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Provincial Grand Lodge of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of Rottinghamshire.

# ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

At the Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge, held at the

ALBERT HALL INSTITUTE, NOTTINGHAM.

On Tuesday, 11th December, 1928.

PRESENT— Provincial Grand Master: THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF PORTLAND, K.G. (Past Grand Warden).

Deputy Provincial Grand Master: THE VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER THE REV. H. T. HAVMAN, M.A. T.D. (Past Grand Complain).

And the following officers of PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE appointed 15th December, 1927.

Senior Warden Bro. C. W. Tooley, P.P. G.Treas	Lodge	No.	47
Junior Warden " W. Choplerd, P.F.S. of Ws	,,	,,	1405
Chaplain , Rev. C. M. Whee'er, P.Pr.G.C.	,,	,,	2412
Chaplain " Pet. A. A. Kerrioge, W.M	,,	,,	3956
Treasurer C. K. Kirkøy, P.Pr.G.Std.B.	,,	,,	3648
Registrar W. N. Parr, D.M	,,		402
Secretary, F. B. Whitty, P.G.D.	,,		2017
Director of Cers. , F. W. Marsh, P.M.			2553
Senior Deacon, A. Watts P.Pr.G.Stwd.			2302
Senior Deacon, " A Lone, P.Pr.G.Stwd			3916
Junior Deacon, " 1 Jacques, P.Pr.G.Stwd			3956
Junior Deaton , S. A. Bennett, P.M.			1434
Dep. Dir. of Cers., J. R. Robinson, P.M.			1794
Asst Dir. f Cers. , H. Smith, P.M.			1405
Ass Dr. cl Cers. , R. W. Rainbow, P.M.			2594
Let, Par. of Cers , F. H. Whetton, P.M.			3570
Assi, Dir. of Cers. , R. P. Keyworth, P.M.			3943
Sword Bearer , A. Goodall, P.M.		**	411
Atand, Bearer , J. Dixon, P.M.		**	1493
Stand. Bearer , W. M. Spreckley, P.M	.,		1794
Organist "B. Johnson, M.M.		"	3941
Asst. Secretary , H. B. E. Stevens, P.M.	"	"	3414
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Steward	**	**	3734
Steward	**	**	4014
Steward , T. W. Marriott, P.M	,,	**	4068
Tyler " H Walker, P.Pr.G.T			

There were also present :---

#### P.G.W.:

R.W. Bro. The Hon. G. V. A. Monckton-Arundell.

#### A.G.C. :

W. Bro. Rev. W. S. Hildesley.

#### P.A.G.C.:

W. Bro. Rev. E. S. Morse.

### P.A.G.D.C's.:

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#### P.Pr.G.W's.:

W. Bros, A. Aldam, Sir A. E. Blake, J. G. Spendlove, J. T. Perr, W. J. Abel, J. S. Bridgett, A. G. Mellors, W. Phillips, A. H. Komer, C. W. Gowthorpe, E. G. Loverseed, F. T. Rushner, L. Rockley, C. Hemsley, C. A. Charlton, G. Marriott, J. M. Furrow, W. Stokes and A. J. Payne.

#### P.Pr.G.C's:

W. Bros. Revs. J. E. Dallimore and H. Cagryst Derby). (P.P. 6. C

### P.Pr.( 27...:

W. Bros. W. Cowern, W. Aridge and P. H Kettley.

Y.T.G.R's. . Shacklock, J. W. Hind, G. T. Simpson W. Bros. W. J. Board, In and W. Gamble.

#### P.F :.G.D.C's.:

W. Bros. F. J. Trout, A. Bessell, A. C. Huthwaite, J. Aldworth, W. P. Backland and E. JI. George.

#### P.Pr.G.D's.:

W. Bros, V. H. Frury, J. Bell, G. H. Blatherwick, J. G. Redgate,
W. Hyde, F. Vhitt, F. Rayner, J. S. Ebblewhite, C. Lymn,
F. Bradley, W. A. Clarke, G. T. Lovett, S. H. Newton, L. E. Button,
F. H. Baran, R. S. Earp, H. Jones, J. N. Derbyshire, J. R. Lee,
A. Mat, er, E. D. Jackson, S. A. Hargrove, C. W. Long, W. J.
A. Hul, J. H. Williamson, J. T. Webster, C. H. T. Hayman,
J. C. Phillips, W. J. Kent, L. C. B. Appleby, J. Terry, W. Hollingworld, F. W. Moulds, C. M. H. Thompson, D. W. H. Phipp and
C. E. Howitt C. E. Howitt.

