

To all and every our Worshipful and  
Brethren.

I Albert Hudson Royds Esquire Provincial Grand  
Master for Worcestershire under the authority of the most Honorable  
The Marquess of Ripon, K. G. the most Worshipful Grand Master of the  
United Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of England,  
and Brethren.

I have by virtue of the patent or Power <sup>and duty</sup> granted to me by  
the most Worshipful Grand Master and conformably to the laws and constitutions  
of the Grand Lodge in that behalf made and also of the great trust and confidence  
reposed in the right trusty and well beloved Sir William Massfield P. M.  
I do hereby constitute and appoint <sup>and duty</sup> Sir William Massfield P. M.  
my Deputy Provincial Grand Master and do fully authorize and empower  
him in my absence for me and in my name to preside over the Royal Craft  
in Worcestershire and to regulate the Lodges therein and also to receive  
Provincial Grand Lodge or General Communications for the same in conformity  
with the Laws of the Grand Lodge or such to be ordered and placed as to him may seem  
expedient and necessary and then and there to appoint Provincial Grand Wardens  
and other Officers for the Provincial Grand Lodge and generally to do and perform  
all such Acts in my absence as I might lawfully do if present. I do nevertheless  
in such directions and instructions as may at any time give touching the said matters  
occur. And I do hereby strictly require my said Deputy to take care that  
all and every the Lodges in the province and the Brethren thereof respectively  
do conform to and observe the Laws Constitutions and Ancient  
Regulations of the Craft.

Given under my hand and seal at <sup>Dudley</sup> Kidderminster the 14th day  
fourth day of June A. D. 1873 M. 5873 4.

A. H. Royds

