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A Souvenir of the Order and the Lodge.

The Brethren of Lodge Greenock St. John's, No. 175, have great pleasure in issuing this Guide Book to the Bazaar. In doing so, they are deeply sensible of the kindness displayed by the numerous friends who have spared neither time nor labour to ensure that their combined efforts will culminate in unqualified success.

To the ladies, especially of Greenock Kilwinning, No. 12, and Greenock St. John's, No. 175, great praise is unreservedly given for their zealous, active, and sterling assistance in the organization of the Bazaar.

The heartfelt thanks and gratitude of the Brethren are extended to all who have in any way contributed their quota, great or small, to assist in realising this happy result; and it is with pleasurable feelings that they look forward to the adding of still another stately architectural edifice to those which already give grace and proportion to the form and character of our town.

It had been considered that the time had now arrived when Lodge Greenock St. John's, No. 175, should find a more stately Habitation wherein the labours of the Brethren could be more fittingly performed, and under the shelter of which those duties connected with the working of the Lodge would tend to become still more elevated and ennobled through the influences flowing from the environments of an erection worthy the aspirations of the Order.

For many years the Lodge has been working under disadvantageous circumstances; the premises at their disposal on special occasions being totally inadequate to accommodate the Brethren.

The new Temple is to be erected on the vacant ground situated at the corner of Argyle and West Stewart Streets. The building has been carefully planned to meet all the requirements of the Craft. The principal entrance is from West Stewart Street, which gives access to a staircase leading to all the floors. There is also a side entrance from Argyle Street, forming a private entrance to the Lodge Room, and giving access to a stair leading up to the large hall on the second floor. The basement has been set apart to provide well-equipped lavatory accommodation, heating chamber, and store rooms, &c. This floor, although below the level of West Stewart Street, will be very well lighted. The ground floor is entirely devoted to the requirements of the Brethren, and includes a handsome Lodge Room, measuring about 29 feet by 27 feet. This apartment is lofty in the ceiling, and is fully lighted by a large elliptical window to Argyle Street; the platform is situated in the east. Towards the front, and lighted by windows to West Stewart Street, a large Assembly or Committee Room has been arranged, which may also be utilised as a Smoking or Reading Room, or can be used for Cloak Room purposes. The remainder of the ground floor is occupied by the Candidates' Preparation Room, Officials' Room, and Tyler's Room. The entresol provides another large Committee Room, Gentlemen's Cloak Room, Kitchen, and Lavatories. The Kitchen will be fitted with all modern appliances for cooking, and has also a dinner lift to the large hall above. A spacious hall, measuring about 45 feet by 42 feet, occupies the upper floor. This hall will be used for
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special Masonic functions, and will also be available for letting. It is well lighted by five large round-headed windows to Argyle Street. The platform is placed in the east, and at the opposite end of the hallow used for orchestral purposes—is a small gallery, supported by iron brackets resting on stone corbels. The ceiling of this hall—which is finished in plaster—is about 24 feet high, and will be treated in an ornamental manner by the intersecting beams and by the rich cornicing and covings over same. Commodious and convenient rooms have been arranged off the main hall for the Stewards and Tyler. These rooms will form convenient retiring rooms in connection with the large hall when the same is let. Suitable accommodation has been provided in the upper entresol for the caretaker.

Designed in a free style of Renaissance architecture, the building externally presents many pleasing features, one of the most prominent being a large octagonal corner tower, corbelled at the level of the first floor. This tower rises about sixty feet above West Stewart Street, and is surmounted by a large domical roof, from which rises a handsome flagstaff. A full-sized figure of the patron saint of the Lodge is placed at the level of the upper floor, in a niche surmounted by a pediment supported on circular attached columns. The upper part of this tower has semi-circular-headed windows, and at the angles are set circular columns supporting an entablature on which the octagonal roof rests. The principal façade is to West Stewart Street, where the mullioned windows give a most pleasing appearance. At the level of the hall floor a large centre compartment gives considerable architectural effect to this elevation. The handsome side pilasters rest on a richly-moulded cornice, and are supported on ornamental corbels. These pilasters support an entablature, which is crowned by a circular pediment having a bold moulded circular cornicing with dentil block enrichment, and completed with a large moulded finial. Included within this centre compartment is a very handsome ornamental two-light window, having three-quarter engaged "Ionic" columns resting on moulded trusses and supporting a segmental pediment. The Temple, which will be built of red sandstone from Skelmorlie Quarry, has been designed by Messrs. Boston, Menzies & Morton, architects, Greenock. The latter gentleman, Mr. George Morton, is a Brother of No. 175.