#### P.Pr.G.S's. of W's.:

W. Bros. A. C. Vallance, H. C. Sheldon, J. A. Simons, A. E. Roe and J. Holroyd.

#### P.Pr.G.Dep.D.C's.:

W. Bros, H. S. James, A. E. Beal, W. K. Clarke, F. Brook, R. Bavin, J. B. Coleman, H. E. Branston, W. S. Bass, E. Chambers, J. T. Dewick and W. S. Ellis.

#### P.Pr.G.A.D.C's.:

W. Bros, W. J. Hodgson, O. Lyon, G. W. Hart, A. Derry, D. Oubridge, G. W. Harris, L. Jones, A. E. Martin, J. C. Wilson, J. H. Clarke, H. F. N. Hine and E. H. Price.

#### P.Pr.G.Swd.B's.:

W. Bros, W. H. Perry, H. Carnell, J. Pycroft, W. Hobson, H. Roberts, R. F. Hubble, J. W. Pacey, W. H. Shaw and F. W. Barnes.

#### P.Pr.G.Std.B's:

W. Bros, J. W. Carson, J. W. P. Chambers, Sir A. Ball, J. Keetler A. McCulloch, W. H. Thomas, H. Brewer, J. Stewart, W. H. May J. H. Thompson.

#### P.Pr.G.O's:

W. Bros. G. Ryde, C. F. C. Hole, F. W. Christall and C. E. Pindar

#### P.Pr.G.P's:

W. Bros. G. B. Boon, C. J. Hofton and W. Davis.

#### P.Pr.G.A.P's:

W. Bros, A. A. Hindley, H. Cooper and J. E., Lerding,

#### W.M's:

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W. Bros, E. Stevenson 47, W. Vesser 11, J. G. & wson 939, H. R. Cobbin 1405, J. A. Brown 1434, F. V. Shaw 1/35, C. Wheatley 1493, J. T. Harrison 1661, H. H. Broy, r 1794, R. S. Marchant 1852, G. Randle 1909, E. Williamson 3302, A. S. Kata 2553, A. B. Frost 2594, A. G. Attenborough 2800 J. Themas 3106, G. R. Richardson 3219, A. Jenkins 3300, C. Stevens 34 A. G. Terry 3416, R. Bruce 3441, C. A. Hemsley 149, W. P. B. Van 3550, P. C. G. Bunn 3570, E. B. Hibbert 3648, Y. C. Thorpe 4658, H. J. Pinnington 3734, G. Burlinson 3852, C. S. Harris, 3916, A. E. Raynor 3941, A. E. Sutton 3943, W. P. Voolston 395, F. O. Dunn 3998, E. A. Abell 4014, W. Stok'sser, 4068, F. J. Harris 4316, A. H. Elliott 4415, C. F. Hammelsey 4753, W. Padget 4907 and C. W. Long 4933.

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W. Bros, H. S. Clarke and J. T. Whitehorn 47, B. Hallam, H. Knight and A. E. Lose by ±1, C. H. Eccles 939, A. Grey, F. B. Clarke and V. H. Pike, 405, £. B. Stocker and R. G. Law 1434, F. Plumb, J. Barett and W. Hill 1435, H. W. Smith and A. J. Wilson 1493, W. W. Ford 13°1, W. H. Stevens and A. B. Gibson 1794, H. Morgan 1802, F. H. Wardle, E. J. Mays, J. Wilson and H. W. Saunderson 1909, J. V. Palmer 2017, E. A. Chapman, F. H. Richardson and W. F. 174ly 2302, S. J. Flood 2412, H. Oscroft and A. C. Cooke 2553, R. E. Barks, T. A. Scotton and C. P. Walker 2594, T. F. Revol, E. H. Palmer and J. H. Cooper 2890, C. Buckley (3055 Derby), R. P. J. Bennett, H. J. Winkley and J. E. Shaw 3106, A. R. Stevens, W. G. Thoms and W. E. Sands 3219, F. W. Topham, W. Warburton and P. C. Williams 3300, H. W. Burgoyne, A. E. Sisling and C. W. Buckland 3414, W. H. Warsop and H. G. Limb Sisling and C. W. Buckland 3414, W. H. Warsop and H. G. Limb Sisling and C. W. Buckland 3414, W. H. Warsop and H. G. Limb 3416, R. E. Abbott, H. W. Shipman and H. W. Mace 3441, R. D. Walker and F. H. Willatt 3498, W. R. King and J. H. Lee 3550, J. Phillipps and W. E. Phillipps 3570, W. W. Warren 3658, F. C. Bush 3852, B. C. Whitty 3916, G. Meakin 3941, T. E. Burrows and C. Mitchell 3943, A. A. Aitken, H. Lowater, C. J. Walkerdine and T. W. Smith 3956, W. B. Sutherland and J. W. Bain 3998, J. J. Bowler and J. A. Hardy 4014, T. Roberts Jr., 4068, C. E. Jarvis 4316, A. Stone 4415, S. E. Baynes-Smith and R. B. Wight 4467, and E. S. Seath 4933.

