

Malta House
9 Ferrington Road
Eastbourne
Augs^t. 22 - 1884

Dear Sir and Mrs

By the same post
as this I forward my
Provincial from Stewards
Attorney Complete by
Parcels Post, which I

Hope you will receive in
due course. If you have
time please drop me a
Post-Card saying you
have received it all safe
I regret very much my
unavoidable absence
from Grand Lodge this
year and hope both

the Surin & it will be
really well attended.

Yours truly & faithfully

H. Daley P.S.

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Marrern House

Duxton

~~Donk~~ Aug^t 22/84

To Sir Edward Lechmere

Dear Right Worship^l Sir

I am very sorry
to say that I shall be
unable to attend Grand
Lodge next week. I am
sick here with Rheumatic
fever & today the doctor
says I must not leave
- it is a great disappoint-
ment to me & I was
anxious to be in my
place. I can now
only hope to hear of

very happy reunion
& successful Doiree
I am sure that a great
amount of gratitude
is due from us all
for the care & labour
the promoters of the
meeting have taken
to ensure a favorable
result

I am, right respectful
Sir & Pro.

Yours faithfully
L. P. Broomhall
P. J. G. W.

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10, Victoria Street, Swindon, Decy 22, 1854

Dear Sir

Before your telegram reached here I had sent the cutting to you to have a photo. engraving taken of it to illustrate my sketch. I have asked for its immediate return and when I get it will forward it on.

The arms are here say precisely the same as those which are impaled ^{on} the present arms of G. L. as supplied to

And they are also the same as those
the Old summons of the Eccle^d lady
viz fadler trefoil with square as the
bearing Compases

Samuel D. D.

James D.

William D.

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2nd letter

this Saturday my
said all back by return
✓ what you have

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August 1884,

Sir and Brother,

Desiring to attend the Banquet of the Provincial Grand Lodge at Worcester, on Thursday, August 28th, I will thank you to reserve a Ticket for me, and one for each of the under-mentioned Brethren who also wish to attend.

I am, Sir and Brother,

Yours fraternally,

BROTHER.....	Lodge.....
".....	".....
".....	".....
".....	".....
".....	".....
".....	".....

To

BRO. J. RANDLE BUCK, P.S.G.W.,
*Secretary to Stewards of
Provincial Grand Lodge.*

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STAMP.

DR. J. RANDLE BUCK,

26, SIDBURY,

WORCESTER.

Compton House
Sep^r 22nd 1844

Dear Sir

My Father
begs me to say
he is very much
interested in the
enclosed case &
will be much
obliged if you

Will Maria call
the other firm class
for it. My father
has signed this
time the paper
addressed to Mr. J.
but I wish to
say our dear Mother

was called home
the 29th of March.

I'm

Yrs faithfully

C. Mason

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128 & 129, HIGH HOLBORN, W. C.



LONDON, Aug 22nd 1877

MANUFACTORY & WAREHOUSE, LITTLE GILBERT STREET

George Taylor Esq

Samuel Taylor Esq

Dear Sir

I beg to inform you that I have just received from the Hon. the Secretary of the Society of Antiquaries a list of things of interest that have been sold and driven the list has been through my hands but I cannot send you

1 frame autograph signed at foot H.R.H. Prince of Wales
by Cameron

1 minute of meeting signed

1 agreement to meet signed H.R.H. Prince of Wales

These are very interesting autographs & containing three Prince's signatures. The 3 grand masters by Lord Selkirk besides many nobles & others high in the craft

Spent	24	Photos	H.R.H. Prince of Wales
	12	"	H.R.H. Prince of Wales
	12	"	Lord Cameron

these if sold I can repeat as often as you like so you can book ^{orders} as many as you like to sell

(All the proceeds will be given to the Charities beyond
the numbers sent - I hope you will endeavor to do a good
turn to the Charities in this way -

Apron & scarf & sledge cushion, Royal Academy
many years in my family

• Embroidered charters Union

• Certificate Scotch 1835 & 1840

• Sewell old (repaired) many years in my family, also

• Glass - many years in my family, my grandfather
had it many years & he died 1846

Sheet - its history attracts - if you have to try a few
quins do so well, let me have the remainder -

Relics of the Fire at Brunswick Hall

1817 or 1818 - Grandmaster Thorne & picture
letter -

It is very well prove interesting that you
will have a most interesting & successful
exhibition a catalogue or any particulars will
be acceptable. Yours faithfully

Wm. Spence

~~East India United Service Club,~~
~~London, S.W.~~

15. St. Nicholas Square
Hereford. 27th Aug

Dear Sir Bro.