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Within the compass of this small book, it is not our intention to follow the path of Freemasonry through the many stages and vicissitudes of its history. A few general points will suffice to take up the restricted space.

Under the Patriarchal Judicial Dispensation, Freemasonry reared its form and clothed itself in opulence and power, with a brilliancy and splendour attendant that have shed lustre down through the succeeding generations. In the Egyptian temples it was surrounded with the mysteries and subtle learning of priest and magician. In Greece and in Italy it partook of the beauties of art and assumed graceful proportions and symmetry of thought and design from its contact with those sensitive expounders of perfect system and proportion. In its sojournings to the uttermost parts of the earth, amidst all nations, amidst all tongues, it reconciled, in the depths of the experience and knowledge of many men, the affinity of All to Eternal Truth. In the days of the Christian revelation it boldly held sway under papal jurisdiction and papal power, being exempt from all local laws and statutes, and being granted the privilege—as a right—of the sole building of churches.

It is a very fitting question to ask, To what extent did Freemasonry influence the Gothic architecture so prevalent in our churches? "It may be asserted," says a writer, "that a new apostle of the Gospel no sooner arrived in the remotest corner of Europe, either to convert the inhabitants to Christianity or to introduce among them a new religious Order, than speedily followed a tribe of Freemasons to back him, and to provide the inhabitants with the necessary place of worship or reception."

From the associations with the arts and sciences which found refuge with the religious monks when dissensions within and menaces without disturbed the various civilized countries, Freemasonry still added to its accumulated wealth of knowledge and power, and has left, as a result of its labours, triumphs of architectural design and skill, co-relating the sense of beauty and proportion with the fundamental principles of mechanics.

It must be observed that a progressive institution like Freemasonry would, in the different ages, exercise a most powerful moral influence. The strict secrecy in which, for the better disciplining of the Brethren, their labours and instructions were upheld, served to disconcert the machinations of forces opposed to the well-being of the Brethren particularly and the world at large relatively. Uninfluenced by the antagonism of selfish powers, Freemasonry maintains its liberty to promulgate a universal Brotherhood—"All the world a Lodge, and every man a Mason!" And, gradually becoming free from all that would tend to detract from a pure and lofty development, it will stand revealed, with faith, disencumbered of its weaknesses, in the presence of the Great Light that searches all things, for its aspirations are the noblest. Founded upon Law and
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Of the Freemason Lodges in Great Britain, the most ancient recorded bears date 927 A.D., in the reign of King Athelstan, and was styled the Grand Lodge of York, of which the king's brother Edwin became the Grand Master. The oldest Scottish Lodge is Mother Kilwinning, dating from 1140 A.D., and believed to have been founded during the erection of the ancient abbey of that place.

In the year 1884 there were 2,000 Lodges under the control of the Grand Lodge of England and 728 under the control of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

It has been the usual custom for the reigning sovereign to identify himself or herself with the Order. Her most gracious Majesty Queen Victoria is patron of all the charities. The Prince of Wales was initiated in the year 1868, and has held the office of Grand Master since 1875. The Duke of Edinburgh and the Duke of Connaught are both members of the fraternity, and the late Duke of Albany held high office in the Order at the time of his death in March, 1884.

The Charter of Greenock Lodge St. John's bears date 1st February, 1790; the Lodge is therefore in its one hundred and sixth year. During that period, subject to Grand Lodge of Scotland, it has had 38 Most Worshipful Grand Masters and 8 Grand Secretaries.

