



Aug. 28 1834

Pro Taylor Esq
Dear Sir

I have received —
Catalogue along with —
Post Card for which I
am obliged I now enclose
you 2/6 in Stamps cost
of same — & remain

Yours very faithfully

A. W. Tration

Per 1834

Please acknowledge

Kidderminster

Town Hall Malton

28th Aug^t 1884

Dear Sir & Mrs

Enclosed please find P. Order
Value two shillings and six pence
for the very valuable Copy of
the Catalogue which you
have sent me. I shall prize
it as a memento of what
I conceive to be a most
interesting gathering of Masonic
valuables. I hope that the
very great expense that you

Must be put to in carrying out
so grand an exhibition will not
result in pecuniary loss to the
promoters.

With my fraternal regards

I am &c &c

Yours truly

John Marshall

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WILLIAM DAWES,
SOLICITOR & NOT. PUB.

Watch-Bell Street,
Rye, Sussex.

28 Aug 1884

Dear Sir & Co: W: Geo:

I enclose you per
Order of C for copy Catalogue
and should like to
have another for my
own book shelves

Noting you are
enjoying success after
your great exertion

I remain

Yours truly

W: Dawes

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1 Sherborne Villa

Spa

Gloucester

August 29 1884

Dear Mr. Brooker,

I am much obliged to you indeed for sending me the catalogue of your exhibits which is very creditable to your zeal and industry and Masonry is much indebted to you.

We have formed a committee with the sanction of Provincial Grand Lodge at my suggestion to write a History of Freemasonry in this county.

It has long been a favourite idea of mine to look up

Masonic relics in this faintly

enclosed Post Office order

Five Shillings and will you
please send me a second copy
of the catalogue for 15/6

With thanks for information

I am Dear Sir Brother
Yours very truly
Henry J. G.

George Taylor Esq
Bidderrminster

29 Aug^r 1884

Dear Sir & Mrs:

Many thanks for the
Catalogue which was sent
to me here as I am on leave
I am glad you see you
have sent a very good
display and trust you will
have many to see it I enclose
you 2/6 as you wished.

Yours fraternally

A. W. M. Gaskell

Ivy Lodge,

Stoneygate,

Leicester

Aug. 29. 1884

Dear Sir & Mrs.

I do not receive
the interesting catalogue
of the Exhibition - which
I greatly regret not being
able to visit -

I should like to have
a catalogue for our
Masonic Hall Library
and enclose Postal Order

No 57 - in payment
of the two copies.

I regret that the two
additional articles
sent with my contribu-
tions were too late for
Mr. Hughes - as I had
been at the sea-side
in the interval

Believe me
Yours fraternally
Wm. Kelly

Mr. G. Taylor
P. O. Secy. &c

Chauvhill House,
Oldswinford.

29th Augth 1884.

George Taylor Esq^r

Summerdyne Villa

Kidderminster.

Masonic Soiree

Dear Sir & Bro^s

You will remember my speaking to you on the stairs at the Soiree respecting Bro Clulee seeking admission & having no ticket, also Penthen & Cookson - the two latter having rec^d theirs but left them at home: you said all those who applied have had their tickets & there was a list at the doors whose names were in, could be admitted without their tickets. (I also apologized for the absence of Bro Foul: & asked you to be good enough to apologize for my absence from P. B. Lodge). I immediately went to the Bro^r at the door receiving the tickets (Bro Barkely, I think) & told him what you said - he then said that in consequence of so many applying and the space being limited, no one could be admitted without a ticket or unless their names was on the list - I had therefore to make this reply to Clulee Penthen & Cookson - over

My object in writing to you is to show that I did try to get Clelee admitted and offered to Mr Bartley(?) to vouch for him, but all to no purpose.

I intend showing a copy of this letter to Mr Clelee, & will thank you for permission to show him.
Yours reply -

I must also express my regret ^{for} troubling you, as I know the worry you have necessarily suffered, in bringing the Exhibition to such a successful issue.

