

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER

ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ENGLAND.

AT A QUARTERLY CONVOCATION,

HOLDEN AT FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON,
ON WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 1847.

PRESENT.

<p>E. Comp. THOMAS HENRY HALL,.....as Z. " ALEXANDER DOBIE,as H. " JAMES SAVAGE,as J.</p> <p>E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E. " JOHN C. McMULLEN, N. " CHARLES BAUMER, as Pr. Soj. " HENRY ARTHUR HOARE, Assist. Soj. " THOMAS TOMBLESON, as Assist. Soj. " BENJAMIN BOND CABELL, <i>M.P.</i>, Past Assist. Soj. " JOHN A. ADAMTHWAITE, Past Assist. Soj. " FREDERICK W. BOSSY, Past Sword Bearer.</p>	<p>E. Comp. JOHN L. EVANS, Past Sword Bearer. " PETER THOMSON, Past Stand. Bearer. " EDWARD G. GILES, Past Stand. Bearer. " JOHN HAVERS, Past Stand. Bearer. " JOHN H. GOLDSWORTHY, Past Stand. Bearer. " THOMAS PARKINSON, Dir. of Ceremonies. " JOHN B. KING, Past Dir. of Ceremonies.</p>
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The Principals and Past Principals of several subordinate Chapters.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ancient and Solemn Form.
 The Minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation were read and confirmed.
RESOLVED,—That a copy of the resolution of the last Grand Chapter, granting the sum of £. 100 p. annuum to the Royal Masonic Benevolent Annuity Fund upon the conditions therein stated be forwarded to the Committee of Management of that Institution, in order that they may take such steps as may be deemed requisite towards obtaining the sanction of the Grand Lodge.
 The Committee for General Purposes reported the amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the last quarter.
 The Committee also reported on the subject of an appeal made by Companion James Jarrett against the decision of the Provincial Grand Superintendent of the Bahamas, as to the election of Companion William Hamilton as Third Principal of the Royal Victoria Chapter, No. 649, Nassau. The appeal and accompanying documents having been read—It was moved:—
 That Companion James Jarrett's appeal be allowed, and that his election be confirmed. On which an amendment was moved,—
 That the Chapter No. 649 be perfectly correct in proceeding to a second election.
 The question being put on that amendment passed in the affirmative.
 It was then, on a motion duly made, **Resolved**,—That the decision of the E. Comp. the Honourable George C. Anderson, Grand Superintendent of the Bahamas, be affirmed.
 On Petitions, regularly signed, Charters were granted to be attached to Lodges as follows, viz. :—
 To the Lodge, No. 766, Leicester. | To the Lodge, No. 340, Madras.
RESOLVED,—That the Grand Registrar of the Order be authorised, upon receiving directions from the M. E. Z. for that purpose, to sign any Charter or Charters for the M. E. H. during the present absence of his Lordship from England.
 All Business being concluded, the Grand Chapter was closed in Ancient and Solemn Form, and Adjourned.

AT A QUARTERLY CONVOCATION,
HOLDEN AT FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON,
ON WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY, 1847.

PRESENT.

The Right Honourable the M. E. Comp. THE EARL OF ZETLAND,.....M.E.Z., in the Chair.
 M. E. Comp. ROWLAND ALSTON,.....as H.
 E. Comp. THOMAS HENRY HALLas J.

<p>E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E. " JOHN C. McMULLEN, N. " JOHN A. ADAMTHWAITE, as Pr. Soj. " CHARLES BAUMER, as Assist. Soj. " JOHN P. ACKLAM, as Assist. Soj. " STEPHEN BLAIR, Grand Superintendent for the Eastern Division of Lancashire. " THOMAS SATTERLY, Past Sword Bearer. " JOHN L. EVANS, Past Sword Bearer.</p>	<p>E. Comp. JOHN MASSON, Past Sword Bearer. " BENJAMIN LAWRENCE, Past Stand. Bearer. " PETER THOMSON, Past Stand. Bearer. " JOHN HAVERS, Past Stand. Bearer. " JOHN H. GOLDSWORTHY, Past Stand. Bearer. " THOMAS PARKINSON, Dir. of Ceremonies. " ROBERT GIBSON, Past Dir. of Ceremonies. " JOHN B. KING, Past Dir. of Ceremonies.</p>
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The Principals and Past Principals of several subordinate Chapters.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ancient and Solemn Form.
 The Minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation were read and confirmed.