#### Wardens:

Bros, H. Harris 47, S. W. Pennington 939, E. R. Burton and W. E.
White 1405, F. C. Mathieson and H. B. Fletcher 1434, G. E. Mellors and C. R. Bavin 1435, W. H. Lester 1493, T. A. Lacy 1661, J. H. Ratcliffe 2017, R. H. Ross 2302, J. Aked and J. T. Hodgson 2412, S. T. Rigley and A. R. Cuckson 2553, H. V. Hancock 2594, J. F. McLellan 2890, C. A. Taylor 3106, F. Allcock 3219, H. C. Prince and C. M. Barton 3416, Rev. H. Gorse and G. T. Branston 3441, G. Birch 3498, H. Steel and J. Garthwaite 3550, H. G. Maule 3570, W. H. Carter 3648, F. Snencer and E. A. Smith 3658, A. Marston W. H. Carter 3648, F. Spencer and E. A. Smith 3658, A. Marston 3734, W. Hall 3943, E. A. Carver 3956, C. Marshall and T. Clough 3998, P. W. Hobson and G. L. Morris 4316, F. Allcock 4467, W. F. Hardy and J. Irving 4933.

#### Master Masons:

118 Master Masons signed the Tyler's Register.

#### Visitors:

- Rt. W. Bro. C. E. Keyser, P.G.W., Pr.G.M. of Kerrs.
- Rt. W. Bro, C. E. Keyser, P.G.W., Pr.G.M. of Herts.
  Rt. W. Bro, Sir Alfred Robbins, P.G.W., Prévieert Board
  W. Bro, Col, J. M. Wingfield, P.G.D. 330.
  W. Bro, Brig.-Gen, E. C. Walthall, P.G.D. Tep.Pr.G.M.
  W. Bro, Major T. Lumley Smith, P.G.D., G.S.M.M.
  W. Bro, J. Cook, P.A.G.D.C.
  W. Bro, C. D. Eaton, P.A.G.D.C.
  W. Bro, T. A. Lawson, P.Pr.G.V., Merby,
  W. Bro, W. C. Pegg, P.Pr.G D.C., Derby,
  W. Bro, W. Foxon, P.Pr.G.D., West Vrk.,
  W. Bro, J. D. Daymon, P.M. 1021 Board G.P. of
- ι f Derbys,

The Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 11.0 a.m.

- The roll of Pr. G. L. Officers was called. Three who were absent had sent apologies.
- The roll of W.Ms. and Wardens of Lodges in the Province was called, all Lodges being represented.
- The Provincial Grand Master announced that the first duty was to proceed to Goldsmith Street in order to lay the foundation stone of the New Masonic Hall and called upon the Director of Ceremonies to form a procession to accompany him to the site.
- On arrival the procession was met by Bro. Atkey, the Lord Mayor of Nottingham, who remained during the ceremony of laying the foundation stone which was performed with great dignity and impressiveness by the Provincial Grand Master who was assisted by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, V.W. Bro The Revd. H. T. Hayman and by W. Bros. C. W. Tooley as Pr.G.S.W., W. Shepherd, J.W., Revs. S. M. Wheeler and A. A. Kerridge as Chaplains, C. K. Kukby, Treasure, W. N. Parr, Registrar, F. W. Marsh, D.C., H. C. Sheldon as Supt. of Works, and F. B. Whitty and in R. E. Stevans Secretaries, R.W. Bro. G. Monckton-Arupaler JW.M. 1892 and W. Bros. W. Stokes, Jr., W.M. 4069, T. W. Shaw, W.M. 1435 and C. F. Hammersley, W.M. 4753.
- The Provincial Grand Mast r (who has presented with a gold trowel by W. Bro. C E. How et the architect, and with an ivory maul by W. Iro. G. E. Bucher) addressed the assembly as follows:

#### Brethren,

Very few words from me are necessary on this occasion. The Hall the foundation-stone of which I am about to have the pleasure of laying, is to be erected, as I think you are all aware, on the site upon which we are assembled, and also on that of the existing Hall on the South side, which will be demolished as soon as the first part of the new building is completed.