Having heard from
Bro. G. Taylor that you
are unable to issue more
invitations for the Confer-
ence on 27th inst. but
thinking perhaps that
some may not be able
to attend

introduced to you by
our friend Bro. Davison
on our return from the
Boy's festival many days.

I enclose our cards
with full Masonic titles.

I am at present staying
at Hereford. - With kind
regards to the Majors.

I am dear Sir, Bro.

Yours sincerely,
Wm. G. Dinger.

Green Hill,
London Road,
Worcester.

Mr. J. Hardy has
much pleasure in
accepting the kind
invitation of His
Commander-in-Chief
and the Mayor of Worcester
to the Anniversary Soiree
and Exhibition at
Worcester on 27th inst.

Aug^r. 22^d. 1834.

Copenhagen D

Worsh August 22nd 1784

Dear Sir

I beg to inform you
that Mr. W. Meland and
myself will have much
pleasure in accepting the
invitation rec^d to the Masonic
Society to take place
at the Guildhall Wors

on Wednesday Conf 27th 1843
absence from home for a month
until last Conf will explain
Why this reply has not been
sent earlier

Wm J. Adams
Summer Street
Worcester

William Adams
member
of
Joda Council

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Bro. Thomas Gorton
presents his compliments
to the R. W. Prov. Grand
of Worcestershire & to the
Mayor of Worcester and
thanks them for their
invitation to the Masonic
Service & Reception at
Worcester on Wednesday
and which he accepts
with much pleasure.
Beaumont Hill Birmingham
Aug. 22. 84

WOLVERTON HALL,

PERSHORE.

August 22. 1872

Mr & Mrs & Walter Green
very much regret that
an engagement will
prevent them being able
to accept the very kind
invitation of Sir Edmund
Lechmere & Mr Williamson
and must apologise
for being so long in

answering but Mr Jones
only arrived last night
from a yachting cruise

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Ivy Lodge,

Stoneygate,

Leicester

Aug. 22. 1854

Dear Sir & Bro.

I am sorry to find
that I shall not be
able to attend the two
meetings at Worcester
next week as I must
be gone to do - Pray make
my apologies to your J. W.
P. G. & the Managers

Yours faithfully
Wm. Kelly

P. Bro. G. L. & G. M. P.

W. Bro. G. J. Taylor
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CROYDON.

OFFICE, No. 4, FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON, W.C.

22 August 1884

Dear Mr Taylor.

Very many thanks for
ticket to land but I assure
you it is the first official
invitation I have had serial
said of course you are coming
but not beyond - Mr Terry
wrote me it is quite impossible
for him & Mrs Terry to be present
I suppose he has written you -
I expect the Hotel will be pretty full
in Worcester

Yours faithfully
Mason

Pitminster

Worcester Augth 22nd
1884

Dear Sir & Bro

I have written to
Bro Mc Intyre as you
suggested but have not
yet rec^d definite reply.
I am writing him again
to-day and have no doubt
but he will stay with me
on the 27 & 28th inst =

Fraternally yours

A. Willis



Walmes

Aug^r. 22^d. 1824

Mr. Robt. Berridge informs that
he cannot accept the kind words of
Br. Edmund Deane, & Bro. W. B.
Williamson of the Masonic Society of
Worcester on the 27th as he has an
engagement here on that day -

Rose Hill,
Worcester.

22nd Aug. 1882.

My dear Sir & Bro.

In reply to my
invitation Bro: The W.
Bro: Acting Bro: Grand
Master of W. Yorks - & Bro:
Army South Bro: Grand
Sec of the same Lodge
state that they will

arrived at Amersham
Wednesday next the
27th met at 3.45 PM
but I regret to say the
former is obliged to return
the same night in
order to preside at a
Meeting of the Licensing
Magistrates at South
the following day, viz

shall therefore have
the honor of his Company
for a short time only

I am
Yours truly
J. M. P. J. J.