The First Grand Principal, the Earl of Zetland, was pleased to nominate and declare the following Grand Officers for the year ensuing, viz. :—

M. E. Comp. the EARL OF YARBOROUGH,.....H.*	
" ROWLAND ALSTON,.....J.	
E. Comp. WILLIAM WHITE, E.*	E. Comp. RICHARD PERCIVAL, Treasurer.*
" JOHN C. McMULLEN, N.	" ALEXANDER DOBIE, Registrar.*
" JAMES SAVAGE, Pr. Soj.	" HENRY ARTHUR HOARE, Sword Bearer.
" JOHN C. MORRIS, 1st Assist. Soj.	" ANDREW HENDERSON, Stand. Bearer.
" Hon. GEORGE O'CALLAGHAN, 2nd Assist. Soj.	" LAURENCE THOMPSON, Dir. of Ceremonies.
Comp. THOMAS BARTON, Janitor.	

Those marked thus * receive their appointments by virtue of the Offices they respectively hold in the United Grand Lodge.

The M. E. Companion The Right Honourable The Earl of Yarborough, the Second Grand Principal, having been presented to the M. E. the First Grand Principal, a Grand Conclave of Installed Principals was duly formed, and the M. E. Companion was Installed in the respective Chairs of J. H. & Z., after which the Conclave was closed, and his Lordship was proclaimed Second Grand Principal of the Order, and took the Chair accordingly.

The Committee, for General Purposes, reported the amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the last Quarter. The Committee also reported on the subject of a communication made to them by the E. Companion, Stephen Blair, Grand Superintendent for the Eastern Division of the County of Lancaster, in relation to various irregularities and breaches of the General Laws of the Order, committed by the Chapter of Unity, No. 375, at Rochdale, particularly as to the fees charged by that Chapter upon Exaltation.

Whereupon it was Resolved.—That this Grand Chapter has received, with deep regret, the report in reference to the various irregularities which have occurred in the Chapter of Unity, No. 375, at Rochdale, involving in some instances, infractions of the Laws and Regulations of the Order, and such as would justify the infraction of the Charter, and the erasure of the Chapter; but the E. Grand Superintendent of the Province who has taken great pains in enquiring into, and investigating the Proceedings, having expressed a hope that a better spirit and more correct feeling at present animate the Members of the Chapter, and that, if permitted to continue their meetings, they would hereafter be conducted with regularity—the Grand Chapter will not now do more than record a censure on the Chapter for its past conduct, seriously admonishing the Members to be more circumspect for the future, as a repetition of similar proceedings must call for the forfeiture of the Charter, and it was

Ordered that a Copy of the Resolution be sent to the Grand Superintendent of the Eastern Division of Lancashire, and also to the Chapter of Unity, No. 375, Rochdale, to be entered on the Minutes of the Chapter.

On Petitions regularly signed, Charters were granted for Chapters to be attached to Lodges as follows :—

To the Lodge No. 596, Meerut, East Indies. To the Lodge No. 733, Hamilton, Canada West.

The following Committee for General Purposes was appointed for the ensuing twelve months, viz. :—

THE GRAND PRINCIPALS.

E. Comp. ALEXANDER DOBIE, President.	E. Comp. JAMES GIBBINS.
" JOHN C. McMULLEN	" THOMAS PARKINSON.
" JAMES SAVAGE.	" J. P. ACKLAM
" JOHN SAVAGE.	" JOHN HAVERS.
" EDWARD H. ALSTON.	

All Business being concluded the Grand Chapter was closed in Ancient and Solemn Form, and Adjourned,

AT A QUARTERLY CONVOCATION,

HOLDEN AT FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON,

ON WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1847.

PRESENT.

E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E.	E. Comp. ANDREW HENDERSON, Stand. Bearer.
" JOHN C. McMULLEN, N.	" BENJAMIN LAWRENCE, P. Stand. Bearer.
" CHARLES BAUMER, as P. Soj.	" PETER THOMSON, P. Stand. Bearer.
" JOHN C. MORRIS, Assist. Soj.	" JOHN H. GOLDSWORTHY, P. Stand. Bearer.
" Hon. GEORGE O'CALLAGHAN, Assist. Soj.	" LAURENCE THOMPSON, Dir. of Ceremonies.
" JOHN L. EVANS, P. Sword Bearer.	" JOHN B. KING, P. Dir. of Ceremonies.
" JOHN MASSON, P. Sword Bearer.	" THOMAS PARKINSON, P. Dir. of Ceremonies.

The Principals and Past Principals of several Subordinate Chapters.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ancient and Solemn Form.

The Minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation were read and confirmed.

The Committee for General Purposes reported the amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the last quarter.