The following will be interesting to many of the Brethren, being a copy of the Charter of the Lodge:

CHARTER OF CONSTITUTION AND ERECTION
IN FAVOUR OF
GREENOCK ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 234,
1ST FEBRUARY, 1790.

To all and sundry to whose knowledge these presents shall come, Greeting in God Everlasting, Whereas upon application to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in the Kingdom of Scotland by Charles Mollison, Peter Anderson, Robert Connell, John Wilson, James Pollock, Robert Anderson, and Daniel Hannah, all master masons, for themselves and in name of several other Free Masons residing in and about the town of Greenock, Setting Forth That they being influenced by the love of Masonry, and anxious to promote the prosperity and welfare of the Craft, were desirous of being incorporated into the Body for holding a regular Lodge under the sanction of the Grand Lodge in the said Town of Greenock, under the Style and Title of Greenock St. John's, and they proposed the said Charles Mollison for Master; Peter Anderson, Depute Master; Robert Connell, Senior Warden; John Wilson, Junior Warden; James Pollock, Treasurer; Robert Anderson, Secretary; Daniel Hannah, Steward; and William Ritchie, Tyler. Therefore Praying the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter of Constitution and erection for holding a Lodge in the said town of Greenock under the Style and Title aforesaid with all the usual powers, Which Petition, with two ample Certificates in favour of the Petitioning Brethren by the Masters and Wardens of the Lodges of St. Andrew's, Kilmarnock, and Beith St. John's, having been upon the date hereof considered by the Grand Lodge, the present
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and hereby CONSTITUTE, ERECT and APPOINT The
Master, Wardens, and Brethren office-bearers above
named together with the other Constituent Members of
the said Lodge and their Successors, to be now and in all time
coming a Free and regular Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons under the title and denomination of GREENOCK
ST. JOHN'S, and APPOINT and ORDAIN all regular Lodges
to hold, own, and respect them as such; GIVING
GRANTING and COMMITTING to them and their Success-
ors full power and authority to meet, assemble, and
convene as a regular Lodge and to admit and receive
Apprentices, pass fellow Crafts, and raise Master Masons
upon payment of such composition for support of their
Lodge as they shall see convenient, and to elect and
choose Masters and Wardens and other office-bearers
annually or otherwise as they shall have occasion,
recommending to the Brethren aforesaid to reverence
and obey their Superiors in all things lawful and honest
as becomes the honour and harmony of Masonry. The
said Brethren by accepting of this present Charter
becoming faithfully bound not to desert their said Lodge
so constituted, nor upon any pretext whatsoever to make
any separate or schismatical meetings without the
consent of their Master and Wardens for the time, nor
to collect money or other funds separate from the
common stock of their Lodge to the prejudice of the
poor thereof. They and their successors in all time
coming being also obliged to obey and pay due regard to
all Acts, Statutes and Regulations of the Grand Lodge
already made or hereafter to be made for the utility,
welfare and prosperity of Masonry in general, and to pay
and perform whatever is stipulated or demanded from
them for the support of the DIGNITY of THE GRAND
Lodge, AND IN PARTICULAR that they do account and
pay into the funds of The Grand Lodge at least half-a-
crown for each intrant and member made in their
Lodge from the date hereof, and that the names of such
members be transmitted to the Grand Secretary or
Grand Clerk at Edinburgh to be recorded in the Books
of the Grand Lodge, with the usual fee to the Clerk, and
that they do record in their books (which they are
hereby authorised to keep) this present Charter of
Constitution and Erection with their own Regulations
and bye-Laws and their whole procedure from time to
time as that shall occur, To the end the same may be
more easily seen and observed by the Brethren, subject
always to the review of the Grand Lodge, AND ALSO the
Brethren aforesaid and their successors are hereby
required punctually to attend the whole general meet-
ings and quarterly communications of the Grand Lodge
by their Representatives, being their Master and
Wardens for the time or by lawful Proxies in their
names. PROVIDING such Proxies be Master Masons or
Fellow Crafts of some established Lodge holding of the
Grand Lodge aforesaid, To the end they may act and
vote in the Grand Lodge and be duly Certiorated of the
proceedings thereof, DECLARING always their precedency
in the Grand Lodge to be from the date hereof, and to
the end these presents may be the more effectually kept
and preserved, the same are hereby appointed to be
recorded in the Books of the Grand Lodge. GIVEN at
the GRAND LODGE held in the City of EDINBURGH upon
the First day of February in the year of our LORD one
thousand seven hundred and ninety and of Light Five
These Certificat, to all whom it shall concern: That the [Name and Title] of [Name and Title], is a Regular Registered Master Mason in [Name and Title], under the regulation of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. We therefore hereby recommend him to all Regular Lodges and to the Brotherly Love and Friendship of all the Fraternal World of Lights, hoping that he will always act such a part as to merit their esteem. Given under our hands and Seal at Greenwich, the Fifth day of August in the year of Our Lord 1790, and of the Masonry 790.