Thanking you in anticipation of your reply.

Believe me Dear Sir & Mrs.
Faithfully & fraternally yours.
Isaiah Foley?



Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society,

MIDLAND BRANCH

21, Bennetts Hill, Birmingham,

R. J. S. PEROWNE,
DISTRICT MANAGER.

29th Aug^r 1884

Dear Sir & Brother

I have been expecting a line
from you as to the amount you
wish placed on the Curious
in Masonry at the Guildhall
Worcester. Kindly say and
oblige

Yours fraternally

R. J. S. Perowne

Rev. Taylor Esq
Summerdown

Kidderminster

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Wm & Mrs

I hope the subscription of our
Annual I send you reached you all
right. And also the paper before
Please return subscription at your earliest
convenience to above address

I am Wm & Mrs
Yours truly

William Brown

S.R.B.

EVERSHOT,

DORCHESTER.

30th Aug. 1884

Dear Sir & Bro.

I enclose Postal order
for 2/9 (which will I presume
cover postage) & shall be
glad if you will send me
by post a copy of Bro: Taylor's
Catalogue of the Masonic
Exhibition at Worcester.

Yours frat.

J. R. Baskett

J. LAUGHTON,
CORN MERCHANT,
WHARFINGER &c.

Gainbro. Aug 30 1884

G. Taylor Esq
Huddersfield

Dear Sir, Thanks for the
Catalogue etc. If you can send
me a newspaper with a report
I shall feel much obliged. I should
have liked so much to have come
but it is so far & business calls
me elsewhere

Yours faithfully & fraternally
J. Laughton

Rev. A. Woodford Certificates

St. Nicholas Lodge - Newcastle on
Tyne holder of the Grand Lodge of
England ^{Nov 7th} 1797.

Certificate to Bro. James Richard
son. M.S. throughout.

In the head "Lumen lucens oriente
lucet ubi pax et silentium req-
nant" — Seal missing—

Newcastle on Tyne Lodge no 26.

Certificate to Bro. Robert Cant

~~no date (apparently about 1800)~~

From 15. 1815 —

Lodge Seal in Fin box
attached.

Newcastle on Tyne Lodge no 26.

Certificate to Henry Clayton, notifying
that he has given a Donation to
that Lodge "entitling him to every right
& Privilege for life that an ordinary
member of the Said Lodge can enjoy"

Date. March 1st. 1819.

Seal of Lodge attached -

Newcastle on Tyne - Atholl Lodge
no. 131.

Certificate to Brother Herman
Kippen

Date Sept 18. 1813.

Seal missing -

Liverpool - Mariners
 Lodge - no 362.

"Duly constituted by His Royal
Highness G. P. W. and
Masters of Antient Masons
in England" -

Certificate to Bro John
Gibson

Date Dec. 7. 1809.

Seal suspended -

In the East,

In the East a
peace of Rest
where reigneth
Science & Peace

The light shineth
in Darkness but
the Darkness
Comprehended
it not -

Memorandum

FROM

John Toper,
Window Blind Manufacturer,
20, Old Cavendish St. Oxford St.
W.

TO

London 30 Aug 1884
Mrs Taylor Esq
Summerdown Villa
St Albans

@ Mr & Mrs Toper

My Son in my absence has
been corresponding with you
with reference to the watch
I sent as from 13 No. Pall Mall
that I made him a present of
also the watch to Mr. Lincoln
I have another watch similar
& if you would like one I shall be
very pleased to make you a present
of it

I had 2 days made out of the
Chips but - they are nearly all gone

I will send 4 Catalogues
that is 3 more I'll pay you
together

Yours faithfully
John Jones

John Jones



Trafalgar College,
Newport, Isle of Wight. 30th Aug: 1884

Dear Bro Taylor

With best thanks I enclose herewith a
P.O.O. for 10/- for the 4 copies of Catalogue
sent to me & I was glad to read in
the "Freemason" under the article relating
to the Worcester Meeting -

Should there be any fuller account
in a local Newspaper would you
kindly send me a copy.

