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PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE

OF

FREEMASONS.

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OF THE
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE
OF FREEMASONS,
PASSED IN THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE
HOLDEN AT THE
GOLDEN CROSS INN, BROMSGROVE,
ON THE
SIXTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, 5852.

PROVINCIAL GRAND OFFICERS

APPOINTED AT THE MEETING OF THE

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE,

JUNE the 17th, A.L. 5851, A.E. 1851.

Held at Worcester,

THE R.W. BRO. HENRY CHAS. VERNON,

Provincial Grand Master,

IN THE CHAIR.

Deputy Provincial Grand Master :

The R.W. Brother JOHN BROOKE HYDE,
P.M. of Lodge No. 349.

Provincial Senior Grand Warden .

Brother R. W. JOHNSON, W.M. of Lodge
No. 819.

OFFICERS FOR 5851.

Provincial Junior Grand Warden:

Brother B. L. STABLE, P.M., of Lodge
No. 349.

Provincial Grand Chaplain:

Brother the Rev. E. BRINE, A.M., of Lodge
No. 730.

Provincial Grand Treasurer:

Brother ELGIE, W.M. of Lodge No. 349.

Provincial Grand Registrar:

Brother FRED: N. GOSLING, P.M. of
Lodge No. 772.

Provincial Grand Secretary:

Brother D. W. NASH, of Lodge No. 349.

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OFFICERS FOR 5851.

Provincial Senior Grand Deacon :

Brother E. A. H. LECHMERE, P.S.W. of
Lodge No. 772.

Provincial Junior Grand Deacon :

Brother E. G. STONE, J.W. of Lodge
No. 349.

Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works :

Brother H. G. GOLDINGHAM, S.W. of
Lodge No. 349.

Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies :

Brother E. HOLLIER, of Lodge No. 313.

*Provincial Assistant Grand Director of
Ceremonies :*

Brother T. STEVENSON, of Lodge No. 838.

OFFICERS FOR 5851.

Provincial Grand Sword Bearer :

Brother C. CURRAN, W.M. of Lodge No. 824.

*Provincial Grand Organist :*Brother JABEZ JONES, of Lodges No. 349
and 772.*Provincial Grand Pursuivant :*

Brother J. J. WILLIAMS, of Lodge No. 349.

*Provincial Grand Stewards :*Brothers J. D'EGVILLE, H. GRAINGER,
J. R. HARRIS, J. MOSES, J. ASTON, and
J. WORLEY.*Provincial Grand Tyler :*

Brother W. H. DAVIS, P.M.

PROVINCIAL GRAND OFFICERS

APPOINTED AT THE MEETING OF THE

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE,

Held at Bromsgrove,

JUNE the 16th, A.L. 5852, A.D. 1852.

THE R.W. BRO. HENRY CHAS. VERNON,

Provincial Grand Master,

IN THE CHAIR.

Provincial Senior Grand Warden :

Brother E. A. H. LECHMERE, W.M. of
Lodge No. 772.

Provincial Junior Grand Warden :

Brother F. T. ELGIE, P.M. of Lodge No. 349.

OFFICERS FOR 5852.

Provincial Grand Chaplain :

Brother the Rev. C. ECKERSALL, A.M., of
Lodge 349.

Provincial Grand Treasurer :

Brother W. MASEFIELD, P.M., of Lodge
No. 750.

Provincial Grand Registrar :

Brother J. F. HORNSBY, J.W. of Lodge
No. 819.

Provincial Grand Secretary :

Brother D. W. NASH, of Lodge No. 349.

Provincial Senior Grand Deacon :

Brother E. G. STONE, S.W. of Lodge No. 349.

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No. 838.

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OFFICERS FOR 5852.

Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works :

Brother C. CURRAN, P.M. of Lodge No. 824.

Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies :

Brother ROBERT MARTIN, J.D. of Lodge
No. 772.

*Provincial Assistant Grand Director of
Ceremonies :*

Brother W. FRINGIE, W.M. of Lodge
No. 824.

Provincial Grand Sword Bearer :

Brother E. HOPKINS, of Lodge No. 772.

Provincial Grand Organist :

Brother JABEZ JONES, of Lodges No. 349
and 772.

OFFICERS FOR 5852.

Provincial Grand Pursuivant :

Brother H. M. WAINWRIGHT, of Lodge
No. 730.

Provincial Grand Stewards :

Brothers T. HARRIS, LUKE MINCHALL,
BENJN. MAUND, J. H. HOUGHTON,
J. HEMMING, and G. DEALEY.