[Signature]
thousand seven hundred and ninety, By the Right Honourable and Most Worshipful Francis, Lord Napier, General Master Mason of Scotland; The Right Worshipful and Right Honourable Lord Bumig, Deputy Grand Master; The Right Worshipful Thomas Hay, Esq., Substitute Grand Master; The Right Worshipful John Stuart and James Wolf Murray, Esqrs., Grand Wardens; The Right Worshipful John Hay, Esq., Grand Treasurer; and the seal of the Grand Lodge is hereto appended in presence of William Mason, Esq., Grand Secretary, and Robert Meikle, Esq., Grand Clerk.

F. NAPIER, Grand Master.
THOMAS HAY, Subt. Gd. Mr.
ALEX. CRAWFORD, J.W. p.t.
JOHN HAY, G.T.

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The number of the Lodge originally as in the Charter (234) was changed in 1816 to 170, and shortly thereafter to 175, the present number held by the Lodge.

To a Masonic brother of the present day the restrictions upon membership which existed over a hundred years ago will sound somewhat strange. For instance, it is recorded that at that period it was agreed that no Ditcher, Jobber, Porter, Street Sweeper, Gravedigger, Mason's Servant, Hostler, Chaise Driver, Gentleman's Servant, Journeyman Mechanic, or Common Sailor could be admitted without the most rigid scrutiny as to behaviour and character, as well as their circumstances and prospects in life.

The records of the Lodge do not show any Initiations till the year 1733. That Intrans were admitted during the years 1700-93 is proven conclusively by the finding of an old diploma in the archives of the Lodge, of which we give a fac-simile upon the opposite page.

The waxen seal, attached to the document, (which is not shown), though somewhat broken, still exhibits the characters of the old seal of the Lodge, a drawing of which is here given.

Unfortunately, the Grand Lodge did not register Intrans till the year 1790, so that all further information on this point is lost.

That irregularities did exist during the earlier period of the Lodge's existence is clearly shown in the succeeding minutes. For instance, in 1733 the R.W. Master declined to hand over the Sederunt Book, on the plea that the Secretary's minutes were in the handwriting of a woman. The Master was shortly afterwards suspended.
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for a time until he apologised to the members for being absent from two meetings. Again, while the Greenock Volunteers were on duty in 1808, a number of brethren clandestinely held a meeting in the name of Greenock St. John’s without right asked or given. A certain Tyler who took the responsibility of such a non-masonic proceeding was deprived of all privileges for one year. At another time four members took upon themselves to make two Apprentice Masons in a back shop in Market Street, and for this offence they were expelled the Lodge for life. In 1793 all members in arrears with annual payments were served with a notice to pay under pain of expulsion. It was decreed by the Brethren that the names of thirty-three members, whether Intrants, Re-intrants, or Foundation Members, who had not availed themselves of the opportunity to pay should be for ever erased from the books of the Lodge.