With every good wish

Faithfully & fraternally yours

Geo. Wyatt

To

Geo. Taylor Esq -

P. O. Sec. Worcester

THE PRIORY MOUNT.
MALVERN.

Aug 30 1874

Dear

I took the photographic copies of pictures, of which I wrote you, into me at the Soiree, but everyone was so much occupied that I said nothing about them - I don't know whether you can in any way dispose of the copies I have left 100 of each into the keeper of the

Guildhall and should be glad to hear what you think
about it.

I am

J. M. Munday

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23. Silverwell Street.

Bolton 30th Aug. 1884

Dear Brother Taylor

I must heartily congratulate you on the success which has attended your efforts to gather together such a valuable collection of Exhibits at Worcester. I should say myself that never in this country before has such a success been achieved. It however tends to show the immense number of Masonic Curios of various kinds which are scattered about all over the country.

I much regret that I was unable to run over to Worcester for the Exhibition and to personally congratulate you.

What an immense labour it must have been to you if only for the correspondence to say nothing of the preparation of the catalogue respecting which I will simply say it is perfect

reflecting the highest possible Credit
to yourself and Brothughan. I
gladly accede to your request to
remit 2/6 for the Catalogue as it
is valuable for future reference.

I am pleased to observe that
you are issuing a medal commemora-
tive of the Exhibition. When you
return my box of Exhibits please
enclose me one of the bronze ones

I enclose postal orders for 6/.
being for Catalogue 2/6
Bronze medal 3/6
6/.

With fraternal regards and best
wishes

Yours faithfully,
Almer Newton

CUMBERLAND STREET,
BIRMINGHAM.

Aug^r. 30th
1884

George Taylor Esqr.
Worcester.

Dear Sir

I enclose Postage Stamps
2/6 in payment for Exhibition
Catalogue forwarded.

Yours truly
for J. S. Collins

Ja.

write to Mr. Binns
write to date for op
get the points of

Kidderminster

May I ask your fraternal help in the following. I have a number of Catalogues of the recent Masonic Exhibitions - all however the information they afford will make them a valuable reference. I hope to come - I would like to pass on a few. I send me by this post of your address at least price of and will feel obliged for your aid in shipping of ~~the~~ the same, and I will either send all to you or direct by post on recd. of names & addresses

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My dear Sir

Feb.

Thanks to God for
trying to depress the Durbar
interests. Please send
them back to me at your
convenience - and believe
me, I am as grateful for

Your endeavours as if you
were successful. I am sorry to tell
you my father is now in the
hospital & is now Dr. Keightley's patient

Yours ever much & affectionately
Maria Keightley

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Mem^o. from John Yorke.
W. G. Taylor, Esq. Keddernimsta.

ANTIENT & PRIMITIVE RITE OF MASONRY.

WITTINGTON,

MANCHESTER, Feb^y 28th 1885

Dear Sir & Mrs.

I enclose you 2/6 for a copy of the ~~Man~~ Catalogue of
the Worcester Masonic Exhibition, which please
forward to me.

I would have sent for it before but did not know
where to write to for it, until I saw it named
in last week's Freemason.

These exhibitions ought to do great good and
I should like to see them extended.

J. Taylor & Co

London March 4 1883

Bought of J. B. Lippincott ^{Comp^y}

PUBLISHERS,

15, Russell Street, Covent Garden.

150 MARKET ST PHILADELPHIA U.S.A.

1 Marvin's Masonic Medals	2/08	2	10
1 Coin of Grand Masters of Maltes			12 6
	Postage		9
	nett	£	3 3 3

sent per Parcel Post

By cheque
March 10 1883
J B Lippincott & Co
15 Russell Street
Covent Garden



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23. Silverwell Street.