Wm. Allen

Geo. Taylor Esq.
Simsbury

Kiddsminster

Castle Hotel
Bath

23 Aug 1884

Dear Sir

I have to apologize
for not writing on
Thursday last as I fully
intended, the day on
which a member of
my Lodge safely delivered
into the custody of

a Mr Birch,
Mayor's Officer

Guildhall

2 Cases containing

articles for Exhibition

belonging to the Royal

Lancashire Lodge No 41,

the 1 Case containing

property of Dr Hopkins.

I shall be glad to

have them safely returned
as soon after the close
of the exhibition as you
can conveniently.

I am

fraternally yours

John Rubee

W. M. No. 41.

Geo. Taylor Esq^r

9 Owen St: Fypton
August 23. 1887

Dear Sir Bro:

From a notice of Bro
Houghaus in to day's Freeman, I find
that Catalogues of the Masonic
Exhibition at Worcester, can be obtained
at a cost of 2/6, and I hasten to
send you a P. O. O for that amount
(with postage added) and I will thank
you to forward me a copy by return
of post. If you have any printed
slips giving particulars of the Meeting,
dates, price of admission &c, I shall
feel much obliged if you will send
me 3 or 4 at the same time, as
there are a few of the Brethren of
"No. 1's Lodge" 347, who will most
probably try and attend on one
of the days

I am Dear Sir Bro:

Yours fraternally

Bro Geo Taylor

Wm Brown

Kidderminster Secy 347

49a, Union Passage,

Birmingham, Aug 23 1894

to Sir

I treated myself to a day's fishing yesterday the first day's holiday I have taken for years. It struck me you might possibly choose that very day to send for the picture so I had left instructions with my boy to deliver it to you or anyone who brought a note from you. In my absence such details as getting two men to carry it and unwrapping it or newspapers, I am afraid could not be attended to. If you think this a good opportunity of seeing some of the photographs let me know and I will send you some and charge them at such a price that the profit may be enough to pay the expenses the ~~the~~ Exhibition Funds are put to for carriage or viz 25% on the large ones at 5/- & the small ones at 4/-

Yours truly
J. G. Mackay



HARRISON & SONS, London.

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The 17th Southport Charges to pay £.....s.....d.
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Delivering Office.

From

To

Sillitoe
7 Regent Rd
Birtsdale

Geo Taylor Esq
Pyramberayne
Stoddards

Have never been advised about sending Exhibit as promised much surprised and writing you tonight for instructions

B. B. BAGSTER,
SOLICITOR.

8 Worcester Street
Commercial Buildings.

Kidderminster Aug! 23 1884

Dear Sir

Masonic Society

I find my wife is not so
well - we have reluctantly decided to
give this up for this year

Believe me

Dear Sir

Yours truly

B. B. Bagster

G. Taylor Esq

Summerdine

Kidderminster

7 Regent Road
Birkdale
Southport
23 Aug 1894

Dear Mr.

In the last letter
received from you (about
a month since) you promised
to write to me with particulars
as to time and how I
was to send exhibits -

So anxiously have I been
expecting to hear from you
for the last week that I
sent to my friend Mr Newton
to ask whether he was
sending - if so how and
when - This afternoon on
my arrival home I find
your telegram - also a

letter from Mr Newton saying
that he had sent his things
a week ago, that he had
received instructions also
an invitation to a three-
day say, that no communication
either one way or another
has reached us until
your Telegram today -
As yet I am at a loss
to know where to send the
things to - I have some
here and others in Manchester
so kindly write to me
or telegraph early on Monday
to 21 Cooper St, Manchester,
saying where I am to address
my parcel to and I will

send it by Midland passenger
train on that day so that
you will get it on Tuesday
morning. I intended
paying a visit to the
Exhibition but began to
think as I had not heard
from you that it was
either ~~abandoned~~ or
adjourned.

I am Sir &c
Yours faithfully

Phillips

P.C.T.W. & P.C.T.

Earlham, Norwich

send it by Midland passenger
train - on that day so that
you will get it on Tuesday
Morning - I intended
paying a visit to the
Exhibition - but began to
think as I had not heard
from you that it was
either abandoned or
adjourned.

I am Sir & Mrs
P. G. T. W. & P. G. T.

Phillips

P. G. T. W. & P. G. T.

Earlham

Walsall.