The meetings of Greenock St. John’s were first held in the Gardeners’ Hall, Market Street; in 1818 the Brethren removed to the Buck Head, to the Assembly Room in 1850, and to the premises as now occupied in the year 1864.

On 27th December, 1790, the first St. John’s night was celebrated by this Lodge in the Gardeners' Hall, and since that date each anniversary of our Patron Saint has been recognised with full Masonic Honours. Each year, on these occasions, the interchange of fraternal greetings and intercourse with the other Lodges in the Province and surrounding Districts have been faithfully adhered to.

It was customary on these occasions to have torch-light processions, and we find that St. John’s night, 1802, was the first time this Lodge marched through the streets of the town accompanied by a band of music, the Brethren carrying flambeaux.

On many St. John’s Nights the Lodge waived the Annual Dinner in favour of a Public Demonstration and Sermon. On 26th December, 1802, we have it noted that the Brethren assembled in the Mid Parish Church, and were regaled with a most impressive and eloquent sermon, delivered by the esteemed late Rev. F. L. Robertson, Minister of the Parish. Bro. Reid, our R.W.M., held the office of Senior Deacon. The sum of £15 11s. 10d. was collected by salver, and distributed amongst the local charitable institutions.

The Lodge at all times has shown its loyalty to the reigning sovereigns of this realm. In the year 1820 the Lodge dissolved its monthly meeting on hearing of the demise of His Majesty George III. When George IV. visited Scotland in 1822, an address from the Brethren was presented through the Right Honourable Robert Peel to that monarch, the Grand Master Mason and Patron of the Order in Scotland evincing sentiments of loyalty and attachment to His Majesty’s Person, Family, and Government. His Majesty received this address most graciously. On the death of William IV., Patron of the Order, the Lodge did not celebrate St. John’s Day. In 1840, the Secretary was authorised to frame an address of congratulation to be forwarded to Robert Wallace, Esq., of Kelly, M.P., for presentation to Her Majesty on the occasion of her nuptials with Prince Albert. In 1841, a loyal and congratulatory address was again transmitted to the Queen and her Consort on the occasion of the birth of the Prince of Wales, whom we have now the honour to acknowledge as the Grand Master Mason of England. And in 1842, on the occasion
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of the visit to Scotland by Her Majesty the Queen and the Prince Consort, the following address was presented on behalf of the Lodge by Bro. P. M. Stewart, M.P., Provincial Grand Master for Renfrewshire (West):—

"To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

We, your Majesty's loyal subjects, Brethren of the Free Mason Lodge, Greenock Saint John, holding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, in full Lodge assembled, beg to approach your Majesty on the present auspicious occasion of your Majesty honouring our native country by your Royal presence.

We welcome your Majesty to the Metropolis of Scotland with those feelings of love, respect, and loyalty which ought to possess the breasts of true and loyal subjects, and especially Brethren of the Mystic Tie, whose foundation stone is charity, and whose expanded wings, like your Majesty's Dominions, extend over the whole habitable globe.

In thus approaching your Majesty and Illustrious Consort on Caledonia's shores, we hail the event as a precursor to many visits by your Majesty and Illustrious Consort, assuring your Majesty that few hearts beat higher and none feel prouder of the condescension and mark of respect thus shewn by your Majesty and Illustrious Consort to the Land of the Mountain and the Flood, and while it is our wish and prayer that your Majesty may enjoy this Royal tour through the land of your illustrious forefathers, whose flat had only to be known to call from their rural abodes in the craggy glens and mountain vales of heath-clad Scotland those true and loyal followers who counted not their heart-blood dear for Royalty and liberty, it is our desire that your Majesty and His Royal Highness Prince Albert, with your illustrious offspring, may be blessed with every domestic peace and happiness, and have a long and prosperous reign over a free, loyal, happy, religious, and united people.

Signed and sealed by command of the Brethren of the Lodge Greenock St. John in full Lodge assembled, this 30th day of August, in the year of our Lord, 1842, and of Masonry, 5842."

