The meeting closed at 9 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Tutanekai, No 156—The regular meeting, held in the Lodge-room, Berhampore, on 6th June, will ever be remembered as, unique in the annals of Freemasonry in the Wellington district, by reason of the fact that our veteran P.G.M., M.W. Bro. H. J. Williams, had accepted the invitation of our W.M. (Bro. J. Lenzini) to take the chair and work the First Degree ; and that-the W.Ms. of the City Lodges had consented to fill the various offices and assist in the working: The Lodge was tyled at 6.45, and there was an attendance of some 250 brethren and visitors. The routine business, which consisted of two ballots for affiliation, four ballots for initiation, one proposition for affiliation, and four propositions for membership, was got through without delay, and visitors were all admitted by 7.45. Our M.W. Brother was then received, accompanied by the W.Ms. of Lodge Wellington, E.C., N.Z. Pacific, St. Andrew, Waterloo, Leinster, Brooklyn, and Hinemoa. W. Bro. Lenzini handed the gavel to M.W. Bro. Williams, who assumed the chair, and appointed his officers as follows : D. of C., W. Bro. McLaren (W.M. Lodge Leinster) ; S.W., W. Bro. Webb (W.M. Lodge N.Z. Pacific) ; J.W., W. Bro. Bastings (W.M. Lodge Wellington, E.C.); S.D. W. Bro. Gordon (W.M. Lodge Waterloo); J.D., W. Bro. Riddell (W.M. Lodge St. Andrew) ; L.G., W. Bro. Parkin (W.M. Lodge Brooklyn) ; Chaplain, W. Bro. Knowles Smith (W.M. Lodge Hinemoa). M.W. Bro. Williams administered the Ob., and, assisted by W. Bro. McLaren, gave the candidates the S.T. and W. Bro. Webb invested, W. Bro. Parkin gave the Apron Charge, W. Bro. Bastings the Address on the N.E. Corner, W. Bro. Gordon the Prep., W. Bro. Riddell presented the W.Ts. ; the B. of C. and By-laws were handed to the candidates by M.W. Bro. Williams, and the Final Charge was rendered by W. Bro. Webb. In returning the gavel, M.W. Bro. Williams thanked W. Bro. Lenzini for the opportunity afforded him to work the Degree. A framed photo of Bro. W. J. A. Bell (killed in action in France) was presented to the Lodge by W. Bro. Shand, on behalf of Bros. Melville and Nixon, after H.G.W. from the visitors. The Lodge closed in due form about 10 p.m., when a pleasant hour was afterwards spent in music, song, and story. The toast of the officiating brethren was very happily proposed by W. Bro. J. P. Shand, and briefly responded to by Bro. Williams, thus bringing to a close the largest meeting ever, held by Tutanekai Lodge.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

Lodge Waiwhetu, No 176.—The monthly meeting was held' on 12th June, when there was a good attendance of brethren and visitors. W. Bro. James Williams, G.L. representative in Trentham Camp, was elected a joining brother. This being the night when the P.Ms. of the Lodge filled the chair, the W.M, called on W. Bro. Burns to act as W.M. and to appoint his officers. He called upon W. Bro. Cameron to act as S.W.; W. Bro. Guinness, J.W. ; W. Bro. Anson, I.P.M.; W. Bro. Rishworth; D. of C. W. Bro. Hobbs, Chaplain; W. Bro. McLachlan, S.D.; W. Bro. Leighton, J.D. ; W. Bro. Nicholson, I.G. One brother was raised to the Degree of a M.M. W. Bro. Burns obligated and raised the candidate. W. Bro. Hobbs gave the Exhort. W. Bro. Rishworth, Remember Thy Creator, and communicated the Secrets. R.W. Bro. Peterkin. "Let me now by you to observe." W. Bro. Leighton, 1st part T.H. ; W. Bro. Anson, 2nd part, and W. Bro. Guinness explained the Signs. W. Bro. Nicholson presented the W.Ts., and W. Bro. Cameron gave the Final Charge. The Lodge was then closed in the Third and Second Degrees. W. Bro. Teagle thanked and congratulated the P.Ms. for having worked the Degree so well. One candidate was proposed for initiation, and the Lodge was closed at, 9.30 p.m.—[Lodge Correspondent.]