Bolton 6 March 1885

Dear Bro. Taylor

I saw the other day in Manchester a really handsome masonic china or porcelain bowl on sale at Mr. Cox's, old china dealer, Half St. Cathedral Yard. I do not myself profess to understand much about old china. Mr. Cox described it to me as Lowestoft ware or old English & the date he gave was from 1770 to 1780. It is a white bowl perfectly round and at the top is $11\frac{3}{8}$ inches diameter. It is embellished with masonic devices of, I think, a reddish brown colour generally.

Inside the bowl at the bottom are the two pillars between which is I think a blazing sun. Round the inside of the bowl are the sun moon & seven stars.

Outside the bowl a rim at the top consists of endless serpents (similar to centenary jewel) alternating

with a floriated device

On the sides are square level
Klump rough & perfect Ashlar
square compasses Bible Beehives
rule parallel lines arc &c &c

It is really a splendid article
He wants 11 or 12 guineas for it
I told him I was not a jewelry
buyer but I had a friend who
might do so.

If you think you would like
it & communicate with him
& mention my name he will
know that I have written you.
He is not a mason.

I was very glad to see your
list of notes & queries of the
country stewards to. Jewel

Yours faithfully

James Newton

I should not buy
do not care much about
them things, as they can
be picked up at a
cheap rate at a
workshop
JN

Emlyn Lodge House
March 8th 1885

Dear Bro Taylor

In addition to those I offered you yesterday I can obtain the following

Morris' 191	5" 0
" 192	6" 0
85 or 86 *	3" 0

Please reply by return

Yours fraternally

Geo Taylor

Geo. L. Shackles

Lumley Hill
Kiddermaston

Yasway
Mar 11/88

Dear Mr Taylor

I overlooked your note
re the medal. I quite forget the
price. It is silver, and of value
just make the lot 4.00, on the other
side, and that will suffice for me.

I feel almost too much interested
in the collection as presented, and therefore
consider its liquidation should be void.
The collar could not be obtained at twice
or three times the cost now, that is certain,
and therefore if it is offered at what it cost
you a handsome gift will be made the
how. to all intents and purposes.

Call at the Lechmere Masonic Museum,
and start it soon. Life is short, and when
once it is really inaugurated, with a grand
Banquet Speeches &c., many will give to it,
under your able & forlorn care &
see the side } Yours as
W. Hughes

Old Mark Jewel 15.0

Italian Jewel 10.0

Silver Cross Keys (Pens) } 15.0

Old Mark Jewel } 15.0

Memorials 1-1.0 3.0

Old Red. Jewel say 13.0

a cheap lot - £ 4.4 0

Others are for cents 1767

and remainder a gift

*Callanay, Architecture
Gibson in the East Jewel
Mason's Dyles, Pens*

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Yours truly

Mar 11/85

My dear Mrs Taylor

My lecture resulted in
the 3^d & 5 guineas to the local Mas. Socy. - Done. - Done.
last eve, and went off well. But you had been there.

You have got a Jewel that I never heard
of my 71 Forestoft. It must have been struck
in 1847 or thereabouts, but without consent of the
Sh. as only lately the he has got an ordinary
beetle heart. I am much pleased thereat.

It is not known to Masons, because not.

Done, as I had intended to oblige him.

Re herbaris. all or none is his motto, or let
them alone.

I send another parcel to-day. Have received
Dr. Haec's permission to copy of my "Memorials"
for you. Do not care to sell it under 2/- because
I don't want them to go cheap, as only 200
were issued. I send to you at that, but
and you to accept all the rest excepted, which
are all good and valuable, save the
two Jewels sides, worth 15/- are they
not beauties for the money?

Memorials 2/-
Two Jewels in 15/- (sides)

Wrote & in fact
both, peculiar

Re Books. I am going to borrow some and
I want you to place a number of can

I offered Mrs. Bywater my Book for
his, but even then he delayed, as he has
but a few. I value mine much & feel
sure you will think ~~it~~ one well-worth, for
its most readable and interesting.