Cue existing Hall which is no longer adequate for the needs of the Province, was erected in 1880-1, and was conscrated on 2nd July, 1881, by Colonel Shadwell Clarke, at that time the Grand Secretary of England, in the presence the tenth Duke of St. Albans, who was my immediate predecessor as Prov. Grand Master of Nottinghamshire.

It is interesting to recall the fact that the estimated cost of that Hall, including land, building, decorating and furnishing, was under  $\pounds 6,000$ .

As Income Tax was then only 5d. in the pound, I think you will agree with me that conditions of life at that time were easier than they are in these days. But we must in justice credit the Brethren who erected that Hall with a considerable amount of enterprise, seeing that there were then only seven Masonic Lodges meeting in Nottingham, whereas now in the City and its suburb West Bridgford the number of Lodges is thirty-two.

This progress of our Craft is very gratifying to us, and I am sure that we all hope that Masonic principles may continue to attract new adherents when the Brethren are able to meet in the New Temple which will in due time arise on the ground where we now stand.

The ceremony being over the Prov. Grand Master effected with deep feeling to the very serious illness of H & Majesty and called on the brethren for the National Antheo. The procession was re-formed and returned to the Albert Hall Institute. Prov. Grand Lodge having re-assembled, the Prov. Grand Master called on W. Bro. W. Shoherd to call the brethren from labour to refreshment and the meeting adjourned for lunch which was excellently served in the Palai de Danse ballroom, after which the R.W. Prov. Grand Master, in proposing the loyal toast, said : "At this time of profound national anxiety I rise to propose to you with very solemn feelings the health of His Mojesty the King Hovering at this time as he is between life and death. I am perfectly certain that our hearts go out to him now—h that were possible with even more than our weal loyalty and our usual devotion. For our hearts are heavy with a wity, and it is impossible for anyone, however eloquent, to give adequate expression to his feelings.

"We one and all, an sure, most profoundly pray that the Great Architect or the Universe may in His great mercy spare the life of our b-loved Sovereign and grant him renewed health and strength to continue his benevolent reign for more years to come. To her Majesty, I feel sure, we desire to extend our nost heartight and respectful sympathy, and we trust that strength and courage will be given to her Majesty to enable her to withstand the stress and strain of the terrible time of anxiety through which her Majesty must now be passing.

We do hope that the Prince of Wales will arrive safely in London, either this evening or to-morrow morning, for we know that the presence of his Royal Highness cannot fail to be of great comfort and support to their Majesties at the present time."

His Grace then read the bulletin relating to the condition of the King issued at 11.15 that morning.

The toast of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G., was submitted by the Prov. Grand Master and duly honoured, The Prov. Grand Master in proposing the toast of the New Masonic Hall, said : "I am sure that we all look forward to the completion of the work that we have begun to-day. I am sure, that we all most heartily wish happiness, success and prosperity to those who will use it in our own time, and to those who will use it in future times.

"This is certainly an important day in our Masonic Life and in our Masonic Calendar, and we are all delighted that a number of distinguished brethren from other Provinces are with us on this auspicious occasion. I assure each one of then that we welcome them most heartily and fraternally, and on your behalf brethren I thank them most warmly for having been so kind as to honour us with their presence at this busy season of the year."

"Whilst tendering the heartiest of welcom's to them all, I should like to say that we feel it a special satisfaction to welcome the Lord Mayor of Nottingham. Boo. Atkey who in spite of many heavy engagements has holoured us by his presence and also R.W. Bro. Charles Keyser, Pr.G.M. or Hertfordshire, who is well-known as a most devoted supporter of our three great Masonic Charities; to velcome R.W. Bro. Sir Alfred Robbins, President of the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge, and Freemasoury's great administrator; to welcome W. Bro. Major Cectl Adams, M.C., secretary of the Royal Masonic Benevol et Institution; to welcome Colonel Wingfield, 33rd degree, formerly will known here, as Inspector General in the Rose Croix Chapter, to welcome W. Bro. Lumley Smith, the secretary of Grand Mark Lodge; to welcome as we have done bern our stainch friend, Brig-Gen. Walthall, Deputy P.G.V. of Derly, who is accompanied by three of his principal Officers; to we come Bro. Eaton, from Worcester; to welc me Bro. Wilson, the secretary of Warwickshire. Then we had looked forward to the presence of W. Bro. Burnett-Brown, Grand Superintendent of Works. Unfortunately he net with an actident yesterday which has incapacitated him from comulg here. We hope he will soon recover from that accident and that we shall on a future occasion see him amongst us. I may mention that W. Bro. Burnett-Brown gave a very helpful criticism of our architect's plans.