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

Otago, No. 7.—The monthly convocation was held at St. Kilda, Dunedin, on 1st June. V.E. Comp. A. Stoneham presiding. The business intended was the exaltation of a brother; but, through the sudden illness of his wife, he was unable to be present. Knowing that Maori Chapter intended visiting us that evening, with their 1st Prin. (V.E. Comp. R. Hawcridge), it was decided to ask that learned companion to deliver an impromptu lecture—not the first occasion on which he has been called upon to do so at a few minutes' notice. Unfortunately, we were again doomed to disappointment, as V.E. Comp. Hawcridge was taken suddenly ill while on his way to visit us, and the remainder of Maori Chapter had to come on without him. Not to be outdone, however, our V.E. 1st Prin. chanced on the current issue of the CRAFTSMAN, and proceeded to read to those present a lecture delivered by V.E. Comp. A. Nordon (Christevhurch), entitled "The Origin of the R.A." As far as our Chapter was concerned, its appearance in the CRAFTSMAN was very apropos, and its reading was much appreciated by the members. I am pleased to be able to state that the wife of our candidate for exaltation, who has since undergone a serious operation, is now making good progress towards recovery. V.E. Comp. Hawcridge's sudden attack was of short duration. The S.E. was instructed to write Comp. R. G. Shearing, sympathising with him in the loss he has sustained by accident in the removal of his right eye. Up to the time of his misfortune Comp. Shearing was a regular attendant at our meetings, and, although a young member of the Chapter, gave promise of becoming an excellent officer at no distant date.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Ruapehu, No. 19.—The second meeting of this newly revived Chapter was held on 28th May, when the Excellent and R.A. Degrees were conferred on four candidates—two P.Ms., the W.M., and the S.W. of Lodge Ruapehu. The ceremonies were worked throughout by R.E. Comp. W. H. Smith, P.G.J., and Comp. J. Y. Oliver, 1st Soj. of Manawatu Chapter, who had journeyed from Palmerston for the purpose. Comp. Oliver was warmly complimented on the excellence of his work by the acting-Z. and several other P.Zs. Two candidates were proposed for exaltation, and others are also coming forward, so that, especially if the members carry out their intention of meeting in other Masonic centres, the welfare of the Chapter is assured, and Freemasonry will greatly benefit by its revival.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Wanganui, No. 23.—The monthly convocation was held on 4th April, when V.E. Comp. Moutrey presided. The work consisted of the R.A. Degree, V.E. Comp. Moutray being ably assisted by V.E. Comps. Roulston, Bullock, and King, also R.E. Comp. Palmer and E. Comp. Harle.

The monthly convocation was held on 2nd May, when V.E. Comp. Moutray presided. The work was the R.A. Degree. V.E. Comp. Copestake and officers of Egmont Chapter, No. 37, worked the degree. At the conclusion the appreciation of Wanganui Chapter to Egmont Chapter for coming so long a distance was ably expressed by V.E. Comp. Moutray, and responded to by V.E. Comp. Copestake.

The regular monthly convocation was held on 6th June, when V.E. Comp. Moutray presided. The work was advancing two brethren. In the absence of Bro. King, W.M.M., Bro. Bullock, P.W.M.M., presided, ably assisted by Bros. Moutray and Bates. The Signs were communicated by Bro. Gordon, P.W.M.M. ; the W.Ts. by Bro. Palmer. P.W.M.M. ; and the Final Charge by Bros. Roulston, P.W.M.M., Runnerstrum, and Moutray.

An emergency meeting was held on 15th June, when V.E. Comp. C. C. Moutray presided. The work was the acknowledging of two brethren. W.E.M. C. C. Moutray conducted the ceremony, and was ably assisted by P.W.M.Ms. G. W. Palmer, G. G., Bullock, N. Roulston, and E. Runnerstrum. Regret was unanimously expressed by the companions at the loss of E. Comp. C. P. Bates through transfer to Ohakune district.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

Rawhiti, No. 30.—The monthly convocation was held on 3rd June. R.E. Comp. R. A. Gillespie presided, in the absence of the V.E.Z. The business consisted of exalting one candidate, and the ceremony was performed by the acting-Z., assisted by E. Comp. Gilmour, 1st Soj. The Ss. were explained by V.E. Comp. J. Brown, and the Further Exp. was given by E. Comp. J. C. Davidson, J. The W.Ts. were explained by V.E. Comp. J. Craven, and the Final Charge given by E. Comp. C. L. Thomsen, H. One evandicate was proposed for advancement. The next monthly convocation will be devoted to conferring the side degrees, and, as there are a number of companions who have not availed themselves of the ceremony, it is hoped that there will be a full attendance on this occasion.—[Chapter Correspondent.]

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Rawhiti, No. 66:—Founded 1878, meets Freemasons' Hall, High Street, Dannevirke, third Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. C. L. Thomson; S.W., Bro. D. N. Wilson; J.W., Bro. W. Dobson; Sec., Bro. C. T. Brown, P.O. Box 77, Dannevirke.

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

Ruahine, No. 80:—Founded 1886, meets Masonic Hall, Woodville, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. J. A. Fraser; S.W., Bro. R. E. Toogood; J.W., Bro. J. Elder; Sec., W. Bro. A. Stevenson, School, Woodville.

Lion, No. 114:—Founded 1899, meets in Masonic Hall, Ormondville, Monday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in April. W.M., W. Bro. H. N. Benson; S.W., W. Bro. T. Fothergill; J.W., W. Bro. Chadwick; Sec., W. Bro. D. Wilson, Box 12, Ormondville.

Waikaremoana, No. 158:—Founded 1909, meets Masonic Hall, Wairoa, H.B., Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. W. B. Macdonald; S.W., Bro. W. Taylor; J.W., Bro. J. P. Moore; Sec., Bro. E. L. Thomson, P.O. Box 1, Wairoa.

Ruataniwha, No. 172:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Takapau, Friday on or before full moon, 7 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in August. W.M., W. Bro. A. Chisholm; S.W., Bro. J. W. Watkins; J.W., Bro. W. Hobson; Sec., Bro. E. Johnson, P.M., Takapau.

PROVINCE OF TARANAKI: 7 LODGES.

