

Bro. E. B. Ridgway, Lodge 1808. Bro. C. Thomas, who had been Tyler since 1881, having died, his brother, H. Thomas, was elected to fill the vacant office.

At a meeting of Prov. G.L., held at Berkhamstead, Bro. Thomas was invested with the collar of Prov. Supt. of W. The celebration was made in the dates of meeting, it being that a meeting be held in October instead of August; a resolution was carried that any member residing 25 miles from the place of meeting, could become a Country member on payment of one guinea a year.

The balance of cash only amounted to £10 14s 4d. at the end of the session.

Two Initiates, Bros. E. C. D. Ashford and E. H. Harrison, 3 joining members, Bro. C. H. Phillips, an old member, had resigned in 1886, from Lodge 1745; Bro. J. W. Wilson, Lodge 145; and Bro. T. Bugler, Lodge 407. W. Bro. Poore was the W. Master for the year, and his officers

Wilson, S.W.; Rev. W. H. Casely, J.W.; W. J. Thody, Treasurer; J. Terry, Secretary; J. Swarbrick, S.D.; R. S. Casely, J.D.; F. W. Robinson, I.G.; W. Williams, Steward and Assistant; G. B. Wood, Asst. S.; J. R. Duff, D.C.; T. H. Harrison, A.D.C.; and H. Thomas, Tyler.

Lodge sustained a blow in the resignation of W. Bro. Poore, P.G.Swd.Br., P. Prov. G.W., who had been Secretary, the formation of the Lodge, excepting the year 1887, was W.M. He was unanimously elected an honorary member. G. Ward-Verry was in July appointed Secretary (an office which he held until his death in 1914.)

The balance in the hands of Treasurer at the end of the year was £20 7s. 10d.

The W.M. for the session was W. Bro. W. Wilson, and his officers were:

Rev. W. H. W. Casely, S.W.; J. Swarbrick, J.W.; G. B. Wood, Treasurer; G. Ward-Verry, Secretary; R. S. Peart, S.D.; F. W. Robinson, J.D.; J. R. Duff, I.G.; W. F. Masters, D.C.; T. Yardley, A.D.C.; W. H. Roscoe & J. H. Faulkner, Stewards; J. Murray, Organist; and H. Thomas, Tyler.

There were 3 Initiates, Bros. E. W. T. Hoare, A. E. Bridgette and W. H. Bamford, and one joining member, W. Bro. John Dixon, P.M., Lodge 147.

The Lodge had for the second time the pleasure of entertaining Prov. G. Lodge at Hatfield, on the 27th September, when five Collars were given to the following Brethren:— W. Bro. W. Poore, Prov. J.W.; Rev. W. H. W. Casely, Prov. G. Chap.; W. Bro. W. Wilson, Prov. G. Puiv.; and Prov. G. Stewards' Collars to Bros. F. W. Robinson and G. B. Wood.

The balance in Treasurer's hands was reduced to £9 12s. 3d. in 1893. Three Initiates were brought into the Lodge this session, Bros. Harry Trimmell, James Gray and S. S. Holt; there were no joining members. The Rev. W. H. W. Casely, Prov. G. Chap. was the W.M. for the session, and his officers were:

J. Swarbrick, S.W.; F. W. Robinson, J.W.; A. B. Wood, Treasurer; G. Ward-Verry, Secretary; J. R. Duff, S.D.; W. H. Roscoe, J.D.; J. H. Faulkner, I.G.; H. Hill, D.C.; C. H. Phillips, A.D.C.; J. W. Murray and T. Bugler, Stewards; W. H. Bamford, Organist; H. Thomas, Tyler.

There were two alterations made in the By-laws. (1) That the October meetings be discontinued, and that the meetings run from May to September inclusive; and (2) That the Organist be paid a fee of 12/6 each night of his attendance.

At the end of the session, the Lodge unfortunately showed a deficit of £1 3s. 3d.

1894. Two Initiates, Bros. T. J. P. Hayward and F. C. A. Harrison were admitted, and one joining member, Bro. J.