In conformity with the recommendation of the E. Companion the Honourable Peter McGill, Grand Superintendent of the Province of Canada East, and at the request of the Members of the St. George's Chapter, it was Resolved,—That the said Chapter be in future attached to the Zetland Lodge, No. 731, at Montreal, instead of the St. George's Lodge, No. 643.

On Petitions regularly signed, Charters were granted for Chapters to be attached to Lodges, as follows :—

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| To the Lodge No. 487, Toronto, Canada West, | To Lodge No. 343, Chelmsford, |
| To the Lodge No. 756, Malta. | To Lodge No. 643, Montreal, Canada East. |

Upon the recommendation of the Committee for General Purposes it was Resolved,—That a sum of Ten Guineas be paid to each of the Masonic Schools, "The Royal Freemasons' School for Female Children" and "The Royal Masonic Institution for Boys," and that a like sum be paid to each of the said Charities annually, until further order.

All Business being concluded the Grand Chapter was closed in Ancient and Solemn Form, and adjourned.

AT A QUARTERLY CONVOCATION,
HOLDEN AT FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON,
 ON WEDNESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1847.

PRESENT.

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| E. Comp. ALEXANDER DOBIE..... as Z. | E. Comp. JOHN MASSON, P. Sword Bearer |
| " JOHN C. MORRIS as H. | " EDWARD G. GILES, P. Stand. Bearer |
| " BENJAMIN LAWRENCE ... as J. | " JOHN HAVERS, P. Stand. Bearer |
| E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E. | " JOHN P. GOLDSWORTHY, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " JOHN C. McMULLEN, N. | " LAURENCE THOMPSON, Dir. of Ceremonies. |
| " CHARLES BAUMER, as P. Soj. | " JOHN B. KING, P. Dir. of Ceremonies. |
| " Hon. GEORGE O'CALLAGHAN, Assist. Soj. | |
| " SAMUEL STAPLES, as Assist. Soj. | |
| " WILLIAM H. SMITH, P. Assist. Soj. | |

The Principals and Past Principals of several Subordinate Chapters

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ancient and Solemn Form.
 The Minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation were read and confirmed.
 The Committee for General Purposes reported the amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the last quarter.
 On a Petition regularly signed, a Charter was granted for a Chapter to be attached to Lodge No. 367, Huntsdon, Somersetshire.
 All Business being concluded the Grand Chapter was closed in Ancient and Solemn Form, and adjourned.

AT A QUARTERLY CONVOCATION,
HOLDEN AT FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON,

ON WEDNESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 1848.

PRESENT.

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| M. E. Comp. ROWLAND ALSTON..... as Z. | E. Comp. JOHN MASSON, P. Sword Bearer. |
| E. Comp. THOMAS HENRY HALL..... as H. | " ANDREW HENDERSON, Stand. Bearer. |
| " ALEXANDER DOBIE as J. | " BENJAMIN LAWRENCE, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E. | " JOHN HAVERS, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " JOHN C. McMULLEN, N. | " JOHN H. GOLDSWORTHY, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " JOHN MORRIS, as P. Soj. | " LAURENCE THOMPSON, Dir. of Ceremonies. |
| " Hon. GEORGE O'CALLAGHAN, Assist. Soj. | " GEORGE P. DE RHE PHILIPPE, P. Dir. of Ceremonies |
| " CHARLES BAUMER, as Assist. Soj. | |
| " HENRY C. SIRR, P. Assist. Soj. | |
| " ROWLAND G. ALSTON, P. Assist. Soj. | |
| " JOHN L. EVANS, P. Sword Bearer. | |

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The Grand Chapter was opened in Ancient and Solemn Form.
 A letter was read from the Right Hon. the Earl of Zetland, First Grand Principal, stating that a domestic calamity prevented his attendance at this Meeting.
 The Minutes of the last Quarterly Convocation were read and confirmed.
 The Committee for General Purposes reported the Amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the last Quarter.
 On Petitions regularly signed, Charters were granted for Chapters to be attached to Lodges as follows, viz. :—
 To the Lodge No. 570, St. John, New Brunswick. | To the Lodge, No. 798, Toronto, Canada West.
 All Business being concluded, the Grand Chapter was closed in Ancient and Solemn Form, and adjourned.

AT A QUARTERLY CONVOCATION,
HOLDEN AT FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON,
ON WEDNESDAY, 3RD MAY, 1848,

PRESENT.