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

Patea Kil., No. 18:—Founded 1873, meets second Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. E. C. Wood; S.W., Bro. J. R. Paterson; J.W., Bro. F. G. Davies; Sec., W. Bro. J. J. Holtham, P.M.

Hawera, No. 84:—Founded 1880, meets in Temple, Union St., Hawera, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M. W. Bro. A. R. Thompson; S.W., Bro. E. C. Hayton; J.W., Bro. C. Brown; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. J. Harding, P.M., P.O. Box 111, Hawera.

Ngamotu, No. 48:—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Robe St., New Plymouth, fourth Wednesday in month (except December, second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. A. Forbes; S.W., Bro. W. S. Gilbert; J.W., Bro. A. H. Goss; Sec., Bro. W. H. Haddrell, P.M., Westown, New Plymouth.

Stratford, No. 75:—Founded 1892, meets Masonic Hall, Stratford, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. H. Ashton; S.W., Bro. R. M. Peattie; J.W., Bro. E. A. Drake; Sec., Bro. J. McAllister, P.M., P.O. Box 103, Stratford.

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

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

Ikarua, No. 115:—Founded 1896, meets Lodge-room, Opunake, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. O. A. Mullen; S.W., Bro. G. Hammond; J.W., Bro. D. Penny; Sec., Bro. G. W. Rogers, P.M., P.O. Box 19.

RUAPEHU DISTRICT: 16 LODGES.

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

Rangitikei, No. 38:—Founded 1880, meets Masonic Hall, Bulls, Tuesday before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. A. Fagan; S.W., Bro. L. R. McKelvie; J.W., Bro. A. K. Drew; Sec., Bro. T. King, P.M., P.O. Box 5, Bulls.

Feilding, No. 41:—Founded 1881, meets Masonic Temple, Feilding, second Monday in month. Installation July. W.M., Bro. E. H. Fisher, P.M.; S.W., Bro. W. A. Bell; J.W., Bro. W. W. Andrews; Sec., Bro. A. H. Maguire, P.M., Feilding.

Manawatu Kil., No. 47:—Founded 1883, meets Masonic Hall, Church St., Palmerston N., second Thursday in month. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. W. Mundy; S.W., Bro. D. E. Lustin; J.W., —; Sec., Bro. C. S. Rush, P.M., P.O. Box 92, Palmerston N.

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

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

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

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

Ruapehu, No. 128 (formerly No. 2317, E.C.):—Founded 1885, meets Masonic Hall, Marton, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation February. W.M., Bro. E. R. Galpin; S.W., Bro. W. W. Thomas; J.W., Bro. A. J. Dixon; Sec., Bro. J. Mogridge, P.M.

Te Awahou, No. 133:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Liddle St., Foxton, second Tuesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. J. W. Stevenson; S.W., Bro. S. E. Cowley; J.W., Bro. W. Renton; Sec., Bro. A. E. Wainwright, Box 7, Foxton.

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

Rongotea, No. 146:—Founded 1906, meets Masonic Hall, Rongotea, Wednesday before full moon. Installation April. W.M., Bro. R. M. Matheson; S.W., Bro. J. S. West; J.W., Bro. W. Amon; Sec., Bro. E. A. Campbell.

Huia, No. 171:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Church St. E., Palmerston N., first Thursday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. F. Manning; S.W., Bro. N. D. Stubbs; J.W., Bro. J. B. Lauchlan; Sec., Bro. H. C. Le Grange, P.O. Box 214, Palmerston N.

Waimarino, No. 175:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Ward St., Raetihi, Monday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Mabbott; S.W., Bro. J. C. Goodger; J.W., Bro. A. C. Drury; Sec., Bro. A. W. Ashwell, P.O. Box 32, Raetihi.

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

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

Ngaurohoe, No. 205:—Constituted 26th May, 1916, meets Masonic Hall, Mire St., Ohakune, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. T. P. Firman; S.W., Bro. A. C. Yelland; J.W., Bro. M. Vance; Sec., —, Ohakune Junction.

PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON: 23 LODGES.

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

N.Z. Pacific, No. 2:—Founded 1842, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, fourth Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. No meeting December. Installation March. W.M., Bro. R. H. Webb; S.W., Bro. J. H. Hutchins; J.W., Bro. G. W. A. Clark; Sec., W. Bro. J. H. Worboys, P.M., Kilbirnie.

Waterloo, No. 13:—Founded 1868, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, second Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. J. Gordon; S.W., Bro. W. A. Parton; J.W., Bro. F. E. Godber; Sec., Bro. G. E. Smith, P.M., P.O. Box 811, Wellington.

Masterton, No. 19:—Founded 1873, meets Masonic Hall, Bannister Street, Masterton, second Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. O. N. C. Pragnell; S.W., Bro. C. W. Perrin; J.W., Bro. S. D. Pearce; Sec., W. Bro. R. J. Young, P.M., Masterton.

St. Andrew, No. 32:—Founded 1879, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, third Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. J. C. Riddell; S.W., Bro. R. Hutchison; J.W., Bro. Greening; Sec., W. Bro. A. T. Wells, P.M., P.O. Box 661, Wellington.