To come nearer home, our attachment to the house of Ardgowan has been of long standing. We find the Lodge presented Sir Michael Shaw Stewart with an address on attaining his majority, and again, in 1833, on the occasion of his marriage. Sir Michael is now Past Provincial Grand Master, and his son, Brother Hugh Shaw Stewart, M.P., is Provincial Grand Master for Renfrewshire (West).

As a Lodge we have on many occasions taken a prominent part in the ceremonial duties connected with the inauguration of buildings. Amongst the number may be mentioned the Greenock Hospital in 1807, the Customhouse in 1817, the Assembly and Coffee Rooms in 1823, Hutchison's Bridge (Glasgow) in 1829, High-land Mary's Monument in 1842, Scott's Monument (Edinburgh) in 1846, Victoria Harbour in 1850, Duke of Wellington's Statue (Edinburgh) in 1852, the Freemason's Hall (Edinburgh) in 1858, Greenock Theatre Royal in 1858, Wallace's Monument (Stirling) in 1861, and the Albert Harbour in 1883.

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1830—JOHN ROBB.
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1841—JOSEPH SCOTT.
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1844—DUNCAN DOW.
1845—DUNCAN DOW.
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1858—Alex. M’Master.
1859—Alex. M’Master.
1860—P. M. Black.
1861—P. M. Black.
1862—P. M. Black.
1863—Andrew Boag.

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1865—Gilbert Cameron.
1866—Gilbert Cameron.
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1868—Donald Anderson.
1869—J. P. Muir.
1870—J. P. Muir.
1871—Charles Grey.
1872—Charles Grey.
1873—Charles Grey.
1874—Charles Grey.
1875—Alex. M’Master.
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1877—J. M. Pollock.
1878—J. M. Pollock.
1879—J. M. Pollock.
1880—George Bathgate.
1881—William Cameron.
1882—William Cameron.
1883—William Cameron.
1884—James Auld.
1885—James Auld.
1886—John Dunlop.
1887—John Dunlop.
1888—Dugald M’Innes.
1889—Dugald M’Innes.
1890—Dugald M’Innes.
1891—Dugald M’Innes.
1892—Dugald M’Innes.
1893—W. A. Cairney.
1894—W. A. Cairney.
1895—James Reid.
1896—James Reid.

The last three Masters, viz., James Reid, W. A. Cairney, and D. M’Innes, are the only active installed Masters. To their exertions and support the Lodge is deeply indebted for the position which it now holds in point of numbers and in the strength of its finances.

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Brother James Reid, Right Worshipful Master of Lodge Greenock St. John's, No. 175, was born in Belfast. He adds another honoured personality to those of his countrymen who fulfil many of the important higher duties in the world's affairs.

He was educated at the Academy and Queen's College, Belfast.

After four years' business training in his native town, he came to Greenock in 1859, entering into the employment of Messrs. Fleming, Reid & Co., manufacturers of the famous merino yarns. He is now one of the senior partners in that most flourishing firm.

St. John's, No. 175, is his mother Lodge, into which he was initiated in 1860. Brother Reid's interest in No. 175 has been most active, thorough, and sincere. It can be truly said that St. John's, No. 175, has never in its history had the office of R.W.M. occupied by one more highly respected for his personal worth and marked administrative ability.

Besides most worthily filling the position of R.W.M. in St. John's, No. 175, he is also Provincial Grand Depute Master of Renfrewshire West and a member of Grand Lodge of Scotland. At the election of Grand Lodge Committees, for twelve vacancies there were fourteen members standing: Brother Reid in the voting stood second of those elected.

In the duties relating to the town of his adoption, Brother Reid has also taken a prominent share. He was for fourteen years connected with the Volunteer service, retiring in 1873, being then Captain in the local Artillery.

In 1883-84 Brother Reid was Chairman of the Provident Bank, and in 1884 Chairman of Directors of Greenock Infirmary. He is a Justice of the Peace and holds the position of Deputy Lieutenant of the County.