August 23. 1864

My dear Bro: Taylor

I am arranging to

stay in Worcester Wednesday
Evening at the Hop Mart Hotel
and leave much later than
at our Bro: Grand Lodge next
day - but am doubtful
about staying Pauline
Can you reserve a ticket
for me in case I do so?

I am yours &c

Hereford Monmouth &c

to End the west.

Will you kindly send me
Circular of your Prov: Grand
?

With kind & fraternal regards
Believe me

Faithfully Yr

Alvan Humphreys

14 Belvedere, Bath.

August 23rd 1884 -

Dear Bro. Taylor

I feel that I must send you a few lines, only a few, for you have so much on your hands that you cannot spare a minute - I hope that the three packages from Bath have reached you & that you find the contents all right, and such as are acceptable - I told you that I had gummed a little notice at the back of each of my contributions. I enclose two which were omitted by accident. I think from the frame with ~~two~~ plans of the Jerusalem Temple & from that with the Masonic skit, Father Knave &c. - Please to put the little bits of paper enclosed on them -

A few days ago I met two P. M.'s of

No 41. I told them of the preparations for the Exhibition, of which they were not aware, and both said that they would go to Worcester - I could not reply to their inquiry as to the opening, further than that it will be on Wednesday - if it is not till evening, it will not be desirable for them to go till Thursday morn^g - so as to have a full day, returning hither in the evening. I am not aware that any means have been taken to inform the Breth^{rn} here of the exhibition. Should there not be some very brief circulars, with a slip of paper, sent to the W. M's of Lodges to distribute among the members?

By letter from Bro. Hughson I am glad to find that his wife is improving & that thus he will be with you, which at one time seemed very uncertain.

And now I regret to have to add that

I fear I shall not be able to leave home - Having held up pretty well I fell ~~pretty~~ ^{tolerably} sure that I should venture to Worcester & make arrangements accordingly. On Thursday I was very unwell, a bad attack of asthma of the character which generally lays me up for some time & in other respects I have been in intense pain - I have adopted all possible means to ward it off, but it will not do for me to run risk of illness and my from home.

Do not therefore be surprised if I deem it prudent to give it up, though much needed as the necessity - I shall not write to my brother George to day that he must not expect me, till Tuesday or Wednesday!

Yours faithfully & gratefully

M. P. King

In a letter a few days ago to me Mrs. Radway said that he should probably return home last evening. I do not know if he arrived, nor being confined to the house can I go to ascertain.

Wellington House
Woolwich

23 - 8 - 1884

Dear Bro. Taylor

No 13 regrets that
we have not anything
to forward to your
Masonic exhibition
We trust that it may
be a complete success

Believe me your
faithfully & paternally

Nicholas Brown

P M Secy

Ld 13

Walsall, Aug: 25 1857

Dear Bro: Taylor

Many thanks for
lens. I am awfully
sorry the glass is broken
seeing it is not - my
own - but must
do best I can when
you return it -
my man is I fear
much to blame
although I gave

be Special instructions
& pack with
Care

to send

will take to you
at: it when I see you

I have

start up

Mumple

LODGE OF EMERGENCY.

THE VERNON LODGE, 560

W. Bro. A. Comber, P.G.D.C., W.M.

Bro. Charles Mytton, S.W.

Bro. George Lees, J.W.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

At a meeting of Lodge "Hope and Charity," on Friday 15th instant, a letter was read from Brother JAMES STEVENS, of London, P.M., P.Z., who intends visiting Worcester during the Masonic Exhibition week, and is desirous of delivering his Lecture on Freemasonry to the Lodges in the Province, when it was resolved: "That Brother STEVENS be invited to deliver the same to the three Lodges in this neighbourhood, viz: 377, 560, and 1874 (with the consent of the Worshipful Masters of 560 and 1874), at the Masonic Hall, Kidderminster, on Saturday, 30th instant."

In accordance with the above resolution, you are earnestly invited to attend a Lodge of Emergency, at the Masonic Hall, Kidderminster, on Saturday, 30th instant, at 6.15 p.m., to open Lodge at 6.30 punctually.

The Lecture occupies about two hours, and is a most instructive and interesting explanation of the Ceremonies of the First Degree. It is hoped that the Brethren will make every effort to be present, and punctual.

Yours fraternally,

WM. DORSETT,

Secretary.

N.B. BANQUET WILL BE PROVIDED.