Saml (and I) are getting on with Vol 4
of the History, but it takes time. We
are on p 430, out of the 500.
Re Poley. Gundersen's History is a beauty.

— With these we need such
a Library. all well

I never thought of your seeing
your friend collected. Why? Keep
fast to the facts for its location, and
depend upon me any way.

I want to save mail

Yours

W. H. Hays

Such is a Temperance jewel

George Taylor Esq
Summerdyne Villa
Kiddeminster
4. Turrey Street. Norwich.

BAILEY, CROSS & BARNARD.

11th March 1885

Franklin & Bro

I am in receipt of your letter
of yesterday's date advising me
of despatch of parcel & now
enclose £ 3. 3. 6 for Books &c.

I have the Pocket Companion 1764.
I don't know whether this Edition
ought to have a frontispiece. My
copy has not one. If the copy you
have to spare has one I should
like to have it. The medals you
sent me you quoted as medals
Nos 44. 39. 21. & 11. & in addition

of these I have about 4 varieties
of Sketchley's halfpence. As soon
as the marwin comes to hand I
will send you list of numbers.
I should like to have the 191. 198
& 85 & also the Prince of Wales
Installation Bronze medal if you
can secure them for me. I am
obliged to you for hint as to binding
marwin. I think it will be a
good plan. I will write & acknowledge
the parcel when it comes to hand
With many thanks

Yours faithfully

J. W. Barnard



MEMORANDUM

11 March 1885.

George Taylor Esq.

Dear Sir,

Very glad to receive

your letter, though we can assure

you it is a real pleasure to be able

to do a little toward your excellent

object.

The late Mr William Bragg
in the course of his series of

collections knew every collection in

the Times you name, as well as

every Dealer. We shall probably
have addresses of a number of them
shortly and will see what can be
done.

We are much obliged to you
for lending us those rare and valuable
authorities & returns safely to
hand. They will help much and
every care shall be taken of them

Yours faithfully

J. V. I. Bragg

George Taylor

Summerdyne Villa

Kidderminster

4. Surrey Street. Norwich.

BAILEY, CROSS & BARNARD.

12th March 1885

Dear Sir & Brother.

The parcel is safely to hand.
Very many thanks for the York
Catalogues - I have not been able
to take more than a cursory
glance at the view yet - but it appears
to be a grand work and well worth
a diligent perusal.

Yours faithfully & fraternally

G. W. J. Barnard

replying to your note -

Yours very truly

Leicester

J. Taylor Esq.

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Yorquay
20/3/85

Dear Bro. Taylor

I rejoiced to hear
of your labours. I know what it
all means as a household of the
deposed West of England Brethren.
A good light in the clouds is seen,
& trust all will soon be well.

Thank you for the paper on other
side - I wrote you yesterday about
the jewel - It was an error. It was
one given over by an old Lady
which belonged to her husband, and
is useless. I send the right one
now, with other odds, all the odds
except some as follows.

Dr Jeth's Work	6.0
12 at Jewel 1825	8.0
Worked Camp Relief	} 2.6
Relief some a leaf (1764)	
at end	16/6

Do not remind what you move off the Brethren.
Disappointed the Brethren have done better.
Obliged to you all the same. I sent you 10 copies
I enclose 2 more, which was made 12. at 6p. each.
Yours are Affectionate

Geo. Taylor Esq
to W. Hughan

Jewels & Books £3.11.0

Jersey Mar 20/83

Received of the above

W. Hughan



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SHACKLES & SON,
SOLICITORS.

7 LAND OF GREEN GINGER,

HULL March 13th 1885.

Dear Bro Taylor

I send herewith the P. Comp^s 1764.
and debit you 9/-

I have today sent for the 3 (not 4) medals viz:
Marvin 191. 198 + 850. 86 (along with
some others for myself) and I expect they will
be here on Wednesday or Thursday when I
will send them to you.

Thanks for disposing of the P. Comp^s.