I think that many of the distinguished brethren I have mentioned, have not visited us before. If they are as pleased to see us as we are to see them, I certainly hope that they will give us the pleasure of seeing them on future occasions.

"Brethren, now I give you success and prosperity to our new home. May it soon be completed."

The Very Worshipful the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, in proposing the toast of "The Visitors," said: The Prov. Grand Master has already mentioned the names of our visitors and has told them, in his own name and in the name of the Province, how delighted we are to see them amongst us today. As our time is so limited I am going to content myself by submitting the toast of the health of our visitors, and coupling with it the names of Sir Alfred Robbins, President of the Board of General Purposes, one in whom we have the greatest possible confidence, and Brigadier-General Walthall, Deputy Prov. Grand Master of Derbyshire, a Province with which we are so intimately connected."

Rt. W. Bro. Sir Alfred Robbins, replying to the toast, said : "We are warned in our Masonic rules against introducing innovations in the body of Masonry, but I feel that a slight innovation has been introduced to-day in calling upon the torespond to this toast without giving me a moment netice. And if I had not had to respond to similar toasts on former occasions I might have failed in my modest endeavour to reply on this occasion, and to pay adequate tribute to the wonderful work which your Provincial Grand Master his Gale for Freemasonry for so many years. I am emboldened to say a few words to express my delight at being present with you to-day. Your Provincial Grand Master said that some of is who are visitors had never been with you before. Frankly that is for a very good reason. We do not attend many privite assemblies because we are not invited to strend. Bay Assure you if I am invited to come amongs, you again I shall be moved to accept because of the very plendid reception you have given us to-day.

You have to-day inaugura ed a work in Nottingham-the capital of your Privince-with which we at Freemasons' Hall have every sympathy. We are engaged in our own task of building. We have our own difficulties. Don't imagine your difficulties have been colleary. Our difficulties have been enormous, be ause at a time with the income tax at four shillings in the pound we have asked for a million of money for the erection of a building in London which will be the absolute centre of the Masonic energy of the British Empire. We hope to raise a memorial to those Freemasons who fought and who ten in the War, a memorial which will be worthy of them-if anything can be worthy of them. Towards the million pounds which we have asked for, already £800,000 has been subscribed, and whave begun our work. You have begun yours with the customary energy of your Province and I have no doubt you whave begun our work. You have begun yours with will beat us in the end. You will open your building before we open ours. I do hope-and I throw out this hint to your Provincial Grand Master-that I shall be here when you open your new building. Brethren, I congratulate you on showing that the Freemasons of this generation are stronger in fibre, deeper in hope and more earnest in purpose even than the great Freemasons who gave us our heritage in the past. And as long as every Freemason lives up to the great traditions of Masonry, relies upon its great ideals, and is determined to practise in private life that which is taught him in his Lodge,

so long will our ancient institution stand pre-eminent amongst the great Masonic bodies of the world as embodying those principles into which we were brought in our Masonic life and in which we shall hope to pass away (applause).

W. Bro. Brig.-Gen. E. C. Walthall said : "I am very pleased to have the opportunity of addressing a few words to you to-day. I have come here to express to you the very warm sympathy that the Province of Derbyshire has with you in the great undertaking you have inaugurated to-day so success fully. The last time I came here I had only very recent, taken up the office I now hold. At that time I had your me W. Bro. Gilman who was very well-known to you ts me Provincial Grand Secretary of Derbyshire. I regret to say he is now no longer with us. I have with me to-day W. Bro. Cook who still carries on and has established frinself as my right hand. I have also with me to-day our new Provincial Grand Secretary who I am glad to see sitting next to W. Ero. Whitty. On behalf of the Province of Darbyshire I desire now to offer to W. Bro. Whitty what I have already expressed to him personally-hearty congratulations upon the honour conferred upon him by Grand Lodge. I assure you his promotion is very much appreciated in my Province, and p should also like to congratulate W. Bro. Hildesley upon the Grand Lodge honour which he has recently received. Bro. Hildesley is wellknown in Derbyshire.

Brethren, when I received you nevitation I felt that whatever happened I mult be present a your foundation stone laying ceremony to represent the Province of Derbyshire. Unfortunately shah not be able to attend the meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge, and I new eike the opportunity of presenting a cheque to you, building fund from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Dersyshire. It is only a small cheque, a token of our interest in you, undertaking and we felt that we would like the name of our Province of appear in the list of subscribers to the fund. I thank you for your reception of me and can only again express my very warm appreciation of your hospitality."

Ero. Whitty added : "May I say that a few days ago I received a cheque from our old and dear friend W. Bro. Cook for he same purpose.