LODGE ROOM, SWAN HOTEL,

STOURPORT, August 23rd, A.L., 5884.

THE DEANERY,
WORCESTER.

Miss Hamilton Gordon will
have the honour to accept
the invitation to the
Masonic Soiree on
Wednesday evening.

Aug 23. 1884.

Aug. 23
1854

THE DEANERY,

WORCESTER.

Mr. Melville Anderson will
have the honour of
waiting on Sir Edmund
Dechmere and the
Mayor of Worcester
on Tuesday the 27th
at the Guildhall.

Raynal Hotel

Chatterham

Aug. 27th 84

Dear Sir,
I shall have
great pleasure
in accepting
your very kind
invitation to the
Fair at Worcester

on Wednesday
next -

Yours faithfully
& gratefully
J. C. Gandy
No. 11. 246.

J. C. Gandy

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Raymond, Vol 10

Chatterbox

Aug 1 - 2nd 1894

Dear Sir,

I shall have
great pleasure
in accepting
your very kind
invitation to the
Dinner at Worcester

THE OLD HOUSE,
THE CLOSE,
BLANDFORD.

Aug 23. 84

Dear Sir

Sorry I was too late
with my letters. Was preparing
to send more today when your
letter reached me -

Thanks for card of admission
if I can possibly get to
Worcester I will mention

Can you send me a Catalogue
let me know cost &c.

I wish your great undertaking
all success

Yours truly
George Hartnall

I recd. arrived safe today.

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25th July
Worcester 23

Dear Sir,

Benjamin D. Kinsler
of 349. Worcester took
No. 2801 and being
desires to be present
at the meeting of the
Committee for the
purpose of a list of
volunteers and to be

forward to me

I have enclosed
Sir Edmund Schreiner
with me. When I see
he returns I

have also sent a safe
a. which you will see
a paragraph respecting
my brother -

Yours truly
G. Taylor. J. G. Weston

pl of the work the
particulars being
to their witnesses
at New College Oxford
& several excellent
Stonecut Paper of
the preceding & the
present occasion, the
that I was present
at the conversation.

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MASONIC EXHIBITION,

GUILDHALL WORCESTER.

Aug 27/84

Admit Bearer and Friends,

On THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, MONDAY, and TUESDAY,
August 28th, 29th, 30th, and Sept. 1st and 2nd.

Open from 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.

It will be necessary to present this Card to obtain admission to
the New and Old Council Chambers, where the Exhibition is held

GEORGE TAYLOR,

Hon. Sec.

A CATALOGUE has been prepared not only fully descriptive of the 1200 Exhibits,
but also affording valuable information on many matters connected therewith,
by the addition of Archæological Notes, by W. J. HUGHAN, the Masonic
Historian. Copies may be purchased at the Guildhall, or through the Hon. Sec.
Summerdyne Villa, Kidderminster.

POST  CARD

THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.



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J. LAUGHTON.
CORN MERCHANT.
WHARFINGER &c.

Gainsbro. Aug 23 1884

G Taylor Esqr

Dear Sir & Brother

Will you kindly
send me a summons or circular
of your meeting for the coming
week. I don't expect being able
to attend myself but probably
one or more of our best men
may do so I hope you have got
all arranged & will have a great
success & all be glad to hear
all particulars or receive any papers
relating to it

Yours faithfull
J. Laughton

P.S. I was told at Barnoley on Wednesday
that they had received an acknowledgement
of their things suppose all came right



Newbury

Worcester

Dear Mrs Taylor

May 21-84

If Catalogues of the
Worcester Collection are ready
please send me one I should
like to look at them before I come
on Wednesday

Yours truly
Chas Fenwick

PS - Cant get Postal order bought
will buy for it on Wednesday

23 Aug / 1871

Dear Sir,

I regret I am unable to
accept the invitation of Mrs
L. & C. Schumers & Co. Messrs
of Worcesterhouse & Co. Worcester
Mayor of Worcester on
Wednesday on the occasion
of your Masonic Exhibition

I trust this may have all
the success you desire & may
materially in promoting

a spirit of research amongst
the members of the Masonic
body.

I hope my case of books
arrives safely. I shall be
glad to have a catalogue

Yours faithfully

W. H. W. Lee

W. G. Taylor

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GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

In your reply
28/189
refer to

Divisional Superintendent's Office,
WORCESTER,

In answer
to your

Aug 23rd 1884

Dear Sir & Brother

Special Train

I am in receipt of your letter, and will arrange for the special train to run to Dudley.