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Brother W. A. Cairney, the worthy Past Master of Greenock St. John's, No. 175, was born in Greenock. He served his apprenticeship to the tailoring in his native town, and afterwards added to his business training in one of the largest tailoring firms in Glasgow. He has been in business now for over twenty-four years.

It is chiefly in Masonic circles that the quiet influence of Brother Cairney has been felt. Initiated into the Order in Lodge Greenock St. John's, No. 175, in 1873, he has passed through all the minor offices from Junior Deacon to the honoured and responsible position of Right Worshipful Master. This position he has been twice called to fill. The conscientious manner in which the duties have been discharged more than justified the Lodge in its wise selection.

For two years Brother Cairney has been the respected Past Master of the Lodge; in all, being ten years continually in office. The Lodge is much indebted to Brother Cairney for many healthful improvements in the general working.

Brother Cairney was the prime mover in originating the annual excursions, which have been regularly held since 1889. He was also the means of re-uniting the Masonic re-unions. Still more, our friend give birth to the idea of erecting a new habitation for the Brethren. As the result of his fostering care, willing hands and willing minds have brought the idea into practical shape.

Brother Cairney held office in Royal Arch Chapter, Greenock, No. 17. He is a Royal Ark Mariner, and a Red Cross Knight Caledonian of Unity, Chapter No. 73, and has had conferred on him—for Masonic services rendered—an Honorary Membership by Lodge Glasgow Kilwinning, No. 4. He holds the office of Bible Bearer in Provincial Grand Renfrewshire West, and has been a member of the Grand Lodge of Scotland for over ten years.

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Brother Dugald McInnes, Depute Master of Greenock St. John's, No. 175, was born and passed the initial stages of his life in the second city of the Empire. Leaving Glasgow, he founded his home in Greenock, where he has dwelt in our midst for over thirty years.

Bro. McInnes has been a marked and respected personality in the public life of Greenock. His first introduction to the heat and bustle of public life was as a member of the now defunct Parochial Board.

In 1882 he stood for the Second Ward of the town as a candidate for municipal honours, and was successful in being elected to represent the ward in the Town Council. For fourteen years Bailie McInnes has been continuously discharging the onerous duties devolving upon our civic fathers. He has been appointed and served as Convener of the Gas Trust, Convener of the Cleansing Committee, a Harbour Trustee, the Treasurer of the Burgh, and Dean of Guild. And now, with many kindly sympathies and with a high appreciation of his faithful services to the Council, the dignified honour of Bailie was conferred upon him.

Towards the social side of things he has been most marked in his encouraging sympathy. In clubs connected with bowling, yachting, sailing, and football, he has always taken a lively and substantial interest.

As a Mason, there are few more enthusiastic. There need be no further testimony given of the popularity of Brother McInnes, when it is stated that for five years—from 1887 to 1892—he was elected and re-elected to occupy the honoured office of Right Worshipful Master.

During his tenure of office 470 candidates received the degree of Master Mason. He is a member of Royal Arch Chapter, No. 17, holds the position of Provincial Grand Junior Deacon, Renfrewshire West, and is a member of Grand Lodge of Scotland.

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FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCT., 1896, AT TWELVE NOON,

by
Sir M. R. Shaw Stewart, Bart., Past Grand Master, and Past Provincial Grand Master of Renfrewshire W.

Chairman: James Reid, Esq., Deputy Lieutenant, R.W.M.

Form of Ceremony.


HYMN.

Work for the night is coming!
Work through the sunny noon;
Fill brightest hours with labour;
Rest comes sure and soon.
Give every flying minute
Something to keep in store;
Work, for the night is coming;
When man works no more.
Work for the night is coming!
Under the sunset skies,
While their bright tints are glowing,
Work, for daylight flies.
Work till the last beam fadeth,
Fadeth to shine no more;
Work while the night is darkening,
When man's work is o'er.

James Reid, Esq., Deputy Lieutenant, R.W.M., and Deputy Provincial Grand Master, will request Sir Michael Robert Shaw Stewart, Past Grand Master, to Open the Bazaar.