The Prov. Grand Master said: "Before we adjourn I am perfectly certain that I shall be only fulfilling the most heartfelt wish of every member of this Province when in the first place I thank Sir Alfred Robbins, not only for his presence here to-day, but also for the encouraging and appreciative words he made use of in his speech. He referred to the fact that I had said some of our guests to-day had not been here before. I won't say that he chided us: that would be using too strong a word, but he hinted that the reason possibly why he and others had not been here before was that we had not invited them to come. I admit that has been a very serious omission on our part, and I assure you it will not occur again. Indeed I venture now to extent to them a most cordial invitation to come here again as our guests when the happy day arrives for the consecration of our new temple. I should be guilty of a serious omission if I did not on your behalf thank our very esteemed friend the Deputy Prov. Grand Master of Derbyshire not only for his charming speech, but also for the very handsome cheque which he has brought us from the brethren of his Province. We reciprocate most warmly every-thing he has said, and not only so but we thank hit and also W. Bro. Cook, for the very practical many r in which they have shown their good feeling toward, b's Province. I am very glad to say that when recently I had the honour of being the guest of the Prov. Grand Master of Derbyshire, I found him in much better health. I am sure you will all join with me in wishing the Province + Derb, shi e success and prosperity, and continued health to the Depity Prov. Grand Master, and renewed health to the Duke of Devonshire, the Provincial Grand Master.

And now I ask you to join with me in drivking to the health of two brethren who give pic enormous help. One of them, our Deputy Prov. Gra d Master, it forms me that in the coming year he will celebrate his go den wedding. I am quite certain that his companion in life during that very considerable period has been a great bappiness to him, and the best thing I can wish him on y ar behalf and my own behalf is still more years of happiness. I am exceedingly grateful to him for the great here he gives me; and with regard to our Prov. Grand Schwary, all I can say is that not only day in, but also night out he wirk, for the benefit of the Craft, and I assure him with all yuch we are most grateful to him for all that he does."

The Deputy Lrov. Grand Master replied : "I am exceedinglobliged to the Prov. Grand Master for the very kind way in which he has proposed our health, and I am glad to be able to rise because I feel there is a tremendous amount of truth in the suggestion made by my neighbour on my right (Rt. W. Bre C. E. Keyser) that we ought not to separate without trinking to the health of our Prov. Grand Master. And no one is more fitted than Bro. Keyser to undertake the task of proposing that toast."

The Prov. Grand Secretary in his response, said : "We have already been reminded by Sir Alfred Robbins that I have failed in my duty in not inviting him here before. I accept the reproof, but the explanation is simple. He is so eminent a brother in the Craft and has such enormous demands upon his time, that, as the representative of a comparatively small Province, I have never dared to approach him until the occasion was something of first importance. To-day we had ventured to hope he would come; he has delighted us by coming, and more than that he has promised that he will come on another occasion."

Rt. W. Bro. C. E. Keyser, said : "I am sure you all feel with me that our meeting would be incomplete if we did not express our appreciation of the splendid work your Prov. Grand Master has carried out this morning. As the Master of a country Province, I know how important it is that the brethren should have the opportunity of meeting in a suitable building. I think therefore you will agree that your Froy Grand Master has added to his popularity to-day by coung here to lay the foundation stone of the splendid tende you will have before long. We outsiders know what a great position your Prov. Grand Master occupies in this country, and the large number of engagements he has to get through. All the same he has attended here to-day to perform this ceremony. I have never heard a ceremo w of consecration and I have heard many—done in a more beautiful and solemn way than it was done on this occasion and I ask you to express your gratitude to your Prov. Grand Master for the splendid work he has done in this Previne."

The toast was drunk with enthesiase, and the Prov. Grand Master responding, said: "I vesture to thank you, R.W. Bro. Keyser, for the kind manner in which you proposed my health. I am ruch gratified that you have been so good as to commend the manner in which I performed the ceremony this morning. I usure you that such commendation, coming from such an one and experienced Mason as you, could not but be pleasing to use. Apply ou, brethren, I thank for the cordial manner in which you received the toast, and I venture to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year."

The single of the National Anthem brought the pro-

### TERNOON PROCEEDINGS.

The brethren having returned to the Albert Hall Institute, the Prov. Grand Master directed the Pr.G. Junior Warden to call the brethren from refreshment to labour, and the business of Provincial Grand Lodge was resumed at 3 p.m.

The Right Worshipful Provincial G.M. was saluted in antient form with 7.

The Very Worshipful Deputy Prov. G.M. was saluted with 5.