St. John, No. 37:—Founded 1880, meets Masonic Hall, Wakefield St., Featherston, second Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. M. H. Kendall; S.W., Bro. G. Campbell; J.W., Bro. E. A. Merlet; Sec., W. Bro. F. C. Everton, P.M.

Leinster, No. 44:—Founded 1882, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. J. Shakes; S.W., Bro. W. J. Garrett; J.W., Bro. D. Parnell; Sec., W. Bro. W. A. Baudinet, P.M., P.O. Box 228. "Copper" collection each meeting for W. and O. and A.M. Fund.

St. Mark, No. 53:—Founded 1884, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Carterton, second Tuesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation April (St. Mark's Day). W.M., Bro. J. A. Rayne; S.W., Bro. J. J. Knox-Smith; J.W., Bro. A. J. Lindop; acting-Sec., W. Bro. A. Phillipotts, Box 7, Carterton.

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

Tararua, No. 67:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Pahiata, Thursday nearest full moon. Installation November. W.M., Bro. R. V. King; S.W., Bro. A. A. Vaughan; J.W., Bro. F. Burrell; Sec., Bro. G. Moore, P.M.

Otaki, No. 72:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Otaki, Wednesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. (September meeting Tuesday). Installation November. W.M., Bro. W. Quayle; S.W., Bro. Windley; J.W., Bro. A. G. Williams; Sec., Bro. C. N. Swabey, P.M., Otaki Railway.

Greytown, No. 74:—Founded 1877, meets in Masonic Hall, Greytown, second Friday in month, 8 p.m. Installation St. John's Day (June). W.M., Bro. J. B. Bricknell; S.W., Bro. D. P. Loasby; J.W., Bro. W. A. Hutton; Sec., Bro. E. Larkin, P.M., Box 32, Greytown.

Eketahuna, No. 92:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Bengston Street, Eketahuna, second Friday in each month (except May, Installation second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. W.M., Bro. J. Kerr; S.W., Bro. W. Duff; J.W., Bro. W. C. Crocker; Sec., Bro. A. Rowden, P.M.

Hinemoa, No. 122:—Founded 1901, meets Masonic Hall, Wellington S., second Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. Rev. G. Knowles Smith; S.W., Bro. S. R. Shannon; J.W., Bro. G. Jones; Sec., W. Bro. S. Martin, 11 Millward St., Newtown.

Coronation, No. 127:—Founded 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Johnsonville, Saturday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. A. H. Mildenhall; S.W., Bro. K. M. Carter; J.W., Bro. W. S. Radcliffe; Sec., Bro. A. W. Robertson, P.O. Box 4, Johnsonville.

Brooklyn, No. 132:—Founded October, 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Brooklyn, first Wednesday in month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. Parkin; S.W., —; J.W., Bro. H. J. Furness; Sec., Bro. M. W. Thew, P.M., 12 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn.

Horowhenua, No. 135:—Founded 1906, meets Druids' Hall, Levin, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation Wednesday nearest in September. W.M., Bro. J. W. Middlemiss; S.W., Bro. A. J. Harding; J.W., Bro. R. Wall; Sec., W. Bro. J. McIntyre, D.H. School, Levin.

Puketoi, No. 149:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Pongaroa, Tuesday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. H. Thomas; S.W., Bro. W. G. Neville; J.W., Bro. E. W. Clemens; Sec., W. Bro. W. Souness, P.M., P.O. Box 15, Pongaroa.

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

Tutanekai, No. 156:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Adelaide Rd., Berhampore, first Thursday in month (except January, when Lodge meets second Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. G. F. L. Lenzi; S.W., Bro. C. W. Martin; J.W., Bro. G. W. Key; Sec., Bro. E. Howell, 55 Glen Rd., Kelburn.

Waiwhetu, No. 176:—Founded 1910, meets Masonic Hall, Huia St., Lower Hutt, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. H. G. Teagle; S.W., Bro. H. J. Harman; J.W., Bro. A. Carver; Sec., W. Bro. H. Hobbs, Hautana Square, Lower Hutt.

Otari, No. 190:—Founded 1912, meets Freemasons' Hall, Ngaio, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. A. Nicol; S.W., Bro. A. Ferguson; J.W., Bro. W. A. Tanner; Sec., W. Bro. J. R. Scrimgeour, P.M., Main Rd., Ngaio.

Installed Masters' Lodge, No. 194:—Founded 5th October, 1912, meets Freemasons' Hall first Tuesday in November, *February, *April, *June, *August, *October. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. J. Esson; S.W., Bro. W. H. Jones; J.W., Bro. H. H. Seaton; Sec., Bro. M. —, Wellington. (*Open to visiting M.Ms.)

Whetu Kairangi, No. 201:—Founded 1914, meets at Masonic Hall, Seatoun, second Saturday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. T. O. Fox; S.W., Bro. E. Morris, jun.; J.W., Bro. J. A. Fraser; Sec., Bro. T. S. Robertson.

SOUTH ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON: 8 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. C. H. Mills, Prov.G.M.)

Victory, No. 40:—Founded 1881, meets Freemasons' Hall, Collingwood St., Nelson, second Thursday in month (except May, fourth Thursday), 7.30 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. C. M. Whelan; S.W., Bro. L. Reynolds; J.W., Bro. A. G. Shrimpton; Sec., W. Bro. R. W. Stiles, P.O. Box 105, Nelson.