- The M. E. Comp. THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF ZETLAND, M.E.Z., in the Chair.
 " ROWLAND ALSTON..... as H.
 E. Comp. ALEXANDER DOBIE as J.
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| E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E. | E. Comp. JOHN MASSON, P. Sword Bearer. |
| " JOHN C. McMULLEN, N. | " HENRY BELLAMY WEBB, P. Sword Bearer. |
| " JAMES SAVAGE, P. Soj. | " BENJAMIN LAWRENCE, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " JOHN C. MORRIS, Assist. Soj. | " PETER THOMSON, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " Hon. GEORGE O'CALLAGHAN, Assist. Soj. | " EDWARD G. GILES, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " HENRY C. SIRR, P. Assist. Soj. | " JOHN HAVERS, P. Stand. Bearer. |
| " CHARLES BAUMER, P. Assist. Soj. | " JOHN H. GOLDSWORTHY, Stand. Bearer. |
| " ROWLAND G. ALSTON, P. Assist. Soj. | " LAURENCE THOMPSON, Dir. of Ceremonies. |
| " FREDERICK W. BOSSY, P. Sword Bearer. | " ROBERT GIBSON, Past Dir. of Ceremonies. |

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The First Grand Principal, the Earl of Zetland, was pleased to nominate and declare the following Grand Officers for the ensuing year, viz. :—

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| M. E. Comp. THE EARL OF YARBOROUGH, U.* | E. Comp. ALEXANDER DOBIE, Registrar.* |
| " ROWLAND ALSTON..... | " EDWARD H. PATTEN, Sword Bearer. |
| E. Comp. WILLIAM H. WHITE, E.* | " JOHN NEISON, Standard Bearer. |
| " JOHN C. McMULLEN, N. | " JAMES GIBBINS, Dir. of Ceremonies. |
| " JAMES SAVAGE, P. Soj. | |
| " HENRY C. VERNON, 1st Assist. Soj. | Comp. THOMAS PARKINSON, Janitor. |
| " ARTHUR E. CAMPBELL, 2nd Assist. Soj. | |
| " RICHARD PERCIVAL, Treasurer.* | |

Those marked thus* receive their appointment by virtue of the offices they respectively held in the United Grand Lodge.

The Committee for General Purposes reported the amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the last quarter.

The Committee reported that, having taken into consideration the great increase in the number of Chapters within the last few years, and the consequent additional business to be transacted in the Grand Scribe's Office, they were of opinion that the salaries ought to be augmented, and they recommended that a sum of £50 be granted for that purpose. That the Grand Scribe E. having declined to participate in the proposed increase, the Committee suggested that the grant be apportioned as follows, viz. :—

William F. Field, First Clerk.	30 0 0
George G. W. King, Second ditto.	15 0 0
Thomas B.	5 0 0
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	£50 0 0

On motion made, it was resolved that the recommendation of the Committee be approved, and the increase made accordingly. The following Committee for General Purposes was appointed for the ensuing twelve months, viz. :

THE GRAND PRINCIPALS.

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| E. Comp. ALEXANDER DOBIE, President. | E. Comp. JOHN SAVAGE. |
| " JOHN C. McMULLEN. | " THOMAS PARKINSON. |
| " JOHN C. MORRIS. | " JOHN A. D. COX. |
| " J. MES GIBBINS. | " WILLIAM WATSON. |
| " EDWARD H. PATTEN. | |

All Business being concluded, the Grand Chapter was closed in Ancient and Solemn Form, and adjourned.

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The following Sums have been received on account of the Grand Chapter, from the 21st October, 1846, to the 19th April, 1848.