The Right Worshipful Brethren, Sir A. Robbins, C. E. Keyser and Hon. Monckton-Arundell with 5. And in accordance with their rank the other officers of G.L. were saluted with 3.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge, held at Nottingham, on Thursday, 15th December, 1927, having been circulated to every member of Provincial Grand Lodge, were on the proposition of Bro. A. Mather, seconded by Bro. G. Monckton-Arundell, taken as read and confirmed.

The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master uddre sed the brethren as follows :—

#### Brethren,

Once again it is my privilege and my the to address you at an Annual Meeting of our Prov. G and Lodge.

The twelve months that have elapsed since I last had the pleasure of meeting you have in the main been uneventful from a Masonic point of view, but this morning I have had the gratification of discharging the important function of laying the foundation-stone of our new Hall in Belgrave Square, so that I think this year will probably rank as a memorable one in the annals of Nettinghamshir. Freemasonry.

A contract for the erection of the Hall has been accepted, and building oper tions will be begun in the immediate future.

The Ar hitec's estimate that the first part of the building, I mean that to be created on the recently acquired site, will be receive for occuration about 18 months hence, and that a further period of time months will be required for the demolition of the existing Hall, and the completion of the whole scheme

It is pleasant to learn that the issue of  $\pounds 20,000$  was quickly subscribed and that the greater part of the  $\pounds 20,000$  in gifts has been completed.

As it is possible that the cost of building and furnishing may exceed the original estimate, this Fund is being kept open, and it is hoped that those Brethren in the Province who preferred to reserve their contributions until such time as building operations were actually taken in hand, will now come forward in support of the scheme.

We have every reason to believe that we shall have a beautiful building, and one admirably adapted for its purpose.

You will, I think, be interested to know that the plans were submitted to Wor. Bro. Burnett-Brown, the Grand Superintendent of Works. Bro. Burnett-Brown, as I told you at the luncheon, met with an accident yesterday and is consequently unable to be with us on this occasion. We all very much regret his absence and we hope he will have a speedy recovery. We requested Bro. Burnett-Brown some time ago to examine and criticise our architect's plans, and having done so he wrote : "I have gone carefully through the plans, and I should like to congratulate the Architects on a very admirable scheme."

I think I need scarcely add that that report from such an eminent authority gave great satisfaction to all concerned.

I am sorry, Brethren, that our losses by death during the year have been heavy and serious.

The names of no less than fourteen officers o Pr.G.L. who have passed on are appended to the Report of the Conmittee of General Purposes.

Bro. H. Gover Ford was a man of night principle, possessed great ability and was an untiring worker. He was an Alderman and Under-Sheriff of this City; he can solicitor to he Masonic Hall Company; and in many way be rendered valuable public service, winning the esteem and regard of a who knew him by his unvarying courtesy and kindly consileration.

One name in the fist I cannot memory without a feeling of personal regret for B.o. J. W. Spedding was not only an enthusiastic Freemson, but he was a very faithful and devoted servant of my win or a grat number of years, and from my own knowledge. I can tend to his many admirable qualities and to his quite unusual powers of organization.

Since the issue of the Obituary list, I regret to say that Bro. George W. Dominy has passed away. He was a Past Wa den of the Province, and for many years he held office as Tressurer both of the Southwell Lodge and of the Annesley Chapter.

The, though he was not an officer of Provincial Grand Lodge, I feel that I must say how sorry we all were last week a the announcement of the death of Bro. John G. Hill, Master of the Lodge that is called by my name.

He was greatly interested in the welfare of ex-Service men, and for some years he organized concerts for the benefit of the paralysed men at Ellerslie House.

#### Brethren,

Grand Lodge has recently made representations on the subject of Masters appointing to office in their Lodges, brethren who have not been actual full members. I desire to draw your attention to the fact that such a procedure is *ultra vires*, and if any cases have occurred in this Province, I would point out to you that the practice should be discontinued. I would remind Worshipful Masters that honorary members are not entitled either to hold office or to vote on any Lodge business.

With regard to the Charities, I am gratified to note the increasing amount of contributions received from our Golfing and Bowling Associations.

These handsome results are due to the constant energy and spade work of the brethren who have identified the reselves with these organizations.

I desire to-day most heartily to acknowledge they services by giving them promotion which I am sure my deserve

Before leaving the subject of the Charices, I should like to refer to the announcement that has been made that I have consented to preside at the Annual restrival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution in 1922; if providence sees fit to prolong my life and to continue my health.

You may perhaps wonder why, since I have already presided once at the Festival of this particular Institution, one of the other great Charitic vias not chosen.

