To all and every our
Worshipful and loving Brethren.

I Sir Edmund A. H. Lechmere, Baronet M.P. F.S.A. &c &c. Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire under the authority of His Royal Highness Albert Edward Prince of Wales, K.G. K.P. &c &c Most Worshipful Grand Master of the United Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of England

Send Greeting:

Know ye that by virtue of the Patent or Warrant to me granted 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 Brother William Masefield P.M. P.P.S.G.W. I do hereby constitute appoint and depute him the said William Masefield my Deputy Provincial Grand Master and do fully authorize and empower him in my presence for me, and in my name, to preside over the Regular Craft in Worcestershire, and to regulate the Lodges therein and also to convene Provincial Grand Lodges, or general communications for the same, in conformity with the Laws of the Grand Lodge, at such times and places 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, Subject nevertheless, to such directions and instructions, as I may at any time give, touching the said matters or otherwise. And I do hereby strictly enjoin 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 Worcester this seventh day of August A.D. 1878. A.L. 5878.

Edmund A. H. Lechmere
Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire

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