Will you please inform me by what trains the visitors may be expected to travel to Worcester, and the class they will travel, in order that proper accommodation may be provided.

Yours faithfully

G. Taylor Esq
Summerdown
Kidderminster

G. Grover

JOHN MARSHALL,
ALLAN HOUSE,
BOWERBY BRIDGE.

Aug 23/84

Geo Taylor Esqr

Dear Sir & Mrs

I am very sorry
to say that the artist has
delayed the photos so
long & the binder seems
to take so much time
that I have not been
able to get the 2nd edition
ready. However I
have one here that I
will send by parcels
post on Monday so
that you should have it
on Tuesday without fail.

I will also send you some
order forms & shall be
glad if you can sell
some for me - The
price is 25/- & profits
will be given to the
Masonic Charities.

I hope the Exhibition
will be a success

Yours faithfully
& fraternally
John Marshall

PROVINCE OF CUMBERLAND & WESTMORLAND,

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

OLRIG BANK,

KENDAL, Aug⁵ 20. 1884

My Dear Sirs:

I very much regret
my inability to accept the kind
and fraternal invitation of
his Worship the Mayor on 24th
inst. having a previous Engage-
ment. Wishing your most
praiseworthy Exhibition every
Success. With fraternal
Regards. Yours faithfully
Geo. L. McKay.

Bradford 23rd Aug 1882
Yorks

Dear Mr. Taylor,

I have arranged to run down to Worcester on Wednesday with my wife, having to pay a short visit to Impney Droitwich on the 28th.

The active part I take in my business prevents me just now making a few days' ^{in Worcester} stay, ~~which~~ I should have liked very much. I have written to engage a bedroom at the G. Western Hotel for the 27th -

The publisher of the enclosed is a member ^{of the} of my own Lodge 387 & he wants me to bring down 300 copies to Worcester it being intended for members. This copy is not quite as it will be, several alterations having to be made, but in reading

you will perceive what these little
omissions are. I am interested in
it as the proprietor of the Copyright
but further than this no pecuniary
interest attaches to me. If you approve,
but not otherwise, it will be brought
out at Worcester first - A few influential
Masons here take the entire risk of
the pamphlet. It is my duty to inform
you that I am the author, but I don't
wish this to be known. Being asked
to reply in the Discourse to the Pope's
Encyclical I expressed my unwillingness
to take any notice of it in that way;
but added my opinion that a satirical
pamphlet, if published cheaply, might
have a better effect, by stopping the
continued effervescence on the subject,
which I thought should be treated with
merited contempt. Without any
intention of publishing it, I agreed
to write a 16 page pamphlet. On the
3^d day, Monday, (it was written on the
Saturday afternoon) we again met

And I read the manuscript. I refrain from reiterating
the compliments which passed. Like them, you must form
your own opinion - I wanted the thing to be sold at 1
and if it takes, I intend to revise it at that price, and in
French, German & Italian. But I can't do anything until the
first 1000 are disposed of - At Worcester the publishers
will allow (as a special commission on the sale) 1⁺ per copy.
I designed the cover & supervised everything belonging to it,
and excepting the copies sent up to Stationer's Hall yours
is the first to go out.

With fraternal regards

Yours sincerely

Samuel Riley

Rev. Gampel Esq.

⁺ P. for this a boy would merely be required.

Warwick

August 23rd 1884

Dear Sir & Brother -

Knowing how very much your time must be occupied, I feel very diffident in troubling you to kindly inform me as to whether it will be correct to attend the Soiree in Royal Arch, Rose Croix or Mark Clothing, or whether it is only intended for the Jewels of those degrees to be worn?

If you will please be so good as to favour me with a reply I shall feel greatly obliged, I am, Dear Sir & Bro

Yours very truly

Thomas H. Kendall

Private

York 24. 8. 84

Dear Bro Taylor,

My Bro Tho Coughlin
P. M. Grosvenor's Room
would like the present at
the Service on the 27th
are tickets purchasable?
Please let me know by
return.