Wairau, No. 42:—Founded 1881 (formerly 668, S.C.; joined N.Z.C. 1890), meets Masonic Hall, Andrew St., Blenheim, last Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. A. Gibson; S.W., Bro. W. W. Tylor; J.W., Bro. T. E. Cleator; Sec., W. Bro. W. C. Lucas, Redwood St., Blenheim.

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

Marlborough Unanimity, No. 106:—Founded 1869 (formerly 1236, E.C.), joined N.Z.C. 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Charles St., Blenheim, second Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. F. Bull; S.W., Bro. H. R. Bagge; J.W., Bro. W. M. Lambie; Sec., Bro. F. W. Smith, Blenheim.

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

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

Motueka, No. 117:—Founded 1900, meets Lodgeroom, Motueka, Wednesday nearest full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. F. Pidgeon; S.W., Bro. G. Heath; J.W., Bro. W. Nicholson; Sec., Bro. W. McInnes, P.M., Box 6, Motueka.

St. Cuthbert's, No. 144:—Founded 1905, meets Masonic Hall, Collingwood, Saturday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. R. Daniel; S.W., Bro. J. W. McKinna; J.W., Bro. R. J. Walker; Sec., Bro. R. H. Lash, P.M., Rockville, Collingwood.

PROVINCE OF WESTLAND: 12 LODGES.

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

Robert Burns, No. 50:—Founded 1883, meets Burns' Masonic Hall, Kelly St., Reefton, third Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation 25th January. W.M., Bro. J. B. Auld; S.W., Bro. W. H. Nicholas; J.W., Bro. D. Panckhurst, P.M.; Sec., Bro. R. A. Stewart, P.M., Reefton.

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

Kumara, No. 65:—Meets in Freemasons' Hall, Seddon Street, Kumara, Tuesday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. E. Wade; S.W., Bro. R. J. Burrell; J.W., Bro. J. Hurren, P.M.; Sec., Bro. W. H. Evenden, P.M.

Westland Kil, No. 88:—Founded 1867, meets in Freemasons' Hall, Hokitika, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation St. Andrew's Day. W.M., Bro. J. Cameron; S.W., Bro. R. M. King; J.W., Bro. G. H. Chapman; Sec., Bro. H. M. Coulson, P.M.

Aorangi, No. 89:—Founded 1893, meets in Masonic Hall, Denniston, first Wednesday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. Smart; S.W., Bro. J. T. Murphy; J.W., Bro. F. J. Browning; Sec., Bro. T. Peacock, P.M.

Mokihinu, No. 96:—Founded 1896, meets in Masonic Hall, Seddonville, first Saturday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. Harry Greenwood; S.W., Bro. E. L. S. H. Skilton; J.W., Bro. Walter A. Tulloch; Sec., W. Bro. G. W. Jones, 137, Queen Street, Westport.

Torea, No. 121:—Founded 1900, meets Masonic Hall, Granity, third Saturday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. W. S. McEwan; S.W., Bro. T. Worthington; J.W., Bro. J. Kerr; Sec., Bro. W. H. Turner.

Mawhera, No. 136:—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, Tainui St., Greymouth, second Thursday in month. Installation November. W.M., Bro. H. G. F. Clear; S.W., Bro. G. G. A. Heitz; J.W., Bro. W. J. T. Watson; Sec., Bro. J. McIndoe, P.O. Box 29, Greymouth.

Kawatiri-Westport, No. 152:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Russell St., Westport, second Monday in month, 8 p.m. Installation May. W.M., Bro. D. T. Gibbard; S.W., Bro. H. Greenwood; J.W., Bro. E. L. S. H. Skilton; Sec., Bro. G. W. Jones, P.M., 137 Queen St., Westport.

Runanga, No. 159:—Founded 1908, meets Masonic Hall, Seddon St., Runanga, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. A. Shannon; S.W., Bro. I. Powell; J.W., Bro. W. Curran; Sec., Bro. J. Rowse, P.M., Walker St., Runanga.

Waro, No. 173 (Blackball).
Connaught, No. 187 (Karama).

PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY: 35 LODGES.

(R.W. Bro. —, Prov.G.M.)

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

St. Augustine, No. 4:—Founded 1852, meets Masonic Hall, Christchurch, second Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. D. Redpath; S.W., Bro. C. H. Duff; J.W., Bro. A. E. Smith; Sec., W. Bro. J. A. Stables, P.O. Box 79, Christchurch.

Southern Cross, No. 6:—Founded 1858, meets Masonic Hall, Kaiapoi, first Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. R. H. Croft; S.W., Bro. F. J. Garnett; J.W., Bro. J. E. Monk; Sec., Bro. P. G. Hunt, Kaiapoi.

Caledonian, No. 16:—Founded 1871, meets in Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. Cranston; S.W., Bro. G. Glue; J.W., Bro. J. T. Collins; Sec., Bro. J. Simpson, 136 North St., Timaru.

