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DUDLEY CASTLE LODGE

No. 4437

Consecration Ceremony

at

The Temple, High Street, Dudley

Monday, 23rd October, 1922

Consecration

of the

Dudley Castle Lodge, 4437

by

The Right Worshipful Brother

General Sir Francis J. Davies

K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., P.G.D.

Provincial Grand Master

assisted by

The Wor. Bro. William Thomas Page, P.G.D.

Deputy Provincial Grand Master

and

Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire

at

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER DESIGNATE

Wor. Bro. C. W. Higgins

P.M. 498, P.P.A.G.D.C.

Provincial Grand Officers

assisting in

The Consecration Ceremony

Wor. Bro. S. S. SOMERS, G. Teas. Eng.,	P.P.G.S.W. as S.W.
Wor. Bro. W. SOMERS	Prov. G.J.W. as J.W.
Bro. Rev. E. GLYME-EVANS	Prov. G. Chap. as Chaplain
Wor. Bro. R. A. ERNEST PAYNE, P.A.G.D.C. Eng.	Prov. G. Sec. as Secretary
Wor. Bro. S. E. JAMES	Prov. G.D.C. as D. of C.
Wor. Bro. G. C. LING	Prov. A.G.D.C. as A.D.C.
Bro. A. M. SLATTER	Prov. G. Org. as Organist
Wor. Bro. F. DAWES	Prov. G. Purs. as I.G.

MUSIC

(Under the direction of Bro. A. M. SLATTER, Prov. G. Organist)

by

Wor. Bro. ENOCH RICHARDSON	Bro. ERNEST DAVIES
Bro. PERCY FULLWOOD	Bro. ERNEST R. LUDLOW

Order of Procedure.

1. The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room
2. The Consecrating Officer, accompanied by the Grand Officers, having entered in procession, takes the Chair and appoints his Officers
3. **Opening Hymn**

Hail Eternal by Whose aid	May our work, begun in Thee,
All created things were made;	Ever blest with order be;
Heaven and earth Thy vast design,	And may we when labours cease
Hear us, Architect Divine.	Part in harmony and peace
By Thy glorious Majesty,	
By the trust we place in Thee,	
By the badge and mystic sign,	
Hear us, Architect Divine. So mote it be.	
4. The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees
5. The Consecrating Officer addresses the Brethren on the motive of the Meeting, and calls upon the Chaplain to give the
6. **Opening Prayer**
7. CHANT (OMNES): " So mote it be "
8. The Director of Ceremonies addresses the Consecrating Officer
9. The Consecrating Officer replies and gives directions
10. The Brethren of the New Lodge are arranged in order
11. The Provincial Grand Secretary reads the Warrant
12. The Consecrating Officer enquires of the Brethren if they approve of the Officers named in the Warrant
13. The Brethren signify their approval in Masonic form

14.

An Oration

On the Nature and Principles of the Institution,
by the Chaplain

15.

Anthem

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together
in unity.
It is like the precious ointment upon the head that ran down unto the
beard, even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the
skirts of his clothing.
It is like the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion.
For there the Lord promised His blessing, and life for evermore.—
So mote it be.

16. **Dedication Prayer** (FIRST PORTION)

17. **CHANT (OMNES)**: " So mote it be "

18. **MUSICAL RESPONSE**.—Glorify be to Thee, O God

19. The Brethren turn towards the East whilst the
Consecrating Officer pronounces

The Invocation

20. **CHANT (OMNES)**: " So mote it be "

21. The Chaplain reads M. Chron., Chap. ii., verses
1 to 16

22. The Consecrating Officer directs the Lodge
Board to be uncovered, and the Consecrating
Officer and Wardens carry the elements
of Consecration three times round the Lodge,
halting in the east at each perambulation

23. Before the first circuit the Chaplain reads Psalm
lxxii., verse 16

24. The Brethren sing—

When once of old in Israel,
Our early Brethren wrought with toil,
Jehovah's blessings on them fell
In showers of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

25. The Consecrating Officer scatters corn—the symbol of Plenty
26. MUSICAL RESPONSE.—Glory be to God on High
27. Before the second circuit the Chaplain reads Nehemiah, chap. x., verse 39
28. The Brethren sing—
When there a shrine to Him alone
They built, with worship, sin to foil,
On threshold and on Corner-stone,
They poured out Corn, and Wine, and Oil.
29. The Consecrating Officer pours wine—the symbol of joy and cheerfulness
30. MUSICAL RESPONSE.—Glory be to God on High
31. Before the third circuit the Chaplain reads Exodus, chap. xxx., verses 25 and 26
32. The Brethren sing—
And we have come from all bands,
With joy and pride, and prosperous spoil
To honour Him by votive hands
With stream of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.
33. The Consecrating Officer pours Oil—the symbol of Peace and Unanimity
34. MUSICAL RESPONSE.—Glory be to God on High
35. Before the fourth circuit the Chaplain reads Leviticus, chap. ii., verse 13
36. The Brethren sing—
Now o'er our work this salt we shower,
Emblem of Thy conservant power;
And may Thy presence, Lord, we pray,
Keep this our temple from decay.

37. The Consecrating Officer sprinkles Salt—the symbol of Fidelity and Friendship

38. MUSICAL RESPONSE.—Glory be to God on High

39. The Consecrating Officer Dedicates the Lodge

40. Anthem

O how amiable are Thy dwellings Thou Lord of Hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Praise ye them that dwell in Thy house; they shall always be praising Thee. Hallelujah!

41. The Chaplain takes the Gesser three times round the Lodge, and halts in the east

42. Dedication Prayer (SECOND PORTION)

43. CHANT (OMNES): "So mote it be"

44. The Consecrating Officer Constitutes the Lodge

45. CHANT (OMNES): "So mote it be"

46. Anthem

Be thou faithful unto death and I will give to thee a crown of life.

47. Patriarchal Benediction

48. CHANT (OMNES): "So mote it be"

God save our gracious King,
Long live our noble King,
God save the King.
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

Lodge Business

The Installation of the Worshipful Master
Designate

by the

DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER

To elect the Treasurer

To elect the Charity Steward

To elect the Tyler

The W.M. will appoint and invest the Officers, and
invest the Treasurer, Charity Steward and
Tyler

To adopt the By-Laws of the Lodge

To receive propositions of Brethren wishing to join the
Lodge

To propose Candidates for Initiation

To collect Alms

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master and his Officers
will retire

The Lodge will be closed

Founders and First Officers

W.M.	W. Bro. C. W. HIGGINS, 498, P.P.A.G.D.C.
I.P.M.	W. Bro. GEORGE F. THOMPSON, 498, P.P.G.W.
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Ass. D.C.	W. Bro. WILLIAM THOMAS, 498.
Ass. Sec.	Bro. REV. SWAN GLYNN EVANS, 498, P.G.Chap.
I.G.	Bro. WILLIAM CHILTON, 498.
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J.S.	Bro. SAMUEL W. SIMMONS, 2889.
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S.	Bro. GEORGE A. WILKINSON, 252.
S.(Musical)	Bro. ERMERT DAVIES, 347.

W. Bro. JOSEPH ARROWSMITH, 498.
 W. Bro. WILLIAM SOMERS, 498, P.G.J.W.
 Bro. DANIEL OAKLEY, 498.
 Bro. ROBERT HARRY KING, 564.
 Bro. JAMES WHALEY, 252.
 Bro. JAMES N. CAMPBELL, 286.

Tyler Bro. OTHO SCOTT, Prov. G. Tyler.

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