The answer is out simple. Whilst I have the greatest possible admiration for the exclusion work of the Boys and Girls Institutions, it so happens that during the last five or six years our Fronce has had to make calls upon the funds of the Ben volum. Institution greatly in excess of the sums we have been able to contribute to it, and it seems only fair that we should accempt to turn the scale.

I will remember, brethren, the wonderful way in which you radied rouge me in 1909, when you raised a sum that renained as a record until about four years ago. I have confidence a thinking that I may again depend upon your generous support and co-operation.

It is now my pleasing duty to congratulate two of our brehren whom the Most Worshipful Grand Master has appointed to office, first Bro. Hildesley who becomes Assistant Grand Chaplain, and second, it is my specially pleasant duty to congratulate Bro. Whitty, who becomes Past Grand Deacon.

I am sure that you will agree with me in believing that the recipients are thoroughly worthy of the honours accorded to them, and we all hope that they may long enjoy them. On your behalf I present Grand Lodge Clothing to Bro. Hildesley, and I should have done the same in the case of Bro. Whitty, but you will remember that he was the recipient of such clothing nineteen years ago. Brethren, I thank you for listening to me so patiently, and I conclude by wishing you one and all a happy Xmas and a prosperous New Year."

The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master presented Grand Lodge clothing to W. Bro. W. S. Hildesley on his appointment as Assistant Grand Chaplain.

On the proposition of Bro. A. E. Roe, seconded by Bro. A. G. Mellors, the Prov. Grand Treasurer's accounts were received and approved, and he was complimented on his excellent work.

The reports of the General Purposes Committee and of the Benevolent and Educational Committee were approver, on the proposition of the Deputy Prov. Grand Master, seconded by Bro. A. G. Mellors.

The reports of the W. Masters of the Province and that of the Prov. Grand Secretary were presented.

The Right Worshipful Prov. Grand Master mominated W. Bros. the Rev. E. St. J. Morst, J. Harron, White and A. G. Mellors to represent Prov. Grand Lodge on the General Purposes Committee, and W. F. o. T. Rober's as representative on the Benevolent and Educational Committee.

W. Bro. McCulloci, P.Pr.C.Std.B., having been recommended by the Committee of General Purposes, was unanimously elected Prov. G. Treasurer, on the nomination of the Provincial Grand Master seconded by the Deputy Prov. Grand Master.

The Kight Worshipful Provincial Grand Master directed Bro. T. Roberts to take the Senior Warden's chair, Bro. E. St. J. Murse to take the Junior Warden's chair, and Bro. A. Aldan to act as Inner Guard,

North and charked by the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master for their services.

The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master then appointed and invested the following brethren as officers of Pr v Grand Lodge for the ensuing year.

### PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

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These appointments and promotions met with general approval, a most emphatic welcome being accorded to W. Bro. Walter Cowern who is just recovering from a most severe illness.

The Pr.G.S. gratefully acknowledges the help he received from Bro. Bacon who took down the whole of the speeches.

A word of appreciation and congratulation is also due to W. Bro. F. W. Marsh, who directed the ceremonies throughout the day with marked ability.

There being no further business, Prov. Grand Lodge was closed in due form by the Rt. W. Prov. Grand Master at 4.40 p.m.

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Table shewing the state of Freemasonry in the Province for the year 1927-8

During the year brethren have been engaged in the redemption of their promised donations to the Masonic Million Memorial Fund and also in subscribing to the £20,000 Gift Fund towards the new Masonic Hall.

It was inevitable that under those circumstances subscriptions to the three great Masonic Charities would be adversely affected.

The local B. and E. Fund has been well supported. In addition to the amount given above, the Bowling Association has handed over £150 and the Golf Association £120.

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Apologies for absence were received from :--

M.W. Bro. The Lord Ampthill, Prov. Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Lord Cornwallis, Deputy Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Earl of Dartmouth, Pr.G.M., Stafford, R.W. Bro. Lord H. Cavendish-Bentinck, Pr.G.M.,

Cumberland and Westmorland.

R.W. Bro. Earl of Yarborough, Pr.G.M., Lines. R.W. Bro. The Duke of Devonshire, Pr.G.M., Derbys, R.W. Bro. Lord Lilford, Pr.G.M., Northants, and Hunts, R.W. Bro. Col. W. F. Wyley, Pr.G.M., Warwickshire, R.W. Bro. Viscount Lascelles, Pr.G.M., Yorks, (W.R.)

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W. Bro, C. E. Frobisher, Pr.G.Sec., West Yorks, W. Bro, C. Mintor, Pr.G.Sec., Lincs,

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