Sir Michael Robert Shaw Stewart of Greenock and Blackhall, Bart., Lord-Lieutenant of the County, will declare the Bazaar Open.

A. A. Spiers, Esq., Elderslie, will propose a vote of thanks to Sir Michael.

Dr. Laurie, R.W.M., Greenock Kilwinning, No. 12, will propose a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

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FRIDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1896, AT TWELVE NOON.

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Michael Hugh Shaw Stewart, Esq., M.P., Provincial Grand Master, Renfrewshire West.

Chairman: Dugald Shankland, Esq., Hon. the Provost of Greenock.

Form of Ceremony.

PRAYER BY CHAPLAIN, Bro. Rev. THOS. KAY, Chaplain 175, and Provincial Grand Chaplain Renfrewshire West.

HYMN.

Labour is sweet, for Thou hast toiled;
And care is light, for Thou hast cared;
Let not our works with self be soiled,
Nor in unsimple ways ensured.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

Dugald Shankland, Esq., the Hon. the Provost of Greenock, will request Michael Hugh Shaw Stewart, Esq., Provincial Grand Master, Renfrewshire West, to Open the Bazaar.

Michael Hugh Shaw Stewart, Esq., of Carnock, M.P., will declare the Bazaar Open.

Lord Blythwood will move a Vote of thanks to Michael Hugh Shaw Stewart, Esq., M.P.

James Reid, Esq., R.W.M., will move a Vote of Thanks to Provost Shankland.

ANTHEM.

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To Thee all praise and glory be;
How shall we show our love to Thee,
Giver of all?

For peaceful homes, and healthful days,
For all the blessings earth displays,
We owe Thee thankfulness and praise,
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Our life, our gifts, our power to give;
O may we ever with Thee live
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THURSDAY, 15th OCTOBER, 1896.

12.30 to 1.30, Organ Recital in Town Hall.
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Programme.

1. Wedding March, - - - Mendelssohn.
2. Andante in F, - - - Dr. Frost.
5. Scotch Fantasia, - - - Middleton.

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March, - "The Silver Marriage," - Fabian Rose.
Waltz, - "Indiana" - Walker Standhope.
Overture to "Kenilworth," - C. Volti.
Cornet Solo, "The Lost Chord," - Sir A. Sullivan
Selection, - "A Niet wi' Burns," - C. Volti.
Barn Dance, - "Canadian," - Fabian Rose.
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Piccolo Solo, "Satyrs' Dance," - -
Waltz, - "Fiancee," - Gustave De Lis.
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3. Offertorium in F, - - - Humelett.
4. Au de Ballet, - - - Erskine.
5. Minuet in C, - - - Beicherini.
6. Selections from National Airs, - - -

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Quartette,

Messes. Thomson and M'Leod, and Misses Livingstone and M'Nish.

Song, "Scots Wha Hae."

Miss Livingstone.

Song, "Will ye no Come Back Again."

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Song, "Anchored."

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Song, "Mary."

Mr. R. Thomson.

Song, "I Fear No Foe."

Mr. J. M'Leod.

Duet, Selected.

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Song, "Killarney."

Miss Livingstone.

Song, "Lochnagar."

Miss M'Nish.

Duet, "Army and Navy."

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Mr. Aleck Paterson, - - - Bass.

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Quartette, - "Let the Hills Resound," Brinley Richards.
Song, - - "Jeanie's Black E'e," Words by H. Macneil.
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Song, - - "Woman's Ways," - - - Miss Jeanie Johnstone.
Violin Selection, "Il Trovatore," - - - Verdi.
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2. "Ave Marie," ................................................. Clark
3. Scotch Fantasia, .................................................. Spark
4. Entracte (Megnori), ........................................... Thomas
5. Andante from Concerto, ..................................... Mozart
6. Overture to "Rob Roy," ..................................... Foster
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8. Dances from "Henry VIII.," ................................. Germane
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Song, .......................................................... "Deep in the Mine," Mr. J. M. Aitken
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