Progress, No. 22:—Founded 1876, meets at Masonic Hall, Southbridge, Tuesday on or before full moon each month, 8 p.m. Installation regular night in December. W.M., Bro. C. H. Piper; S.W., Bro. J. H. McMillan; J.W., Bro. J. S. McClelland; Sec., W. Bro. J. W. A. Walker, District High School, Southbridge.

Canterbury Kil, No. 28.
Geraldine, No. 27:—Founded 1890, meets Masonic Hall, Geraldine, third Wednesday in month. Installation March. W.M., Bro. F. R. Flatman; S.W., Bro. J. M. Sutherland; J.W., Bro. A. A. Readie; Sec., Bro. W. A. Sherratt, Geraldine.

Ashley, No. 28:—Founded 1878, meets Masonic Hall, Rangiora, second Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. J. T. Withers; S.W., Bro. G. Harlow; J.W., Bro. J. Angus; Sec., Bro. T. Hills, P.O. Box 12, Rangiora.

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

South Rakaia, No. 31:—Founded 1879.
Lincoln, No. 33:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, first Tuesday in month. No meeting in January. Installation October. W.M., Bro. C. P. Agar; S.W., Bro. W. L. Morgan; J.W., Bro. J. G. Scott; Sec., Bro. A. Cookson, P.M., Box 24, Lincoln.

Concord, No. 39:—Founded 1881, meets in Masonic Hall, Papanui, fourth Wednesday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. A. J. Nicholas; S.W., Bro. J. W. Beanland; J.W., Bro. G. F. Drury; Sec., Bro. R. Baldwin, P.M., 72 Aitman's Rd., Christchurch.

Phoenix, No. 43 (Akaroa).
Methven, No. 51:—Meets Masonic Hall, Methven, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. F. Stone; S.W., Bro. H. Maginnis; J.W., Bro. S. J. Carleton; Sec., Bro. S. Smith, P.O. Box 27, Methven.

Kaikoura, No. 60.
Christchurch, No. 91:—Founded 1893, meets St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, fourth Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation November. W.M., Bro. D. Sheffield; S.W., Bro. W. T. Doig; J.W., Bro. W. L. N. Newth; Sec., Bro. H. Hopkinson, P.M., 33 Clifton St., Adlington, Christchurch.

Mackenzie, No. 93:—Founded 1894, meets Masonic Hall, Fairlie, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation third Thursday in October. W.M., Bro. W. J. Smith; S.W., Bro. S. Harper; J.W., Bro. A. Cooper; Sec., Bro. J. H. Southwick, Fairlie.

St. Augustine, No. 99:—Established 1875, meets Lodgeroom, Leonard St., Waimate, Wednesday on or before full moon. Installation August. W.M., Bro. C. R. Bateman; S.W., Bro. E. R. Beckett; J.W., Bro. C. Manchester; Sec., Bro. A. J. Hoskins, P.M.

Thistle, No. 113:—Meets in Masonic Hall, Havelock St., Ashburton, third Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation 30th November. W.M., Bro. T. J. Kennedy; S.W., Bro. J. Smith, junr.; J.W., Bro. W. E. Hetrick; Sec., W. Bro. C. Campbell, P.M., P.O. Box 6, Ashburton.

Cheviot, No. 124.
M. and P.M., No. 130 (Christchurch).
Mairaki, No. 131:—Founded 1903, meets Masonic Hall, Cust, third Friday in month. Installation April. W.M., Bro. F. H. Early; S.W., Bro. D. Arnott; J.W., Bro. H. Garrett; Sec., Bro. E. W. Cooper, P.M.

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

Crown, No. 138 (Christchurch).
Robert Burns, No. 139:—Meets St. Augustine's Hall, Christchurch, third Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. T. W. N. Wilson; S.W., Bro. A. Hunter; J.W., Bro. G. A. Blackmore; Sec., Bro. T. Newburgh.

Waihora, No. 141:—Founded 1905, meets Odd-fellows' Hall, Leeston, second Thursday in each month, at 8 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. W. J. Lemon; S.W., Bro. E. H. Jecks; J.W., Bro. W. O. Rennie; Sec., W. Bro. J. E. Carter, P.M.

Civic, No. 157:—Meets Masonic Hall, Gloucester St. W., Christchurch, first Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. L. D. S. Maffey; S.W., Bro. J. Hurley; J.W., Bro. R. J. Thompson; Sec., Bro. W. Sherris, P.O. Box 957, Christchurch.

St. Martin, No. 162 (Pleasant Point).
Ahurewa, No. 181:—Founded 1911, meets Schoolroom, Dunsandel, Monday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. D. Cameron; S.W., Bro. F. Smith; J.W., Bro. C. H. Chapman; Sec., W. Bro. F. Lill, P.M., P.O. Box 1, Dunsandel.

Amuri, No. 184 (Culverden).

Avon, No. 185:—Meets Masonic Hall, Christchurch, first Thursday in month. Installation September. W.M., Bro. W. E. Scott; S.W., Bro. S. K. Bassett; J.W., Bro. B. Falck; Sec., O. W. B. Anderson, Manchester Street, Christchurch.

Tawera, No. 188 (Oxford).

Timaru, No. 196:—Founded 1913, meets Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia Street, Timaru, third Monday in month (except December and January). Installation April. W.M., Bro. G. McKetterick; S.W., Bro. F. Stowell; J.W., Bro. S. L. Freeman; Sec., Bro. J. Moore, 49 Hassall Street, Timaru.