Yours fraternally

Wm Taylor

Geo. L. Shackles

Summerby ne Villa

Huddersfield

Advant

13th March 1889

Dear Bro Taylor

Thanks for a charge
which came to safe to hand

I should like the 1st vols of the
Mag & Mirror of complete with
Titles and Indexes for £2
I suppose there was no Title
issued for the last vol July to
Nov 1871

Rowley's Travels of Cyrus
I hardly think has any bearing
on F.M. anyone to make up
the parcel would take it

Robinson's Proofs I have a copy

I will send you a list of my
duplicates shortly as you may
perhaps find a purchaser for
some of them, or you can
inform me of any one wishing
to complete sets.

With fraternal regards

I remain

Your faithfully

J. H. Francis

Report: from M. Maggs.

Brookseller, 159. Church St.
Paddington. London W

Free Museum.

Heideloff (Carl). Die Bauhütte der
Mittelalters in Deutschland
several Munich plates. 4 to
beds Nürnberg 1844.

4/6

POST CARD



THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.



George Taylor Esq
Summerdyke Villa
Kiddersminster

George Taylor Esq
Summerdyke Villa
Kidderminster
4. Surrey Street. Norwich.

BAILEY, CROSS & BARNARD.

14th March 1885

Dear Sir & Mrs:

I have looked up the medals
you sent me in margin & the
numbers are

18
191
214
493

I don't mind having two of 191 -
It is sometimes useful to have a
duplicate or two for the purposes of
exchange.

Fraternally Yrs
J. W. G. Barnard

Grand Secretary's Office,
Freemasons' Hall,
Great Queen St., London, W.C.

15th March 1885

Dear Mr Taylor

I am sorry to say I have not yet been able to do anything for you in re the old mazo indeed I have been so closely occupied with official duties that I have not had time for anything else.

I am particularly sorry you did not let me know before the reason you did not give me an answer as to the other I concluded you really did

care for them and have
written to a wealthy friend
in Nebraska who if he has
not already got them in his
library would I think give
a good price for them.
However, as you know, I am
not particularly anxious to sell
them in a hurry as they are
sure to increase in value
every year. If he buys them
I may have another set by
the time you want them
indeed I have now a nearly
complete set handsomely and
uniformly bound which I

think I can complete
with, ^{out} much difficulty but
I should not break them
at 1840 for anyone, though
I might sell them to my
American friend if he is
willing to pay my price for
them. instead of the set
we have been writing about
so long, must wait and
have his answer before
deciding. meanwhile if
you come across any at a
cheaper rate you had better
buy them for there are very
few sets about for sale.
only let me know if you

will as to complete your set, so
that I may know what to
think if I see you I might
not risk sending the point of
cold mason here, the mason
that I have mentioned, though
I would not like to see him
with packing case in hand
you must let me get it done
in your own way, I will
is better in this sheet frame
he may be able to do anything
I have not seen but I should have
it mounted on a canvas frame
with cross bars using good
paste for the mounting, and
the frame itself should
be made with cross bars, that is the
way to do it.

Grand Secretary's Office,
Freemasons' Hall,
Great Queen St., London, W.C.

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Now does our a/c show?
I almost forget but think
it is as follows

Shinar bezon 1800 ✓ 10/-
Constitutions 1819 ✓ 10/-

R.A. Regulations 1869 & 1875 at 2/- 4/-
do do 1823 (very thin) 5/-

I forget whether you paid me
for the calendars last sent

1-9-0
10 6
18 6

If the above is not right please
correct it

I owe you 10/- or 10/6 for the 1863 bag

5, HANOVER SQUARE. W.

London March 16. 1885.

Dear Sir & Brother

May I ask as a great
favour, if you have a
copy to spare of your
Catalogue of the "Worcester
Masonic Exhibition". I
should greatly value it.
And as exchange is always
fair, I will ask your
kind acceptance of the
accompanying little
book about "Lawrence

Dear Mr G.S."