I may go off on Sunday
night with Whythead. I
fear Bro Rudd will think
we are going to put in
full time. Yours &c

A. Cumberland

For many

24/8/84

V. D. S.

I keep thinking about you.
I shall be at Dr Hill's on Monday
by Train arriving at Worcester
5:30 pm. If you have time hope
to see you on Platform or there.

I enclosed you a note re Relic.
It is a curiosity, but nothing more
I think, worth exhibiting.

Am expecting catalogue early
Sept, and anxiously looking for it.
So sorry Dr Hopton can't attend.
Messingham's right hand is still useless,
but I trust to be able to leave her.
Yours ever
Messingham

I am on the track of Jones'
Masam Miscellaneous
shall I send it to you at Widd.
or buy it with me, if I succeed?

J. J. J.

Wilmington

Aug 24/84.

Dear Brother George,

I received your very kind letter, & Alice also one from Mrs. Taylor, I am very much afraid I am causing you additional trouble in the midst of the deluge of responsibilities by which you are just now surrounded. Alice & myself will stay over Wednesday night & if possible for P.M. but I cannot say definitely about ^{staying over} Thursday night at present, should very much like to & will if I can. Do not trouble to find us private

hospitality, if you will kindly
take a bed for us at one
of the Hotels I should be
glad, we can make our way
there ^{on arriving at Alexandria} & if there is any
opportunity of having a
peek at you before the time
arranged for opening the service
we shall be glad indeed,
but ^{we} do not expect you
will have much time to spare
to us that evening, so we
must be thankful for small
mercies & be content with having
as much of your company as
we can get. It is very stupid
of me but I did not think of
consulting the Time Table
yesterday & I am writing this
letter at Hope Cottage & cannot
get at one, so cannot tell

what time we shall arrive
at Worcester, we will look
out at Kibber as we pass
through, you may be going
by the same train, it will
be in the afternoon sometime,

Alice would have written
to Mrs Taylor but has been
at Dr. Geo. Rogers all day with
Louisa. George came for her
this morning & I have been
expecting ere now to hear
that he has a son & heir, or
a Bonnie Lass.

I am sorry to say Father
is worse again today, he
has had another of his ^{bad} turns
I hope however he will be
a little better again tomorrow
Kindly excuse this scribble I am
writing under disadvantage, It

or 5 persons talking in the
same room & every now & then
taking my attention.

Alice joins in Love to
all. Hoping to find
you have survived on
Wednesday.

Yours very truly,

Nancy Hall

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Dedication

To

Sir Edmund A. T. Lechmere Bart M.P.
Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire.

Right worshipful Sir

You have kindly consented to accept the Dedication of this Record of Masonic Antiquities. It affords me the opportunity of testifying to the thoughtful interest you have ever taken in the well-being of the Brotherhood, and which in a great measure has been the mainspring of this, and other movements, having for their object the welfare of your Province.

The present is an earnest effort to further the cause of Masonic research, by bringing together a collection of Masonic Antiquities and Literature, so as to admit of personal examination by those who otherwise may not know of their existence, as well as to enable Ladies, and some who are not Masons, to view a little of the exotic portions of Craft history and symbols, which I trust may result in an increase of regard for our time honoured Institution.

No word of mine can adequately describe the kindness, and ready ~~generous~~ response I have received on all sides, to every appeal for help. You will I know unite with me in tendering to "one and all" our grateful thanks, and especially to Brother Hughan, the well known Masonic Historian, who has freely & generously placed his time and information at my disposal.

I am Right worshipful Sir

Your obedient servant, and faithful Brother

George Taylor

Summerdome Villa
Kidderminster



GUILDHALL, WORCESTER.

25th Augt 1884

Dear Sir,

In consequence of
the death of Mr Geo Woodward
a familiar friend of mine I
do not feel at liberty to avail
myself of the compliment
of your invitation

Yours Truly

J. H. Pymond

G Taylor Esq

Barnard Castle

25 Aug 1804

Dear Mr Bro

I am very sorry
to learn the contents
of your note

The exhibits were
given to a glass
& china dealer here
to pack & send off
to you I considered
no one could be

more experienced

I visited him &
send you his of

& state when sent

If I find they were
dispatched on the
15 Aug from the
station here. Both
return by 10

I think they must
have received but
arrange in transit
I am afraid
you have great
responsibilities of over
articles of most
valuable to them

papers

fully returned you

Wm. Richardson

I will see ~~you~~

Gilman

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