Koranga, No. 197:—Founded 1913, meets Caledonian Masonic Hall, Sophia St., Timaru, fourth Tuesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. A. McKenzie; S.W., Bro. R. Hyman; J.W., Bro. J. Moyes; Sec., Bro. G. J. Wallace, P.O. Box 83, Timaru.
Erewhon, No. 200:—Opened 20th August, 1914, Mount Somers.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO: 27 LODGES.

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

Otago, No. 7:—Founded 1860, meets in Free masons' Hall, King St. (opp. Museum), Dunedin, second Wednesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Wood, P.M.; S.W., Bro. J. E. Atkin; J.W., Bro. H. Ross; Sec., Bro. F. W. C. Clayton, 598 George St., Dunedin.

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

Clutha, No. 14:—Founded 1866, meets Masonic Hall, Douglas St., Balclutha, second Tuesday in month, 8 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. A. Stenhouse; S.W., Bro. G. S. Dent; J.W., Bro. G. Henderson; Sec., W. Bro. W. G. Finn, P.M., Renfrew St., Balclutha.

Palmerston, No. 26:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Palmerston S., Friday on or before full moon, 8 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. McGregor; S.W., Bro. D. Munro; J.W., Bro. R. W. Wheeler; Bro. G. B. Smith, junr., P.O. Box 24, Palmerston, Otago.

Hercules, No. 36:—Founded 1880, meets in Masonic Hall, Tapanui, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. H. S. Jackways; S.W., Bro. W. C. Dale; J.W., Bro. T. J. Quayle; Sec., Bro. A. H. Hawkins, Tapanui.

Hiram, No. 46:—Founded 1883.

Ngapara, No. 68:—Founded 1891, meets Masonic Hall, Ngapara, Oamaru, Monday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Robbie; S.W., Bro. S. Wilson; J.W., Bro. W. Simpson; Sec., Bro. R. McGillivray, P.M.

Oamaru Kil, No. 32:—Founded 1872, meets in Masonic Hall, Oamaru, first Wednesday after full moon each month. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. Crombie; S.W., Bro. D. A. Bee; J.W., Bro. W. Brown; Sec., Bro. J. M. Brown, P.M., Thames Street, Oamaru.

St. Thomas Kil, No. 83 (originally No. 65 S.C.):—Meets in Masonic Hall, Kaitangata every fourth Wednesday. Installation February. W.M., Bro. A. Ferguson; S.W., Bro. J. Oliver; J.W., Bro. J. Richardson; Sec., W. Bro. W. D. Paterson, P.M.

St. John, No. 84 (Mosgiel).

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

Cromwell Kil., No. 98 (originally No. 535, S.C.):—Meets Lodgeroom, Melmore Ter., Cromwell, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. P. Parcell; S.W., Bro. J. J. Halliday; J.W., Bro. R. A. Shore; Sec., W. Bro. W. Campbell, P.O. Box 27, Cromwell.

Dunstan, No. 103 (originally No. 407, S.C.):—Founded 1869, joined N.Z.C. 1895; meets Town Hall, Clyde, Tuesday on or nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. J. L. Davidson; S.W., Bro. R. Bringsans; J.W., Bro. D. McL. McInnes; Sec., Bro. H. E. Stevens.

Maori, No. 105:—Meets Masonic Hall, Ravensbourne, Dunedin, first Monday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation March. W.M., Bro. A. Jordan; S.W., Bro. T. Harridge; J.W., Bro. D. McPhail; Sec., W. Bro. E. Tomkinson, P.M., Harbour Board, Dunedin.

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

St. Bathans, No. 126:—Founded 11th November, 1902, meets Masonic Hall, Becks, Thursday nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation February. W.M., Bro. Rev. A. V. G. Chandler; S.W., Bro. O. Moen; J.W., Bro. J. Owens; Sec., W. Bro. J. Sheppard, Becks.

Otago Kil., No. 143:—Meets Masonic Hall, Moray Place, Dunedin, first Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation December. W.M., Bro. A. F. Browne; S.W., Bro. A. McLachlan; J.W., Bro. J. E. Gallie; Sec., Bro. E. W. G. H. Watts, P.M., 53 Clyde St., Dunedin.

Teviot, No. 148:—Founded 1907, meets Masonic Hall, Roxburgh, Saturday on or nearest full moon, 8 p.m. Installation March. W.M., W. Bro. E. F. Allen; S.W., Bro. J. George; J.W., Bro. J. H. McKay; Act-Sec., Bro. H. Henderson, P.O. Box 43, Roxburgh.

Oceanic, No. 154:—Meets in St. Kilda Masonic Hall, Dunedin, third Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m. Installation October. W.M., Bro. A. Walker; S.W., Bro. W. Mills; J.W., Bro. H. F. Harris; Sec., Bro. W. Jacobsen, P.M., Musselburgh.

Haeremai, No. 155:—Founded 1907, meets in Masonic Hall, Great King St. (opp. Museum), Dunedin, third Monday in month, 7.45 p.m. Installation April. W.M., Bro. James Bissland; S.W., Bro. R. Johnson; J.W., Bro. G. Winter; Sec., W. Bro. C. F. J. Bell, P.M., 600 Castle Street, North Dunedin.

