

FORT ROYAL HOUSE
WORCESTER

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Dear Bro Howells,

Thank you very much for letting me see the copy of Life with the French Engraving of the Lodge. It seems rather a strange thing to choose to illustrate French History. The originals are rare but we have a copy in the Museum I should like to show you some time. It has about 17 different engravings of about 1745. They are very interesting & no doubt do represent the French working of that period. Masonry was only about 10 years old in France at that date & cannot have deviated much in that time from the English working. The plates were afterwards re-engraved in England

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about 1800 & a set of 7 hangings on the wall of the Museum.

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The engraver & Publisher in England was Pallas. When, in due course, you have finished with your copy of Life I would like to add it to the library. It would go in the same section as the copy of Tit-Bits which published a rendering of the Initiation Ceremony in fairly full detail.

Fraternally regards & thanks

Yours faithfully & fraternally,

Fred Underwood.