Exal.	Certs.	Amount. £ s. d.	Brought over.....	Exal.	Certs.	Amount.
2	7	5 12 6				250 9 0
3	12	9 0 0				4 10 0
5	11	8 7 6				3 0 0
6	3	2 0 0				1 10 0
7	11	8 15 0				1 10 0
8	4	3 0 0				0 15 0
9	6	4 15 0				3 15 0
13	4	3 10 0				5 5 0
21	6	4 15 0				3 0 0
25	13	10 0 0				1 7 6
35	8	6 0 0				5 5 0
48	4	3 6 0				0 5 0
49	4	2 5 0				2 5 0
50	3	1 17 6				10 10 0
52	2	1 10 0				7 7 6
55	2	1 10 0				3 15 0
59	3	2 7 6				8 5 0
62	2	1 10 0				2 1 10 0
65	23	17 7 6				1 0 15 0
75	6	4 10 0				4 10 0
81	4	3 0 0				3 0 0
83	3	2 5 0				3 0 0
90	6	4 12 6				4 4 3 0 0
96	3	2 5 0				21 21 15 15 0
99	3	3 2 6				4 4 3 0 0
109	4	4 15 0				5 5 3 17 3
111	6	2 5 0				6 6 4 10 0
112	3	5 10 0				2 2 3 0 0
120	7	9 15 0				4 7 3 10 0
126	13	2 2 0				8 8 9 2 0
		0 2 6				4 8 4 17 6
128	5	3 17 6				2 2 1 10 0
129	5	4 2 6				4 4 3 0 0
137	3	2 5 0				4 4 3 0 0
148	3	2 7 6				21 21 15 15 0
150	3	3 2 6				4 4 3 0 0
162	4	3 2 6				5 5 3 17 3
170	1	0 15 0				6 6 4 10 0
173	9	6 17 6				2 2 3 0 0
176	4	3 2 6				4 7 3 10 0
177	4	3 0 0				8 8 9 2 0
189	2	1 10 0				5 5 0
199	3	2 17 6				6 6 4 10 0
206	8	6 5 0				1 13 12 6
207	5	3 15 0				5 5 0
218	9	7 0 0				8 8 6 10 0
221	5	3 15 0				6 6 4 10 0
223	14	10 10 0				1 0 17 6
232	1	1 2 6				14 14 11 10 0
235	5	3 15 0				5 5 0
248	4	3 7 6				9 9 6 15 0
251	5	3 15 0				12 12 9 15 0
268	2	1 10 0				1 1 0 17 6
270	5	3 15 0				7 7 5 5 0
272	2	1 10 0				5 5 4 2 6
280	1	1 2 6				14 14 10 7 6
283	4	3 0 0				31 31 23 7 6
291	3	1 17 6				9 9 7 10 0
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298	4	3 0 0				7 7 17 6
299	1	0 15 0				5 5 0
302	8	15 0				1 2 6
306	3	2 5 0				5 5 0
310	2	1 15 0				1 2 6
311	1	1 10 0				5 5 0
312	3	3 0 0				9 9 6 15 0
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		£250 9 0				£559 6 0

Dr.	RICHARD PERCIVAL, ESQ., GRAND TREASURER OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.	Cr.				
1846.		1847.				
Oct. 21.	To Balance	£ 83 5 9	Jan. 20.	By W. Warrington, for Parchment and Printing Certificates	20 16 8	
1847.				By L. Thompson, for Printing	2 10 0	
Jan. 8.	To Dividends on £70 Three per Cent. Consols, half a year less Property Tax	10 3 11		By W. Redgrave, for Oil and Lighting Lamps	6 13 6	
July 8.	To Dividends on £100 Three per Cent. Consols, half a year less Property Tax	14 11 4		By Waiters at Freemasons' Tavern one year	3 3 0	
Oct. 20.	To Sale of Grand Chapter Regulations	15 0 0		By Purchase of £300 Three per Cent. Consols	277 2 6	
1848.			April 21.	By Royal Masonic Benevolent Annuity Fund, one year	100 0 0	
Jan. 8.	To Dividends on £0 of 1. per Cent. Consols half a year less Property Tax	14 11 4		By Messrs. Holland and Son, Upholsterers, for Fittings, &c.	5 4 0	
April 19.	To Contributions of Chapters to date	559 6 0	Oct. 20.	By Royal Freemasons' School for Female Children, one year, 1847	10 10 0	
				By Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, 1847	10 10 0	
				By L. Thompson, for Printing	£8 15 9	
				Ditto for Binding 199 Laws of the Grand Chapter	7 1 0	
			1848.		15 16 9	
			Jan. 19.	By Royal Masonic Benevolent Annuity Fund, one year	100 0 0	
				By W. Warrington, for Parchment and Printing Certificates	12 10 0	
				By L. Thompson for Printing	1 17 6	
				By W. Redgrave, for Oil and Lighting Lamps	6 8 6	
				By Messrs. Holland and Son, Upholsterers, for Fittings, &c.	5 4 0	
				By Messrs. Norris and Son, for Parchment and Printing Royal Arch Charters	2 5 10	
				By Mr. T. Bacon, for Meetings of Grand Chapter, from February, 1846, to November, 1847, inclusive.	8 8 0	
				By Waiters at Freemasons' Tavern, one year	3 3 0	
			April 19.	By Royal Freemasons' School for Female Children, one year, 1848	10 10 0	
				By Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, 1848	10 10 0	
				By Grand Scribe's Salary, one year and a half	75 0 0	
				By Clerk's Salary, one year and a half	75 0 0	
				By Janitor's Salary and Assistants ditto ditto	32 0 0	
				By Mrs. Miller's Pension ditto ditto	15 0 0	
				By Postage and Petty Disbursements ditto	24 6 2	
					£834 11 5	
			April 19.	By Balance at Bankers	262 6 11	
					£1,096 18 4	
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