Masters, No. 161.

Kurow, No. 164:—Founded 18th May, 1909; meets in Masonic Hall, Kurow, Thursday on or before full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation September. W.M., Bro. R. H. Appleby; S.W., Bro. J. Pringle; J.W., Bro. W. H. Smart; Sec., Bro. W. W. Mercer.

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

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

Ionic, No. 191 (Green Island).

Morning Star, No. 192 (Mornington).

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

PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND: 17 LODGES.

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

Southern Cross, No. 9:—Founded 1864, meets in Masonic Hall, Forth Street, Invercargill, first Friday in month, 7.45 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. W. F. Irvine; S.W., Bro. L. L. Padgett; J.W., Bro. N. J. Farrant; Sec., Bro. E. H. Roberts, Box 214, Invercargill.

Harvey, No. 49:—Founded 1883, meets in Masonic Hall, Gore, Wednesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation second Wednesday in April. W.M., W. Bro. D. D. Stedman; S.W., W. Bro. A. G. Clarke; J.W., Bro. T. J. Sherborn, jun.; Sec., Bro. D. Gee, P.M.

Mokoreta, No. 63:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Temple, Wyndham, third Thursday every month, 8 p.m. Installation fourth Wednesday in September. W.M., Bro. R. Winning; S.W., Bro. H. N. Parker; J.W., Bro. Jas. Duncan; Act-Sec., Bro. A. Crobble, Box 28, Wyndham.

Fortitude, No. 64:—Founded 1888, meets in Masonic Hall, Bluff, second Wednesday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation June. W.M., Bro. R. C. Skippage; S.W., Bro. R. C. Harbord; J.W., Bro. G. Steel; Sec., Bro. G. Parker.

Aparima, No. 77:—Founded 1876, meets Masonic Hall, Riverton, Tuesday nearest full moon, 7.30 p.m. Installation August. W.M., Bro. W. J. Robinson; S.W., Bro. T. J. Price; J.W., Bro. S. L. McNeil; Sec., Bro. E. B. Gee, jun., Riverton.

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

Arrow Kil., No. 86:—Meets Monday on or before full moon at Masonic Hall, Arrowtown. Installation February. W.M., Bro. F. F. Dunlop; S.W., Bro. T. Pope; J.W., —; Sec., Bro. J. S. Jenkins, P.M., Box 16, Arrowtown.

St. John, No. 94:—Meets at Masonic Hall, Invercargill, third Friday in month. Installation May. W.M., Bro. J. S. Lipscombe; S.W., Bro. Jas. Manson; J.W., Bro. R. Hyslop; Sec., W. Bro. F. Butterfield, cr. Nith and Etrick Streets, Invercargill.

Taringatura, No. 100:—Founded 1887, meets Masonic Hall, Lumsden, Monday on or before full moon. Installation third Wednesday in November. W.M., Bro. S. E. Griffiths; S.W., Bro. W. Roxburgh; J.W., Bro. G. Findlay; Sec., W. Bro. —.

Winton, No. 108:—Founded 1896, meets Masonic Hall, Park St., Winton, Tuesday on or before full moon. Installation October. W.M., Bro. J. A. Broom; S.W., Bro. C. E. P. Webb; J.W., Bro. H. Liddell; Sec., Bro. T. Walker, P.M., Chemist, Winton.

Wallace, No. 129:—Founded 1904, meets Masonic Hall, Otautau, third Friday in month, 7.30 p.m. Instruction meetings every Friday. Installation October. W.M., Bro. C. H. Tomkinson; S.W., Bro. J. Thomson; J.W., Bro. H. MacChesney; Sec., Bro. E. Matheson, P.O. Box 10, Otautau.

Orepuki, No. 137:—Founded 1905, meets Masonic Hall, Orepuki, second Thursday in month, 7.30 p.m. Installation third Wednesday in April. W.M., Bro. C. C. Nicholas; S.W., Bro. W. Clark; J.W., Bro. F. A. Kemp; Sec., W. Bro. L. F. Clapp, P.M., P.O. Box 7, Orepuki.

Wairaki, No. 145 (Nightcaps).

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

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

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

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

ENGLISH CRAFT LODGES.

Pacific Lodge, No. 1453, E.C.:—Founded 1873, meets Masonic Hall, Reefton, Tuesday nearest full moon. Installation July. W.M., Bro. R. Burley; S.W., W. Bro. S. Austin; J.W., Bro. A. Bloxham; Sec., Bro. A. A. Rouse, P.O. Box 41, Reefton.

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

BOARDS OF ENQUIRY.

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

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Meets first Wednesday in month. Pres., W. Bro. F. C. J. Bellinger; Sec., W. Bro. W. Hosken, P.O. Box 35, New Plymouth.

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

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

OTAGO.—Meets in Board Room, No. 15 Empire Buildings, Princes Street, Dunedin, third Thursday each month. Pres., W. Bro. W. G. Hay; Sec., W. Bro. T. W. O'Driscoll, 153 Dundas Street, Dunedin.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE. GRAND LODGE OF FRANCE.

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

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NEW ZEALAND CHAPTERS.

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