

Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons,
H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G., &c., &c., &c., M.W.G.M.

MARK BENEVOLENT FUND.

Grand Secretary's Office—MARK MASON'S HALL,

GREAT QUEEN STREET, LONDON, W.C.,

October, 1895.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

It is with the greatest pleasure I have to inform you that the R.W. Brother CHARLES LETCH MASON, Provincial Grand Master for West Yorkshire, has most kindly consented to take the Chair at the coming Festival of the MARK BENEVOLENT FUND, which will be held on the 8th July, 1896.

I venture to hope for your most hearty and cordial cooperation in aid of this useful and deserving fund, whose claims should be paramount with every Mark Mason as affording to the distressed Brother, his Widow and family, not only temporary relief, but also an Annuity for the aged, and Education for the young.

While the Great Masonic Charities receive contributions from every Masonic Order, it should be remembered THE MARK BENEVOLENT FUND is almost entirely maintained by the Mark degree, and that it is supported by Mark Masons for the Benefit of Mark Masons. It is sincerely hoped that in view of the advantages bestowed on every deserving applicant, your Chairman will receive the most unqualified support on this occasion. I shall be most happy to add your name to the List of Stewards, and enclose you a form for the purpose.

Further information, Lists of Subscribers, and petitions for Grants, &c., may be obtained on application.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

C. FITZGERALD MATIER, P.G.W.,

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FESTIVAL STEWARDSHIP.

Every Brother accepting the office of Steward is called upon to pay a Fee (settled by the Stewards themselves) usually £2 2s., to "The Stewards' Fund," separate from the Benevolent Fund, and for which he receives his Dinner Ticket, Stewards' Badge, &c.; the balance being applied to the necessary expenses of the Festival, such as Music, Printing, Postage, &c.

Brethren will wear Mark Collars and Jewels at Dinner.

Tickets, 21s. each.

Ladies' Tickets are issued at 15s. each. Bonnets may be worn or not, at pleasure.

The Rule with respect to votes is as follows:—

Every Donor who subscribes £5 5s. to the Fund, is entitled to Five Votes at each Election of Male and Female Annuitants, and of Pupils on the Educational Branch; or should he subscribe £10 10s., or a second £5 5s., to Twelve Votes at each Election; and all sums of £5 5s. or more are cumulative.

"CHARITY JEWELS."

"A Charity Jewel shall be presented in Grand Lodge, by the Grand Master, to every Brother who may serve as Steward at the Festival which is held annually, and contribute a minimum donation of £5 5s. to the Funds. Every additional Stewardship shall entitle the Brother to a Bar."—See BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS (Art. 210).