Provincial Grand Tyler :

Brother JOHN STANLEY.

BY-LAWS
OF THE
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE
OF
WORCESTERSHIRE.

The Members of this Provincial Grand Lodge hereby resolve and declare that in all things not specially provided for in the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of England, they will be guided and governed by the following By-Laws:—

1. The Provincial Grand Lodge shall meet at least once in every year, at such time and place as the Provincial Grand Master shall appoint, and that

after such Meeting there shall be a Masonic Festival.

II. Every Brother on his first appointment to either of the following offices shall pay towards the fund for general purposes the following sums, viz:—

	£.	s.	d.
D.G. Master	3	3	0
G. Wardens, each.....	2	2	0
G. Chaplain.....	1	1	0
G. Treasurer	1	1	0
G. Registrar	1	1	0
G. Secretary	1	1	0
G. Deacons, each	1	1	0
G. Superintendent of Works	0	10	6
G. Director of Ceremonies	0	10	6
G. Assistant Director of Ceremonies	0	10	6
G. Sword Bearer	0	10	6
G. Organist.....	0	10	6
G. Standard Bearer	0	10	6
G. Pursuivant	0	10	6
G. Stewards, each.....	0	5	0

It shall be in the power of a Committee formed of the Provincial Grand Master, the Past Provincial Grand Master, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and the Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master, to remit any or every part of the above Fees of Honour.

III. Fees payable to the Provincial Grand Lodge :—

	£.	s.	d.
On the Initiation of a Candidate ...	0	5	0
On a Member joining a Lodge	0	1	0
Annual Subscription for each Member of the Lodge	0	2	0

IV. No Brother shall be allowed to rank as a Past Grand Officer unless he has duly and truly served his office and paid his appointed fee, or has had the same remitted to him according to the provisions of Rule II.

V. The Provincial Grand Stewards shall so regulate the Festival that no expense whatever be brought on the Provincial Grand Lodge.

VI. The Provincial Grand Lodge shall have power to vote any sum not exceeding Five Pounds to defray the extra expenses falling on the Lodge where the Provincial Grand Lodge may be holden in any year.

VII. All Petitions from Brethren applying for relief must be sent to the Provincial Grand Secretary, who shall notify the same to the Committee for investigating Petitions, which shall consist of the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and the two Provincial Grand Wardens for the time being, and that such Committee be requested to report

what sums ought to be respectively awarded to each of the applicants at the next Provincial Grand Lodge Meeting.

N.B. All Petitions must be certified according to the Forms required by the Grand Lodge of Benevolence.

VIII. The Chest, Furniture, and all the property of the Provincial Grand Lodge shall be in the care of the P.G.D. of Ceremonies for the time being.

IX. The Treasurer's account shall be Audited by two Masters of Lodges, to be appointed by the Provincial Grand Master, and certified at every annual Provincial Grand Lodge, and an abstract thereof printed and sent to the Worshipful Master of every Lodge in the Province.

X. The P.G. Secretary shall keep a Register in which shall be inserted the names of the present and past Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge present at each Provincial Grand Meeting, and the number of such Lodges as shall send their representatives to attend the Meetings; and he shall make minutes of all transactions that may be committed to writing, in order that the same may be laid before the Provincial Grand Lodge as often as required, which shall be fairly transcribed in a book to be kept for that purpose.

XI. At every Annual or Special Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge, the Provincial Grand Master, Deputy Provincial Grand Master or other Presiding Officer, shall nominate two Past

Masters to attend within the Porch of the Provincial Grand Lodge for the purpose of guarding, under the superintendence of the Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies and the Grand Pursivant, against the admission of any but those who are qualified, and have their proper Clothing and Jewels, and have signed their names to the accustomed papers.

XII. The Master or Secretary of every Lodge in this Province shall, on or before the First of June in each year, make a regular return of the Members belonging thereto, with the date of the initiation or joining of each Brother; and shall at the same time transmit the Fees due to the Provincial Grand Lodge, and in case of neglect,

after due admonition, such Lodge shall be reported to the Grand Lodge, and immediate steps be taken to cause its erasure from the list of Regular Lodges.

XIII. These Laws to be printed, together with the names of the Provincial Grand Officers, and distributed throughout the Province.

Passed in the Provincial Grand Lodge, holden at the Golden Cross, in Bromsgrove, on the 16th day of June, 1852.

HENRY CHARLES VERNON,

Provincial Grand Master.