With fraternal greetings

I am Sir

Yours truly

W. H. G. Water



George Taylor

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B^y 16th March 1865

Dear Mr. Taylor,

Yours of 11th duly reached me, and I am very grateful to you for all the trouble you have taken to give me the information I asked for. Certainly I didn't expect you to go so thoroughly into it.

You need not inform me how many & varied are the sacrifices a business man must make for Masonry's sake - only those who are either troubled with business, having nothing to do & too much time to do it in, or those who make a trade of it, are ignorant of the fact.

I understood Port. Gould it was to 25 extra he expected to get for his library but even then in its present condition it is a pitiful affair and - £20 for him: is as you justly say, a farce!

I can not follow you in your very truthful remarks, and I will acknowledge that I had hoped the meanness & littleness of my Masons, as they are at the present day, were almost unknown to you. Why I should, from my own experience, think so, is what I can't exactly explain. But I have come to this conclusion, that a popular Mason remains still popular so long as he confines his aspirations to the narrow channels of Lodge hospitality

and does not, (even if he be the only W.
who can do it properly) shew any superiority
by doing too often what his Brethren
are too indifferent & in part too many
cases unable to do, of the work of the
Lodge. Let the most worthy W. try to
rise and by his study & research endeavor
to elevate his W. and he is forthwith
banned as an unnecessary evil!

But the whole thing is the result, in
my opinion, of our having generally
been too loose in admitting members of
our Lodges; and a new school exists at
present calculated to do much harm
for years to come. A large proportion of
the initiates of the last 9 years have
never expected Freemasonry to be what
they have found it; and these, from whom
Masonry can expect nothing, obstruct
all Masonic progress & do their best to
injure Clubs of their Lodges. I am one of
those who cannot bear to attend my Lodge
and hear Masons quarrelling, for altho'
I have told non-Masons, who complained
to me of the perfidy of members of my
own Lodge, that Masons are very much
like other men, I must say they are

The most despicable of wolves in the matter of quarrels. The most trivial matter sometimes sets the whole body in a blaze of snappish controversy & wrangling disagreeable even in a parlour! Thank God there are some of the old lot left yet to try and win these black sheep to a better state of mind & with it a better knowledge of our grand old Order! This then is a sorry subject.

I note you accept Birkham's History of Menden Lodge which I will send you when the latter has been bound. As regard the G.S. report for Decr. 1871 I will make enquiry. If this is all you want to complete of it and I cannot meet with it elsewhere I will cut it out of my own vol for you as I have it. I will also keep my eye on your other wants.

Again thanking you for your long letter & its information
Believe me
Yours sincerely
James W. Puley

Geo. Taylor Esq



MEMORANDUM

March 17th 1885

G. Taylor Esq.
Dear Sir

Herewith please find
invoices of the various medals
& which we trust you will
find correct. Kindly check
them & oblige

Yours very truly
T. & J. Bragg
A.S.

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8. Asholl Place
March 18. 1885.

Dear Sir & Brother

In the Freeman of last Saturday the 14th inst. I read that you have a Catalogue of some Masonic Library, if so, may I beg you to have the kindness to lend it me for one day only, to see if it contains any of the works, which ~~have~~ are in the library of the Grand Lodge of Scotland and which have

REV. T. T. T.
SOMERSET

been given by the late
Dr. Morrison of Incefield.
They are mostly very valuable
French Manuscripts and
large beautiful works about
800 in number.

Hoping that you will
grant my request, I remain
dear Sir & Mother

yours fraternally

J. T. Lott 33rd

P. M. N. 48, the last repre-
sentative of the F. O.
of France

J. Taylor Esq
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I have secured a copy of Dr Lott's
with a note. It is on its way. Price 6/-
Better than the 16/- or 2/- lately asked —

Have you had a small book entitled

Royal Freemasons of S. W. Meth? If not, I have
secured one for you 2/- yours.

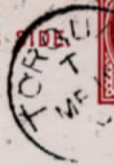
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